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NEUBERGER BERMAN HIGH YIELD STRATEGIES FUND INC.
(Exact Name of the Registrant as Specified in Charter)
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(Address of Principal Executive Offices – Zip Code)

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Date of fiscal year end: October 31, 2011

Date of reporting period: April 30, 2011

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Item 1. Report to Stockholders

Neuberger Berman
High Yield Strategies
Fund Inc.

Semi-Annual Report
April 30, 2011

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President's Letter

Dear Shareholder,

I am pleased to present the semi-annual report for Neuberger Berman High Yield Strategies Fund Inc. for the six months ended April 30, 2011. The report includes a portfolio commentary, a listing of the Fund's investments and its unaudited financial statements for the reporting period. The Fund seeks high total return (income plus capital appreciation). To pursue both, we have assembled a portfolio that consists primarily of high yield debt securities.

In addition, I would like to provide an update on the Fund's tender offer activity. The Fund has adopted a tender offer program under which if its common shares trade at an average daily discount to net asset value per share (NAV) of greater than 10% during a 12-week measurement period, the Fund would conduct a tender offer for between 5% and 20% of its outstanding common shares at a price equal to 98% of its NAV determined on the day the tender offer expires. During the reporting period, the Fund conducted a 12-week measurement period. For the 12 weeks ended November 10, 2010, the Fund traded at an average daily discount to NAV of less than 10% and, accordingly, was not required to conduct a tender offer.

Thank you for your confidence in the Fund. We will do our best to continue earning your trust in the years to come.

Sincerely,

Robert Conti
President and CEO
Neuberger Berman High Yield Strategies Fund Inc.

High Yield Strategies Fund Inc. Portfolio Commentary

Neuberger Berman High Yield Strategies Fund Inc. generated a 7.87% return on a net asset value (NAV) basis for the six months ended April 30, 2011 and outperformed its benchmark, the BofA Merrill Lynch U.S. High Yield Master II Constrained Index, which provided a 6.13% return for the period. The Fund also outperformed its previous benchmark, the Barclays Capital U.S. High-Yield 2% Issuer Capped Bond Index, which returned 6.18% for the period. During the reporting period, the Fund's high yield securities generated strong results. The use of leverage (typically a performance enhancer in up markets and a detractor during market retreats) was beneficial for performance as well.

Many of the same themes that had been evident for much of calendar year 2010 remained in place during the reporting period, as the economy continued to expand, investor risk appetite was generally strong and corporate earnings often were more positive than expected. All told, the Fund's index posted positive returns during five of the six months covered by this report. The high yield market's gains were broad-based, as bonds rated CCC and lower (a relatively low rating) and BB (rated higher) in the index returned 9.73% and 4.45%, respectively.

For the Fund, security selection in energy, support services and packaging provided the largest positive impact on performance relative to the index. In contrast, security selection in technology, diversified financial services and gaming detracted the most from relative results.

We made several adjustments to the portfolio during the reporting period. For the first half of the period, the Fund's overall credit quality was similar to that of the index. Following the December 2010 extension of the Bush-era tax cuts, we became more optimistic about the overall economy. We also felt that the increase in corporate depreciation rates for qualified investments would spur capital expenditures and, in turn, help to lower unemployment. Against this backdrop, we increased the Fund's exposure to CCC and CC rated securities. We also increased our allocation to more cyclical sectors of the market, such as media and gaming, as we felt they would be beneficiaries of the ongoing economic expansion. Conversely, we pared the Fund's exposure to areas of the market that we felt had become less attractively valued. These areas included sectors such as diversified financial services, oil and gas pipelines and health care, as well as security structures, including low-coupon, long-dated bonds. The latter move modestly shortened the Fund's duration.

The high yield market's strong performance since the credit crisis continued over the reporting period. This has led to some speculation as to when the market may take a pause. While a setback would not be completely surprising given the amount high yield spreads (the difference in yield between Treasuries and high yield securities) have narrowed since 2008, we see signs of further long-term upside potential for the market. It appears to us that the economy has enough momentum to continue expanding, as the recovery has withstood continued elevated unemployment and an anemic housing market. Even though recent economic growth has been less robust than in recoveries from previous severe downturns, it has allowed core inflation to remain relatively benign. What's more, corporate fundamentals are largely improving and high yield default rates have recently been low and we believe they could remain low during the near- to intermediate term. Default rates fell from approximately 2.4% at the beginning of the reporting period to 0.8% at the end of April 2011. Finally, in our view, it's likely that demand could remain robust as investors search for incremental yield.

Sincerely,

Ann Benjamin, Tom O'Reilly and Russ Covode,
Portfolio Co-Managers

TICKER SYMBOL

High Yield Strategies Fund
Inc. NHS

**PORTFOLIO BY MATURITY
DISTRIBUTION**

(as a % of Total Investments excluding cash
equivalents)

| | |
|-------------------------|--------|
| One to Five Years | 22.7% |
| Five to Ten Years | 70.3 |
| Ten Years of Greater | 7.0 |
| Total | 100.0% |

PERFORMANCE HIGHLIGHTS

| NAV ^{1,3,4} | Inception Date | Six Month | Average Annual Total Return | | | Life of Fund |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|---------|--|-----------------|
| | | Period Ended | Ended 04/30/2011** | | | |
| High Yield Strategies Fund Inc. | 07/28/2003 | 4/30/2011 | 1 Year | 5 Years | | |
| | | 7.87% | 18.72% | 12.10% | | 11.90% |

| Market Price ^{2,3,4} | Inception Date | Six Month | Average Annual Total Return | | | Life of Fund |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|---------|--|-----------------|
| | | Period Ended | Ended 04/30/2011 | | | |
| High Yield Strategies Fund Inc. | 07/28/2003 | 4/30/2011 | 1 Year | 5 Years | | |
| | | 8.20% | 18.47% | 13.79% | | 11.51% |

Closed-end funds, unlike open-end funds, are not continuously offered. There is an initial public offering and, once issued, common shares of closed-end funds are sold in the open market through a stock exchange.

The composition, industries and holdings of the Fund are subject to change. Investment return will fluctuate. Past performance is not indicative of future results.

** On August 6, 2010 Neuberger Berman Income Opportunity Fund Inc. and Neuberger Berman High Yield Strategies Fund merged with and into the Fund. Performance prior to August 6, 2010 is that of Neuberger Berman High Yield Strategies Fund, and uses that fund's NAV and Market Price as the opening prices.

Endnotes

1 Returns based on Net Asset Value ("NAV") of the Fund. Performance prior to August 6, 2010 is that of Neuberger Berman High Yield Strategies Fund, a predecessor to the Fund.

2 Returns based on market price of Fund common shares on the NYSE Amex. Performance prior to August 6, 2010 is that of Neuberger Berman High Yield Strategies Fund, a predecessor to the Fund.

3 Performance data current to the most recent month-end are available at www.nb.com.

4 Neuberger Berman Management LLC ("Management") has voluntarily agreed to waive a portion of the management fees that it is entitled to receive from the Fund. Please see the notes to the financial statements for specific information regarding the rate of the management fees waived by Management. Absent such a waiver, the performance of the Fund would be lower.

Glossary of Indices

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| BofA Merrill Lynch U.S. High Yield Master II Constrained Index: | An unmanaged market value-weighted index of all domestic and Yankee high-yield bonds, including deferred interest bonds and payment-in-kind securities. Qualifying bonds must have at least one year remaining to maturity, a fixed coupon schedule and a minimum amount outstanding of \$100 million. Qualifying bonds are capitalization weighted provided the total allocation to an individual issuer does not exceed 2%. |
| Barclays Capital U.S. Corporate High Yield 2% Issuer Cap Index: | An unmanaged sub-index of Barclays Capital U.S. Corporate High Yield Bond Index, (which includes all U.S. dollar-denominated, taxable, fixed rate, noninvestment grade debt), capped such that no single issuer accounts for more than 2% of the index weight. |

Effective in February 2011, the Fund's benchmark changed from the Barclays Capital U.S Corporate High Yield 2% Issuer Cap Index to the BofA Merrill Lynch U.S. High Yield Master II Constrained Index.

Please note that indices do not take into account any fees and expenses or any tax consequences of investing in individual securities that it tracks and that individuals cannot invest directly in any index. Data about the performance of these indices are prepared or obtained by Management and include reinvestment of all income dividends and distributions. The Fund may invest in securities not included in the above-described indices.

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Schedule of Investments Neuberger Berman High Yield Strategies Fund Inc.
(Unaudited)

| PRINCIPAL AMOUNT | VALUE† | |
|---|---|--------------------------|
| Bank Loan Obligations_μ (2.9%) | | |
| Financial Intermediaries (0.6%) | | |
| \$ 1,844,336 | First Data Corp., Term Loan B3, 2.96%, due 9/24/14 | \$ 1,750,809 |
| Lodging & Casinos (0.8%) | | |
| 2,059,785 | Caesars Entertainment Operating Co., Term Loan B4, 9.50%, due 10/31/16 | 2,182,096 |
| Radio & Television (0.8%) | | |
| 1,150,000 | Clear Channel Communications, Inc., Term Loan A, 3.61%, due 7/30/14 | 1,082,852 ^{¢^^} |
| 1,264,815 | Clear Channel Communications, Inc., Term Loan B, 3.86%, due 1/29/16 | 1,124,901 ^{¢^^} |
| | | 2,207,753 |
| Utilities (0.7%) | | |
| 2,304,031 | Texas Competitive Electric Holdings Co. LLC, Term Loan B, due 10/10/14 | 1,841,796 ^{¢^^} |
| | Total Bank Loan Obligations (Cost \$8,117,403) | 7,982,454 |
| Corporate Debt Securities (133.9%) | | |
| Aerospace/Defense (0.3%) | | |
| 860,000 | Huntington Ingalls Industries, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 0.7.13%, due 3/15/21 | 905,150 ^ñ |
| Airlines (1.9%) | | |
| 3,550,000 | Continental Airlines, Inc., Senior Secured Notes, 6.75%, due 9/15/15 | 3,576,625 ^ñ |
| 696,000 | Delta Air Lines, Inc., Senior Secured Notes, 9.50%, due 09/15/14 | 746,460 ^ñ |
| 885,938 | United Airlines, Inc., Pass-Through Certificates, Ser. 2009-2, Class A, 9.75%, due 1/15/17 | 1,007,754 |
| | | 5,330,839 |
| Apparel/Textiles (0.8%) | | |
| 2,335,000 | Hanesbrands, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 6.38%, due 12/15/20 | 2,311,650 |
| Auto Loans (3.8%) | | |
| 950,000 | | 1,104,277 |

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| | Ford Motor Credit Co. LLC, Senior Unsecured Notes, 8.00%, due 12/15/16 | |
| | Ford Motor Credit Co. LLC, Senior Unsecured Notes, 2,855,0006.63%, due 8/15/17 | 3,143,786 |
| | Ford Motor Credit Co. LLC, Senior Unsecured Notes, 5,205,0008.13%, due 1/15/20 | 6,182,442 |
| | | 10,430,505 |
| Automakers (2.1%) | | |
| | 945,000Ford Holdings, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 9.30%, due 3/1/30 | 1,179,654 |
| | Ford Motor Co., Senior Unsecured Notes, 9.98%, due 845,0002/15/47 | 1,051,058 |
| | Navistar Int'l Corp., Guaranteed Notes, 8.25%, due 3,145,00011/1/21 | 3,506,675 |
| | | 5,737,387 |
| Banking (3.4%) | | |
| | Ally Financial, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 6.25%, due 1,450,00012/1/17 | 1,511,625 |
| | Ally Financial, Inc., Subordinated Notes, 8.00%, due 2,140,00012/31/18 | 2,364,700 |
| | Ally Financial, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 8.00%, due 4,020,0003/15/20 | 4,517,475 |
| | Ally Financial, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 7.50%, due 820,0009/15/20 | 893,800 |
| | | 9,287,600 |

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| PRINCIPAL AMOUNT | VALUE† |
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| Building & Construction (1.3%) | |
| \$ 1,082,000 Beazer Homes USA, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 9.13%, due 6/15/18 | \$ 1,079,295 |
| 1,115,000 Beazer Homes USA, Inc., Senior Unsecured Notes, 9.13%, due 5/15/19 | 1,112,213ñ |
| 795,000 Standard Pacific Corp., Guaranteed Notes, 8.38%, due 5/15/18 | 822,825ñ |
| 685,000 Standard Pacific Corp., Guaranteed Notes, 8.38%, due 1/15/21 | 705,550ñ |
| | 3,719,883 |
| Building Materials (3.9%) | |
| 1,770,000 Masco Corp., Senior Unsecured Notes, 6.13%, due 10/3/16 | 1,829,539 |
| 3,495,000 Ply Gem Industries, Inc., Senior Secured Notes, 8.25%, due 2/15/18 | 3,591,112ñ |
| 1,780,000 USG Corp., Guaranteed Notes, 9.75%, due 8/1/14 | 1,940,200ñ |
| 495,000 USG Corp., Senior Unsecured Notes, 6.30%, due 11/15/16 | 472,725 |
| 325,000 USG Corp., Senior Unsecured Notes, 9.75%, due 1/15/18 | 342,063 |
| 2,450,000 USG Corp., Guaranteed Notes, 8.38%, due 10/15/18 | 2,572,500ñ |
| | 10,748,139 |
| Chemicals (3.4%) | |
| 1,335,000 CF Industries, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 6.88%, due 5/1/18 | 1,506,881 |
| 930,000 Hexion US Finance Corp., Senior Secured Notes, 8.88%, due 2/1/18 | 1,009,050 |
| 485,000 Huntsman Int'l LLC, Guaranteed Notes, 8.63%, due 3/15/20 | 545,625 |
| 895,000 Huntsman Int'l LLC, Guaranteed Notes, 8.63%, due 3/15/21 | 1,004,638ñ |
| 1,221,000 Lyondell Chemical Co., Senior Secured Notes, 8.00%, due 11/1/17 | 1,361,415ñ |
| 3,770,000 Momentive Performance Materials, Inc., Secured Notes, 9.00%, due 1/15/21 | 4,062,175ñ |
| | 9,489,784 |
| Consumer/Commercial/Lease Financing (7.1%) | |
| 780,437 CIT Group, Inc., Secured Notes, 7.00%, due 5/1/16 | 786,290 |
| 5,121,615 CIT Group, Inc., Secured Notes, 7.00%, due 5/1/17 | 5,163,228 |
| 1,975,000 CIT Group, Inc., Secured Notes, 6.63%, due 4/1/18 | 2,121,474ñ |
| 1,900,000 Int'l Lease Finance Corp., Senior Unsecured Notes, 8.63%, due 9/15/15 | 2,090,000ñ |
| 1,865,000 Int'l Lease Finance Corp., Senior Unsecured Notes, 8.75%, due 3/15/17 | 2,098,125ñ |
| 755,000 Int'l Lease Finance Corp., Senior Unsecured Notes, 8.88%, due 9/1/17 | 860,700 |
| 3,530,000 Int'l Lease Finance Corp., Senior Secured Notes, 7.13%, due 9/1/18 | 3,794,750ñ |
| 1,910,000 SLM Corp., Senior Medium-Term Notes, 6.25%, due 1/25/16 | 2,025,257 |

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| SLM Corp., Senior Unsecured Medium-Term Notes, Ser. A, 580,0008.45%, due 6/15/18 | 658,300 |
| | 19,598,124 |
| Department Stores (1.6%) | |
| J.C. Penney Co., Inc., Senior Unsecured Notes, 5.65%, due 1,210,0006/1/20 | 1,206,975 |
| Macy's Retail Holdings, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 6.38%, due 1,885,0003/15/37 | 1,885,000 |
| Sears Holdings Corp., Senior Secured Notes, 6.63%, due 1,470,00010/15/18 | 1,438,763ñ |
| | 4,530,738 |
| Diversified Capital Goods (0.5%) | |
| Mueller Water Products, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 7.38%, due 1,355,0006/1/17 | 1,344,838 |
| Electric—Generation (8.8%) | |
| 3,490,000Calpine Corp., Senior Secured Notes, 7.25%, due 10/15/17 | 3,664,500ñ |
| 1,115,000Calpine Corp., Senior Secured Notes, 7.50%, due 2/15/21 | 1,179,112ñ |
| Dynegy Holdings, Inc., Senior Unsecured Notes, 7.50%, due 1,365,0006/1/15 | 1,201,200 |
| Dynegy Holdings, Inc., Senior Unsecured Notes, 7.75%, due 1,880,0006/1/19 | 1,466,400 |
| Dynegy-Roseton Danskammer, Pass-Through Certificates, 2,215,000Ser. B, 7.67%, due 11/8/16 | 2,059,950 |
| Edison Mission Energy, Senior Unsecured Notes, 7.20%, due 4,000,0005/15/19 | 3,130,000 |
| Edison Mission Energy, Senior Unsecured Notes, 7.63%, due 3,330,0005/15/27 | 2,472,525 |
| 5,165,000NRG Energy, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 7.63%, due 1/15/18 | 5,423,250ñ |
| 1,020,000NRG Energy, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 8.25%, due 9/1/20 | 1,073,550 |

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| PRINCIPAL AMOUNT | VALUE† |
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| \$ 570,000 RRI Energy, Inc., Senior Unsecured Notes, 7.63%, due 6/15/14 | \$ 597,075 |
| 1,910,000 Texas Competitive Electric Holdings Co. LLC, Senior Secured Notes, 11.50%, due 10/1/20 | 1,962,525ñ |
| | 24,230,087 |
| Electric—Integrated (0.4%) | |
| 1,000,000 IPALCO Enterprises, Inc., Senior Secured Notes, 7.25%, due 4/1/16 | 1,090,000ñ |
| Electronics (1.9%) | |
| 1,910,000 Freescale Semiconductor, Inc., Senior Secured Notes, 9.25%, due 4/15/18 | 2,120,100ñ |
| 1,510,000 Freescale Semiconductor, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 10.75%, due 8/1/20 | 1,736,500ñ |
| 1,205,000 NXP BV Funding LLC, Senior Secured Notes, 9.75%, due 8/1/18 | 1,394,788ñ |
| | 5,251,388 |
| Energy—Exploration & Production (10.4%) | |
| 6,010,000 ATP Oil & Gas Corp., Secured Notes, 11.88%, due 5/1/15 | 6,250,400 |
| 425,000 Chesapeake Energy Corp., Guaranteed Notes, 9.50%, due 2/15/15 | 511,594 |
| 510,000 Chesapeake Energy Corp., Guaranteed Notes, 6.88%, due 8/15/18 | 557,175 |
| 625,000 Chesapeake Energy Corp., Guaranteed Notes, 6.63%, due 8/15/20 | 673,438 |
| 2,045,000 Chesapeake Energy Corp., Guaranteed Notes, 6.13%, due 2/15/21 | 2,111,462 |
| 1,630,000 Cimarex Energy Co., Guaranteed Notes, 7.13%, due 5/1/17 | 1,723,725 |
| 3,245,000 EXCO Resources, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 7.50%, due 9/15/18 | 3,289,619 |
| 1,345,000 Linn Energy LLC, Senior Unsecured Notes, 8.63%, due 4/15/20 | 1,486,225 |
| 2,150,000 Linn Energy LLC, Guaranteed Notes, 7.75%, due 2/1/21 | 2,303,187ñ |
| 730,000 Petrohawk Energy Corp., Guaranteed Notes, 7.25%, due 8/15/18 | 775,625 |
| 685,000 Petrohawk Energy Corp., Guaranteed Notes, 7.25%, due 8/15/18 | 727,813ñ |
| 750,000 Pioneer Natural Resources Co., Guaranteed Notes, 5.88%, due 7/15/16 | 796,012 |
| 845,000 Plains Exploration & Production Co., Guaranteed Notes, 7.63%, due 6/1/18 | 906,262 |

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| 520,000 | Plains Exploration & Production Co., Guaranteed Notes, 8.63%, due 10/15/19 | 579,150 |
| 330,000 | Plains Exploration & Production Co., Guaranteed Notes, 6.63%, due 5/1/21 | 332,063 |
| 1,595,000 | Quicksilver Resources, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 11.75%, due 1/1/16 | 1,866,150 |
| 2,870,000 | SandRidge Energy, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 8.00%, due 6/1/18 | 3,035,025ñ |
| 755,000 | SandRidge Energy, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 7.50%, due 3/15/21 | 794,637ñ |
| | | 28,719,562 |
| Food & Drug Retailers (0.8%) | | |
| 2,320,000 | Rite Aid Corp., Guaranteed Notes, 9.50%, due 6/15/17 | 2,146,000 |
| Food—Wholesale (0.4%) | | |
| 1,095,000 | Blue Merger Sub, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 7.63%, due 2/15/19 | 1,121,006ñ |
| Forestry/Paper (0.6%) | | |
| 1,310,000 | PE Paper Escrow GmbH, Senior Secured Notes, 12.00%, due 8/1/14 | 1,513,050ñ |
| Gaming (8.5%) | | |
| 2,875,000 | CityCenter Holdings LLC, Senior Secured Notes, 7.63%, due 1/15/16 | 2,997,188ñ |
| 2,330,000 | CityCenter Holdings LLC, Secured Notes, 10.75%, due 1/15/17 | 2,377,894ñ¢¢ |
| 2,915,000 | FireKeepers Development Authority, Senior Secured Notes, 13.88%, due 5/1/15 | 3,432,412ñ |
| 2,280,000 | Harrah's Operating Co., Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 5.63%, due 6/1/15 | 1,915,200 |
| 1,435,000 | Harrah's Operating Co., Inc., Secured Notes, 12.75%, due 4/15/18 | 1,463,700ñ |
| 2,225,000 | MGM Mirage, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 6.63%, due 7/15/15 | 2,144,344 |
| 1,465,000 | MGM Mirage, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 7.50%, due 6/1/16 | 1,421,050 |
| 730,000 | MGM Mirage, Inc., Senior Secured Notes, 9.00%, due 3/15/20 | 813,950 |
| 2,849,000 | Pokagon Gaming Authority, Senior Notes, 10.38%, due 6/15/14 | 2,938,031ñ |
| 1,280,000 | San Pasqual Casino Development Group, Inc., Notes, 8.00%, due 9/15/13 | 1,278,400ñ |
| 2,580,000 | Seminole Indian Tribe of Florida, Notes, 7.75%, due 10/1/17 | 2,760,600ñ |
| | | 23,542,769 |

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| PRINCIPAL AMOUNT | VALUE† |
|---|--------------|
| Gas Distribution (5.1%) | |
| \$ 970,000 El Paso Corp., Senior Unsecured Notes, 7.00%, due 6/15/17 | \$ 1,076,591 |
| 625,000 El Paso Corp., Global Medium-Term Notes, 7.75%, due 1/15/32 | 715,534 |
| 1,030,000 El Paso Energy Corp., Global Medium-Term Notes, 7.80%, due 8/1/31 | 1,176,994 |
| 2,760,000 Energy Transfer Equity L.P., Senior Secured Notes, 7.50%, due 10/15/20 | 3,022,200 |
| 1,670,000 Ferrellgas Partners L.P., Senior Unsecured Notes, 9.13%, due 10/1/17 | 1,870,400 |
| 1,100,000 Inergy L.P., Guaranteed Notes, 7.00%, due 10/1/18 | 1,160,500ñ |
| 730,000 Kinder Morgan Finance Co., Guaranteed Notes, 5.70%, due 1/5/16 | 768,325 |
| 2,505,000 MarkWest Energy Partners L.P., Guaranteed Notes, Ser. B, 8.75%, due 4/15/18 | 2,761,763 |
| 1,480,000 Regency Energy Partners L.P., Guaranteed Notes, 6.88%, due 12/1/18 | 1,579,900 |
| | 14,132,207 |
| Health Facilities (3.8%) | |
| 410,000 Biomet, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 10.00%, due 10/15/17 | 453,050 |
| 1,490,000 Biomet, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 10.38%, due 10/15/17 | 1,655,762¢ |
| 1,715,000 Biomet, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 11.63%, due 10/15/17 | 1,946,525 |
| 695,000 Columbia Healthcare Corp., Senior Unsecured Notes, 7.50%, due 12/15/23 | 651,563 |
| 800,000 Columbia/HCA Corp., Senior Unsecured Notes, 7.69%, due 6/15/25 | 757,000 |
| 545,000 Columbia/HCA Corp., Senior Unsecured Notes, 7.05%, due 12/1/27 | 482,325 |
| 2,230,000 HCA, Inc., Senior Secured Notes, 8.50%, due 4/15/19 | 2,475,300 |
| 670,000 OMEGA Healthcare Investors, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 6.75%, due 10/15/22 | 680,888ñ |
| 660,000 Tenet Healthcare Corp., Senior Unsecured Notes, 9.25%, due 2/1/15 | 722,700 |
| 630,000 Tenet Healthcare Corp., Senior Secured Notes, 8.88%, due 7/1/19 | 711,900 |
| | 10,537,013 |
| Investments & Misc. Financial Services (2.3%) | |
| 5,170,000 Icahn Enterprises L.P., Guaranteed Notes, 7.75%, due 1/15/16 | 5,325,100 |
| 925,000 Icahn Enterprises L.P., Guaranteed Notes, 8.00%, due 1/15/18 | 955,063 |
| | 6,280,163 |

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| Leisure (0.6%) | | |
| 1,615,000 | Cedar Fair L.P., Guaranteed Notes, 9.13%, due 8/1/18 | 1,760,350ñ |
| Machinery (2.9%) | | |
| 4,085,000 | Case New Holland, Inc., Senior Notes, 7.88%, due 12/1/17 | 4,564,987ñ |
| 935,000 | Terex Corp., Senior Subordinated Notes, 8.00%, due 11/15/17 | 988,763 |
| 2,145,000 | The Manitowoc Co., Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 8.50%, due 11/1/20 | 2,348,775 |
| | | 7,902,525 |
| Media—Broadcast (5.3%) | | |
| 1,380,000 | Citadel Broadcasting Corp., Guaranteed Notes, 7.75%, due 12/15/18 | 1,493,850ñ |
| 5,475,000 | Clear Channel Communications, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 10.75%, due 8/1/16 | 5,324,437 |
| 1,000,000 | Cumulus Media, Inc., Senior Notes, 7.75%, due 5/1/19 | 1,000,000ñØ |
| 1,330,000 | Sirius XM Radio, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 8.75%, due 4/1/15 | 1,489,600ñ |
| 1,440,000 | Univision Communications, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 8.50%, due 5/15/21 | 1,494,000ñ |
| 285,000 | XM Satellite Radio, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 13.00%, due 8/1/13 | 338,438ñ |
| 3,395,000 | XM Satellite Radio, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 7.63%, due 11/1/18 | 3,615,675ñ |
| | | 14,756,000 |
| Media—Cable (7.1%) | | |
| 1,035,000 | CCH II LLC, Guaranteed Notes, 13.50%, due 11/30/16 | 1,248,469 |
| 2,255,000 | CCO Holdings LLC, Guaranteed Notes, 7.25%, due 10/30/17 | 2,401,575 |
| 185,000 | CCO Holdings LLC, Guaranteed Notes, 7.88%, due 4/30/18 | 200,494 |
| 730,000 | CCO Holdings LLC, Guaranteed Notes, 7.00%, due 1/15/19 | 764,675 |
| 390,000 | CCO Holdings LLC, Senior Notes, 7.00%, due 1/15/19 | 407,550ñ |
| 1,665,000 | CCO Holdings LLC, Guaranteed Notes, 8.13%, due 4/30/20 | 1,852,312 |

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| PRINCIPAL AMOUNT | VALUE† |
|--|---------------|
| \$ 3,080,000 Cequel Communications Holdings I LLC, Senior Unsecured Notes, 8.63%, due 11/15/17 | \$ 3,303,300ñ |
| 2,775,000 DISH DBS Corp., Guaranteed Notes, 7.75%, due 5/31/15 | 3,024,750 |
| 525,000 Mediacom LLC, Senior Unsecured Notes, 9.13%, due 8/15/19 | 569,625 |
| 480,000 UPC Holding BV, Senior Secured Notes, 9.88%, due 4/15/18 | 534,000ñ |
| 1,935,000 Videotron Ltee, Guaranteed Notes, 9.13%, due 4/15/18 | 2,167,200 |
| 2,600,000 Virgin Media Finance PLC, Guaranteed Notes, Ser.1, 9.50%, due 08/15/16 | 2,980,250 |
| 225,000 Virgin Media Finance PLC, Guaranteed Notes, 8.38%, due 10/15/19 | 254,250 |
| | 19,708,450 |
| Media—Services (1.8%) | |
| 660,000 Clear Channel Worldwide Holdings, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, Ser. B, 9.25%, due 12/15/17 | 734,250 |
| 4,060,000 WMG Acquisition Corp., Senior Secured Notes, 9.50%, due 6/15/16 | 4,323,900 |
| | 5,058,150 |
| Metals/Mining Excluding Steel (2.9%) | |
| 2,700,000 Arch Coal, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 8.75%, due 8/1/16 | 3,024,000 |
| 662,000 Arch Western Finance LLC, Guaranteed Notes, 6.75%, due 7/1/13 | 666,137 |
| 4,190,000 FMG Resources (August 2006) Pty Ltd., Guaranteed Notes, 7.00%, due 11/1/15 | 4,420,450ñ |
| | 8,110,587 |
| Packaging (4.5%) | |
| 315,000 Ball Corp., Guaranteed Notes, 7.38%, due 9/1/19 | 341,381 |
| 3,565,000 Berry Plastics Corp., Secured Notes, 9.50%, due 5/15/18 | 3,587,281 |
| 2,930,000 Berry Plastics Corp., Secured Notes, 9.75%, due 1/15/21 | 2,940,987ñ |
| 985,000 Crown Americas LLC, Guaranteed Notes, 7.63%, due 5/15/17 | 1,076,113 |
| 1,320,000 Owens-Brockway Glass Container, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 7.38%, due 5/15/16 | 1,455,300 |
| 1,450,000 Reynolds Group Issuer, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 9.00%, due 4/15/19 | 1,527,938ñ |
| 1,420,000 Reynolds Group Issuer, Inc., Senior Secured Notes, 6.88%, due 2/15/21 | 1,464,375ñ |
| | 12,393,375 |

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|---|-------------|
| Pharmaceuticals (2.9%) | |
| 405,000Mylan, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 7.63%, due 7/15/17 | 443,475ñ |
| 2,225,000Mylan, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 7.88%, due 7/15/20 | 2,458,625ñ |
| 2,670,000Valeant Pharmaceuticals Int'l, Guaranteed Notes, 6.50%, due 7/15/16 | 2,664,994ñ |
| 1,695,000Valeant Pharmaceuticals Int'l, Guaranteed Notes, 6.75%, due 10/1/17 | 1,686,525ñ |
| 640,000Valeant Pharmaceuticals Int'l, Guaranteed Notes, 6.88%, due 12/1/18 | 639,200ñ |
| | 7,892,819 |
| Printing & Publishing (2.4%) | |
| 2,220,000Gannett Co., Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 9.38%, due 11/15/17 | 2,497,500 |
| 2,000,000Gannett Co., Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 7.13%, due 9/1/18 | 2,005,000ñ |
| 2,150,000TL Acquisitions, Senior Notes, 10.50%, due 1/15/15 | 2,209,125ñ |
| | 6,711,625 |
| Real Estate Dev. & Mgt. (0.7%) | |
| 1,750,000Realty Corp., Guaranteed Notes, 11.50%, due 4/15/17 | 1,824,375ñ |
| Software/Services (7.2%) | |
| 1,395,000Buccaneer Merger Sub., Inc., Senior Notes, 9.13%, due 1/15/19 | 1,496,137ñ |
| 1,995,000Ceridian Corp., Guaranteed Notes, 11.25%, due 11/15/15 | 2,074,800 |
| 3,823,125Ceridian Corp., Guaranteed Notes, 12.25%, due 11/15/15 | 4,014,281¢¢ |
| 1,115,000Fidelity National Information Services, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 7.63%, due 7/15/17 | 1,220,925 |
| 2,105,000Fidelity National Information Services, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 7.88%, due 7/15/20 | 2,326,025 |
| 2,900,000First Data Corp., Guaranteed Notes, 11.25%, due 3/31/16 | 2,929,000 |
| 2,165,000Lender Processing Services, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 8.13%, due 7/1/16 | 2,229,950 |

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| PRINCIPAL AMOUNT | VALUE† |
|---|--------------|
| \$ 690,000 SunGard Data Systems, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 10.63%, due 5/15/15 | \$ 759,000 |
| 585,000 SunGard Data Systems, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 10.25%, due 8/15/15 | 614,250 |
| 675,000 SunGard Data Systems, Inc., Senior Unsecured Notes, 7.38%, due 11/15/18 | 696,938ñ |
| 1,350,000 SunGard Data Systems, Inc., Senior Unsecured Notes, 7.63%, due 11/15/20 | 1,407,375ñ |
| | 19,768,681 |
| Specialty Retail (1.2%) | |
| 2,845,000 Toys "R" Us Property Co. I LLC, Guaranteed Notes, 10.75%, due 7/15/17 | 3,225,519 |
| Steel Producers/Products (1.1%) | |
| 2,225,000 Tube City IMS Corp., Guaranteed Notes, 9.75%, due 2/1/15 | 2,316,781 |
| 855,000 United States Steel Corp., Senior Unsecured Notes, 6.65%, due 6/1/37 | 767,363 |
| | 3,084,144 |
| Support—Services (3.3%) | |
| 1,900,000 ARAMARK Holdings Corp., Senior Notes, 8.63%, due 5/1/16 | 1,952,250ñ¢¢ |
| 770,000 Hertz Corp., Guaranteed Notes, 6.75%, due 4/15/19 | 785,400ñ |
| 1,240,000 Knowledge Learning Corp., Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 7.75%, due 2/1/15 | 1,240,000ñ |
| 539,000 RSC Equipment Rental, Inc., Senior Unsecured Notes, 9.50%, due 12/1/14 | 564,602 |
| 700,000 RSC Equipment Rental, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 10.25%, due 11/15/19 | 803,250 |
| 965,000 RSC Equipment Rental, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 8.25%, due 2/1/21 | 1,018,075 |
| 1,490,000 United Rentals N.A., Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 8.38%, due 9/15/20 | 1,586,850 |
| 590,000 West Corp., Guaranteed Notes, 8.63%, due 10/1/18 | 625,400ñ |
| 610,000 West Corp., Guaranteed Notes, 7.88%, due 1/15/19 | 628,300ñ |
| | 9,204,127 |
| Telecom—Equipment (0.4%) | |
| 1,110,000 | 1,168,275ñ |

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CommScope, Inc., Guaranteed Notes,
8.25%, due 1/15/19

Telecom—Integrated/Services (9.4%)

| | | |
|-----------|---|------------|
| 2,965,000 | Citizens Communications Co., Senior Unsecured Notes, 9.00%, due 8/15/31 | 3,053,950 |
| 2,560,000 | GCI, Inc., Senior Unsecured Notes, 8.63%, due 11/15/19 | 2,822,400 |
| 3,570,000 | Integra Telecom Holdings, Inc., Senior Secured Notes, 10.75%, due 4/15/16 | 3,864,525 |
| 5,438,290 | Intelsat Bermuda Ltd., Guaranteed Notes, 11.50%, due 2/4/17 | 5,954,928 |
| 1,215,000 | Intelsat Jackson Holdings S.A., Guaranteed Notes, 8.50%, due 11/1/19 | 1,309,162 |
| 1,280,000 | PAETEC Holding Corp., Senior Secured Notes, 8.88%, due 6/30/17 | 1,396,800 |
| 675,000 | PAETEC Holding Corp., Guaranteed Notes, 9.88%, due 12/1/18 | 730,688 |
| 1,475,000 | Qwest Communications Int'l, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 7.13%, due 4/1/18 | 1,607,750 |
| 695,000 | Windstream Corp., Guaranteed Notes, 7.88%, due 11/1/17 | 750,600 |
| 4,305,000 | Windstream Corp., Guaranteed Notes, 7.75%, due 10/1/21 | 4,552,537 |
| | | 26,043,340 |

Telecom—Wireless (7.1%)

| | | |
|-----------|---|-------------|
| 4,435,000 | Clearwire Communications LLC, Senior Secured Notes, 12.00%, due 12/1/15 | 4,823,062 |
| 1,130,000 | Clearwire Communications LLC, Secured Notes, 12.00%, due 12/1/17 | 1,223,225 |
| 2,985,000 | Cricket Communications, Inc., Senior Secured Notes, 7.75%, due 5/15/16 | 3,186,488 |
| 1,775,000 | Cricket Communications, Inc., Guaranteed Notes, 7.75%, due 10/15/20 | 1,812,719 |
| 1,475,000 | Sprint Capital Corp., Guaranteed Notes, 6.88%, due 11/15/28 | 1,414,156 |
| 2,375,000 | Sprint Nextel Corp., Senior Unsecured Notes, 6.00%, due 12/1/16 | 2,407,656 |
| 895,000 | Wind Acquisition Finance SA, Guaranteed Notes, 11.75%, due 7/15/17 | 1,040,438 |
| 3,415,000 | Wind Acquisition Finance SA, Senior Secured Notes, 7.25%, due 2/15/18 | 3,611,362 |
| | | 19,519,106 |
| | Total Corporate Debt Securities (Cost \$348,181,997) | 370,129,330 |

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| NUMBER OF SHARES | VALUE† |
|---|-----------------------|
| Short-Term Investments (2.3%) | |
| 6,242,193 | \$ 6,242,193 |
| State Street Institutional Liquid Reserves Fund Institutional Class (Cost \$6,242,193) | |
| Total Investments (139.1%) (Cost \$362,541,593) | |
| | 384,353,977## |
| Liabilities, less cash, receivables and other assets [(29.3%)] | |
| | (80,848,996) |
| Liquidation Value of Perpetual Preferred Shares [(9.8%)] | |
| | (27,175,000) |
| Total Net Assets Applicable to Common Shareholders (100.0%) | |
| | \$ 276,329,981 |

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Notes to Schedule of Investments (Unaudited)

† In accordance with Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") 820 "Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures" ("ASC 820"), all investments held by Neuberger Berman High Yield Strategies Fund Inc. (the "Fund") are carried at the value that Neuberger Berman Management LLC ("Management") believes the Fund would receive upon selling an investment in an orderly transaction to an independent buyer in the principal or most advantageous market for the investment under current market conditions. Various inputs, including the volume and level of activity for the asset or liability in the market, are considered in valuing the Fund's investments, some of which are discussed below. Significant management judgment may be necessary to value investments in accordance with ASC 820.

ASC 820 established a three-tier hierarchy of inputs to create a classification of value measurements for disclosure purposes. The three-tier hierarchy of inputs is summarized in the three broad Levels listed below.

Level 1 – quoted prices in active markets for identical investments

Level 2 – other significant observable inputs (including quoted prices for similar investments, interest rates, prepayment speeds, credit risk, amortized cost, etc.)

Level 3 – significant unobservable inputs (including the Fund's own assumptions in determining the fair value of investments)

The inputs or methodology used for valuing an investment are not necessarily an indication of the risk associated with investing in those securities.

The value of the Fund's investments in debt securities is determined by Management primarily by obtaining valuations from independent pricing services based on readily available bid quotations, or if quotations are not available, by methods which include various considerations based on security type (generally Level 2 inputs). In addition to the consideration of yields or prices of securities of comparable quality, coupon, maturity and type; indications as to values from dealers; and general market conditions, the following is a description of other Level 2 inputs and related valuation techniques used by an independent pricing service to value certain types of debt securities of the Fund:

Corporate Debt Securities. Inputs used to value corporate debt securities generally include relative credit information, observed market movements, sector news, spread to the U.S. Treasury market, and other market information which may include benchmark yields, reported trades, broker-dealer quotes, issuer spreads, benchmark securities, bids, offers, and reference data, such as market research publications, when available ("Other Market Information").

High Yield Securities. Inputs used to value high yield securities generally include a number of observations of equity and credit default swap curves related to the issuer and Other Market Information.

Bank Loans and Swaps. Inputs used by independent pricing services to value bank loan securities and interest rate swap contracts include multiple broker quotes (generally Level 2 inputs).

Management has developed a process to periodically review information provided by independent pricing services for all types of securities.

Investments in State Street Institutional Liquid Reserves Fund Institutional Class are valued using the fund's daily calculated net asset value per share.

If a valuation is not available from an independent pricing service, or if Management has reason to believe that the valuation received does not represent the amount the Fund might reasonably expect to receive on a current sale in an orderly transaction, the Fund seeks to obtain quotations from principal market makers (generally considered Level 3 inputs). If such quotations are not readily available, the security is valued using methods the Fund's Board of Directors (the "Board") has approved on the belief that they reflect fair value. Numerous factors may be

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considered when determining the fair value of a security based on Level 2 or 3 inputs, including available analyst, media or other reports, trading in futures or ADRs and whether the issuer of the security being fair valued has other securities outstanding. These fair value prices are necessarily estimates, and there is no assurance that such a price will be at or close to the price at which the security is next quoted or next trades.

The following is a summary, categorized by Level, of inputs used to value the Fund's investments as of April 30, 2011:

Asset Valuation Inputs

| Investments: | Level 1 | Level 2 | Level 3§ | Total |
|-------------------------------------|---------|--------------|-----------|--------------|
| Bank Loan Obligations [^] | \$ — | \$ 7,982,454 | \$ — | \$ 7,982,454 |
| Corporate Debt Securities | | | | |
| Aerospace/Defense | — | 905,150 | — | 905,150 |
| Airlines | — | 4,323,085 | 1,007,754 | 5,330,839 |
| Apparel/Textiles | — | 2,311,650 | — | 2,311,650 |
| Auto Loans | — | 10,430,505 | — | 10,430,505 |
| Automakers | — | 5,737,387 | — | 5,737,387 |
| Banking | — | 9,287,600 | — | 9,287,600 |
| Building & Construction | — | 3,719,883 | — | 3,719,883 |
| Building Materials | — | 10,748,139 | — | 10,748,139 |
| Chemicals | — | 9,489,784 | — | 9,489,784 |
| Consumer/Commercial/Lease Financing | — | 19,598,124 | — | 19,598,124 |
| Department Stores | — | 4,530,738 | — | 4,530,738 |
| Diversified Capital Goods | — | 1,344,838 | — | 1,344,838 |
| Electric—Generation | — | 22,170,137 | 2,059,950 | 24,230,087 |
| Electric—Integrated | — | 1,090,000 | — | 1,090,000 |
| Electronics | — | 5,251,388 | — | 5,251,388 |
| Energy—Exploration & Production | — | 28,719,562 | — | 28,719,562 |
| Food & Drug Retailers | — | 2,146,000 | — | 2,146,000 |
| Food—Wholesale | — | 1,121,006 | — | 1,121,006 |
| Forestry/Paper | — | 1,513,050 | — | 1,513,050 |
| Gaming | — | 23,542,769 | — | 23,542,769 |
| Gas Distribution | — | 14,132,207 | — | 14,132,207 |
| Health Facilities | — | 10,537,013 | — | 10,537,013 |
| Investments & Misc. | | | | |
| Financial Services | — | 6,280,163 | — | 6,280,163 |
| Leisure | — | 1,760,350 | — | 1,760,350 |
| Machinery | — | 7,902,525 | — | 7,902,525 |
| Media—Broadcast | — | 14,756,000 | — | 14,756,000 |
| Media—Cable | — | 19,708,450 | — | 19,708,450 |

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|-----------------------------------|---|------------|---|------------|
| Media—Services | — | 5,058,150 | — | 5,058,150 |
| Metals/Mining Excluding Steel | — | 8,110,587 | — | 8,110,587 |
| Packaging | — | 12,393,375 | — | 12,393,375 |
| Pharmaceuticals | — | 7,892,819 | — | 7,892,819 |
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Notes to Schedule of Investments (Unaudited) (cont'd)

| Investments: | Level 1 | Level 2 | Level 3§ | Total |
|---------------------------------|---------|---------------|-------------|---------------|
| Printing & Publishing | \$ — | \$ 6,711,625 | \$ — | \$ 6,711,625 |
| Real Estate Dev. & Mgt. | — | 1,824,375 | — | 1,824,375 |
| Software/Services | — | 19,768,681 | — | 19,768,681 |
| Specialty Retail | — | 3,225,519 | — | 3,225,519 |
| Steel Producers/Products | — | 3,084,144 | — | 3,084,144 |
| Support—Services | — | 9,204,127 | — | 9,204,127 |
| Telecom—Equipment | — | 1,168,275 | — | 1,168,275 |
| Telecom—Integrated/Services | — | 26,043,340 | — | 26,043,340 |
| Telecom—Wireless | — | 19,519,106 | — | 19,519,106 |
| Total Corporate Debt Securities | — | 367,061,626 | 3,067,704 | 370,129,330 |
| Short-Term Investments | — | 6,242,193 | — | 6,242,193 |
| Total Investments | \$ — | \$381,286,273 | \$3,067,704 | \$384,353,977 |

^ The Schedule of Investments provides information on the industry categorization for the portfolio.

§ The following is a reconciliation between the beginning and ending balances of investments in which significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) were used in determining value:

| | Beginning balance of 11/1/10 | Accrued discounts/premiums | Unrealized appreciation/(depreciation) | Purchases | Sales | Transfers in to Level 3 | Transfers out of Level 3 | Balance as of 4/30/11 | Net change in unrealized appreciation/(depreciation) from investments still held as of 4/30/11 |
|----------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|--|-----------|---------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|--|
| Investments in Securities: | | | | | | | | | |
| Corporate Debt Securities | | | | | | | | | |
| Airlines | \$3,064,081 | \$ — | \$(75,815) | \$ — | \$(1,980,512) | \$ — | \$ — | \$1,007,754 | \$(250,196) |
| Electric—Generation | 1,585,650 | — | (5,988) | 480,288 | — | — | — | 2,059,950 | (5,988) |
| Total | \$4,649,731 | \$ — | \$(81,803) | \$480,288 | \$(1,980,512) | \$ — | \$ — | \$3,067,704 | \$(256,184) |

The Fund had no significant transfers between Levels 1 and 2 during the six months ended April 30, 2011.

Liability Valuation Inputs

The following is a summary, categorized by Level, of inputs used to value the Fund's derivatives as of April 30, 2011:

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| | Level 1 | Level 2 | Level 3 | Total |
|-----------------------------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|
| Interest rate swap contracts | \$ — | \$(153,012) | \$ — | \$(153,012) |
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- ## At April 30, 2011, the cost of investments for U.S. federal income tax purposes was \$363,021,997. Gross unrealized appreciation of investments was \$21,702,300 and gross unrealized depreciation of investments was \$370,320, resulting in net unrealized appreciation of \$21,331,980 based on cost for U.S. federal income tax purposes.
- Ñ Restricted security subject to restrictions on resale under federal securities laws. These securities may be resold in transactions exempt from registration, normally to qualified institutional buyers under Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and have been deemed by the investment manager to be liquid. At April 30, 2011, these securities amounted to approximately \$157,637,237 or 57.0% of net assets applicable to common shareholders.
- μ Floating rate securities are securities whose yields vary with a designated market index or market rate. These securities are shown at their current rates as of April 30, 2011 and their final maturity dates.
- Ø All or a portion of this security was purchased on a when-issued basis. At April 30, 2011, these securities amounted to \$1,000,000 or 0.4% of net assets applicable to common shareholders.
- ØØ All or a portion of this security is segregated in connection with obligations for interest rate swap contracts and when-issued security purchase commitments.
- ¢ All or a portion of this security was purchased on a delayed delivery basis.
- ^^ All or a portion of this security has not settled as of April 30, 2011 and thus does not have an interest rate in effect. Interest rates do not take effect until settlement.
- ¢¢ Payment-in-kind security for which part of the income earned may be paid as additional principal.

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Statement of Assets and Liabilities (Unaudited)

Neuberger Berman

HIGH YIELD
STRATEGIES
FUND INC.
April 30, 2011

| | |
|--|----------------|
| Assets | |
| Investments in securities, at value* (Note A)—see Schedule of Investments: | |
| Unaffiliated issuers | \$ 384,353,977 |
| Interest receivable | 8,448,813 |
| Receivable for securities sold | 902,210 |
| Prepaid expenses and other assets | 581,652 |
| Total Assets | 394,286,652 |
| Liabilities | |
| Notes payable (Note A) | 82,600,000 |
| Interest rate swaps, at value (Note A) | 153,012 |
| Due to custodian | 987,279 |
| Distributions payable—preferred shares | 75,047 |
| Distributions payable—common shares | 17 |
| Payable for securities purchased | 6,429,254 |
| Payable to investment manager—net (Note B) | 174,159 |
| Payable to administrator (Note B) | 15,833 |
| Interest payable | 121,415 |
| Accrued expenses and other payables | 225,655 |
| Total Liabilities | 90,781,671 |
| Perpetual Preferred Shares Series A (1,087 shares issued and outstanding) at liquidation value | 27,175,000 |
| Net Assets applicable to Common Shareholders at value | \$ 276,329,981 |
| Net Assets applicable to Common Shareholders consist of: | |
| Paid-in capital—common shares | \$ 294,424,009 |
| Undistributed net investment income (loss) | 322,340 |
| Accumulated net realized gains (losses) on investments | (40,075,740) |
| Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) in value of investments | 21,659,372 |
| Net Assets applicable to Common Shareholders at value | \$ 276,329,981 |
| Common Shares Outstanding (no par value; unlimited number of shares authorized) | 19,429,272 |

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| | | |
|--|----|-------|
| Net Asset Value Per Common Share Outstanding | \$ | 14.22 |
|--|----|-------|

| | | |
|-----------------------|----|-------------|
| *Cost of Investments: | \$ | 362,541,593 |
|-----------------------|----|-------------|

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|-----------------------------------|----|
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|-----------------------------------|----|

Statement of Operations (Unaudited)

Neuberger Berman

HIGH YIELD
STRATEGIES
FUND INC.
For the Six Months
Ended
April 30, 2011

| | |
|---|---------------|
| Investment Income: | |
| Income (Note A): | |
| Interest income—unaffiliated issuers | \$ 15,633,723 |
| Foreign taxes withheld | (17,220) |
| Total income | \$ 15,616,503 |
| Expenses: | |
| Investment management fees (Note B) | 1,130,401 |
| Administration fees (Note B) | 94,200 |
| Audit fees | 22,755 |
| Basic maintenance expense (Note B) | 12,295 |
| Custodian fees (Note B) | 57,764 |
| Insurance expense | 5,492 |
| Legal fees | 124,119 |
| Shareholder reports | 16,692 |
| Stock exchange listing fees | 12,397 |
| Stock transfer agent fees | 11,635 |
| Interest expense (Note A) | 782,589 |
| Directors' fees and expenses | 27,803 |
| Miscellaneous | 5,614 |
| Total expenses | 2,303,756 |
| Investment management fees waived (Note B) | (94,200) |
| Expenses reduced by custodian fee expense offset arrangement (Note B) | (259) |
| Total net expenses | 2,209,297 |
| Net investment income (loss) | \$ 13,407,206 |
| Realized and Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Investments (Note A) | |
| Net realized gain (loss) on: | |
| Sales of investment securities of unaffiliated issuers | 15,101,510 |
| Interest rate swap contracts | (268,321) |
| Change in net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) in value of: | |
| Unaffiliated investment securities | (7,429,423) |
| Interest rate swap contracts | 161,542 |
| Net gain (loss) on investments | 7,565,308 |
| Distributions to Preferred Shareholders | (437,098) |

| | | |
|--|----|------------|
| Net increase (decrease) in net assets applicable to Common Shareholders resulting from operations | \$ | 20,535,416 |
|--|----|------------|

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|-----------------------------------|----|
| See Notes to Financial Statements | 18 |
|-----------------------------------|----|

Statements of Changes in Net Assets

Neuberger Berman

| | HIGH YIELD STRATEGIES FUND INC. | | |
|---|---|---|------------------------------------|
| | Six Months Ended April 30, 2011 (Unaudited) | Period From January 1, 2010 to October 31, 2010 | Year Ended December 31, 2009 |
| Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets Applicable to Common Shareholders: | | | |
| From Operations (Note A): | | | |
| Net investment income (loss) | \$ 13,407,206 | \$ 15,809,710 | \$ 16,554,280 |
| Net realized gain (loss) on investments | 14,833,189 | 12,263,866 | (1,145,334) |
| Change in net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of investments | (7,267,881) | 7,054,010 | 58,655,831 |
| Distributions to Preferred Shareholders From (Note A): | | | |
| Net investment income | (437,098) | (453,730) | (472,605) |
| Net increase (decrease) in net assets applicable to common shareholders resulting from operations | 20,535,416 | 34,673,856 | 73,592,172 |
| Distributions to Common Shareholders From (Note A): | | | |
| Net investment income | (12,804,920) | (14,607,247) | (14,441,783) |
| From Capital Share Transactions (Note D): | | | |
| Proceeds from reinvestment of dividends and distributions | 780,985 | 367,125 | — |
| Proceeds from shares issued in connection with the acquisition of Neuberger Berman Income Opportunity Fund Inc. (Note F) | — | 109,091,570 | — |
| Payments for shares redeemed in connection with tender offer (Note E) | — | — | (11,764,397) |
| Total net proceeds from capital share transactions | 780,985 | 109,458,695 | (11,764,397) |
| | 8,511,481 | 129,525,304 | 47,385,992 |

Net Increase (Decrease) in Net
Assets Applicable to
Common Shareholders

Net Assets Applicable to Common Shareholders:

| | | | |
|--|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Beginning of period | 267,818,500 | 138,293,196 | 90,907,204 |
| End of period | \$276,329,981 | \$267,818,500 | \$138,293,196 |
| Undistributed net investment income (loss) at end of period | \$ 322,340 | \$ 157,152 | \$ 608,118 |

See Notes to Financial Statements

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Statement of Cash Flows (Unaudited)

Neuberger Berman

HIGH YIELD
STRATEGIES
FUND INC.
For the
Six Months Ended
April 30, 2011

| | |
|---|---------------|
| Increase (decrease) in cash: | |
| Cash flows from operating activities: | |
| Net increase in net assets applicable to Common Shareholders | |
| resulting from operations | \$ 20,535,416 |
| Adjustments to reconcile net increase in net assets applicable to Common Shareholders resulting from operations to net cash provided by operating activities: | |
| Changes in assets and liabilities: | |
| Purchase of investment securities | (390,344,280) |
| Proceeds from disposition of investment securities | 387,611,511 |
| Purchase/sale of short-term investment securities, net | (4,318,554) |
| Decrease in receivable for collateral on securities loaned | 657,350 |
| Decrease in net interest payable/receivable on interest rate swap contracts | 380,510 |
| Increase in interest receivable | (60,980) |
| Decrease in prepaid expenses and other assets | 85,304 |
| Decrease in receivable for securities sold | 2,492,612 |
| Decrease in deposits with brokers for open interest rate swap contracts | 1,505,196 |
| Decrease in accumulated unpaid dividends on Preferred Shares | (1,996) |
| Decrease in payable for investment securities purchased | (11,680) |
| Decrease in interest payable | (2,623) |
| Net accretion of discount on investments | (355,634) |
| Decrease in accrued expenses and other payables | (33,841) |
| Unrealized depreciation on securities | 7,429,423 |
| Unrealized appreciation on interest rate swap contracts | (161,542) |
| Net realized gain from investments | (15,101,510) |
| Net realized loss from interest rate swap contracts | 268,321 |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | \$ 10,573,003 |

Cash flows from financing activities:

| | |
|--|---------------|
| Cash distributions paid on Common Shares | (12,168,164) |
| Net cash used in financing activities | (12,168,164) |
| Net decrease in cash | (1,595,161) |
| Cash: | |
| Beginning balance | 607,882 |
| Ending balance | \$ (987,279) |
| Supplemental disclosure | |
| Cash paid for interest | \$ 785,212 |

See Notes to Financial Statements

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Notes to Financial Statements High Yield Strategies Fund Inc. (Unaudited)

Note A—Summary of Significant Accounting Policies:

1 General: Except where otherwise indicated, information included herein is as of April 30, 2011. The Fund was organized as a Maryland corporation on March 18, 2010, and is registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act"), as a non-diversified, closed-end management investment company. Management is the investment manager to the Fund. Neuberger Berman Fixed Income LLC ("NBFI") is the sub-adviser to the Fund. The Fund's common shares are listed on the NYSE Amex under the symbol NHS. After the close of business on August 6, 2010, Neuberger Berman High Yield Strategies Fund ("Old NHS") merged with and into the Fund. After Old NHS merged with and into the Fund, Neuberger Berman Income Opportunity Fund Inc. ("NOX") merged with and into the Fund (see Note F for more information regarding both transactions). The historical performance and financial statement history prior to August 6, 2010 are those of Old NHS. For periods prior to August 6, 2010, the term the "Fund" will refer to Old NHS.

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles requires Management to make estimates and assumptions at the date of the financial statements. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

- 2 Portfolio valuation: Investment securities are valued as indicated in the notes following the Schedule of Investments.
- 3 Securities transactions and investment income: Security transactions are recorded on trade date for financial reporting purposes. Dividend income is recorded on the ex-dividend date. Interest income, including amortization of premium, where applicable, and accretion of discount on securities (adjusted for original issue discount, where applicable) is recorded on the accrual basis. Realized gains and losses from security transactions are recorded on the basis of identified cost and stated separately in the Statement of Operations. Included in net realized gain (loss) on investments are proceeds from the settlements of class action litigation in which the Fund participated as a class member. The amount of such proceeds for the six months ended April 30, 2011 was \$98,183.
- 4 Income tax information: It is the policy of the Fund to qualify as a regulated investment company by complying with the requirements of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code applicable to regulated investment companies and to distribute substantially all of its earnings to its shareholders. To the extent the Fund distributes substantially all of its earnings to shareholders, no federal income or excise tax provision is required.

The Fund has adopted the provisions of ASC 740 "Income Taxes" ("ASC 740"). ASC 740 sets forth a minimum threshold for financial statement recognition of a tax position taken, or expected to be taken, in a tax return. The Fund recognizes interest and penalties, if any, related to unrecognized tax positions as an income tax expense

in the Statement of Operations. The Fund is subject to examination by U.S. federal and state tax authorities for returns filed for the prior three fiscal years 2007 - 2009. As of April 30, 2011, the Fund did not have any unrecognized tax positions.

Income distributions and capital gain distributions are determined in accordance with income tax regulations, which may differ from U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. These differences are primarily due to differing treatments of income and gains on various investment securities held by the Fund, timing differences and differing characterization of distributions made by the Fund as a whole.

As determined on October 31, 2010, permanent differences resulting primarily from different book and tax accounting for income recognized on interest rate swaps, non-deductible excise tax paid, non-deductible restructuring costs and merger adjustments were reclassified at fiscal year-end. These reclassifications had no effect on net income, net asset value ("NAV") applicable to common shareholders or NAV per common share of the Fund.

The tax character of distributions paid during the period ended October 31, 2010 and the years ended December 31, 2009 and December 31, 2008 was as follows:

| Distributions Paid From: | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------|--------------|--------------|-------------------------|------|-----------------------|---------|-------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Ordinary Income | | | Long-Term Capital Gains | | Tax Return of Capital | | Total | | | |
| 2010(1) | 2009 | 2008 | 2010(1) | 2009 | 2008 | 2010(1) | 2009 | 2008 | | |
| \$15,060,977 | \$14,914,388 | \$18,316,981 | \$— | \$— | \$— | \$— | \$1,198,186 | \$15,060,977 | \$14,914,388 | \$19,515,167 |

(1) During the period January 1, 2010 to October 31, 2010.

As of October 31, 2010, the components of distributable earnings (accumulated losses) on a U.S. federal income tax basis were as follows:

| Undistributed Ordinary Income | Undistributed Long-Term Gain | Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation) | Loss Carryforwards and Deferrals | Total |
|-------------------------------|------------------------------|--|----------------------------------|----------------|
| \$365,117 | \$ — | \$28,115,072 | \$(54,083,425) | \$(25,603,236) |

The difference between book basis and tax basis distributable earnings is attributable primarily to timing differences of wash sales, distribution payments, income recognized on interest rate swaps and capital loss carryforwards.

To the extent the Fund's net realized capital gains, if any, can be offset by capital loss carryforwards, it is the policy of the Fund not to distribute such gains. As determined at October 31, 2010, the Fund had unused capital loss carryforwards available for federal income tax purposes to offset net realized capital gains, if any, as follows:

| Expiring In: | | |
|-----------------|-----------------|-------------|
| 2015 | 2016 | 2017 |
| \$24,855,295(1) | \$23,791,197(1) | \$5,436,933 |

(1) The capital loss carryforwards shown above include \$24,855,295 and \$4,971,059 expiring in 2015 and 2016, respectively, which were acquired on August 6, 2010 in the merger with NOX. The use of these losses to offset future gains may be limited.

During the period ended October 31, 2010, the Fund utilized capital loss carryforwards of \$12,848,717.

- 5 Foreign taxes: Foreign taxes withheld represent amounts withheld by foreign tax authorities net of refunds recoverable.
- 6 Distributions to common shareholders: The Fund earns income, net of expenses, daily on its investments. It is the policy of the Fund to declare and pay monthly distributions to common shareholders. The Fund has adopted a policy to pay common shareholders a stable monthly distribution. The Fund's ability to satisfy its policy will depend on a number of factors, including the stability of income received

from its investments, the availability of capital gains, distributions paid on preferred shares, interest paid on notes and the level of Fund expenses. In an effort to maintain a stable monthly distribution amount, the Fund may pay distributions consisting of net investment income, realized gains and paid-in capital. There is no assurance that the Fund will always be able to pay distributions of a particular size, or that distributions will consist solely of net investment income and realized capital gains. The composition of the Fund's distributions for the calendar year 2011 will be reported to Fund shareholders on IRS Form 1099DIV. The Fund may pay distributions in excess of those required by its stable distribution policy to avoid excise tax or to satisfy the requirements of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code. Distributions to common shareholders are recorded on the ex-date. Net realized capital gains, if any, will be offset to the extent of any available capital loss carryforwards. Any such offset will not reduce the level of the stable distribution paid by the Fund. Distributions to preferred shareholders are accrued and determined as described in Note A-8.

On April 29, 2011, the Fund declared a monthly distribution to common shareholders in the amount of \$0.11 per share, payable after the close of the reporting period, on May 31, 2011, to shareholders of record on May 16, 2011, with an ex-date of May 12, 2011. Subsequent to April 30, 2011, the Fund declared a monthly distribution to common shareholders in the amount of \$0.11 per share, payable on June 30, 2011 to shareholders of record on June 15, 2011, with an ex-date of June 13, 2011.

- 7 Expense allocation: Certain expenses are applicable to multiple funds. Expenses directly attributable to the Fund are charged to the Fund. Expenses borne by the complex of related investment companies, which includes open-end and closed-end investment companies for which Management serves as investment manager, that are not directly attributable to a particular investment company (e.g., the Fund) are allocated among the Fund and the other investment companies in the complex or series thereof on the basis of relative net assets, except where a more appropriate allocation of expenses to each of the investment companies in the complex or series thereof can otherwise be made fairly.
- 8 Financial leverage: On October 22, 2003, Old NHS issued 3,600 Money Market Cumulative Preferred Shares ("MMP"), each without par value, with proceeds of \$90,000,000 in a public offering. On November 13, 2008, Old NHS redeemed all 3,600 MMP at the liquidation price of \$25,000 per share plus any accumulated and unpaid dividends.

In September 2008, Old NHS entered into a Master Securities Purchase Agreement and a Master Note Purchase Agreement pursuant to which it could issue privately placed notes ("Old NHS PNs") and privately placed perpetual preferred shares ("Old NHS PPS"). In November 2008, Old NHS issued Old NHS PNs with an aggregate principal value of \$45,900,000 and issued 492 Old NHS PPS with an aggregate liquidation preference of \$12,300,000 and used those proceeds to redeem outstanding MMP.

On August 6, 2010, each of Old NHS and NOX merged with and into the Fund (see Note F - Reorganization for additional disclosure). In connection with the mergers, the Fund issued 1,087 Perpetual Preferred Shares, Series A ("PPS") with an aggregate liquidation preference of \$27,175,000 to preferred shareholders of Old NHS and NOX in exchange for their Old NHS PPS and NOX preferred shares. In connection with the mergers, the Fund also assumed the Old NHS PNs and the notes that NOX had previously issued ("NOX Notes"). On September 30, 2010, the Fund issued privately placed notes ("PNs" and, together with PPS, "Private Securities") with an aggregate principal value of \$82,600,000 to holders of Old NHS PNs and NOX Notes in exchange for their Old NHS PNs and NOX Notes.

The PNs have a maturity date of November 2013 and the interest on the PNs is accrued daily and paid quarterly. The PPS have a liquidation preference of \$25,000 per share plus any accumulated unpaid distributions, whether or not earned or declared by the Fund, but excluding interest thereon ("PPS Liquidation Value"). Distributions on the PPS are accrued daily and paid quarterly. The Old NHS PNs and

the Old NHS PPS had these same terms.

For the six months ended April 30, 2011, the distribution rate on the PPS ranged from 3.19% to 3.21% and the interest rate on the PNs ranged from 1.69% to 1.71%.

The Fund has paid up front offering and organizational expenses which are being amortized over the life of the PNs. The expenses are included in the interest expense that is reflected in the Statement of Operations.

The Fund may redeem PPS or prepay the PNs, in whole or in part, at its option after giving a minimum amount of notice to the relevant holders of the Private Securities but will incur additional expenses if it chooses to so redeem or prepay. The Fund is also subject to certain restrictions relating to the Private Securities. Failure to comply with these restrictions could preclude the Fund from declaring any distributions to common shareholders or repurchasing common shares and/or could trigger the mandatory redemption of PPS at PPS Liquidation Value and certain expenses and/or mandatory prepayment of PNs at par plus accrued but unpaid interest and certain expenses. The holders of PPS are entitled to one vote per share and will vote with holders of common shares as a single class, except that the holders of PPS will vote separately as a class on certain matters, as required by law or the Fund's organizational documents. The holders of PPS, voting as a separate class, are entitled at all times to elect two

Directors of the Fund, and to elect a majority of the Directors of the Fund if the Fund fails to pay distributions on PPS for two consecutive years.

- 9 Concentration of credit risk: The Fund will normally invest at least 80% of its total assets in high yield debt securities of U.S. and foreign issuers, which include securities that are rated below investment grade by a rating agency or are unrated debt securities determined to be of comparable quality by the Fund's investment manager.

Due to the inherent volatility and illiquidity of the high yield securities in which the Fund invests and the real or perceived difficulty of issuers of those high yield securities to meet their payment obligations during economic downturns or because of negative business developments relating to the issuer or its industry in general, the value and/or price of the Fund's common shares may fluctuate more than would be the case if the Fund did not concentrate in high yield securities.

- 10 Derivative instruments: During the six months ended April 30, 2011, the Fund's use of derivatives was limited to interest rate swap contracts. The Fund has adopted the provisions of ASC 815 "Derivatives and Hedging" ("ASC 815"). The disclosure requirements of ASC 815 distinguish between derivatives that qualify for hedge accounting and those that do not. Because investment companies value their derivatives at fair value and recognize changes in fair value through the Statement of Operations, they do not qualify for hedge accounting. Accordingly, even though the Fund's investments in derivatives may represent economic hedges, they are considered non-hedge transactions for purposes of this disclosure.

Interest Rate Swaps: The Fund entered into interest rate swap transactions, with institutions that Management has determined are creditworthy, to reduce the risk that an increase in short-term interest rates could reduce common share net earnings as a result of leverage. Under the terms of the interest rate swap contracts, the Fund agrees to pay the swap counterparty a fixed-rate payment in exchange for the counterparty's paying the Fund a variable-rate payment that is intended to approximate all or a portion of the Fund's variable-rate payment obligations on the Fund's Private Securities. The fixed-rate and variable-rate payment flows are netted against each other, with the difference being paid by one party to the other on a monthly basis. The Fund segregates cash or liquid securities having a value at least equal to the Fund's net payment obligations under any swap transaction, marked to market daily. There is no guarantee that these swap transactions will be successful in reducing or limiting risk.

Risks may arise if the counterparty to a swap contract fails to comply with the terms of its contract. The loss incurred by the failure of a counterparty is generally limited to the net interest payment to be received by the Fund and/or the termination value at the end of the contract. Additionally, risks may arise if there is no liquid market for these agreements or from movements in interest rates unanticipated by Management.

Periodic expected interim net interest payments or receipts on the swaps are recorded as an adjustment to unrealized gains/losses, along with the fair value of the future periodic payment streams on the swaps. The unrealized gains/losses associated with the periodic interim net interest payments are reclassified to realized gains/losses in conjunction with the actual net receipt or payment of such amounts. The reclassifications do not impact the Fund's total net assets applicable to common shareholders or its total net increase (decrease) in net assets applicable to common shareholders resulting from operations. At April 30, 2011, the Fund had outstanding interest rate swap contracts as follows:

| Swap Counterparty | Notional Amount(1) | Termination Date | Rate Type | | Accrued Net Interest Receivable (Payable) | Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation) | Total Fair Value |
|-------------------|--------------------|------------------|--------------------------------------|---|---|--|------------------|
| | | | Fixed-rate Payments Made by the Fund | Variable-rate Payments Received by the Fund | | | |
| Citibank, N.A. | \$25,000,000 | March 18, 2015 | 1.680% | .309%(2) | \$ (40,725) | \$ (941) | \$ (41,666) |
| Citibank, N.A. | 50,000,000 | December 7, 2015 | 1.884% | .309%(3) | (353,108) | 241,762 | (111,346) |
| | | | | | \$ (393,833) | \$ 240,821 | \$ (153,012) |

(1) The notional amount at period end is indicative of the volume throughout the period.

(2) 90 day LIBOR (London Interbank Offered Rate) at March 16, 2011.

(3) 90 day LIBOR (London Interbank Offered Rate) at March 3, 2011.

At April 30, 2011, the Fund held the following derivatives (which did not qualify for hedge accounting under ASC 815), grouped by primary risk exposure:

Liability Derivatives

| | Interest Rate Risk | Statement of Assets and Liabilities Location |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|--|
| Interest Rate Swap Contract | \$ (153,012) | Interest rate swaps, |
| Total Value | \$ (153,012) | at value(1) |

(1) "Interest Rate Swap Contract" reflects the appreciation (depreciation) of the interest rate swap contract plus accrued interest as of April 30, 2011 which is reflected in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities under the caption "Interest rate swaps, at value."

The impact of the use of these derivative instruments as reflected in the Statement of Operations during the six months ended April 30, 2011, was as follows:

Realized Gain (Loss)

| | Interest Rate Risk | Statement of Operations Location |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|
| Interest Rate Swap Contract | \$ (268,321) | Net realized gain (loss) |
| Total Realized Gain (Loss) | \$ (268,321) | on interest rate swap contracts |

Change in Appreciation (Depreciation)

| | Interest Rate Risk | Statement of Operations Location |
|---|--------------------|---|
| Interest Rate Swap Contract | \$ 161,542 | Change in net unrealized appreciation |
| Total Change in Appreciation (Depreciation) | \$ 161,542 | (depreciation) in value of interest rate swap contracts |

11 Indemnifications: Like many other companies, the Fund's organizational documents provide that its officers and directors are indemnified against certain liabilities arising out of the performance of their duties to the Fund. In addition, both in some of its principal service contracts and in the normal course of its business, the Fund enters into contracts that provide indemnifications to other parties for certain types of losses or liabilities. The Fund's maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown as this could involve future claims against the Fund.

Note B—Management Fees, Administration Fees, Distribution Arrangements, and Other Transactions with Affiliates:

The Fund retains Management as its investment manager under a Management Agreement. For such investment management services, the Fund pays Management a monthly fee computed at an annual rate of 0.60% of the Fund's average daily Managed Assets. Managed Assets equal the total assets of the Fund less liabilities

other than the aggregate indebtedness entered into for purposes of leverage. Management is responsible for developing, implementing and supervising the Fund's investment program and providing certain administrative services to the Fund. Management has retained NBFI to serve as the sub-adviser of the Fund and to manage the Fund's investment portfolio. Management compensates NBFI for its services as sub-adviser. Management pays NBFI a monthly sub-advisory fee calculated at an annual percentage rate of 0.15% of the Fund's average daily Managed Assets.

In connection with Old NHS's May 2009 tender offer and the tender offer program, effective June 9, 2009, Management agreed to voluntarily waive a portion of the management fee it was entitled to receive from Old NHS at an annual rate of 0.05% of Old NHS's average daily Managed Assets. This waiver terminated at the time Old NHS merged with and into the Fund. In connection with the mergers, Management has agreed to voluntarily waive a portion of the management fees it is entitled to receive from the Fund at an annual rate of 0.05% of the Fund's

average daily Managed Assets. This voluntary waiver is expected to remain in effect until July 1, 2012, but may be changed or terminated by Management at any time. For the six months ended April 30, 2011, such waived fees amounted to \$94,200.

Several individuals who are officers and/or Directors of the Fund are also employees of NBF, Neuberger Berman LLC ("Neuberger") and/or Management.

The Fund retains Management as its administrator under an Administration Agreement. The Fund pays Management an administration fee at the annual rate of 0.05% of its average daily Managed Assets under this agreement. Additionally, Management retains State Street Bank and Trust Company ("State Street") as its sub-administrator under a Sub-Administration Agreement. Management pays State Street a fee for all services received under the agreement.

Management and NBF are indirect subsidiaries of Neuberger Berman Group LLC ("NBG," and together with its consolidated subsidiaries "NB Group"). The voting equity of NBG is owned by NBSH Acquisition, LLC ("NBSH") and Lehman Brothers Holdings Inc. ("LBHI"). NBSH, which is owned by portfolio managers, members of the NB Group management team and certain of NB Group's key employees and senior professionals, owns approximately 52% of the voting equity of NBG and LBHI, which is a debtor in possession under chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code, owns the remaining 48% of the voting equity. LBHI's bankruptcy proceedings have had no material impact on the operations of the Fund. Management and NBF continue to operate in the ordinary course of business as the investment manager and sub-adviser, respectively, of the Fund.

Other non-affiliated service providers: In order to satisfy rating agency requirements and the terms of the Private Securities, the Fund is required to provide the rating agency and holders of Private Securities a report on a monthly basis verifying that the Fund is maintaining eligible assets having a discounted value equal to or greater than the basic maintenance amount, which is the minimum level set by the rating agency as one of the conditions to maintain the AAA rating on the Private Securities. "Discounted value" refers to the fact that the rating agency requires the Fund, in performing this calculation, to discount portfolio securities below their face value, at rates determined by the rating agency. The Fund pays State Street for the preparation of this report, which is reflected in the Statement of Operations under the caption "Basic maintenance expense."

State Street serves as the Fund's custodian and The Bank of New York Mellon serves as the Fund's transfer agent, registrar, and dividend paying agent.

The Fund has an expense offset arrangement in connection with its custodian contract. For the six months ended April 30, 2011, the impact of this arrangement was a reduction of expenses of \$259.

Note C—Securities Transactions:

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During the six months ended April 30, 2011, there were purchases and sales of investments (excluding short-term securities and interest rate swap contracts) of \$237,370,047 and \$224,992,379, respectively.

Note D—Capital:

At April 30, 2011 the common shares outstanding and the common shares of the Fund owned by Neuberger Berman Alternative Fund Management LLC ("NBAFM") and Neuberger, affiliates of Management, were as follows:

| Common Shares Outstanding | Common Shares Owned by NBAFM | Common Shares Owned by Neuberger |
|------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 19,429,272 | 16,080 | 5,116 |

Transactions in common shares for the six months ended April 30, 2011, for the period ended October 31, 2010 and for the year ended December 31, 2009 were as follows:

| | For the Six Months Ended April 30, 2011 | For the Period Ended October 31, 2010(1) | For the Year Ended December 31, 2009 |
|--|--|--|--|
| Shares Issued on Reinvestment of Dividends and Distributions | 56,076 | 28,058 | — |
| Shares Issued in Connection with the Acquisition of NOX (See Note F) | — | 8,316,011 | — |
| Redemption of Common Shares (See Note E) | — | — | (1,225,458) |
| Net Increase (Decrease) in Common Shares Outstanding | 56,076 | 8,344,069 | (1,225,458) |

(1) For the period January 1, 2010 to October 31, 2010.

Note E—Tender Offer Program:

Old NHS, a predecessor to the Fund, conducted a tender offer in May 2009 for up to 10% of its outstanding common shares at a price equal to 98% of its NAV determined on the day the tender offer expired. Under the terms of the tender offer, on June 5, 2009, the Fund accepted 1,225,458 common shares, representing approximately 10% of its then outstanding common shares. Final payment was made at \$9.60 per share, representing 98% of the NAV per share on May 29, 2009.

In 2009, Old NHS's Board authorized a semi-annual tender offer program consisting of up to four tender offers over a two-year period ("Old NHS Tender Offer Program"). Under the Old NHS Tender Offer Program, if the Fund's common shares traded at an average daily discount to NAV per share of greater than 10% during a 12-week measurement period, the Fund would conduct a tender offer for between 5% and 20% of its outstanding common shares at a price equal to 98% of its NAV per share determined on the day the tender offer expires.

Old NHS's initial measurement period under the Old NHS Tender Offer Program commenced June 5, 2009 and ended August 28, 2009 (the "Measurement Period"). During the Measurement Period, the Fund traded at an average daily discount to NAV per share of less than 10% and, therefore, in accordance with its Old NHS Tender Offer Program, did not conduct a tender offer.

After the reorganization, the Fund adopted a substantially similar tender offer program consisting of up to three tender offers over a two-year period ("Tender Offer Program"). During the Fund's initial measurement period under the Tender Offer Program, August 18, 2010 to November 10, 2010, the Fund traded at an average daily discount to NAV of less than 10% and, therefore, in accordance with its Tender

Offer Program, did not conduct a tender offer.

In connection with the Old NHS Tender Offer Program, Management agreed to implement a voluntary waiver of 0.05% of its investment advisory fees to offset some of the expenses associated with, or possible increases in Old NHS's expense ratio resulting from, the tender offers (see Note B for additional disclosure). This waiver terminated at the time Old NHS merged with and into the Fund. In connection with the mergers, Management agreed to voluntarily waive a portion of its management fee at an annual rate of 0.05% of the Fund's average daily Managed Assets. The Board retains the ability, consistent with its fiduciary duty, to opt out of the Tender Offer Program should circumstances arise that the Board believes could cause a material negative effect on the Fund or the Fund's shareholders.

Note F—Reorganization:

In February 2010, the Boards of Old NHS and NOX approved a proposal to reorganize Old NHS and NOX into the Fund pursuant to an Agreement and Plan of Reorganization ("Agreement"). At the July 2010 annual meetings of shareholders, shareholders of each of Old NHS and NOX approved the Agreement. In accordance with the Agreement, first Old NHS, and then NOX, transferred its assets to the Fund in exchange for Fund common shares and Fund preferred shares and the Fund assumed each of Old NHS's and NOX's liabilities. For financial reporting purposes, assets received and shares issued by the Fund were recorded at fair value; however, the cost basis of the investments received from NOX was carried forward to align ongoing reporting of the Fund's realized and unrealized gains and losses with amounts distributable to shareholders for tax purposes.

After the close of business on August 6, 2010, Old NHS merged with and into the Fund pursuant to the Agreement. The merger was accomplished by a tax-free exchange of the net assets of Old NHS, which aggregated \$157,022,940 (including investments with a cost of \$148,637,738 and \$11,723,763 of unrealized appreciation), for 11,033,556 Fund common shares (with a net asset value of \$13.1166) and 492 Fund preferred shares (with a total liquidation preference of \$12,300,000) and the assumption by the Fund of Old NHS's liabilities. Old NHS common shareholders and preferred shareholders received the same number of common shares and preferred shares of the Fund as they previously held of Old NHS.

After Old NHS merged with and into the Fund, NOX merged with and into the Fund, pursuant to the Agreement. The merger was accomplished by a tax-free exchange of the net assets of NOX, which aggregated \$123,966,569 (including \$8,135,275 of unrealized appreciation), for 8,316,011 Fund common shares and 595 Fund preferred shares (with a total liquidation preference of \$14,875,000) and the assumption by the Fund of NOX's liabilities.

The merger of NOX and the Fund was based on the relative net asset values of NOX and the Fund (after its merger with Old NHS). On August 6, 2010, the net asset value per common share for NOX was \$7.5731. The net asset value per common share for the Fund after its merger with Old NHS was \$13.1173. As a result, former NOX common shareholders received 0.577 Fund common shares for each NOX common share previously held. NOX common shareholders subsequently received cash in lieu of fractional shares not held in NOX's Distribution Reinvestment Plan. In addition, NOX preferred shareholders each received the same number of preferred shares of the Fund as they previously held of NOX.

The combined net assets of the Fund immediately after both transactions were \$280,989,509.

Assuming the reorganization had been completed on January 1, 2010, the beginning of the annual reporting period of the Fund, the Fund's pro forma results of operations for the period ended October 31, 2010, are as follows:

| | |
|---|--------------|
| Net investment income (loss) | \$22,776,387 |
| Net realized gain (loss) on investments | 18,972,320 |
| Net unrealized gain (loss) on investments | 9,123,480 |
| Distributions to Preferred Shareholders | (743,952) |
| Net increase (decrease) in net assets applicable to Common Shareholders resulting from operations | \$50,128,235 |

Because the combined investment portfolios have been managed as a single integrated portfolio since the reorganization was completed, it is not practicable to separate the amounts of revenue and earnings of NOX that were included in the Fund's Statement of Operations as of October 31, 2010.

Note G—Recent Market Events:

Recent events in the financial sector have resulted in an unusually high degree of volatility in the financial markets and the economy at large. Both domestic and international equity and fixed income markets have been

experiencing heightened volatility and turmoil, with issuers that have exposure to the real estate, mortgage and credit markets particularly affected. It is uncertain how long these conditions will continue.

In addition to the recent unprecedented turbulence in financial markets, the reduced liquidity in credit and fixed income markets may negatively affect many issuers worldwide. Illiquidity in these markets may mean there is less money available to purchase raw materials, goods and services, which may, in turn, bring down the prices of these economic staples. It may also result in issuers having more difficulty obtaining financing and ultimately a decline in their stock prices. These events and the potential for continuing market turbulence may have an adverse effect on the Fund.

The U.S. federal government and certain foreign central banks have acted to calm credit markets and increase confidence in the U.S. and world economies. Certain of these entities have injected liquidity into the markets and taken other steps in an effort to stabilize the markets and grow the economy. The ultimate effect of these efforts is, of course, not yet known. Changes in government policies may exacerbate the market's difficulties and withdrawal of this support, or other policy changes by governments or central banks, could negatively affect the value and liquidity of certain securities.

The situation in the financial markets has resulted in calls for increased regulation, and the need of many financial institutions for government help has given lawmakers and regulators new leverage. The Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (the "Dodd-Frank Act") has initiated a dramatic revision of the U.S. financial regulatory framework that is now expected to unfold over several years. The Dodd-Frank Act covers a broad range of topics, including (among many others) a reorganization of federal financial regulators; a process intended to ensure financial systemic stability and the resolution of potentially insolvent financial firms; new rules for derivatives trading; the creation of a consumer financial protection watchdog; the registration and additional regulation of hedge and private equity fund managers; and new federal requirements for residential mortgage loans. Instruments in which the Fund may invest, or the issuers of such instruments, may be affected by the new legislation and regulation in ways that are unforeseeable. The ultimate impact of the Dodd-Frank Act, and any resulting regulations, is not yet certain.

The statutory provisions of the Dodd-Frank Act significantly change in several respects the ways in which investment products are marketed, sold, settled or terminated. In particular, the Dodd-Frank Act mandates the elimination of references to credit ratings in numerous securities laws, including the 1940 Act. Derivatives may be mandated for central clearing under the Dodd-Frank Act, which would likely require technological and other changes to Fund operations and the market in which it will trade. Central clearing would also entail the use of assets of the Fund to satisfy margin calls and this may have an effect on the performance of the Fund. The extent of margin requirements in the market after regulators impose clearing mandates is not yet known. The ultimate impact of the Dodd-Frank Act therefore is not yet

certain.

The regulators that have been charged with the responsibility for implementing the Dodd-Frank Act (i.e., the Securities and Exchange Commission and the U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission) are reviewing generally, and have proposed regulations or guidelines, on the use of futures by funds governed by the 1940 Act (in the case of the U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission) and on the use of derivatives by 1940 Act funds (in the case of the Securities and Exchange Commission). It is not clear whether final guidelines for such use will be published, or when these rules will become final. The impact of new guidance and regulations is also not certain.

Because the situation in the markets is widespread and largely unprecedented, it may be unusually difficult to identify both risks and opportunities using past models of the interplay of market forces, or to predict the duration of these market events.

Note H—Unaudited Financial Information:

The financial information included in this interim report is taken from the records of the Fund without audit by an independent registered public accounting firm. Annual reports contain audited financial statements.

Financial Highlights

High Yield Strategies Fund Inc.

The following table includes selected data for a share outstanding throughout each period and other performance information derived from the Financial Statements.

| | Six Months Ended April 30, 2011 (Unaudited) | Period from January 1, 2010 to October 31, 2010 ^{^^} | 2009 | Year Ended December 31, | | | | 2005 |
|--|---|---|---------|-------------------------|--------------------|----------|----------|------|
| | | | | 2008 | 2007 ^{^^} | 2006 | | |
| Common Share Net Asset Value, Beginning of Period | \$ 13.82 | \$ 12.54 | \$ 7.42 | \$ 13.23 | \$ 15.05 | \$ 14.51 | \$ 15.58 | |
| Net Investment Income ϵ | 0.69 | 1.19 | 1.43 | 1.52 | 1.67 | 1.65 | 1.71 | |
| Net Gain or Losses on Securities (both realized and unrealized) | 0.39 | 1.20 | 4.97 | (5.74) | (1.34) | 0.61 | (0.94) | |
| Common Share Equivalent of Distributions to Preferred Shareholders From: | | | | | | | | |
| Net Investment Income ϵ | (0.02) | (0.03) | (0.04) | (0.27) | (0.40) | (0.37) | (0.24) | |
| Net Realized Gains ϵ | — | — | — | — | (0.01) | — | — | |
| Total Distributions to Preferred Shareholders | (0.02) | (0.03) | (0.04) | (0.27) | (0.41) | (0.37) | (0.24) | |
| Total From Investment Operations Applicable to Common Shareholders | 1.06 | 2.36 | 6.36 | (4.49) | (0.08) | 1.89 | 0.53 | |
| Less Distributions to Common Shareholders From: | | | | | | | | |
| Net Investment | (0.66) | (1.08) | (1.26) | (1.22) | (1.69) | (1.35) | (1.58) | |

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| | | | | | | | |
|--|-----------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Income | | | | | | | |
| Net Realized Gains | — | — | — | — | (0.05) | — | (0.02) |
| Tax Return of Capital | — | — | — | (0.10) | — | — | (0.00) |
| Total Distributions to Common Shareholders | (0.66) | (1.08) | (1.26) | (1.32) | (1.74) | (1.35) | (1.60) |
| Accretive Effect of Tender Offer | — | — | 0.02 | — | — | — | — |
| Common Share Net Asset Value, End of Period | \$ 14.22 | \$ 13.82 | \$ 12.54 | \$ 7.42 | \$ 13.23 | \$ 15.05 | \$ 14.51 |
| Common Share Market Value, End of Period | \$ 14.49 | \$ 14.04 | \$ 11.95 | \$ 6.38 | \$ 11.82 | \$ 15.18 | \$ 15.61 |
| Total Return, Common Share Net Asset Value† | 7.87%** | 19.78%** | 92.44% | (35.32)% | (0.13)% | 13.91% | 3.63% |
| Total Return, Common Share Market Value† | 8.20%** | 27.69%** | 113.27% | (37.75)% | (11.54)% | 6.79% | 5.40% |
| Ratios/Supplemental Data†† | | | | | | | |
| Ratios are Calculated Using Average Net Assets Applicable to Common Shareholders | | | | | | | |
| Ratio of Gross Expenses# | 1.65%*Ø | 1.95%*Ø | 2.60%Ø | 1.80%Ø | 1.44% | 1.49% | 1.53% |
| Ratio of Net Expenses | 1.65%*§Ø | 1.95%*§Ø‡‡ | 2.60%§Ø | 1.80%§Ø | 1.44%§ | 1.49% | 1.53% |
| Ratio of Net Investment Income | 10.01%* | 11.02%* | 14.30% | 13.43% | 11.33% | 11.29% | 11.44% |
| Portfolio Turnover Rate | 61%** | 130%**ØØ | 159% | 122% | 129% | 111% | 96% |
| Net Assets Applicable to Common Shares, End of Period (000's) | \$276,330 | \$267,819 | \$138,293 | \$ 90,907 | \$162,091 | \$184,389 | \$177,659 |
| Perpetual Preferred Sharesçç | | | | | | | |
| Preferred Shares | \$ 27,175 | \$ 27,175 | \$ 12,300 | \$ 12,300 | \$ 90,000 | \$ 90,000 | \$ 90,000 |

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Outstanding,
End of Period
(000's)

| | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Asset Coverage Per Share@ | \$279,282 | \$271,454 | \$306,086 | \$209,943 | \$ 70,107 | \$ 76,284 | \$ 74,400 |
|---------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|

Liquidation
Value Per

| | | | | | | | |
|-------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Share | \$ 25,000 | \$ 25,000 | \$ 25,000 | \$ 25,000 | \$ 25,000 | \$ 25,000 | \$ 25,000 |
|-------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|

Notes Payable

Notes Payable

Outstanding,

End of Period

(000's)

| | | | | | | | |
|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------|------|------|
| | \$ 82,600 | \$ 82,600 | \$ 45,900 | \$ 45,900 | \$ — | \$ — | \$ — |
|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------|------|------|

Asset

Coverage Per

\$1,000 of

Notes

| | | | | | | | |
|-----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|------|------|------|
| Payable@@ | \$ 4,675 | \$ 4,572 | \$ 4,281 | \$ 3,250 | \$ — | \$ — | \$ — |
|-----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|------|------|------|

See Notes to Financial Highlights

Notes to Financial Highlights High Yield Strategies Fund Inc. (Unaudited)

† Total return based on per share NAV reflects the effects of changes in NAV on the performance of the Fund during each fiscal period. Total return based on per share market value assumes the purchase of common shares at the market price on the first day and sales of common shares at the market price on the last day of the period indicated. Distributions, if any, are assumed to be reinvested at prices obtained under the Fund's distribution reinvestment plan. Results represent past performance and do not guarantee future results. Current returns may be lower or higher than the performance data quoted. Investment returns may fluctuate and shares when sold may be worth more or less than original cost. Total return would have been lower if Management had not waived certain expenses.

The Fund is required to calculate an expense ratio without taking into consideration any expense reductions related to expense offset arrangements.

§ After waiver of a portion of the investment management fee by Management. Had Management not undertaken such action, the annualized net expenses to average daily net assets would have been:

| Six Months Ended April 30, 2011 | Period from January 1, 2010 to October 31, 2010 | Year Ended December 31, | | |
|---------------------------------|---|-------------------------|-------|-------|
| | | 2009 | 2008 | 2007 |
| 1.72% | 2.02% | 2.65% | 1.65% | 1.44% |

@ Calculated by subtracting the Fund's total liabilities (excluding accumulated unpaid distributions on PPS (Old NHS's PPS prior to August 6, 2010 and MMP prior to November 13, 2008)) from the Fund's total assets and dividing by the number of PPS/MMP outstanding.

@@ Calculated by subtracting the Fund's total liabilities (excluding accumulated unpaid distributions on PPS (Old NHS's PPS prior to August 6, 2010 and MMP prior to November 13, 2008) and Notes payable (the Old NHS Notes payable prior to September 29, 2010)) from the Fund's total assets and dividing by the outstanding Notes payable balance.

†† Expense ratios do not include the effect of distribution payments to preferred shareholders. Income ratios include income earned on assets attributable to PPS (MMP prior to November 13, 2008) outstanding. Income ratios also include the effect of interest expense from the PNs.

¢ Calculated based on the average number of shares outstanding during each fiscal period.

*** Rounds to less than \$0.01.

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^^ Effective February 28, 2007, Management became the investment adviser.

¢¢ From October 22, 2003 to November 13, 2008, the Fund had 3,600 MMP outstanding; from November 14, 2008 to August 6, 2010, the Fund had 492 Old NHS PPS outstanding. Since August 6, 2010, the Fund has 1,087 PPS outstanding (see Note A-8 to Financial Statements).

∅ Interest expense is included in expense ratios. The annualized ratio of interest expense to average net assets applicable to common shareholders was:

| Six Months Ended April 30, 2011 | Period from January 1, 2010 to October 31, 2010 | Year Ended December 31, | |
|---------------------------------------|--|-------------------------|------|
| | | 2009 | 2008 |
| .58% | .63% | 1.05% | .16% |

* Annualized.

** Not Annualized.

^^^ The Fund's fiscal year end changed from December 31 to October 31.

∅∅ Portfolio turnover excludes purchases and sales by NOX (which merged with and into the Fund on August 6, 2010) prior to the merger date.

‡‡ Includes merger related expenses. If such expenses were not included, the annualized ratio of net expenses to average net assets applicable to common shareholders for the period ended October 31, 2010 would have been 1.81%.

Distribution Reinvestment Plan

The Bank of New York Mellon ("Plan Agent") will act as Plan Agent for shareholders who have not elected in writing to receive dividends and distributions in cash (each a "Participant"), will open an account for each Participant under the Distribution Reinvestment Plan ("Plan") in the same name as their then current Shares are registered, and will put the Plan into effect for each Participant as of the first record date for a dividend or capital gains distribution.

Whenever the Fund declares a dividend or distribution with respect to the common stock of the Fund ("Shares"), each Participant will receive such dividends and distributions in additional Shares, including fractional Shares acquired by the Plan Agent and credited to each Participant's account. If on the payment date for a cash dividend or distribution, the net asset value is equal to or less than the market price per Share plus estimated brokerage commissions, the Plan Agent shall automatically receive such Shares, including fractions, for each Participant's account. Except in the circumstances described in the next paragraph, the number of additional Shares to be credited to each Participant's account shall be determined by dividing the dollar amount of the dividend or distribution payable on their Shares by the greater of the net asset value per Share determined as of the date of purchase or 95% of the then current market price per Share on the payment date.

Should the net asset value per Share exceed the market price per Share plus estimated brokerage commissions on the payment date for a cash dividend or distribution, the Plan Agent or a broker-dealer selected by the Plan Agent shall endeavor, for a purchase period lasting until the last business day before the next date on which the Shares trade on an "ex-dividend" basis, but in no event, except as provided below, more than 30 days after the payment date, to apply the amount of such dividend or distribution on each Participant's Shares (less their pro rata share of brokerage commissions incurred with respect to the Plan Agent's open-market purchases in connection with the reinvestment of such dividend or distribution) to purchase Shares on the open market for each Participant's account. No such purchases may be made more than 30 days after the payment date for such dividend or distribution except where temporary curtailment or suspension of purchase is necessary to comply with applicable provisions of federal securities laws. If, at the close of business on any day during the purchase period the net asset value per Share equals or is less than the market price per Share plus estimated brokerage commissions, the Plan Agent will not make any further open-market purchases in connection with the reinvestment of such dividend or distribution. If the Plan Agent is unable to invest the full dividend or distribution amount through open-market purchases during the purchase period, the Plan Agent shall request that, with respect to the uninvested portion of such dividend or distribution amount, the Fund issue new Shares at the close of business on the earlier of the last day of the purchase period or the first day during the purchase period on which the net asset value per Share equals or is less than the market price per Share, plus estimated brokerage commissions, such Shares to be issued in accordance with the terms specified in the third paragraph hereof. These newly issued Shares will be valued at the then-current market price per Share at the time such Shares are to be issued.

For purposes of making the reinvestment purchase comparison under the Plan, (a) the market price of the Shares on a particular date shall be the last sales price on the New York Stock Exchange (or if the Shares are not listed on the New York Stock Exchange, such other exchange on which the Shares are principally traded) on that date, or, if there is no sale on such Exchange (or if not so listed, in the over-the-counter market) on that date, then the mean between the closing bid and asked quotations for such Shares on such Exchange on such date and (b) the net asset value per Share on a particular date shall be the net asset value per Share most recently calculated by or on behalf of the Fund. All dividends, distributions and other payments (whether made in cash or Shares) shall be made net of any applicable withholding tax.

Open-market purchases provided for above may be made on any securities exchange where the Fund's Shares are traded, in the over-the-counter market or in negotiated transactions and may be on such terms as to price, delivery and otherwise as the Plan Agent shall determine. Each Participant's uninvested funds held by the Plan Agent will not bear interest, and it is understood that, in any event, the Plan Agent shall have no liability in connection with any inability to purchase Shares within 30 days after the initial date of such purchase as herein provided, or with the timing of any purchases effected. The Plan Agent shall have no responsibility as to the value of the Shares acquired for each Participant's account. For the

purpose of cash investments, the Plan Agent may commingle each Participant's funds with those of other shareholders of the Fund for whom the Plan Agent similarly acts as agent, and the average price (including brokerage commissions) of all Shares purchased by the Plan Agent as Plan Agent shall be the price per Share allocable to each Participant in connection therewith.

The Plan Agent may hold each Participant's Shares acquired pursuant to the Plan together with the Shares of other shareholders of the Fund acquired pursuant to the Plan in noncertificated form in the Plan Agent's name or that of the Plan Agent's nominee. The Plan Agent will forward to each Participant any proxy solicitation material and will vote any Shares so held for each Participant only in accordance with the instructions set forth on proxies returned by the Participant to the Fund.

The Plan Agent will confirm to each Participant each acquisition made for their account as soon as practicable but not later than 60 days after the date thereof. Although each Participant may from time to time have an undivided fractional interest (computed to three decimal places) in a Share, no certificates for a fractional Share will be issued. However, dividends and distributions on fractional Shares will be credited to each Participant's account. In the event of termination of a Participant's account under the Plan, the Plan Agent will adjust for any such undivided fractional interest in cash at the market value of the Shares at the time of termination, less the pro rata expense of any sale required to make such an adjustment.

Any Share dividends or split Shares distributed by the Fund on Shares held by the Plan Agent for Participants will be credited to their accounts. In the event that the Fund makes available to its shareholders rights to purchase additional Shares or other securities, the Shares held for each Participant under the Plan will be added to other Shares held by the Participant in calculating the number of rights to be issued to each Participant.

The Plan Agent's service fee for handling capital gains distributions or income dividends will be paid by the Fund. Participants will be charged their pro rata share of brokerage commissions on all open-market purchases.

Each Participant may terminate their account under the Plan by notifying the Plan Agent in writing. Such termination will be effective immediately if the Participant's notice is received by the Plan Agent not less than ten days prior to any dividend or distribution record date, otherwise such termination will be effective the first trading day after the payment date for such dividend or distribution with respect to any subsequent dividend or distribution. The Plan may be terminated by the Plan Agent or the Fund upon notice in writing mailed to each Participant at least 30 days prior to any record date for the payment of any dividend or distribution by the Fund.

These terms and conditions may be amended or supplemented by the Plan Agent or the Fund at any time or times but, except when necessary or appropriate to comply with applicable law or the rules or policies of the Securities and Exchange Commission or any other regulatory authority, only by mailing to each Participant appropriate written notice at least 30 days prior to the effective date thereof. The amendment or supplement shall be deemed to be accepted by each Participant unless, prior to the effective date thereof, the Plan Agent receives written notice of the termination of their account under the Plan. Any such amendment may include an appointment by the Plan Agent in its place and stead of a successor Plan Agent under these terms and conditions, with full power and authority to perform all or any of the acts to be performed by the Plan Agent under these terms and conditions. Upon any such appointment of any Plan Agent for the purpose of receiving dividends and distributions, the Fund will be authorized to pay to such successor Plan Agent, for each Participant's account, all dividends and distributions payable on Shares held in their name or under the Plan for retention or application by such successor Plan Agent as provided in these terms and conditions.

The Plan Agent shall at all times act in good faith and agrees to use its best efforts within reasonable limits to ensure the accuracy of all services performed under this Agreement and to comply with applicable law, but assumes no responsibility and shall not be liable for loss or damage due to errors unless such error is caused by the Plan Agent's negligence, bad faith, or willful misconduct or that of its employees.

These terms and conditions are governed by the laws of the State of Maryland.

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Proxy Voting Policies and Procedures

A description of the policies and procedures that the Fund uses to determine how to vote proxies relating to portfolio securities is available, without charge, by calling 1-800-877-9700 (toll-free) and on the website of the Securities and Exchange Commission at www.sec.gov. Information regarding how the Fund voted proxies relating to portfolio securities during the most recent 12-month period ended June 30 is also available, without charge, by calling 1-800-877-9700 (toll-free), on the website of the Securities and Exchange Commission at www.sec.gov, and on Management's website at www.nb.com.

Quarterly Portfolio Schedule

The Fund files a complete schedule of portfolio holdings with the Securities and Exchange Commission for the first and third quarters of each fiscal year on Form N-Q. The Fund's Forms N-Q are available on the Securities and Exchange Commission's website at www.sec.gov and may be reviewed and copied at the Securities and Exchange Commission's Public Reference Room in Washington, D.C. Information on the operation of the Public Reference Room may be obtained by calling 1-800-SEC-0330. The information on Form N-Q is available upon request, without charge, by calling 1-800-877-9700 (toll-free).

New Portfolio Co-Manager

Mr. William "Russ" Covode has co-managed the Fund since May 11, 2011. Mr. Covode is a Managing Director of Management, Neuberger and NBF. Mr. Covode also manages high yield and blended credit portfolios for NBF. He joined the firm in 2004.

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FACTS

WHAT DOES NEUBERGER BERMAN DO WITH YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION?

Why?

Financial companies choose how they share your personal information. Federal law gives consumers the right to limit some but not all sharing. Federal law also requires us to tell you how we collect, share, and protect your personal information. Please read this notice carefully to understand what we do.

What?

The types of personal information we collect and share depend on the product or service you have with us. This information can include:

- Social Security number and account balances
- income and transaction history
- credit history and credit scores

When you are no longer our customer, we continue to share your information as described in this notice.

How?

All financial companies need to share customers' personal information to run their everyday business. In the section below, we list the reasons financial companies can share their customers' personal information; the reasons Neuberger Berman chooses to share; and whether you can limit this sharing.

| Reasons we can share your personal information | Does Neuberger Berman share? | Can you limit this sharing? |
|--|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| For our everyday business purposes — such as to process your transactions, maintain your account(s), respond to court orders and legal investigations, or report to credit bureaus | Yes | No |
| For our marketing purposes — to offer our products and services to you | Yes | No |
| For joint marketing with other financial companies | No | We don't share |
| For our affiliates' everyday business purposes — information about your transactions and experiences | Yes | No |
| For our affiliates' everyday business purposes — information about your creditworthiness | No | We don't share |
| For nonaffiliates to market to you | No | We don't share |

Questions?

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Who we are

Who is providing this notice? Entities within the Neuberger Berman family of companies, mutual funds, and private investment funds.

What we do

How does Neuberger Berman protect my personal information? To protect your personal information from unauthorized access and use, we use security measures that comply with federal law. These measures include computer safeguards and secured files and buildings.

We restrict access to customer information to those employees who need to know such information in order to perform their job responsibilities.

How does Neuberger Berman collect my personal information?

We collect your personal information, for example, when you

open an account or provide account information

seek advice about your investments or give us your income information

give us your contact information

We also collect your personal information from others, such as credit bureaus, affiliates, or other companies.

Why can't I limit all sharing?

Federal law gives you the right to limit only

sharing for affiliates' everyday business purposes — information about your creditworthiness

affiliates from using your information to market to you

sharing for nonaffiliates to market to you

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Definitions

Affiliates Companies related by common ownership or control. They can be financial and nonfinancial companies.

Our affiliates include companies with a Neuberger Berman name; financial companies, such as investment advisers, broker dealers; mutual funds, and private investment funds.

Nonaffiliates

Companies not related by common ownership or control. They can be financial and nonfinancial companies.

Nonaffiliates we share with can include companies that perform administrative services on our behalf (such as vendors that provide data processing, transaction processing, and printing services) or other companies such as brokers, dealers, or counterparties in connection with servicing your account.

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Item 2. Code of Ethics

The Board of Directors (“Board”) of Neuberger Berman High Yield Strategies Fund Inc. (“Registrant”) adopted a code of ethics that applies to the Registrant’s principal executive officer, principal financial officer, principal accounting officer or controller, or persons performing similar functions (“Code of Ethics”). For the period covered by this Form N-CSR, there were no amendments to the Code of Ethics and there were no waivers from the Code of Ethics granted to the Registrant’s principal executive officer, principal financial officer, principal accounting officer or controller, or persons performing similar functions.

A copy of the Code of Ethics is incorporated by reference to the Registrant’s Form N-CSR, Investment Company Act file number 811-21342 (filed on January 7, 2011). The Code of Ethics is also available, without charge, by calling 1-800-877-9700 (toll-free).

Item 3. Audit Committee Financial Expert

The Board has determined that the Registrant has three audit committee financial experts serving on its audit committee. The Registrant’s audit committee financial experts are Martha Goss, George Morriss and Candace L. Straight. Ms. Goss, Mr. Morriss and Ms. Straight are independent directors as defined by Form N-CSR.

Item 4. Principal Accountant Fees and Services

Only required in the annual report.

Item 5. Audit Committee of Listed Registrants

Only required in the annual report.

Item 6. Schedule of Investments

The complete schedule of investments for the Registrant is disclosed in the Registrant’s Semi-Annual Report, which is included as Item 1 of this Form N-CSR.

Item 7. Disclosure of Proxy Voting Policies and Procedures for Closed-End Management Investment Companies

Only required in the annual report.

Item 8. Portfolio Managers of Closed-End Management Investment Companies

(a)(1) Effective May 11, 2011, William “Russ” Covode was appointed as a Portfolio Co-Manager and assumed joint day-to-day management responsibility of the Registrant:

William “Russ” Covode is a Managing Director of Neuberger Berman Management LLC (“NB Management”), Neuberger Berman LLC and Neuberger Berman Fixed Income LLC (“NBFI”). Mr. Covode also manages high yield and blended credit portfolios for NBFI. He joined the firm in 2004.

(a)(2) The table below describes the other accounts for which the Registrant’s new Co-Portfolio Manager has joint day-to-day management responsibility as of May 31, 2011.

| Type of Account | Number of Accounts Managed | Total Assets Managed (\$ millions) | Number of Accounts Managed for which Advisory Fee is Performance-Based | Assets Managed for which Advisory Fee is Performance-Based (\$ millions) |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------------|--|--|
| William R. Covode | | | | |
| Registered Investment Companies* | 2 | \$1,468 | 0 | 0 |
| Other Pooled Investment Vehicles | 2 | \$5,524 | 0 | 0 |
| Other Accounts** | 28 | \$7,266 | 1 | 1,029 |

*Registered Investment Companies include: Mutual Funds.

**Other Accounts include: Institutional Separate Accounts, Sub-Advised Funds, and Managed Accounts (WRAP Accounts).

Conflicts of Interest

Actual or apparent conflicts of interest may arise when a Portfolio Manager has day-to-day management responsibilities with respect to more than one fund or other account. The management of multiple funds and accounts (including proprietary accounts) may give rise to actual or potential conflicts of interest if the funds and accounts have different or similar objectives, benchmarks, time horizons, and fees, as the Portfolio Manager must allocate his time and investment ideas across multiple funds and accounts. A Portfolio Manager may execute transactions for another fund or account that may adversely impact the value of securities held by the Registrant, and which may include transactions that are directly contrary to the positions taken by the Registrant. For example, a Portfolio Manager may engage in short sales of securities for another account that are the same type of securities in which the Registrant also invests. In such a case, a Portfolio Manager could be seen as harming the performance of the Registrant for the benefit of the account engaging in short sales if the short sales cause the market value of the securities to fall. Additionally, if a Portfolio Manager identifies a limited investment opportunity that may be suitable for more than one fund or other account, the Registrant may not be able to take full advantage of that opportunity. If one account were to buy or sell portfolio securities shortly before another account bought or sold the same securities, it could affect the price paid or received by the second account. Securities selected for funds or accounts other than the Registrant may outperform the securities selected for the Registrant. Finally, a conflict of interest may arise if NB Management and a Portfolio Manager have a financial incentive to favor one account over another, such as a performance-based management

fee that applies to one account but not the Registrant or other accounts for which the Registrant's Portfolio Manager is responsible.

NB Management, NBFI and the Registrant have adopted certain compliance procedures which are designed to address these types of conflicts. However, there is no guarantee that such procedures will detect each and every situation in which a conflict arises.

(a)(3) Compensation of Portfolio Managers by NB Management and NBFI (as of June 30, 2011)

Our compensation philosophy is one that focuses on rewarding performance and incentivizing our employees. We are also focused on creating a compensation process that we believe is fair, transparent, and competitive with the market.

Compensation for Portfolio Managers consists of fixed and variable compensation but is more heavily weighted on the variable portion of total compensation and reflects individual performance, overall contribution to the team, collaboration with colleagues across Neuberger Berman and, most importantly, overall investment performance. In particular, the bonus for a Portfolio Manager is determined by using a formula and may or may not contain a discretionary component. If applicable, the discretionary component is determined on the basis of a variety of criteria, including investment performance (including the pre-tax three-year track record in order to emphasize long-term performance), utilization of central resources (including research, sales and operations/support), business building to further the longer term sustainable success of the investment team, effective team/people management, and overall contribution to the success of Neuberger Berman. In addition, compensation of portfolio managers at other comparable firms is considered, with an eye toward remaining competitive with the market.

The terms of our long-term retention incentives are as follows:

Employee-Owned Equity. An integral part of the Acquisition (the management buyout of Neuberger Berman in 2009) was implementing an equity ownership structure which embodies the importance of incentivizing and retaining key investment professionals.

The senior Portfolio Managers on the mutual fund teams are key shareholders in the equity ownership structure. On a yearly basis over the next five years, the equity ownership allocations will be re-evaluated and re-allocated based on performance and other key metrics. A set percentage of employee equity and preferred stock is subject to vesting.

Contingent Compensation Plan. We have also established the Neuberger Berman Group Contingent Compensation Plan pursuant to which a certain percentage of a Portfolio Manager's compensation is deemed contingent and vests over a three-year period. Under the plan, participating Portfolio Managers and other participating employees who are members of mutual fund investment teams will receive a cash return on their contingent compensation with a portion of such return being determined based on the team's investment performance, as well as the performance of a portfolio of other investment funds managed by Neuberger Berman Group investment professionals.

Restrictive Covenants. Portfolio Managers who have received equity interests have agreed to certain restrictive covenants, which impose obligations and restrictions on the use of confidential

information and the solicitation of Neuberger Berman employees and clients over a specified period of time if the Portfolio Manager leaves the firm.

Other Accounts. Certain Portfolio Managers may manage products other than mutual funds, such as high net worth separate accounts. For the management of these accounts, a Portfolio Manager may generally receive a percentage of pre-tax revenue determined on a monthly basis less certain deductions (e.g., a “finder’s fee” or “referral fee” paid to a third party). The percentage of revenue a Portfolio Manager receives will vary based on certain revenue thresholds.

(a)(4) Ownership of Securities

Set forth below is the dollar range of equity securities beneficially owned by the Registrant’s new Portfolio Manager in the Registrant as of May 11, 2011.

| Portfolio Manager | Dollar Range of Equity Securities Owned in the Registrant |
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| William R. Covode | A |
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| A = None | E = \$100,001-\$500,000 |
| B = \$1-\$10,000 | F = \$500,001-\$1,000,000 |
| C = \$10,001 - \$50,000 | G = \$1,000,001 or More |
| D = \$50,001-\$100,000 | |

(b) Not applicable.

Item 9. Purchases of Equity Securities by Closed-End Management Investment Company and Affiliated Purchasers

No reportable purchases for the period covered by this report.

Item 10. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders

There were no changes to the procedures by which stockholders may recommend nominees to the Board.

Item 11. Controls and Procedures

(a) Based on an evaluation of the disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 30a-3(c) under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the “Act”)) as of a date within 90 days of the filing date of this document, the Chief Executive Officer and Treasurer and Principal Financial and Accounting Officer of the Registrant have concluded that such disclosure controls and procedures are effectively designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by the Registrant on Form N-CSR and Form N-Q is accumulated and communicated to the Registrant’s management to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

- (b) There were no significant changes in the Registrant's internal controls over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 30a-3(d) under the Act) that occurred during the Registrant's second fiscal quarter of the period covered by this report that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Item 12. Exhibits

- (a)(1) A copy of the Code of Ethics is incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Form N-CSR, Investment Company Act file number 811-21342 (filed on January 7, 2011). The Code of Ethics is also available, without charge, by calling 1-800-877-9700 (toll-free).

- (a)(2) The certifications required by Rule 30a-2(a) of the Act and Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 ("Sarbanes-Oxley Act") are filed herewith.

- (a)(3) Not applicable to the Registrant.

- (b) The certifications required by Rule 30a-2(b) of the Act and Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act are filed herewith.

The certifications provided pursuant to Rule 30a-2(b) of the Act and Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act are not deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended ("Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liability of that section. Such certifications will not be deemed to be incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except to the extent that the Registrant specifically incorporates them by reference.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Neuberger Berman High Yield Strategies Fund Inc.

By: /s/ Robert Conti
Robert Conti
Chief Executive Officer

Date: July 7, 2011

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the Registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

By: /s/ Robert Conti
Robert Conti
Chief Executive Officer

Date: July 7, 2011

By: /s/ John M. McGovern
John M. McGovern
Treasurer and Principal Financial
and Accounting Officer

Date: July 7, 2011