COHEN & STEERS REIT & PREFERRED INCOME FUND INC

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COHEN & STEERS REIT AND PREFERRED INCOME FUND, INC.

April 27, 2005

To Our Shareholders:

We are pleased to submit to you our report for Cohen & Steers REIT & Preferred Income Fund for the quarter ended March 31, 2005. The net asset value at that date was \$27.49 per common share. The fund's common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange and its share price can differ from its net asset value; at quarter end, the fund's closing share price on the NYSE was \$24.95 per share. The fund has been in operation since June 24, 2003 and has delivered the following total returns (including income) compared to its relevant benchmarks:

TOTAL RETURN, PERIOD ENDED 3/31/05

	MARKET PRICE(a)		NET ASSET VALUE(a)	
	QUARTER	SINCE INCEPTION(b)	QUARTER	SINCE INCEPTION(b)
Cohen & Steers REIT & Preferred Income				
Fund	- 6.1%	15.0%	- 6.7%	32.7%
NAREIT Equity REIT Index(c)	- 7.1%	47.2%	- 7.1%	47.2%
Merrill Lynch Fixed Rate Preferred				
Index(d)	- 2.4%	6.1%	- 2.4%	6.1%

During the quarter, three monthly dividends of \$0.195 per share were paid to common shareholders. This represented an 11% increase from the monthly distribution rate paid in the previous quarter. In addition, three monthly dividends of \$0.195 per share were declared and will be paid on April 29, 2005, May 31, 2005 and June 30, 2005.

INVESTMENT REVIEW

The fund may invest up to 60% and no less than 40% of its assets in each of REIT common stocks, and corporate preferred securities. During the quarter the fund held roughly 55% of its assets in REIT common stocks, 43% in preferred securities, and 2% in corporate bonds. The fund continues to strive in its primary mission of delivering high current income through a mixed asset class portfolio that historically has exhibited low correlations and thus is designed to temper the volatility of returns.

⁽a) As a closed-end investment company, the price of the fund's New York Stock Exchange-traded shares will be set by market forces and at times may deviate from the net asset value per share of the fund.

⁽b) The fund commenced operations on June 27, 2003.

⁽c) The NAREIT Equity REIT Index ('Equity REITs') is an unmanaged

market-capitalization-weighted index of all tax-qualified Equity REITs listed on the NYSE, AMEX, and the Nasdaq that have 75% or more of their gross invested book assets invested directly or indirectly in the equity ownership of real estate.

(d) The Merrill Lynch Fixed Rate Preferred Index is an unmanaged index of preferred securities.

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Since its inception, the fund's REIT investments have generated significant net asset value growth for shareholders while also contributing to the fund's high level of investment income. However, REITs fared poorly in the first quarter, with the NAREIT Equity REIT Index returning -7.1%. The preferred market also turned in a negative return in the quarter as bond yields rose, but with a total return of -2.4% preferreds outperformed REITs.

Over the past several quarters we have focused on the rebound in real estate fundamentals when determining the outlook for real estate stocks. The performance of real estate stocks during the past two years, in our view, demonstrates that the market has come to appreciate the budding turnaround in property occupancies and rents.

More recently, however, forces outside the real estate industry have begun to shape the behavior of the REIT broader stock market. Headwinds have started to blow, perhaps not hard enough to endanger the U.S. economic and real estate recoveries, but sufficient enough, we believe, to slow their pace and generate upheaval in some segments of the economy.

The financial press has invoked a laundry list of concerns, including the trade deficit, the federal budget deficit, the over-consuming and financially stretched consumer, a housing bubble and fears of higher long-term interest rates. Our belief is that most of these are not immediately threatening. Our unease rests largely with rising oil prices and with the Federal Reserve's persistent monetary tightening. As the Fed reverses the accommodative monetary stance that returned the economy to a normal growth trajectory, we believe economic growth should moderate until these interest rate increases work their way through the system. The flattening yield curve (short-term and long-term interest rates almost equal) is hinting at this, as it typically does.

REIT share prices have fallen further than most of the broader market equity indexes, in an abrupt turnaround from last year. Health care, which had a -11.2% total return, was the worst performing property sector in the first quarter - not surprising given that, unlike most types of real estate, long lease terms tend to make this group more interest-rate-sensitive. The industrial and mixed office/industrial sectors, which returned -10.5% and -9.7%, respectively, were the next worst performing groups. Apparent profit taking in the first quarter made some of the best performing stocks last year the worst performers in the quarter. Self-storage was the best performing property type in the quarter with a 0.8% total return.

The fund's best performing investments during the quarter were in the office and industrial sectors, while the worst performing sector for the fund was the regional mall sector. Equity Office Properties and Mission West Properties were two of the fund's best performing holdings, contributing total returns of 5.2%

and 1.2%, respectively. Laggards during the quarter included Mills Corporation and Macerich Company, both regional mall companies, with total returns of -16.1% and -14.2%, respectively.

Our view of why REIT share prices declined during the quarter is distinct from popular perception, and hence our outlook for the future is different as well. The conventional wisdom surrounding REITs is that their outperformance compared to the broader markets during the past five years necessitates that they are now overvalued. Additionally, many believe that interest rates are a key determinant of REIT stock prices and that the rise in interest rates will cause REITs to underperform — despite historical evidence to the contrary. Finally, many

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fear that a continual rise in interest rates will burst the real estate 'bubble' -- a condition which may exist in some overheated single-family housing markets but certainly not among commercial property types.

Our perspective is somewhat different. We believe REITs' substantial outperformance in 2004 resulted in many individuals and institutions being over-allocated to the REIT asset class at the beginning of 2005, precipitating some re-balancing of portfolios away from REITs. Many investors have reduced their REIT holdings, which we believe reflects the dispassionate, disciplined re-allocation by long-time REIT investors. Perhaps a more simple explanation is that, after strong returns, investors merely took profits, in a financial market environment that already was subject to overall poor investor sentiment.

The preferred market had a negative return over the quarter and followed bonds lower. In addition to rising bond yields, preferred performance also reflected a very negative tone to credit markets, sparked most immediately by a massive downward revision to General Motors' earnings forecast. GM's announcement, which was followed a couple weeks later by a withdrawal of earnings guidance for the year, revealed the extent of pressure in the auto sector. Elevated commodity prices, punishing competition and high fixed costs have together contributed to the negative industry trends.

Over the quarter negativism spread to other credit sectors and especially to the high yield market as the prospect for the giant auto manufacturers to be downgraded to 'junk' rose meaningfully. In addition, fears of leveraged buyouts and other creditor-unfriendly events rose over the quarter as the broader equity market continued to fare poorly.

It was a difficult quarter for preferreds, but our defensive posturing helped stem the decline as the fund's preferred holdings performed well relative to the preferred market overall. The fund's sizable investments in what we view as very high quality domestic and foreign bank issues were standout performers. A focus on playing defense in structure also paid off, as higher coupon issues across sectors generally performed better than the broader preferred market. With short rates rising and credit markets becoming much less friendly, we added to positions in floating rate securities of what we see as high quality companies. These investments were also among the fund's best performing positions in the quarter.

Auto-related holdings underperformed in the quarter. The fund held both GM and Ford securities, though in much lower weights than the benchmark index. Having reduced these investments substantially in recent months, they represented a little more than 1% of the fund's assets at the quarter end. Liberty Media securities were also poor performers. Liberty Media's credit ratings were downgraded following the company's announcement of a potential spin-off of certain assets and due to management's lack of conviction to maintaining its investment grade ratings.

INVESTMENT OUTLOOK

Many investors seem to be concerned that we are inevitably headed for a REIT bear market similar to the one that began in 1998. However, in early 1998, real estate fundamentals peaked after accelerating for six years. Buildings were full and a construction boom was underway. Valuations were excessive -- REITs traded at a 25%

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premium to the value of their underlying real estate assets -- and investor sentiment was positive. None of these conditions exist today, in our view.

We believe that investors may want to consider the environment REITs faced in the 1994 period. The Fed had aggressively raised short-term interest rates from 3% to 5.5% by year-end, removing the accommodative monetary stimulus that had jump-started the economy out of the early-1990s recession. The rate of GDP growth and job growth slowed from white-hot levels to more sustainable levels and the economic expansion was able to sustain itself for another six years as a result. As the stock market began to incorporate expectations for a slowing economy, REIT returns moderated in 1994, to just 3.2% (the S&P 500 returned 1.3% in 1994), after generating average annual total returns of 23% the prior three years. As the economy stabilized after this 'mid-course correction,' REITs went on to generate an average return of 24% annually for the next three years.

While the Fed's current tightening cycle will inevitably cause some dislocations, and while economic growth may slow somewhat in the near term, we believe we are still at the beginning of a recovery in most real estate markets. REIT earnings growth, in our view, may not accelerate as quickly, near-term, as the economy undergoes this correction, although we believe there will be continued healthy growth. Very little new construction is underway and replacement costs — the long run determinant of real estate value — will continue to rise with raw material costs. Vacancy rates are declining and effective rents are rising. REIT balance sheets in our view are in excellent shape. We therefore expect REITs to enjoy a strong period of internal growth, even without the benefit of new property acquisitions. In addition, we believe profitable acquisition and development opportunities exist for the skilled players who can access inexpensive capital.

By our estimates, REIT stocks are trading at approximately the value of their underlying assets. However, the most recent round of real estate asset sales would suggest that our estimates of asset value might be too low. It seems unusual at this stage in the cycle that REITs should trade at or below asset

value, when, as we believe, fundamentals are improving and growth opportunities are plentiful. As a result we believe that REIT investments will continue to deliver competitive total returns.

The direction of bond yields will, of course, continue to be an important driver of preferred security valuations. The resilience in the long end of the yield curve suggests that the market believes the Fed will contain inflation. We believe so, too, but both economic data and markets have been choppy, making fair value for Treasury yields exceedingly difficult to assess. Accordingly, we will continue to maintain a somewhat defensive interest rate posture in our preferred holdings.

We are also taking a more defensive stance on credit. While fundamentals in most sectors remain very good, there certainly are challenges in others. Notably, some cyclical and industrial companies, including the auto manufacturers, are facing very significant pressures. A lackluster equity market also means that the resurgence in corporate risk taking and creditor-unfriendly actions is likely to abide. These factors are likely to continue to exert pressure on credit markets. We will look to 'pick our spots' in the months to come but are focusing on higher credit quality for now.

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In summary, we retain a constructive perspective on the REIT market and generally expect preferreds to deliver returns mostly reflecting their attractive income rates, currently over 7% in the fund's portfolio. We believe that the fund's balance of REIT equities and corporate preferred securities will continue to provide attractive income, reduced net asset value volatility due to the low correlation between the two asset classes, and appealing long-term total returns for our shareholders.

Sincerely,

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For more information about any of our funds, visit cohenandsteers.com, where you'll find daily net asset values, fund fact sheets and portfolio highlights. You can also access newsletters, education tools and market updates covering the REIT, utility and preferred securities sectors.

In addition, our Web site contains comprehensive information about our firm, including our most recent press releases, profiles of our senior investment professionals, and an overview of our investment approach.

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OUR LEVERAGE STRATEGY (UNAUDITED)

While we do not attempt to predict what future interest rates will be, it has been our philosophy to utilize interest rate swap transactions to seek to reduce the interest rate risk inherent in our utilization of leverage. Our leverage strategy involves issuing auction market preferred shares (AMPS) to raise additional capital for the fund, with an objective of increasing the net income available for shareholders. As of March 31, 2005, AMPS represented 35% of the fund's managed net assets. Considering that AMPS have variable dividend rates, we seek to lock in the rate on a majority of this additional capital through interest rate swap agreements (where we effectively convert our variable rate obligation to a fixed rate obligation for the term of the swap agreements). Specifically, we have fixed the rate on 63% of our borrowings at an average interest rate of 3.66%, for an average remaining period of 3.7 years (when we first entered into the swaps, the average term was 5.3 years). By locking in a large portion of our leveraging costs, we have endeavored to adequately protect the dividend-paying ability of the fund. The use of leverage increases the volatility of the fund's net asset value in both up and down markets. However, we believe that locking in a portion of the fund's leveraging costs for the term of the swap agreements partially protects the fund from any impact that an increase in short-term interest rates may have as a result of the use of leverage.

LEVERAGE FACTS (a)

Leverage (as % of managed net assets)	35%
% Fixed Rate	63%
% Variable Rate	37%
Average Rate on Swaps	3.66%
Average Term on Swaps	3.7 years
Current Rate on AMPS	3.12%

(a) Data as of March 31, 2005. Information is subject to change.

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MARCH 31, 2005 TOP TEN HOLDINGS (UNAUDITED)

		MARKET VALUE	% OF MANAGED ASSETS
	SECURITY		
1.	Equity Office Properties Trust	\$76,328,329	3.72%
2.	Archstone-Smith Trust	66,224,565	3.23
3.	Health Care Property Investors	66,173,665	3.22
4.	Heritage Property Investment Trust	59,428,264	2.90
5.	Health Care REIT	55,859,200	2.72
6.	Mack-Cali Realty Corp	50,798,825	2.48
7.	Arden Realty	50,392,495	2.46
8.	Glimcher Realty Trust	50,281,920	2.45
9.	First Industrial Realty Trust	49,307,622	2.40
10.	Liberty Property Trust	44,645,865	2.18

SECTOR BREAKDOWN (Based on Managed Assets) (Unaudited)

[CHART]

Other	9.00%
Mortgage	1.64%
Media	1.64%
GasDistribution	2.31%
Industrial	2.40%
ElectricIntegrated	2.63%
Finance	4.94%
Diversified	5.26%
Bank	5.87%
BankForeign	5.95%
Insurance	8.24%
Cash & Other Assets	
in Excess of Liabilities	1.63%
Office	19.56%
Residential Apartment	10.04%
Shopping Center	9.68%
Health Care	9.21%

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SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS MARCH 31, 2005 (UNAUDITED)

	NUMBER OF SHARES	VALUE	DIVIDEND YIELD(a)
COMMON STOCK 83.36%() DIVERSIFIED 6.75%	o)		
Capital Trust Class A	97 400	\$ 3,231,732	6.63%
Colonial Properties Trust	300,000	11,523,000	
Crescent Real Estate Equities Co	1,064,000	17,385,760	9.18
iStar Financial	990,000	40,768,200	7.12
Vornado Realty Trust	239,100	16,562,457	
		89,471,149	
HEALTH CARE 12.45%			
Health Care Property Investors(c)	2,819,500	66,173,665	7.08
Healthcare Realty Trust	199,200	7,258,848	7.14
Health Care REIT	1,745,600	55,859,200	7.50
Nationwide Health Properties	1,362,200	27,530,062	7.32
Ventas	335,000	8,361,600	5.77
		165,183,375	
HOTEL 2.02%			
Hospitality Properties Trust	545,200	22,015,176	7.13
Strategic Hotel Capital	323,800	4,759,860	5.99
		26,775,036	
INDUSTRIAL 3.72%			
First Industrial Realty Trust	1,303,400	49,307,622	7.35
MORTGAGE 2.53%			
Newcastle Investment Corp	1,135,074	33,598,190	8.45

⁽a) Dividend yield is computed by dividing the security's current annual dividend rate by the last sale price on the principal exchange, or market, on which such security trades.

⁽b) Percentages indicated are based on the net assets applicable to common shares of the fund.

⁽c) 75,000 shares segregated as collateral for interest rate swap transactions.

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SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS -- (CONTINUED) MARCH 31, 2005 (UNAUDITED)

	NUMBER OF SHARES		VALUE	DIVIDEND YIELD
OFFICE 24.37%				
Arden Realty	1,488,700	\$	50,392,495	5.97%
Brandywine Realty Trust	787,800	т.	22,373,520	6.20
CarrAmerica Realty Corp	942,300		29,729,565	6.34
CRT Properties	290,000		6,316,200	6.43
Equity Office Properties Trust	2,533,300		76,328,329	6.64
Highwoods Properties	910,200		24,411,564	6.34
HRPT Properties Trust	1,406,100		16,746,651	7.05
Mack-Cali Realty Corp	1,199,500		50,798,825	5.95
Maguire Properties	1,286,100		30,712,068	6.70
Prentiss Properties Trust	374,900		12,806,584	6.56
Reckson Associates Realty Corp	87,500		2,686,250	5.53
			323,302,051	
OFFICE/INDUSTRIAL 3.99%				
Liberty Property Trust	1,143,300		44,645,865	6.25
Mission West Properties	778,800		8,255,280	6.04
			52,901,145	
RESIDENTIAL APARTMENT 13.55%				
AMLI Residential Properties Trust	590,400		16,171,056	7.01
Archstone-Smith Trust	1,941,500		66,224,565	5.04
Camden Property Trust	581,800		27,362,054	5.40
Education Realty Trust(a)	368,800		6,133,144	
GMH Communities Trust	604,200		7,075,182	7.77
Gables Residential Trust	1,186,100		39,497,130	7.24
Mid-America Apartment Communities	349,000		12,738,500	6.41
Town & Country Trust	173,400		4,586,430	6.50
			179,788,061	
SELF STORAGE 1.08%				
Sovran Self Storage	222,200		8,805,786	6.11
U-Store-It Trust(a)	315,800		5,494,920	
			14,300,706	

⁽a) Nonincome producing security.

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	NUMBER OF SHARES	VALUE	DIVIDEND YIELD
SHOPPING CENTER 12.90%			
COMMUNITY CENTER 8.24%			
Cedar Shopping Centers	400,000	\$ 5,696,000	6.32%
Heritage Property Investment Trust	2,002,300	59,428,264	7.08
New Plan Excel Realty Trust	1,340,500	33,659,955	6.57
Ramco-Gershenson Properties Trust	390,000	10,588,500	6.45
		109,372,719	
REGIONAL MALL 4.66%			
Glimcher Realty Trust	2,121,600	50,281,920	8.11
Macerich Co	215,200	11,465,856	4.88
		61,747,776	
TOTAL CHOPPING CENTER		171 120 405	
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TOTAL COMMON STOCK (Identified			
cost \$916,539,030)		1,105,747,830	
PREFERRED SECURITIES \$25 PAR VALUE 26.34%			
AUTOMOTIVE 0.26%			
DaimlerChrysler, 7.25% (CBTCS)	26,008	642,658	7.34
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Ford Motor Co., 8.00% (CORTS)	80,000	1,907,200	8.39
		3,505,890	
BANK 2.64%			
ASBC Capital I, 7.625%, Series A			
(TOPrS)	75 , 500	1,978,100	7.28
Cobank ACB, 7.00%, 144A(a)	200,000	10,476,000	6.68
Colonial Capital Trust IV, 7.875%	390,000	10,062,000	7.63
Countrywide Capital IV, 6.75%	71,100	1,786,032	6.73
First Republic Bank, 6.70% Fleet Capital Trust VIII, 7.20%	200,000	5,060,000	6.65
Series	87 , 900	2,268,699	6.97
HSBC USA, Series F	96,000	2,400,000	3.85
7.80%	90,000	949,050	7.50
		34,979,881	

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	NUMBER OF SHARES	VALUE	DIVIDEND YIELD
BANK FOREIGN 1.35% Abbey National PLC, 7.375%, Series			
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C Northern Rock, 8.00%, Series Royal Bank of Scotland Group, 7.25%,	493,264 30,000	12,923,517 752,589	7.05 7.97
Series H	55,600	 1,411,684	7.14
		 17,909,980	
ELECTRIC INTEGRATED 1.49% DTE Energy Trust II, 7.50%, due			
6/01/44, Series	55,200	1,457,280	7.10
Energy East Capital Trust I, 8.25%	61,000	1,598,200	7.87
Enterprise Capital Trust, 7.44% NVP Capital III, 7.75%, due 9/30/38,	116,000	2,905,800	7.43
Series	81,900	2,037,672	7.79
Series A (QUIPS)	2,600	64,688	8.24
Notes (PINES)	41,700	1,116,309	7.47
SeriesPuget Sound Energy Capital Trust II,	199,900	5,481,258	7.98
8.40% (TOPrS)	70,800	1,811,772	8.21
due 4/30/07, Series M Virginia Power Capital Trust II,	12,300	1,241,378	7.16
7.375%, (TruPS)	79 , 761	 2,085,750	7.05
		 19,800,107	
FINANCE 1.38% MBNA Capital, 8.125%, Series D			
(TruPS)	234,100	5,971,891	7.96

⁽a) The fund prices this security at fair value using procedures approved by the fund's board of directors.

(TOPrs)	166,300	4,293,866	7.84
(FRN)	320,000	8,102,400	3.59
		18,368,157	
GAS DISTRIBUTION 3.57%			
Dominion CNG Capital, 8.40% Laclede Capital Trust I, 7.70%	78 , 700	2,054,070	7.47
(TOPrS)Southern Union Co., 7.55%, Series	56,300	1,517,285	7.14
CSouthwest Gas Capital Trust II,	1,040,000	27,778,400	7.07
7.70%	600,000	15,960,000	7.26
		47,309,755	

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	NUMBER OF SHARES	VALUE	DIVIDEND YIELD
INSURANCE 2.85% LIFE/HEALTH INSURANCE 0.20% Lincoln National Capital V, 7.65%,	62 700	\$ 1,635,816	7.45%
Series E (TruPS) Torchmark Capital Trust I, 7.75%	41,000	1,065,590	
		2,701,406	
MULTI-LINE 0.79% ING Groep NV, 7.05% Series ING Groep NV, 7.20% Series	241,600 165,700	6,199,456 4,281,688	6.87 6.97
		10,481,144	
PROPERTY/CASUALTY 1.01% ACE Ltd., 7.80%, Series C St. Paul Capital Trust I, 7.60%	389,300	10,125,693	7.50
(TruPS)	125,130	3,198,323	7.43
		13,324,016	
REINSURANCE 0.17% Everest Re Capital Trust II, 6.20%, Series B	100,000	2,291,000	6.77

REINSURANCE FOREIGN 0.68%			
PartnerRe Ltd., 6.75%, Series C	206,500	5,162,500	6.75
PartnerRe Ltd., 7.90%, Series D	54,000	1,333,800	6.58
RenaissanceRE Holdings Ltd., 8.10%,			
Series A	30,900	805 , 872	7.76
RenaissanceRE Holdings Ltd., 7.30%,			
Series B	65,900	1,700,220	7.07
		9,002,392	
TOTAL INSURANCE		37,799,958	
MEDIA 1.73%			
CABLE TELEVISION 0.91%			
Shaw Communications, 8.50%, Series B			
(COPrS)	479,700	12,054,861	8.46
DIVERSIFIED SERVICES 0.82%			
AOL Time Warner, 7.625%, Series A-1			
(CABCO)	•	2,989,530	7.18
Liberty Media Corp., 8.75% (CBTCS)	•	5,051,825	8.60
Liberty Media Corp., 8.75% (PPLUS)	108,745	2,787,134	8.53
		10,828,489	
TOTAL MEDIA		22,883,350	

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	NUMBER OF SHARES	VALUE	DIVIDEND YIELD
OIL EXPLORATION 1.19%			
Nexen, 7.35%, due 11/1/43,			
Series B	608,660	\$ 15,800,814	7.08%
REAL ESTATE 7.75%			
DIVERSIFIED 1.39%			
iStar Financial, 7.875%, Series E	400,000	10,168,000	7.74
iStar Financial, 7.80%, Series F	243,600	6,297,060	7.54
iStar Financial, 7.65%, Series G	80,000	2,010,400	7.59
		18,475,460	

HEALTH CARE 0.60%			
Health Care REIT, 7.875%, Series D Health Care REIT, 7.625%, Series F	100,000 10,000	2,505,000 250,000	7.86 7.62
Omega Healthcare Investors, 8.375%, Series D	200,000	5,200,000	8.05
		7,955,000	
HOTEL 0.18%			
Innkeepers USA Trust, 8.00%, Series C	93,500	2,346,850	7.97
OFFICE 1.91%			
Cousins Properties, 7.75%, Series A Kilroy Realty Corp, 7.80%, Series	457,500	11,551,875	7.67
E	100,000	2,515,000	7.75
ASL Green Realty Corp., 7.625%, Series	288,900	7,179,165	7.67
CSL Green Realty Corp., 7.875%, Series	100,000	2,535,000	7.55
D	60,000	1,510,200	7.82
		25,291,240	
RESIDENTIAL APARTMENT 1.98% Apartment Investment and Management			
Co., 8.00%, Series T	93,700	2,315,327	8.09
Co., 8.00%, Series V	101,000	2,519,950	8.02
Co., 7.875%, Series Y	110,000	2,722,500	7.95
8.70%, Series B	40,000	1,024,000	8.50
Mid-America Apartment Communities, 8.30%, Series H	690,600	17,748,420	8.07
		26,330,197	

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OF SHARES	VALUE	YIELD
NUMBER		DIVIDEND

SHOPPING CENTER 1.69% COMMUNITY CENTER 0.30% Developers Diversified Realty Corp.,			
7.50%, Series I Developers Diversified Realty Corp.,	47,800	\$ 1,205,038	7.44%
8.00%, Series G	38,700	999,621	7.74
Saul Centers, 8.00%, Series A	69,400	1,759,984	7.89
		3,964,643	
REGIONAL MALL 1.39% Glimcher Realty Trust, 8.75%, Series			
FGlimcher Realty Trust, 8.125%, Series	279 , 300	7,261,800	8.41
G	240,000	6,024,000	8.09
Mills Corp., 8.75%, Series E	197,600	5,161,312	8.37
		18,447,112	
TOTAL SHOPPING CENTER		22,411,755	
TOTAL REAL ESTATE		102,810,502	
TELECOMMUNICATION SERVICES 2.13%			
Centaur Funding Corp., 9.08%(a) Telephone & Data Systems, 7.60%,	13,908	17,851,210	7.07
Series A	197 , 800	5,059,724	7.43
due 6/15/34, Series	201,500	5,275,270	7.16
Verizon South, 7.00%, Series F	3,300	84,018	6.87
		28,270,222	
TOTAL PREFERRED SECURITIES\$25			
PAR VALUE (Identified cost \$343,899,156)		349,438,616	

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SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS -- (CONTINUED)

MARCH 31, 2005 (UNAUDITED)

NUMBER DIVIDEND

	OF SHARES	VALUE	YIELD
PREFERRED SECURITIES CAPITAL TRUST 34.12% BANK 6.45%			
AgFirst Farm Credit Bank, 7.30%, due 10/14/49, 144A	29,100,000	\$ 30,558,376	6.95%
11/1/29, Series B	13,500,000	16,140,600	8.15
due 12/15/26BT Preferred Capital Trust II,	1,500,000	1,604,948	7.24
7.875%, due 2/25/27	1,000,000	1,089,923	7.23
First Tennessee Bank, Series 144A Great Western Financial Trust II,		2,005,000	0.10
8.206%, due 2/1/27, Series A Roslyn Preferred Trust FRN, 4.78%,	2,232,000	2,440,085	7.51
due 4/1/32, 144A	10,000,000	10,050,000	5.74
4.813%, due 9/30/08, Series D Sky Financial Capital Trust I, 9.75%,	100	10,075,000	6.15
due 5/1/30, Series B	3,000,000	3,554,100	7.88
1/29/27, 144A	7,300,000	8,079,669 	8.46
		85,597,701 	
BANK FOREIGN 7.86% BNP Paribas Capital Trust V, 7.20% CA Preferred Fund Trust, 7.00%		20,088,172	7.01
(Eurobond)	25,200,000	25,797,492	6.84
HBOS Capital Funding LP, 6.85%	23,000,000	23,464,830	6.71
HSBC Capital Funding LP, 10.176%	9,680,000	14,915,718	6.60
RBS Capital Trust B, 6.80%	19,700,000	20,032,733	6.69
		104,298,945	
ELECTRIC INTEGRATED 2.58% Dominion Resources Capital Trust III,			
8.40%, due 1/15/31	21,732,000	27,704,453	6.59
9/1/31 Enterprise Capital Trust II, due	3,000,000	3,472,260	7.02
6/30/28, Series B	3,000,000	2,986,815 	3.80
		34,163,528	

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	NUMBER OF SHARES	VALUE	DIVIDEND YIELD
FINANCE 4.92% CREDIT CARD 0.51%			
MBNA Capital, 8.278%, due 12/1/26, Series A	6,200,000	\$ 6,760,127	7.59%
DIVERSIFIED FINANCIAL SERVICES 2.33% Old Mutual Capital Funding, 8.00%, due 5/29/49 (Eurobond)	29,950,000	30,946,826	7.74
INVESTMENT BANKER/BROKER 1.04%	_==,===,===		
Chase Capital I, 7.67%, due 12/1/06 JPM Capital Trust I, 7.54%, due	2,519,000	2,708,056	7.13
1/15/27	3,925,000	4,232,751	6.99
2/27/07	6,400,000	6,892,909	7.38
		13,833,716	
MORTGAGE LOAN/BROKER 1.04% Countrywide Capital III, 8.05%, due			
6/15/27, Series B (SKIS)	11,285,000	13,718,170	6.62
TOTAL FINANCE		65,258,839	
FOOD 1.61%			
Dairy Farmers of America, 7.875%, 144A(a)	135,000	13,708,170	7.76
144A(a)	8,000,000	7,658,152	8.10
		21,366,322	
INSURANCE 7.91% LIFE/HEALTH 0.34% AmerUS Capital, 8.85%, due 2/1/27,			
Series A	4,000,000	, ,	7.93
MULTI-LINE 6.55% AFC Capital Trust I, 8.207%, due			
02/03/27, Series B	15,750,000 26,500,000	16,809,125	7.69
AXA, 7.10%, due 5/29/49 (Eurobond) GenAmerica Capital I, 8.525%, due	26,500,000	27,306,925	6.89
6/30/27	14,000,000	15,471,806	7.71
USF&G Capital, 8.312%, due 7/1/46 Zurich Capital Trust I, 8.376%, due	3,845,000	4,588,696	6.96
6/1/37	20,712,000	22,655,262	7.66
		86,831,814	

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	NUMBER OF SHARES	VALUE	DIVIDEND YIELD
PROPERTY/CASUALTY 1.02% W.R. Berkley Capital Trust, 8.197%, due 12/15/45	13,100,000	\$ 13,583,744	7.91%
TOTAL INSURANCE		104,878,598	
OIL COMPANY EXPLORATION AND PRODUCTION 0.83% Pemex Project Funding Master Trust, 7.75%, due 9/29/49	11,000,000	10,932,229	7.80
PIPELINES 1.96%	11,000,000		7.00
K N Capital Trust I, 8.56%, due 4/15/27 (TruPS) K N Capital Trust III, 7.63%, due	9,513,000	10,657,052	7.64
4/15/28 (TruPS)	13,330,000	15,395,710	6.61
		26,052,762	
TOTAL PREFERRED SECURITIES CAPITAL TRUST (Identified			
cost \$439,585,577)		452,548,924 	
	PRINCIPAL AMOUNT		
CORPORATE BOND 8.39% AUTOMOTIVE 1.81%			
Ford Motor Co., 9.98%, due 2/15/47	\$13,400,000	14,763,919	
General Motors Corp., 7.375%, due 5/23/48	11,377,000	9,173,082	
		23,937,001	

CELLULAR TELECOMMUNICATIONS 0.08% Rogers Wireless Communications, 8.00%, due 12/15/12, 144A	1,000,000	1,032,500
INSURANCE 1.98%		
Liberty Mutual Insurance, 7.697%,		
due 10/15/97	16,730,000	17,894,977
Oil Casualty Insurance, 8.00%,		
due 9/15/34, 144A	8,000,000	8,382,392
		26,277,369
INVESTMENT BANKER/BROKER 1.33%		
NBP Capital Trust III, 7.375%, due		
10/29/49	16,900,000	17,697,122

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		PRINCIPAL AMOUNT	VALUE
MEDIA Liberty Media Corp., 8.25%, 2/1/30 Rogers Cable, 8.75%, due 5/			\$ 7,371,227 3,495,000
			10,866,227
MEDICAL HOSPITALS Columbia/HCA, 7.50%, due 11	1.20% /15/95	16,534,000	15,946,778
REAL ESTATE 0.39% BF Saul Real Estate Investm 7.50%, due 3/1/14, 144A.	•	5,000,000	5,212,500
TELEPHONE INTEGRATED Citizens Communications Co. due 8/15/31		9,925,000	10,371,625
TOTAL CORPORATE BOND (Identified cost \$112,185,205)			111,341,122
COMMERCIAL PAPER	0.14%		

SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS -- (CONTINUED)
MARCH 31, 2005 (UNAUDITED)

		VALUE
TOTAL INVESTMENTS (Identified cost \$1,814,002,086)	152 359	\$2,020,936,492(a
OTHER ASSETS IN EXCESS OF LIABILITIESLIQUIDATION VALUE OF AUCTION MARKET PREFERRED SHARES: SERIES M7, SERIES T7, SERIES W7, SERIES F7 (Equivalent to \$25,000 per share based on 3,280 shares outstanding per class), SERIES TH7 (Equivalent to \$25,000 per share based on 5,480 shares outstanding), SERIES W28A, SERIES W28B, SERIES W28C (Equivalent to \$25,000 per share based on 2,800 shares outstanding per class), AND	2.38%	31,524,609
SERIES TH28 (Equivalent to \$25,000 per share based on 2,040 shares outstanding)	(54.73%)	(726,000,000)
NET ASSETS APPLICABLE TO COMMON SHARES (Equivalent to \$27.49 per share based on 48,251,666 shares of		
capital stock outstanding)	100.00%	\$1,326,461,101

GLOSSARY OF PORTFOLIO ABBREVIATIONS

CABCO	Corporate Asset Backed Corporation
CBTCS	Corporate Backed Trust Certificates
COPrS	Canadian Origin Preferred Securities
CORTS	Corporate Backed Trust Securities
FRN	Floating Rate Note
PINES	Public Income Notes
PPLUS	Preferred Plus Trust
QUIPS	Quarterly Income Preferred Securities
SKIS	Subordinated Capital Income Securities
TOPrS	Trust Originated Preferred Securities
TruPS	Trust Preferred Securities

(a) At March 31, 2005, net unrealized appreciation was \$206,934,406 based on cost for federal income tax purposes of \$1,814,002,086. This consisted of aggregate gross unrealized appreciation on investments of \$212,791,160 and aggregate gross unrealized depreciation on investments of \$5,856,754.

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SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS -- (CONTINUED)

MARCH 31, 2005 (UNAUDITED)

NOTE 1. INVESTMENTS IN INTEREST RATE SWAPS

The fund has entered into interest rate swap agreements with Merrill Lynch Derivative Products AG, UBS AG, and Royal Bank of Canada. Under the agreements the fund receives a floating rate and pays a respective fixed rate. The fund has segregated 75,000 shares of Health Care Property Investors as collateral for the interest rate swap transactions. Details of the swaps at March 31, 2005 are as follows:

NOTIONAL		FLOATING RATE(a)	
AMOUNT	FIXED RATE	(RESET MONTHLY)	TERMINATION DATE
\$43,625,000	3.3200%	2.850%	October 22, 2007
\$58,500,000	3.2075%	2.716%	October 2, 2008
\$20,000,000	3.4100%	2.800%	January 13, 2009
\$58,125,000	3.3980%	2.850%	August 25, 2007
\$43,250,000	3.4520%	2.820%	September 16, 2008
\$58,125,000	2.8325%	2.850%	August 25, 2006
\$58,125,000	3.9900%	1.840%	August 25, 2009
\$58,125,000	4.3975%	2.850%	August 25, 2010
\$58,125,000	4.5950%	2.850%	August 25, 2011
	AMOUNT 	AMOUNT FIXED RATE	AMOUNT FIXED RATE (RESET MONTHLY) \$43,625,000 3.3200% 2.850% \$58,500,000 3.2075% 2.716% \$20,000,000 3.4100% 2.800% \$58,125,000 3.3980% 2.850% \$43,250,000 3.4520% 2.820% \$58,125,000 2.8325% 2.850% \$58,125,000 3.9900% 1.840% \$58,125,000 4.3975% 2.850%

⁽a) Based on LIBOR (London Interbank Offered Rate). Represents rates in effect at March 31, 2005.

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FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS(a)
MARCH 31, 2005 (UNAUDITED)

	TOTAL NET ASSETS		NET ASSE PER S	
NET ASSET VALUE:				
Net investment income Net realized and unrealized loss on investments and interest rate swap	\$ 21,244,412	\$1,452,986,456	\$ 0.43	\$30.11
transactions	(114,696,248)		(2.36)	
Common shareholders Preferred shareholders	(28,227,225) (4,846,294)		(0.59) (0.10)	
Net decrease in net asset value		(126,525,355)		(2.62)
End of period: 3/31/2005		\$1,326,461,101		\$27.49

(a) Financial information included in this report has been taken from the records of the fund without examination by independent accountants.

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AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS (PERIOD ENDED MARCH 31, 2005) (UNAUDITED)

BASED ON	NET ASSET VALUE	BASED ON	MARKET PRICE
	SINCE INCEPTION		SINCE INCEPTION
ONE YEAR	(6/27/03)	ONE YEAR	(6/27/03)
3.28%	17.42%	1.37%	8.26%

The performance data quoted represent past performance. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. The rate of return will vary and the principal value of an investment will fluctuate and shares, if sold, may be worth more or

less than their original cost. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data quoted.

REINVESTMENT PLAN

We urge shareholders who want to take advantage of this plan and whose shares are held in 'Street Name' to consult your broker as soon as possible to determine if you must change registration into your own name to participate.

OTHER INFORMATION

Notice is hereby given in accordance with Section 23(c) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 that the fund may purchase, from time to time, shares of its common stock in the open market.

A description of the policies and procedures that the fund uses to determine how to vote proxies relating to portfolio securities is available (i) without charge, upon request, by calling 1-800-330-7348, (ii) on our Web site at cohenandsteers.com, or (iii) on the Securities and Exchange Commission's (SEC) Web site at http://www.sec.gov. In addition, the fund's proxy voting record for the most recent 12-month period ended June 30 is available (i) without charge upon request, by calling 1-800-330-7348, or (ii) on the SEC's Web site at http://www.sec.gov.

The fund files its complete schedule of portfolio holdings with the SEC for the first and third quarters of each fiscal year on Form N-Q. The fund's Forms N-Q are available (ii) without charge, upon request by calling 1-800-330-7348, or (ii) on the SEC's website at http://www.sec.gov. In addition, the Forms N-Q may be reviewed and copied at the SEC's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. Information on the operation of the Public Reference Room may be obtained by calling 1-800-SEC-0330.

Please note that the distributions paid by the fund to shareholders are subject to recharacterization for tax purposes. The final tax treatment of these distributions is reported to shareholders on their 1099-DIV forms, which are mailed to shareholders after the close of each fiscal year. As noted in the shareholder letter, the fund has adopted a level rate distribution policy. Under this policy, the fund will pay distributions in excess of the fund's net investment company taxable income and this excess will be a tax-free return of capital distributed from the fund's assets. The fund's shareholders of record will be notified of the estimated amount of capital returned to shareholders for each distribution and this information will also be available at cohenandsteers.com. Distributions

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of capital decrease the fund's total assets and, therefore, could have the effect of increasing the fund's expense ratio. In addition, in order to make these distributions, the fund may have to sell portfolio securities at a less than opportune time.

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MEET THE COHEN & STEERS FAMILY OF OPEN-END FUNDS:

FOR TOTAL RETURN:

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REALTY SHARES

INSTITUTIONAL REALTY SHARES

DESIGNED FOR INVESTORS SEEKING MAXIMUM TOTAL RETURN, INVESTING PRIMARILY IN REITS SYMBOL: CSRSX

DESIGNED FOR INSTITUTIONAL INVESTORS SEEK MAXIMUM TOTAL RETURN, INVESTING PRIMARILY REITS

SYMBOL: CSRIX

FOR HIGH CURRENT INMCOME:

FOR CAPITAL APPRECIATION:

COHEN & STEERS REALTY INCOME FUND

COHEN & STEERS ______ REALTY FOCUS FUND

DESIGNED FOR INVESTORS SEEKING HIGH CURRENT DESIGNED FOR INVESTORS SEEKING MAXIMUM CA INCOME, INVESTING PRIMARILY IN REITS SYMBOLS: CSEIX, CSBIX, CSCIX, CSDIX

APPRECIATION, INVESTING IN A LIMITED NUME REITS AND OTHER REAL ESTATE SECURITIES SYMBOLS: CSFAX, CSFBX, CSFCX, CSSPX

FOR TOTAL RETURN:

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INTERNATIONAL REALTY FUND

UTILITY FUND

DESIGNED FOR INVESTORS SEEKING MAXIMUM TOTAL DESIGNED FOR INVESTORS SEEKING MAXIMUM TO RETURN, INVESTING PRIMARILY IN INTERNATIONAL RETURN, INVESTING PRIMARILY IN UTILITIES RETURN, INVESTING PRIMARILY IN INTERNATIONAL REAL ESTATE SECURITIES SYMBOLS: IRFAX, IRFCX, IRFIX

SYMBOLS: CSUAX, CSUBX, CSUCX, CSUIX

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PLEASE READ THE PROSPECTUS CAREFULLY BEFORE INVESTING.

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COHEN & STEERS REIT AND PREFERRED INCOME FUND, INC.

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REIT AND PREFERRED INCOME FUND

QUARTERLY REPORT
MARCH 31, 2005

COHEN & STEERS
REIT AND PREFERRED INCOME FUND
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ANNOUNCING OUR NEW OPEN-END FUND, COHEN & STEERS INTERNATIONAL REALTY FUND