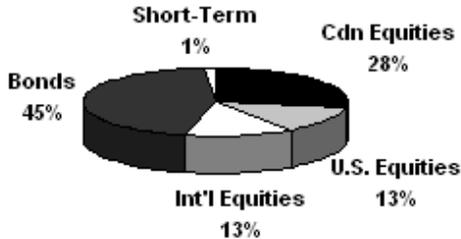


■ Contribution Fund Portfolio at Sep 30, 2004



The chart shows the holdings in the Contribution Fund as at September 30, 2004.

The Canadian equity and bond markets both produced positive returns in the third quarter of 2004. A big story in the quarter was the rising price of oil and the rapid rise of the Canadian dollar against the U.S. dollar. The Canadian economy is very dependent on natural resources and it was given a boost by the positive prospects for the future and the increase in the price of exported energy and commodity products.

The strong Canadian dollar meant currency losses for investors when the U.S. and Non-North American returns were converted to Canadian

dollar returns.

The S&P/TSX Composite Index (Canadian equities) gained 1.9% in the quarter, 6.8% year to date.

The S&P 500 Index (U.S. equities) fell 1.9% (U.S \$) or 7.4% (C\$) as the Canadian dollar strengthened relative to the U.S. dollar in the quarter. U.S. equities have returned -0.6% (C\$) year to date.

Non North American equities, as measured by the MSCI EAFE Index fell 1.0% in local currency terms and 5.9% in Canadian dollars. The index year to date return is 2.1% (C\$).

The Canadian bond market, measured by the Scotia Capital Universe Bond Index, rose 2.8% over the quarter and 3.9% year to date. The Bank of Canada raised the bank rate by 0.25% in September to finish the quarter at 2.25%. The increase was primarily due to stronger than expected economic growth and inflation remaining above expectations due to higher oil prices.

The market return for the SPP fund for the quarter was 0.8%, 5.7% year to date.