WESTERN ASSET HIGH INCOME FUND II INC.

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### **UNITED STATES**

### SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

### **FORM N-CSR**

### CERTIFIED SHAREHOLDER REPORT OF REGISTERED

### MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANIES

**Investment Company Act file number 811-08709** 

Western Asset High Income Fund II Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

620 Eighth Avenue, 49th Floor, New York, NY 10018

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

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Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (888) 777-0102

Date of fiscal year end: April 30

Date of reporting period: October 31, 2015

### ITEM 1. REPORT TO STOCKHOLDERS.

The **Semi-Annual** Report to Stockholders is filed herewith.

Semi-Annual Report October 31, 2015

# **WESTERN ASSET**

# HIGH INCOME FUND II INC. (HIX)

INVESTMENT PRODUCTS: NOT FDIC INSURED NO BANK GUARANTEE MAY LOSE VALUE

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Fund objectives	

The Fund seeks to maximize current income by investing at least 80% of its net assets, plus any borrowings for investment purposes, in high-yield debt securities. As a secondary objective, the Fund seeks capital appreciation to the extent consistent with its objective of seeking to maximize current income.

Under normal market conditions, the Fund invests at least 80% of its net assets, plus any borrowings for investment purposes, in high-yield debt securities.

### Letter from the chairman

#### Dear Shareholder,

We are pleased to provide the semi-annual report of Western Asset High Income Fund II Inc. for the six-month reporting period ended October 31, 2015. Please read on for Fund performance information and a detailed look at prevailing economic and market conditions during the Fund s reporting period.

I am pleased to introduce myself as the new Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Fund, succeeding Kenneth D. Fuller. I am honored to have been appointed to my new role. During my 27 year career with Legg Mason, I have seen the investment management industry evolve and expand. Throughout these changes, maintaining an unwavering focus on our shareholders and their needs has remained paramount.

As always, we remain committed to providing you with excellent service and a full spectrum of investment choices. We also remain committed to supplementing the support you receive from your financial advisor. One way we accomplish this is through our website, www.lmcef.com. Here you can gain immediate access to market and investment information, including:

Fund prices and performance,

Market insights and commentaries from our portfolio managers, and

A host of educational resources.

We look forward to helping you meet your financial goals.

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Jane Trust, CFA

Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer

November 27, 2015

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# Investment commentary

#### **Economic review**

The pace of U.S. economic activity was mixed during the six months ended October 31, 2015 (the reporting period ). Looking back, the U.S. Department of Commerce reported that second quarter 2015 U.S. gross domestic product (GDP growth was 3.9%. Relatively solid growth was driven by increasing exports, accelerating personal consumption expenditures (PCE), declining imports, expanding state and local government spending, and rising nonresidential fixed investment. The U.S. Department of Commerce s second reading for third quarter 2015 GDP growth released after the reporting period ended was 2.1%. Decelerating growth was primarily due to a downturn in private inventory investment and decelerations in exports, PCE, nonresidential fixed investment, state and local government spending, and residential fixed investment.

The labor market was a tailwind for the economy during the reporting period. When the period began, unemployment was 5.5%, as reported by the U.S. Department of Labor. By October 2015, unemployment was 5.0%, its lowest level since April 2008.

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# Investment commentary (cont d)

#### Market review

### Q. How did the Federal Reserve Board (Fedirespond to the economic environment?

A. The Fed took a number of actions as it sought to meet its dual mandate of fostering maximum employment and price stability. As it has since December 2008, the Fed maintained the federal funds rate<sup>iii</sup> at a historically low range between zero and 0.25% during the reporting period. At its meeting that concluded on July 29, 2015, the Fed said, The Committee currently anticipates that, even after employment and inflation are near mandate-consistent levels, economic conditions may, for some time, warrant keeping the target federal funds rate below levels the Committee views as normal in the longer run. At its meeting that ended on September 17, 2015, the Fed decided to maintain the target between zero and 0.25%. At its meeting that concluded on October 28, 2015, the Fed said, In determining whether it will be appropriate to raise the target range at its next meeting, the Committee will assess progress both realized and expected toward its objectives of maximum employment and 2 percent inflation.

#### Q. Did Treasury yields trend higher or lower during the six months ended October 31, 2015?

**A.** Both short- and long-term Treasury yields moved higher during the reporting period. When the period began, the yield on the two-year Treasury note was 0.58%. Its low for the period was 0.55% on both May 15, 2015 and July 8, 2015, and it peaked at 0.82% in mid-September 2015. When the reporting period ended the yield on the two-year Treasury note was 0.75%. The yield on the ten-year Treasury note began the period at 2.05%. Its low for the period of 2.01% occurred on August 24, 2015. Its peak of 2.50% was on June 10, 2015 and the ten-year Treasury note concluded the reporting period at 2.16%.

#### Q. What factors impacted the spread sectors (non-Treasuries) during the reporting period?

**A.** The spread sectors posted mixed results during the reporting period. Due to weakness on several occasions during the reporting period, high-yield corporate bonds and emerging market debt were among the weakest performers over the six months ended October 31, 2015. In contrast, sectors that are generally less sensitive to rising interest rates, such as asset-backed securities, posted positive results. Performance fluctuated with investor sentiment given the uncertainties regarding future Fed monetary policy, along with concerns over global growth and geopolitical issues. The broad U.S. bond market, as measured by the Barclays U.S. Aggregate Index<sup>iv</sup>, returned -0.10% during the six months ended October 31, 2015.

#### Q. How did the high-yield bond market perform over the six months ended October 31, 2015?

A. The U.S. high-yield bond market, as measured by the Barclays U.S. Corporate High Yield 2% Issuer Cap Index returned -3.38% for the six months ended October 31, 2015. High yield bonds were volatile during the reporting period. While the underlying fundamentals in the high-yield market remained generally solid and default rates were well below their long-term average, the asset class moved lower in June, July, August and September 2015 as investor risk aversion was elevated.

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However, the asset class ended on a positive note, as it rallied sharply in October 2015.

#### Q. How did the emerging market debt asset class perform over the reporting period?

**A.** The JPMorgan Emerging Markets Bond Index Global (EMBI Global interned -1.19% during the six months ended October 31, 2015. The asset class declined during four of the first five months of the reporting period. These setbacks were triggered by a number of factors, including concerns over economic growth in China, falling commodity prices, expectations for future Fed rate hikes and geopolitical issues.

#### Performance review

For the six months ended October 31, 2015, Western Asset High Income Fund II Inc. returned -6.75% based on its net asset value (  $NAV^{ii}$ ) and -9.04% based on its New York Stock Exchange ( NYSE ) market price per share. The Fund s unmanaged benchmarks, the Barclays U.S. Corporate High Yield 2% Issuer Cap Index and the EMBI Global, returned -3.38% and -1.19%, respectively for the same period. The Lipper High Yield (Leveraged) Closed-End Funds Category Average<sup>viii</sup> returned -5.20% over the same time frame. Please note that Lipper performance returns are based on each fund s NAV.

During this six-month period, the Fund made distributions to shareholders totaling \$0.41 per share. As of October 31, 2015, the Fund estimates that all of the distributions were sourced from investment income.\* The performance table shows the Fund six-month total return based on its NAV and market price as of October 31, 2015. **Past performance is no guarantee of future results.** 

**Performance Snapshot** as of October 31, 2015 (unaudited)

unaudited)

Price Per Share \$7.59 (NAV) \$7.00 (Market Price) 6-Month Total Return\*\*

-6.75% -9.04%

All figures represent past performance and are not a guarantee of future results. Performance figures for periods shorter than one year represent cumulative figures and are not annualized.

\*\* Total returns are based on changes in NAV or market price, respectively. Returns reflect the deduction of all Fund expenses, including management fees, operating expenses, and other Fund expenses. Returns do not reflect the deduction of brokerage commissions or taxes that investors may pay on distributions or the sale of shares.

Total return assumes the reinvestment of all distributions, including returns of capital, if any, at NAV.

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<sup>\*</sup>These estimates are not for tax purposes. The Fund will issue a Form 1099 with final composition of the distributions for tax purposes after year-end. A return of capital is not taxable and results in a reduction in the tax basis of a shareholder s investment. For more information about a distribution s composition, please refer to the Fund s distribution press release or, if applicable, the section 19 notice located in the press release section of our website, www.lmcef.com.

### Investment commentary (cont d)

#### Looking for additional information?

The Fund is traded under the symbol HIX and its closing market price is available in most newspapers under the NYSE listings. The daily NAV is available on-line under the symbol XHGIX on most financial websites. *Barron s* and the *Wall Street Journal s* Monday edition both carry closed-end fund tables that provide additional information. In addition, the Fund issues a quarterly press release that can be found on most major financial websites as well as www.lmcef.com.

In a continuing effort to provide information concerning the Fund, shareholders may call 1-888-777-0102 (toll free), Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Eastern Time, for the Fund s current NAV, market price and other information.

Thank you for your investment in Western Asset High Income Fund II Inc. As always, we appreciate that you have chosen us to manage your assets and we remain focused on achieving the Fund s investment goals.

Sincerely,

Jane Trust, CFA

Chairman, President and

Chief Executive Officer

November 27, 2015

RISKS: The Fund s investments are subject to credit risk, inflation risk and interest rate risk. As interest rates rise, bond prices fall, reducing the value of the Fund s holdings. The Fund may use derivatives, such as options and futures, which can be illiquid, may disproportionately increase losses, and have a potentially large impact on Fund performance. High-yield bonds ( junk bonds ) involve greater credit and liquidity risks than investment grade bonds. Foreign securities are subject to certain risks not associated with domestic investing, such as currency fluctuations and changes in political and economic conditions which could result in significant fluctuations. These risks are magnified in emerging markets. Leverage may result in greater volatility of NAV and the market price of common shares and increases a shareholder s risk of loss.

All investments are subject to risk including the possible loss of principal. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. All index performance reflects no deduction for fees, expenses or taxes. Please note that an investor cannot invest directly in an index.

The information provided is not intended to be a forecast of future events, a guarantee of future results or investment advice. Views expressed may differ from those of the firm as a whole.

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<sup>i</sup> Gross domestic product (GDP) is the market value of all final goods and services produced within a country in a given period of time.
ii The Federal Reserve Board (Fed) is responsible for the formulation of U.S. policies designed to promote economic growth, full employment, stable prices and a sustainable pattern of international trade and payments.
The federal funds rate is the rate charged by one depository institution on an overnight sale of immediately available funds (balances at the Federal Reserve) to another depository institution; the rate may vary from depository institution to depository institution and from day to day.
iv The Barclays U.S. Aggregate Index is a broad-based bond index comprised of government, corporate, mortgage- and asset-backed issues, rated investment grade or higher, and having at least one year to maturity.
v The Barclays U.S. Corporate High Yield 2% Issuer Cap Index is an index of the 2% Issuer Cap component of the Barclays U.S. Corporate High Yield Index, which covers the U.S. dollar-denominated, non-investment grade, fixed-rate, taxable corporate bond market.
vi The JPMorgan Emerging Markets Bond Index Global ( EMBI Global ) tracks total returns for U.S. dollar-denominated debt instruments issued by emerging market sovereign and quasi-sovereign entities: Brady bonds, loans, Eurobonds and local market instruments.
Net asset value ( NAV ) is calculated by subtracting total liabilities, including liabilities associated with financial leverage (if any), from the closing value of all securities held by the Fund (plus all other assets) and dividing the result (total net assets) by the total number of the common shares outstanding. The NAV fluctuates with changes in the market prices of securities in which the Fund has invested. However, the price at which an investor may buy or sell shares of the Fund is the Fund s market price as determined by supply of and demand for the Fund s shares.
viii Lipper, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Reuters, provides independent insight on global collective investments. Returns are based on the six-month period ended October 31, 2015, including the reinvestment of all distributions, including returns of capital, if any, calculated among the 34 funds in the Fund s Lipper category.
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# $Fund\ at\ a\ glance\ ({\tt unaudited})$

Investment breakdown (%) as a percent of total investments

The bar graph above represents the composition of the Fund s investments as of October 31, 2015 and April 30, 2015 and does not include derivatives, such as futures contracts and forward foreign currency contracts. The Fund is actively managed. As a result, the composition of the Fund s investments is subject to change at any time.

Represents less than 0.1%.

# Spread duration (unaudited)

Economic exposure October 31, 2015

Total Spread Duration
HIX 3.55 years
Benchmark 4.73 years

Spread duration measures the sensitivity to changes in spreads. The spread over Treasuries is the annual risk-premium demanded by investors to hold non-Treasury securities. Spread duration is quantified as the % change in price resulting from a 100 basis points change in spreads. For a security with positive spread duration, an increase in spreads would result in a price decline and a decline in spreads would result in a price increase. This chart highlights the market sector exposure of the Fund sectors relative to the selected benchmark sectors as of the end of the reporting period.

Benchmark 80% of Barclays U.S. Corporate High Yield 2% Issuer Cap Index and 20% of JPMorgan Emerging Markets Bond Index Global

EM Emerging Markets

HIX Western Asset High Income Fund II Inc.

HY High Yield

IG Credit Investment Grade Credit

# Effective duration (unaudited)

**Interest rate exposure** October 31, 2015

Total Effective Duration HIX 3.55 years Benchmark 4.74 years

Effective duration measures the sensitivity to changes in relevant interest rates. Effective duration is quantified as the % change in price resulting from a 100 basis points change in interest rates. For a security with positive effective duration, an increase in interest rates would result in a price decline and a decline in interest rates would result in a price increase. This chart highlights the interest rate exposure of the Fund sectors relative to the selected benchmark sectors as of the end of the reporting period.

Benchmark 80% of Barclays U.S. Corporate High Yield 2% Issuer Cap Index and 20% of JPMorgan Emerging Markets Bond Index Global

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# Schedule of investments (unaudited)

October 31, 2015

### Western Asset High Income Fund II Inc.

		Maturity	Face	
Security	Rate	Date	Amount	Value
Corporate Bonds & Notes 120.3%				
Consumer Discretionary 21.0%				
Auto Components 0.1%				
Europear Groupe SA, Secured Notes	5.750%	6/15/22	860,000 EUR	\$ 988,256 (a)
Automobiles 0.4%				
Chrysler Group LLC/CG CoIssuer Inc., Secured Notes	8.250%	6/15/21	2,482,000	2,661,945 (b)
Diversified Consumer Services 0.9%				
Co-operative Group Holdings 2011 Ltd., Senior Notes	6.875%	7/8/20	$337,000  ^{\mathrm{GBP}}$	551,687 <sup>(c)</sup>
Co-operative Group Holdings 2011 Ltd., Senior Notes	7.500%	7/8/26	500,000 GBP	829,602
Service Corp. International, Senior Notes	7.500%	4/1/27	2,090,000	2,455,750 (b)
StoneMor Partners LP/Cornerstone Family Services of WV, Senior Bonds	7.875%	6/1/21	1,810,000	1,882,400 (b)
Total Diversified Consumer Services				5,719,439
Hotels, Restaurants & Leisure 4.4%				
Bossier Casino Venture Holdco Inc., Senior Secured Bonds	14.000%	2/9/18	2,423,719	2,223,520 (a)(b)(d)(e)(f)
Carrols Restaurant Group Inc., Secured Notes	8.000%	5/1/22	1,910,000	2,038,925 (b)
CCM Merger Inc., Senior Notes	9.125%	5/1/19	3,360,000	3,578,400 (a)(b)
CEC Entertainment Inc., Senior Notes	8.000%	2/15/22	3,970,000	3,930,300 (b)
Downstream Development Authority of the Quapaw Tribe of Oklahoma,				
Senior Secured Notes	10.500%	7/1/19	2,580,000	2,683,200 (a)(b)
Fontainebleau Las Vegas Holdings LLC, Senior Secured Notes	10.250%	6/15/15	975,000	122 *(a)(g)
Gala Electric Casinos Ltd., Secured Notes	11.500%	6/1/19	1,724,000 GBP	2,837,445 (c)
Greektown Holdings LLC/Greektown Mothership Corp., Senior Secured				(10)
Notes	8.875%	3/15/19	2,270,000	2,315,400 (a)(b)
Landry s Holdings II Inc., Senior Notes	10.250%	1/1/18	1,530,000	1,579,725 (a)(b)
Landry s Inc., Senior Notes	9.375%	5/1/20	6,978,000	7,518,795 (a)(b)
Total Hotels, Restaurants & Leisure				28,705,832
Household Durables 2.2%				
Century Intermediate Holding Co. 2, Senior Notes	9.750%	2/15/19	3,860,000	4,004,750 (a)(b)(d)
Shea Homes LP/Shea Homes Funding Corp., Senior Notes	6.125%	4/1/25	3,120,000	3,283,800 (a)(b)
William Lyon Homes Inc., Senior Notes	8.500%	11/15/20	2,980,000	3,218,400 (b)
William Lyon Homes Inc., Senior Notes	7.000%	8/15/22	610,000	635,162
Woodside Homes Co., LLC/Woodside Homes Finance Inc., Senior Notes	6.750%	12/15/21	3,940,000	3,683,900 (a)(b)
Total Household Durables				14,826,012
Media 10.3%	5.7500	(115/05	1 020 000	1.040.200 (b)
AMC Entertainment Inc., Senior Subordinated Notes	5.750%	6/15/25	1,930,000	1,949,300 (b)
CCO Holdings LLC/CCO Holdings Capital Corp., Senior Notes	5.875%	5/1/27	3,100,000	3,107,750 (a)(b)

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		Maturity	Face	
Security	Rate	Date	Amount	Value
Media continued				
CCO Safari II LLC, Senior Secured Notes	4.908%	7/23/25	3,510,000	\$ 3,573,229 (a)
CCO Safari II LLC, Senior Secured Notes	6.484%	10/23/45	1,480,000	1,538,852 (a)(b)
Clear Channel Worldwide Holdings Inc., Senior Subordinated Notes	7.625%	3/15/20	260,000	264,875 (b)
CSC Holdings LLC, Senior Bonds	5.250%	6/1/24	3,150,000	2,778,269 (b)
DISH DBS Corp., Senior Notes	7.875%	9/1/19	1,815,000	1,996,119 (b)
DISH DBS Corp., Senior Notes	6.750%	6/1/21	2,270,000	2,349,450 (b)
DISH DBS Corp., Senior Notes	5.875%	7/15/22	6,250,000	6,140,625 (b)
Gibson Brands Inc., Senior Secured Notes	8.875%	8/1/18	2,710,000	2,391,575 (a)(b)
iHeartCommunications Inc., Senior Notes	14.000%	2/1/21	3,120,000	1,294,800 <sup>(d)</sup>
New Cotai LLC/New Cotai Capital Corp., Senior Secured Notes	10.625%	5/1/19	2,883,040	2,400,131 (a)(b)(d)
Numericable-SFR SAS, Senior Secured Bonds	6.000%	5/15/22	4,980,000	5,004,900 (a)(b)
Numericable-SFR SAS, Senior Secured Bonds	6.250%	5/15/24	6,090,000	6,105,225 (a)
Time Warner Cable Inc., Senior Notes	8.750%	2/14/19	2,500,000	2,932,680 (b)
Time Warner Cable Inc., Senior Notes	8.250%	4/1/19	1,336,000	1,558,520 (b)
Tribune Media Co., Senior Notes	5.875%	7/15/22	1,430,000	1,472,900 (a)(b)
Univision Communications Inc., Senior Notes	8.500%	5/15/21	4,450,000	4,666,937 (a)(b)
UPC Holding BV, Junior Secured Subordinated Notes	6.375%	9/15/22	5,060,000 EUR	5,994,624 (a)
Virgin Media Finance PLC, Senior Notes	6.375%	4/15/23	5,620,000	5,809,675 (a)(b)
Virgin Media Finance PLC, Senior Notes	6.000%	10/15/24	3,990,000	4,034,887 (a)(b)
Total Media				67,365,323
Multiline Retail 0.6%				
Neiman Marcus Group LLC, Senior Secured Notes	7.125%	6/1/28	660,000	668,250 (b)
Neiman Marcus Group Ltd. LLC, Senior Notes	8.750%	10/15/21	2,940,000	3,068,478 (a)(b)(d)
Total Multiline Retail				3,736,728
Specialty Retail 2.0%				
American Greetings Corp., Senior Notes	7.375%	12/1/21	2,480,000	2,619,500 (b)
Guitar Center Inc., Senior Secured Bonds	6.500%	4/15/19	6,850,000	6,447,562 (a)(b)
Hot Topic Inc., Senior Secured Notes	9.250%	6/15/21	1,570,000	1,530,750 (a)(b)
L Brands Inc., Senior Notes	6.875%	11/1/35	2,380,000	2,481,150 (a)
Total Specialty Retail				13,078,962
Textiles, Apparel & Luxury Goods 0.1%				
Empire Today LLC/Empire Today Finance Corp., Senior Secured Notes	11.375%	2/1/17	670,000	637,338 (a)(b)
Total Consumer Discretionary				137,719,835

# Schedule of investments (unaudited) (cont d)

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### Western Asset High Income Fund II Inc.

		Maturity	Face	
Security	Rate	Date	Amount	Value
Consumer Staples 5.6%				
Beverages 1.2%				
Carolina Beverage Group LLC/Carolina Beverage Group Finance Inc., Secured Notes	10.625%	8/1/18	2,610,000	\$ 2,655,675 (a)(b)
Cott Beverages Inc., Senior Notes	6.750%	1/1/20	2,140,000	2,273,750 (b)
DS Services of America Inc., Secured Notes	10.000%	9/1/21	2,390,000	2,754,475 (a)
Total Beverages				7,683,900
Food & Staples Retailing 0.9%				
Beverages & More Inc., Senior Secured Notes	10.000%	11/15/18	3,610,000	3,515,237 (a)(b)
Dollar Tree Inc., Senior Notes	5.750%	3/1/23	2,210,000	2,339,838 (a)(b)
Total Food & Staples Retailing				5,855,075
Food Products 1.9%				
Dole Food Co. Inc., Senior Secured Notes	7.250%	5/1/19	2,440,000	2,454,640 (a)(b)
Hearthside Group Holdings LLC/Hearthside Finance Co., Senior Notes	6.500%	5/1/22	2,300,000	2,208,000 (a)(b)
Pilgrim s Pride Corp., Senior Notes	5.750%	3/15/25	3,090,000	3,167,250 (a)
Simmons Foods Inc., Secured Notes	7.875%	10/1/21	5,010,000	4,696,875 (a)
Total Food Products				12,526,765
Household Products 1.0%				
Kronos Acquisition Holdings Inc., Senior Notes	9.000%	8/15/23	690,000	660,675 (a)
Spectrum Brands Inc., Senior Notes	6.125%	12/15/24	1,630,000	1,764,475 (a)(b)
Spectrum Brands Inc., Senior Notes	5.750%	7/15/25	3,350,000	3,588,688 (a)
Sun Products Corp., Senior Notes	7.750%	3/15/21	590,000	556,075 <sup>(a)</sup>
Total Household Products				6,569,913
Tobacco 0.6%				
Alliance One International Inc., Secured Notes	9.875%	7/15/21	4,500,000	3,892,500 (b)
Total Consumer Staples				36,528,153
Energy 17.4%				
Energy Equipment & Services 1.9%				
Atwood Oceanics Inc., Senior Notes	6.500%	2/1/20	1,923,000	1,490,325 (b)
CGG, Senior Notes	7.750%	5/15/17	378,000	340,200 (b)
CGG, Senior Notes	6.500%	6/1/21	2,520,000	1,461,600
CGG, Senior Notes	6.875%	1/15/22	480,000	273,600
Hercules Offshore Inc., Senior Notes	7.500%	10/1/21	1,885,000	367,575 *(a)(h)
Hercules Offshore Inc., Senior Notes	6.750%	4/1/22	4,225,000	823,875 *(a)(h)
Parker Drilling Co., Senior Notes	7.500%	8/1/20	3,750,000	3,131,250 (b)
SESI LLC, Senior Notes	7.125%	12/15/21	2,780,000	2,707,247 (b)
Sierra Hamilton LLC/Sierra Hamilton Finance Inc., Senior Secured Notes	12.250%	12/15/18	2,730,000	1,965,600 (a)(b)
Total Energy Equipment & Services				12,561,272

See Notes to Financial Statements.

### Western Asset High Income Fund II Inc.

		Maturity	Face	
Security	Rate	Date	Amount	Value
Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels 15.5%				
Approach Resources Inc., Senior Notes	7.000%	6/15/21	1,600,000	\$ 904,000 (b)
Arch Coal Inc., Senior Notes	7.250%	6/15/21	3,700,000	117,938
Berry Petroleum Co., Senior Notes	6.750%	11/1/20	1,550,000	612,250
California Resources Corp., Senior Notes	5.500%	9/15/21	7,540,000	5,221,450
Calumet Specialty Products Partners LP/Calumet Finance Corp., Senior Notes	7.625%	1/15/22	2,130,000	2,066,100 (b)
Carrizo Oil & Gas Inc., Senior Notes	7.500%	9/15/20	1,750,000	1,754,375 (b)
Chesapeake Energy Corp., Senior Notes	6.625%	8/15/20	960,000	655,200
Chesapeake Energy Corp., Senior Notes	6.125%	2/15/21	3,380,000	2,230,462
Chesapeake Energy Corp., Senior Notes	5.375%	6/15/21	940,000	613,350
Comstock Resources Inc., Senior Notes	9.500%	6/15/20	2,490,000	560,250 (b)
Crestwood Midstream Partners LP/Crestwood Midstream Finance Corp., Senior Notes	6.125%	3/1/22	2,919,000	2,524,935 (b)
Endeavor Energy Resources LP/EER Finance Inc., Senior Notes	8.125%	9/15/23	1,140,000	1,148,550 (a)(b)
Enterprise Products Operating LLC, Junior Subordinated Notes	8.375%	8/1/66	285,000	280,725 (b)(i)
EP Energy LLC/Everest Acquisition Finance Inc., Senior Notes	9.375%	5/1/20	2,730,000	2,388,750 (b)
EV Energy Partners LP/EV Energy Finance Corp., Senior Notes	8.000%	4/15/19	510,000	357,000
Gazprom OAO Via Gaz Capital SA, Loan Participation Notes, Senior Notes	6.510%	3/7/22	3,580,000	3,739,220 (a)
Globe Luxembourg SCA, Senior Secured Notes	9.625%	5/1/18	6,520,000	5,517,550 (a)(b)
Halcon Resources Corp., Secured Notes	8.625%	2/1/20	2,350,000	2,035,688 (a)(b)
Halcon Resources Corp., Senior Notes	9.750%	7/15/20	3,793,000	1,308,585
Halcon Resources Corp., Senior Notes	8.875%	5/15/21	8,490,000	2,891,906 (b)
Kinder Morgan Inc., Medium-Term Notes	7.800%	8/1/31	1,952,000	1,982,166 (b)
Lonestar Resources America Inc., Senior Notes	8.750%	4/15/19	1,080,000	731,700 (a)(b)
LUKOIL International Finance BV, Bonds	6.356%	6/7/17	1,720,000	1,807,864 (c)
LUKOIL International Finance BV, Senior Notes	4.563%	4/24/23	2,040,000	1,898,948 (a)
Magnum Hunter Resources Corp., Senior Notes	9.750%	5/15/20	8,070,000	3,389,400 (b)
MEG Energy Corp., Senior Notes	6.375%	1/30/23	610,000	516,975 (a)
MEG Energy Corp., Senior Notes	7.000%	3/31/24	5,300,000	4,611,000 (a)
Milagro Oil & Gas Inc., Secured Notes	10.500%	5/15/16	3,290,000	1,036,350 *(e)(h)
Murray Energy Corp., Senior Secured Notes	11.250%	4/15/21	8,900,000	2,425,250 (a)
Natural Resource Partners LP/Natural Resource Partners Finance Corp., Senior Notes	9.125%	10/1/18	2,950,000	2,168,250 (b)
Oasis Petroleum Inc., Senior Notes	6.500%	11/1/21	920,000	788,900 (b)
Oasis Petroleum Inc., Senior Notes	6.875%	3/15/22	2,890,000	2,478,175 (b)
Pacific Exploration and Production Corp., Senior Notes	7.250%	12/12/21	2,350,000	975,250 (a)
Petrobras Global Finance BV, Senior Notes	6.750%	1/27/41	3,980,000	2,828,188
Petroleos de Venezuela SA, Senior Bonds	6.000%	5/16/24	12,780,000	4,616,775 (c)

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Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels continued				
Petroleos de Venezuela SA, Senior Notes	8.500%	11/2/17	1,124,000	\$ 685,528 (c)
Puma International Financing SA, Senior Bonds	6.750%	2/1/21	4,610,000	4,683,852 (a)(b)
Quicksilver Resources Inc., Senior Notes	11.000%	7/1/21	1,335,000	90,113 *(h)
Rice Energy Inc., Senior Notes	6.250%	5/1/22	3,000,000	2,730,000 (b)
Rosneft Finance SA, Senior Notes	7.500%	7/18/16	270,000	278,840 (a)
Rosneft Finance SA, Senior Notes	6.625%	3/20/17	230,000	238,444 (c)
Rosneft Finance SA, Senior Notes	7.875%	3/13/18	1,390,000	1,482,999 (a)(b)
RSP Permian Inc., Senior Notes	6.625%	10/1/22	5,280,000	5,253,600
Samson Investment Co., Senior Notes	9.750%	2/15/20	2,730,000	13,650 *(h)
Sanchez Energy Corp., Senior Notes	6.125%	1/15/23	9,910,000	7,234,300
Shelf Drilling Holdings Ltd., Senior Secured Notes	8.625%	11/1/18	1,810,000	1,398,225 (a)
Whiting Canadian Holding Co. ULC, Senior Notes	8.125%	12/1/19	2,720,000	2,754,000 (b)
WPX Energy Inc., Senior Notes	7.500%	8/1/20	150,000	141,000
WPX Energy Inc., Senior Notes	8.250%	8/1/23	1,480,000	1,394,900 (b)
YPF SA, Senior Notes	8.500%	7/28/25	3,530,000	3,487,640 (a)
Total Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels				101,050,566
Total Energy				113,611,838
Financials 16.3%				
Banks 8.0%				
Bank of America Corp., Junior Subordinated Notes	6.500%	10/23/24	1,190,000	1,245,049 (b)(i)(j)
Barclays Bank PLC, Subordinated Notes	10.179%	6/12/21	3,710,000	4,880,060 (a)(b)
Barclays Bank PLC, Subordinated Notes	7.625%	11/21/22	5,000,000	5,718,750 (b)
Barclays PLC, Junior Subordinated Bonds	8.250%	12/15/18	800,000	853,764 (b)(i)(j)
BNP Paribas SA, Junior Subordinated Notes	7.375%	8/19/25	2,640,000	2,735,700 (a)(i)(j)
Citigroup Inc., Junior Subordinated Bonds	6.300%	5/15/24	950,000	940,785 (b)(i)(j)
Citigroup Inc., Junior Subordinated Bonds	5.950%	5/15/25	1,580,000	1,526,675 (b)(i)(j)
Credit Agricole SA, Junior Subordinated Notes	8.375%	10/13/19	3,180,000	3,617,568 (a)(b)(i)(j)
Credit Agricole SA, Junior Subordinated Notes	7.875%	1/23/24	1,350,000	1,388,641 (a)(i)(j)
HSBC Holdings PLC, Junior Subordinated Bonds	6.375%	9/17/24	1,560,000	1,547,146 (b)(i)(j)
HSBC Holdings PLC, Junior Subordinated Bonds	6.375%	3/30/25	2,000,000	1,980,000 (b)(i)(j)
JPMorgan Chase & Co., Junior Subordinated Bonds	6.000%	8/1/23	1,270,000	1,291,590 (b)(i)(j)
JPMorgan Chase & Co., Junior Subordinated Notes	6.100%	10/1/24	2,410,000	2,461,212 (b)(i)(j)
M&T Bank Corp., Junior Subordinated Bonds	6.875%	6/15/16	4,400,000	4,430,250 (b)(j)
Novo Banco SA, Senior Notes	5.875%	11/9/15	1,500,000 EUR	1,649,010 (c)
Royal Bank of Scotland Group PLC, Junior Subordinated Bonds	7.648%	9/30/31	3,530,000	4,412,500 (b)(i)(j)
Royal Bank of Scotland Group PLC, Subordinated Notes	6.100%	6/10/23	1,470,000	1,601,539 (b)
Royal Bank of Scotland NV, Subordinated Bonds	7.750%	5/15/23	650,000	762,067 (b)

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Security	Rate	Date	Amount	Value
Banks continued				
Royal Bank of Scotland PLC, Subordinated Notes	13.125%	3/19/22	4,860,000 AUD	\$ 3,837,161 (c)(i)
Sberbank of Russia Via SB Capital SA, Subordinated Notes	5.500%	2/26/24	4,420,000	3,948,678 (c)(i)
Wells Fargo & Co., Junior Subordinated Bonds	5.875%	6/15/25	1,140,000	1,207,203 (b)(i)(j)
Total Banks				52,035,348
Capital Markets 1.0%				
Goldman Sachs Group Inc., Subordinated Notes	6.750%	10/1/37	2,320,000	2,804,516 (b)
Goldman Sachs Group Inc., Subordinated Notes	5.150%	5/22/45	2,480,000	2,498,820 (b)
Pershing Square Holdings Ltd., Senior Notes	5.500%	7/15/22	1,000,000	948,427 (a)
Total Capital Markets				6,251,763
Consumer Finance 0.6%				
Navient Corp., Medium-Term Notes, Senior Notes	8.450%	6/15/18	2,230,000	2,397,250 (b)
Navient Corp., Senior Notes	6.125%	3/25/24	710,000	643,438
TMX Finance LLC/TitleMax Finance Corp., Senior Secured Notes	8.500%	9/15/18	1,339,000	1,057,810 (a)(b)
Total Consumer Finance				4,098,498
Diversified Financial Services 2.8%				
Argos Merger Sub Inc., Senior Notes	7.125%	3/15/23	4,760,000	5,021,800 (a)
International Lease Finance Corp., Senior Notes	5.750%	5/15/16	800,000	815,504 (b)
International Lease Finance Corp., Senior Notes	8.750%	3/15/17	3,385,000	3,660,031 (b)
International Lease Finance Corp., Senior Notes	8.875%	9/1/17	5,180,000	5,762,750 (b)
International Lease Finance Corp., Senior Notes	8.250%	12/15/20	2,160,000	2,586,600 (b)
ZFS Finance USA Trust II, Bonds	6.450%	12/15/65	500,000	509,750 (a)(b)(i)
Total Diversified Financial Services				18,356,435
Insurance 1.5%				
CNO Financial Group Inc., Senior Notes	5.250%	5/30/25	2,130,000	2,271,112 (b)
Fidelity & Guaranty Life Holdings Inc., Senior Notes	6.375%	4/1/21	1,450,000	1,533,375 (a)(b)
Galaxy Bidco Ltd., Senior Secured Notes	6.375%	11/15/20	960,000 <sup>GBP</sup>	1,543,573 <sup>(c)</sup>
Genworth Holdings Inc., Senior Notes	4.900%	8/15/23	1,780,000	1,352,800 (b)
Liberty Mutual Group Inc., Junior Subordinated Bonds	7.800%	3/15/37	1,750,000	2,056,250 (a)(b)
MetLife Capital Trust IV, Junior Subordinated Notes	7.875%	12/15/37	1,100,000	1,369,500 (a)(b)
Total Insurance				10,126,610
Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs) 0.2%				
Communications Sales & Leasing Inc., Senior Secured Notes	6.000%	4/15/23	1,630,000	1,589,250 (a)
Real Estate Management & Development 2.2%				
Caesars Entertainment Resort Properties LLC / Caesars Entertainment Resort				
Properties, Senior Secured Notes	8.000%	10/1/20	5,450,000	5,436,375
Caesars Entertainment Resort Properties LLC / Caesars Entertainment Resort				
Properties, Secured Notes	11.000%	10/1/21	1,430,000	1,372,800 (b)

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Security	Rate	Date	Amount	Value
Real Estate Management & Development continued				
Greystar Real Estate Partners LLC, Senior Secured Notes	8.250%	12/1/22	3,110,000	\$ 3,288,825 (a)(b)
Howard Hughes Corp., Senior Notes	6.875%	10/1/21	4,140,000	4,326,300 (a)(b)
Total Real Estate Management & Development				14,424,300
<b>Total Financials</b>				106,882,204
Health Care 7.5%				
Biotechnology 0.2%				
AMAG Pharmaceuticals Inc., Senior Notes	7.875%	9/1/23	1,490,000	1,396,875 (a)(b)
Health Care Equipment & Supplies 1.1%				
ConvaTec Finance International SA, Senior Notes	8.250%	1/15/19	1,610,000	1,612,012 (a)(b)(d)
DJO Finance LLC/DJO Finance Corp., Secured Notes	10.750%	4/15/20	590,000	588,525 (a)
DJO Finco Inc./DJO Finance LLC/DJO Finance Corp., Secured Notes	8.125%	6/15/21	3,390,000	3,373,050 (a)
Greatbatch Ltd., Senior Notes	9.125%	11/1/23	1,760,000	1,797,400 (a)
Total Health Care Equipment & Supplies				7,370,987
Health Care Providers & Services 3.7%				
BioScrip Inc., Senior Notes	8.875%	2/15/21	1,413,000	1,096,841
CHS/Community Health Systems Inc., Senior Notes	8.000%	11/15/19	4,590,000	4,796,550 (b)
HCA Inc., Debentures	7.500%	11/15/95	2,205,000	2,210,513 (b)
IASIS Healthcare LLC/IASIS Capital Corp., Senior Notes	8.375%	5/15/19	3,520,000	3,608,000 (b)
Tenet Healthcare Corp., Senior Notes	8.125%	4/1/22	2,870,000	3,049,375 (b)
Tenet Healthcare Corp., Senior Notes	6.750%	6/15/23	2,860,000	2,852,850 (b)
Tenet Healthcare Corp., Senior Secured Notes	6.000%	10/1/20	2,580,000	2,799,300 (b)
Universal Hospital Services Inc., Secured Notes	7.625%	8/15/20	4,100,000	3,930,875
Total Health Care Providers & Services				24,344,304
Pharmaceuticals 2.5%				
ConvaTec Healthcare E SA, Senior Notes	10.875%	12/15/18	2,500,000 EUR	2,849,263 (b)(c)
DPx Holdings BV, Senior Notes	7.500%	2/1/22	1,130,000	1,156,837(a)(b)
JLL/Delta Dutch Pledgeco BV, Senior Notes	8.750%	5/1/20	4,990,000	5,108,512 (a)(d)
Mallinckrodt International Finance SA, Senior Notes	5.625%	10/15/23	930,000	882,338 (a)
Valeant Pharmaceuticals International Inc., Senior Notes	6.750%	8/15/18	650,000	630,565 (a)
Valeant Pharmaceuticals International Inc., Senior Notes	5.375%	3/15/20	2,170,000	1,898,750 (a)
Valeant Pharmaceuticals International Inc., Senior Notes	7.500%	7/15/21	2,420,000	2,220,350 (a)
Valeant Pharmaceuticals International Inc., Senior Notes	7.250%	7/15/22	1,660,000	1,485,700 (a)
Total Pharmaceuticals				16,232,315
Total Health Care				49,344,481
Industrials 17.9%				
Aerospace & Defense 1.3%				
Aerojet Rocketdyne Holdings Inc., Secured Notes	7.125%	3/15/21	1,490,000	1,573,812 (b)

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		Maturity	Face	
Security	Rate	Date	Amount	Value
Aerospace & Defense continued				
Bombardier Inc., Senior Notes	7.500%	3/15/18	1,180,000	\$ 1,174,100 (a)
Bombardier Inc., Senior Notes	4.750%	4/15/19	230,000	200,100 (a)
CBC Ammo LLC/CBC FinCo Inc., Senior Notes	7.250%	11/15/21	4,430,000	4,164,200 (a)(b)
LMI Aerospace Inc., Secured Notes	7.375%	7/15/19	1,400,000	1,382,500 (b)
Total Aerospace & Defense				8,494,712
Air Freight & Logistics 1.1%				
Air Medical Merger Sub Corp., Senior Notes	6.375%	5/15/23	1,880,000	1,720,200 (a)(b)
XPO Logistics Inc., Senior Notes	7.875%	9/1/19	3,120,000	3,151,200 (a)(b)
XPO Logistics Inc., Senior Notes	6.500%	6/15/22	2,270,000	2,034,487 (a)
Total Air Freight & Logistics				6,905,887
Airlines 1.9%				
Air Canada, Pass-Through Trust, Secured Notes	6.625%	5/15/18	1,100,000	1,127,500 (a)
American Airlines, Pass-Through Trust, Secured Notes	7.000%	1/31/18	1,033,772	1,094,506 (a)(b)
Continental Airlines Inc., Pass-Through Certificates	5.983%	4/19/22	3,951,912	4,391,562 <sup>(b)</sup>
Delta Air Lines Inc., Pass-Through Certificates, Secured Notes	8.021%	8/10/22	1,116,577	1,257,545 (b)
Delta Air Lines Inc., Pass-Through Certificates, Subordinated Secured Notes	9.750%	12/17/16	477,691	516,265 (b)
Heathrow Finance PLC, Senior Secured Notes	7.125%	3/1/17	2,450,000 GBP	3,989,109 (b)(c)
Total Airlines				12,376,487
Building Products 0.4%				
Ashton Woods USA LLC/Ashton Woods Finance Co., Senior Notes	6.875%	2/15/21	2,851,000	2,651,430 (a)(b)
Commercial Services & Supplies 2.6%				
Garda World Security Corp., Senior Notes	7.250%	11/15/21	1,530,000	1,403,775 (a)
JM Huber Corp., Senior Notes	9.875%	11/1/19	1,490,000	1,563,576 (a)(b)
Monitronics International Inc., Senior Notes	9.125%	4/1/20	6,080,000	5,320,000 <sup>(b)</sup>
Taylor Morrison Communities Inc./Monarch Communities Inc., Senior Notes	5.250%	4/15/21	1,241,000	1,256,513 (a)(b)
United Rentals North America Inc., Senior Notes	8.250%	2/1/21	739,000	781,493 <sup>(b)</sup>
United Rentals North America Inc., Senior Notes	7.625%	4/15/22	3,018,000	3,289,952 (b)
West Corp., Senior Notes	5.375%	7/15/22	3,850,000	3,681,562 (a)
Total Commercial Services & Supplies				17,296,871
Construction & Engineering 2.5%			1 0=0 000 FUD	
Astaldi SpA, Senior Notes	7.125%	12/1/20	1,070,000 EUR	1,227,515 (a)
Astaldi SpA, Senior Notes	7.125%	12/1/20	240,000 EUR	275,330 (c)
Ausdrill Finance Pty Ltd., Senior Notes	6.875%	11/1/19	2,420,000	1,772,650 (a)
Brundage-Bone Concrete Pumping Inc., Senior Secured Notes	10.375%	9/1/21	2,380,000	2,439,500 <sup>(a)(b)</sup>
Empresas ICA SAB de CV, Senior Notes	8.900%	2/4/21	2,757,000	778,853 (c)

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Construction & Engineering continued				
Michael Baker Holdings LLC/Michael Baker Finance Corp., Senior Notes	8.875%	4/15/19	3,259,668	\$ 2,689,226 (a)(b)(d)
Michael Baker International LLC/CDL Acquisition Co. Inc., Senior Secured				
Notes	8.250%	10/15/18	3,670,000	3,468,150 (a)(b)
Modular Space Corp., Secured Notes	10.250%	1/31/19	2,970,000	1,804,275 (a)(b)
Odebrecht Finance Ltd., Senior Notes	5.250%	6/27/29	3,000,000	1,758,750 (a)
Total Construction & Engineering				16,214,249
Electrical Equipment 0.6%				
International Wire Group Holdings Inc., Senior Secured Notes	8.500%	10/15/17	1,970,000	2,043,875 (a)(b)
NES Rentals Holdings Inc., Senior Secured Notes	7.875%	5/1/18	1,800,000	1,802,250 (a)(b)
Trionista TopCo GmbH, Senior Subordinated Notes	6.875%	4/30/21	150,000 EUR	175,484 (a)
Total Electrical Equipment				4,021,609
Machinery 2.6%				
CTP Transportation Products LLC/CTP Finance Inc., Senior Secured Notes	8.250%	12/15/19	1,200,000	1,284,000 (a)(b)
DH Services Luxembourg Sarl, Senior Notes	7.750%	12/15/20	5,370,000	5,557,950 (a)(b)
Global Brass and Copper Inc., Senior Secured Notes	9.500%	6/1/19	2,390,000	2,575,225 (b)
KION Finance SA, Senior Secured Notes	6.750%	2/15/20	3,027,000 EUR	3,498,006 (a)
KraussMaffei Group GmbH, Senior Secured Notes	8.750%	12/15/20	560,000 EUR	658,972 (a)
KraussMaffei Group GmbH, Senior Secured Notes	8.750%	12/15/20	366,400 EUR	431,156 (c)
SIG Combibloc Holdings SCA, Senior Bonds	7.750%	2/15/23	800,000 EUR	932,680 (a)
SPL Logistics Escrow LLC/SPL Logistics Finance Corp., Senior Secured Notes	8.875%	8/1/20	1,760,000	1,874,400 (a)(b)
Total Machinery				16,812,389
Marine 0.8%				
Navios Maritime Acquisition Corp./Navios Acquisition Finance U.S. Inc., Senior				
Secured Notes	8.125%	11/15/21	4,110,000	3,950,738 (a)(b)
Ultrapetrol Bahamas Ltd., Senior Secured Notes	8.875%	6/15/21	2,150,000	1,386,750
Total Marine				5,337,488
Road & Rail 2.2%				
Flexi-Van Leasing Inc., Senior Notes	7.875%	8/15/18	2,500,000	2,568,750 (a)(b)
Florida East Coast Holdings Corp., Senior Notes	9.750%	5/1/20	490,000	448,350 (a)(b)
Florida East Coast Holdings Corp., Senior Secured Notes	6.750%	5/1/19	4,070,000	4,109,683 (a)
Jack Cooper Holdings Corp., Senior Secured Notes	10.250%	6/1/20	4,430,000	4,042,375 (a)(b)
Quality Distribution LLC/QD Capital Corp., Secured Notes	9.875%	11/1/18	3,022,000	3,096,613 (b)
Total Road & Rail				14,265,771
Trading Companies & Distributors 0.5%				
H&E Equipment Services Inc., Senior Notes	7.000%	9/1/22	3,150,000	3,213,000 (b)

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Security	Rate	Maturity Date	Face Amount	Value
Transportation 1.1% Hapag-Lloyd AG, Senior Notes	9.750%	10/15/17	3,490,000	\$ 3,594,700 (a)(b)
Neovia Logistics Intermediate Holdings LLC/Logistics Intermediate Finance Corp., Senior Notes  Total Transportation	10.000%	2/15/18	3,890,000	3,928,900 (a)(b)(d) 7,523,600
Transportation Infrastructure 0.3% Aguila 3 SA, Senior Secured Notes Total Industrials Information Technology 3.9%	7.875%	1/31/18	1,700,000	1,744,625 (a)(b) 116,858,118
Communications Equipment 0.4%  CommScope Technologies Finance LLC, Senior Notes  Electronic Equipment, Instruments & Components 0.4%	6.000%	6/15/25	2,410,000	2,452,175 (a)(b)
Interface Security Systems Holdings Inc./Interface Security Systems LLC, Senior Secured Notes	9.250%	1/15/18	2,620,000	2,642,925 (b)
Internet Software & Services 0.6% Ancestry.com Holdings LLC, Senior Notes Ancestry.com Inc., Senior Notes Total Internet Software & Services	9.625% 11.000%	10/15/18 12/15/20	1,390,000 2,100,000	1,409,113 (a)(b)(d) 2,304,750 (b) 3,713,863
Compiler Finance Subordinated Inc., Senior Notes First Data Corp., Secured Notes First Data Corp., Senior Subordinated Notes	7.000% 8.250% 12.625% 7.000% 11.750%	5/1/21 1/15/21 1/15/21 12/1/23 8/15/21	3,583,000 810,000 4,760,000 3,360,000 3,315,000	1,916,905 (a)(b) 851,513 (a)(b) 5,468,050 (b) 3,427,200 (a) 3,787,387 (b)
Total IT Services Software 0.2% Audatex North America Inc., Senior Notes Total Information Technology Materials 12.6%	6.000%	6/15/21	1,390,000	15,451,055 1,404,956 (a)(b) 25,664,974
Chemicals 1.2%  Eco Services Operations LLC/Eco Finance Corp., Senior Notes  Hexion Inc., Senior Secured Notes  HIG BBC Intermediate Holdings LLC/HIG BBC Holdings Corp., Senior Notes  Rain CII Carbon LLC/CII Carbon Corp., Senior Secured Notes  Rain CII Carbon LLC/CII Carbon Corp., Senior Secured Notes  Total Chemicals	8.500% 8.875% 10.500% 8.000% 8.250%	11/1/22 2/1/18 9/15/18 12/1/18 1/15/21	926,000 2,240,000 1,500,000 4,000,000 490,000	828,770 (a)(b) 1,724,800 (b) 1,455,000 (a)(b)(d) 3,502,480 (a) 414,050 (a)(b) 7,925,100

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Construction Materials 0.7%				
Cemex SAB de CV, Senior Secured Notes	5.700%	1/11/25	810,000	\$ 751,275 (a)
Cemex SAB de CV, Senior Secured Notes	6.125%	5/5/25	740,000	703,000 (a)
Hardwoods Acquisition Inc., Senior Secured Notes	7.500%	8/1/21	2,540,000	2,349,500 (a)
NWH Escrow Corp., Senior Secured Notes	7.500%	8/1/21	790,000	711,000 (a)
Total Construction Materials				4,514,775
Containers & Packaging 3.8%				
Ardagh Finance Holdings SA, Senior Notes	8.625%	6/15/19	2,635,039	2,773,379 (a)(b)(d)
Ardagh Packaging Finance PLC, Senior Notes	9.125%	10/15/20	3,170,000	3,332,494 (a)(b)
Ardagh Packaging Finance PLC/Ardagh MP Holdings USA Inc., Senior				
Notes	9.125%	10/15/20	1,220,000	1,281,012 (a)(b)
Ardagh Packaging Finance PLC/Ardagh MP Holdings USA Inc., Senior				
Notes	7.000%	11/15/20	532,941	536,938 (a)(b)
Ardagh Packaging Finance PLC/Ardagh MP Holdings USA Inc., Senior				
Notes	6.000%	6/30/21	1,960,000	1,930,600 (a)
BWAY Holding Co., Senior Notes	9.125%	8/15/21	4,070,000	3,978,425 (a)(b)
Coveris Holdings SA, Senior Notes	7.875%	11/1/19	2,690,000	2,568,950 (a)
Pactiv LLC, Senior Bonds	8.375%	4/15/27	5,220,000	5,102,550 (b)
Pactiv LLC, Senior Notes	7.950%	12/15/25	920,000	894,700 (b)
PaperWorks Industries Inc., Senior Secured Notes	9.500%	8/15/19	2,000,000	2,000,000 (a)(b)
Total Containers & Packaging				24,399,048
Metals & Mining 6.2%				
ArcelorMittal, Senior Notes	7.750%	10/15/39	3,200,000	2,744,000
Barminco Finance Pty Ltd., Senior Notes	9.000%	6/1/18	3,330,000	2,614,050 (a)(b)
BHP Billiton Finance USA Ltd., Subordinated Notes	6.750%	10/19/75	1,580,000	1,613,575 (a)(i)
Coeur Mining Inc., Senior Notes	7.875%	2/1/21	1,650,000	1,018,875 (b)
Evraz Group SA, Notes	9.500%	4/24/18	680,000	726,424 (a)(b)
Evraz Group SA, Senior Notes	9.500%	4/24/18	330,000	352,529 (c)
Evraz Group SA, Senior Notes	6.750%	4/27/18	2,390,000	2,413,900 (a)(k)
FMG Resources (August 2006) Pty Ltd., Senior Secured Notes	9.750%	3/1/22	5,580,000	5,566,050 (a)
GTL Trade Finance Inc., Senior Bonds	5.893%	4/29/24	2,996,000	2,526,227 (a)(k)
Joseph T. Ryerson & Son Inc., Senior Secured Notes	9.000%	10/15/17	1,940,000	1,697,500 (b)
Midwest Vanadium Pty Ltd., Senior Secured Notes	11.500%	2/15/18	3,070,000	138,150 *(a)(e)(h)
Mirabela Nickel Ltd., Subordinated Notes	1.000%	9/10/44	32,532	(a)(e)(f)(l)
Prince Mineral Holding Corp., Senior Secured Notes	11.500%	12/15/19	240,000	202,800 (a)(b)
Rio Tinto Finance USA Ltd., Senior Notes	9.000%	5/1/19	1,820,000	2,211,477 (b)
Schaeffler Holding Finance BV, Senior Secured Bonds	6.875%	8/15/18	3,230,000	3,351,125 (a)(d)
Schaeffler Holding Finance BV, Senior Secured Notes	6.875%	8/15/18	$2,040,000  ^{\mathrm{EUR}}$	2,335,822 (a)(d)
Schaeffler Holding Finance BV, Senior Secured Notes	6.750%	11/15/22	3,330,000	3,654,675 (a)(b)(d)

### Western Asset High Income Fund II Inc.

		Maturity	Face	
Security	Rate	Date	Amount	Value
Metals & Mining continued				
St. Barbara Ltd., Senior Secured Notes	8.875%	4/15/18	570,000	\$ 544,350 (a)(b)
Steel Dynamics Inc., Senior Notes	6.125%	8/15/19	1,300,000	1,352,000 (b)
Vale Overseas Ltd., Senior Notes	6.875%	11/21/36	1,784,000	1,461,274
Vedanta Resources PLC, Senior Notes	6.750%	6/7/16	3,630,000	3,611,850 (a)
Vedanta Resources PLC, Senior Notes	6.000%	1/31/19	760,000	612,077 (a)
Total Metals & Mining				40,748,730
Paper & Forest Products 0.7%				
Appvion Inc., Secured Notes	9.000%	6/1/20	4,150,000	