

# Aurora Sandringham Dividend Income Trust (ASX Code: AOD) Aurora Dividend Income Trust (APIR Code: AFM0010AU) Performance Report - March 2012

# Summary

- The strategy returned 0.4% for March compared to the Benchmark which returned 0.8%
- The Trust announced a cash distribution of \$0.014 per Unit for the three months ending 31 March 2012 which represents an annualised yield of 6.2%

# Performance<sup>1</sup>

	1 month	3 months	6 months	12 months	3 yrs (p.a)	5 yrs (p.a)	Since Inception (p.a)
Investment Strategy (AOD)	0.4%	4.8%	6.6%	0.3%	3.5%	4.5%	6.6%
Benchmark <sup>2</sup>	0.8%	4.7%	6.7%	-0.3%	8.2%	2.3%	4.5%
S&P/ASX200 Accumulation Index	1.2%	8.4%	10.7%	-6.1%	11.3%	-2.0%	2.3%
UBS Australia Bank Bill Index	0.4%	1.1%	2.3%	4.9%	4.4%	5.4%	5.5%

On January 31 2011 the AOD Trust commenced investing via the unlisted Aurora Dividend Income Trust. The performance information within this newsletter is that of the Aurora Sandringham Dividend Income Trust.

# **Investment Objective**

To provide investors with returns in excess of the S&P/ASX 200 Accumulation Index including the value of franking credits over rolling 5 year periods with around half the volatility.

### **Investment Performance**



# **Investment Strategy**

The Investment Strategy seeks to achieve the investment objective by investing in an actively managed portfolio of fully franked dividend paying companies listed on the Australian Securities Exchange while hedging the market exposure to around 50% of net assets. The Aurora Sandringham Dividend Income Trust invests into the Aurora Dividend Income Trust.

### How to Invest

The Investment Strategy can be accessed through either of two ways. The first is through the ASX listed Aurora Sandringham Dividend Income Trust, that was established in November 2005 and trades under the ASX Code: AOD. The second is through an unlisted managed fund, the Aurora Dividend Income Trust (ARSN 151 947 732, APIR Code: AFM0010AU).

### **Features**

ASX Code	AOD	
APIR Code	AFM0010AU	
Distribution policy	At least 1.5% of Net Asset Value per Unit per quarter <sup>3</sup> .	

# **Trust Valuations**

Strategy Size	\$21.0 million
Net Assets Value per Unit	\$0.9069
Net Assets Value per Unit-incl. franking	\$0.9355

### **Historical Volatility**

Strategy (since inception)	6.7%
S&P/ASX200 Acc Index (since incep)	15.3%

# Distributions (per Unit)4

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Period	Cash	Franking (%)⁵	Yield at NAV (p.a)
CY2006	\$0.0617	\$0.1395 (528%)	14.7%
CY2007	\$0.0815	\$0.0591 (169%)	15.9%
CY2008	\$0.0817	\$0.0369 (105%)	12.6%
CY2009	\$0.0400	\$0.0451 (263%)	11.6%
31-Mar-10	\$0.0160	\$0.0100 (146%)	9.9%
30-Jun-10	\$0.0160	\$0.0011 (16%)	6.6%
30-Sep-10	\$0.0150	\$0.0000	6.0%
31-Dec-10	\$0.0150	\$0.0000	6.1%
31-Mar-11	\$0.0150	\$0.0000	6.1%
30-Jun-11	\$0.0150	\$0.0346 (538%)	19.3%
30-Sep-11	\$0.0140	\$0.0000	5.8%
31-Dec-11	\$0.0140	\$0.0000	6.2%
31-Mar-12	\$0.0140	\$0.0000	6.2%
Total	\$0.3989	\$0.3263	

# Portfolio Commentary

The S&P/ASX200 Accumulation Index added 1.2% during March to close a very strong quarter for local equities underpinned largely by positive global sentiment, particularly towards the US. Materials were again a drag on the local Index as concerns over slowing Chinese demand culminated in the Chinese National People's Congress lowering the GDP target to 7.5% from 8%; the lowest since 2004.

Consequently BHP was the Trust's worst performing position. However, relative to the benchmark materials were actually a net contributor as Newcrest Mining- in which the Trust has an underweight position- underperformed the Index by 12%.

The cooling in Chinese demand and the anticipated impact on Australia's terms of trade led to steep falls in the Australian Dollar. This contributed to the outperformance of the Healthcare sector as a large proportion of their income is generated overseas. This income distribution also means that the Trust is underweight Healthcare as few companies generate franking credits. This contributed to the underperformance of the Trust.

The Trust's best performing sector was Consumer Staples with both Woolworths and Wesfarmers outperforming the market. Woolworths released first half results which showed good margin expansion amid a weak sales environment.

# Significant Portfolio Holdings

Company	Weight
BHP Billiton	21.0%
Commonwealth Bank	12.4%
Telstra Corp	8.9%
Wesfarmers	7.8%
Woolworths	7.1%

### Dividend Calendar

Company	Forecast Div	Ex Date
ANZ Banking Group	\$0.73	10/05/2012
Westpac Banking Corp	\$0.70	17/05/2012
National Australia Bank	\$0.90	1/06/2012
CSR	\$0.07	12/06/2012
Metcash	\$0.17	18/06/2012
Coca-Cola Amatil	\$0.29	7/08/2012
Tabcorp Holdings	\$0.26	7/08/2012
Alumina	\$0.04	13/08/2012
Rio Tinto	\$0.70	15/08/2012
JB Hi-Fi	\$0.50	17/08/2012

Source: Bloomberg. Note: The Trusts may or may not make investments in the above companies

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Aurora Global Income Trust

(ASX Code: AIB)

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(ASX Code: AUP)

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Notes: Since inception (17 Nov 05) the AOD Trust has delivered an annualised return of 6.24%, assuming distributions and franking credits are reinvested. 1. This represents a cumulative return and assumes the reinvestment of distributions and franking credits. 2. The Benchmark return is calculated daily as 50% of the return of the UBS Australia Bank Bill Index plus 50% of the return of the S&P/ASX 200 Accumulation Index. 3.The Trust intends to always distribute at least 1.5% of NAV, excluding any franking credits, per quarter regardless of performance. This means that if there is insufficient net income in a given quarter, investors may receive a partial (or full) return of capital. 4. Please note each historical distribution of AOD has been divided by eight to reflect the Unit split carried out in July 2008. 5. The percentage franked is based on a relative comparison to a Company that may pay a 100% franked dividend. A Unit Trust can accumulate franking credits and pass these through to Unitholders. Trusts can have distributions which include franking at more than 100%. \*The investment objective is expressed after the deduction of fees and before taxation. See the respective PDS for details on taxation. The objective is not intended to be a forecast, and is only an indication of what the investment strategy aims to achieve over the medium to long term. While we aim to achieve the objective, the objective and returns are not guaranteed.

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