



GLOBAL PREFERRED SECURITIES TRUST

Investment Objective

The Trust's investment objectives are to provide holders of the units with a stable stream of tax efficient monthly distributions and enhance the total return with capital appreciation.



John Hancock Advisers LLC

Monthly Commentary for the Period Ending March 31, 2005

Preferreds sold off during March. In fact, it was the worst sell-off in preferreds since mid-2004. While the economy continued to expand, investors remained concerned about higher interest rates, inflation, oil prices, and the U.S. dollar.

The Federal Reserve raised the Fed Funds Rate again at the end of the month, in its expected "measured" manner, to 2.75%. The Fed has now raised rates a total of seven times since last June. After this latest increase, the Fed warned that inflationary pressures had picked up and that the pricing power of firms had become more evident. This statement sent stock, bond and preferred prices sharply lower. It was the statement about inflation that seemed to be the major catalyst for lower prices.

Late in the month, General Motors missed its earnings significantly. Its management stated they expect the company to generate negative cash flow of \$2 billion this year and cut the company's earnings per share range from \$4 to \$5 a share to \$1 to \$2 a share.

The Fed's statement, along with concerns about General Motors' financial condition and bond rating status, sent the 10-year Treasury note yield to a nine-month peak of 4.69%. The note finished the quarter yielding 4.49%.

Higher Treasury yields and oil prices, along with concerns about General Motors' financial condition, hurt bond and preferred market sentiment. Retail investors and some dealers bailed out of preferreds near the end of the month, which affected our performance. Auto industry preferreds were particularly hard hit. For the month, the best performing preferreds were the higher yielding securities, ex autos, as investors continued to favor these securities.

We believe the magnitude of the sell-off was a little extreme and that it will be just a matter of time before these securities bounce back.

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Top 10 Holdings

as of March 31, 2005

	% Of Mkt Value
Nexen Inc PRF	2.70%
HSBC Finance Corp PRF	2.40%
Telephone & Data Systems Inc PRF	2.20%
US Cellular PRF	2.20%
Public Service Enterprise Group PRF	2.10%
UBS Preferred Funding TR	2.00%
Duke Realty Corp PRF	2.00%
General Electric Cap Corp PRF	2.00%
FPC Capital I PRF	1.90%
ING Group NV PRF	1.90%



Portfolio Details

as of March 31, 2005

