Fidelity Investment Companies

Fidelity China Special Situations PLC (the Company)

Task Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosure

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Introduction

As the world works towards transitioning to a sustainable economic system, Fidelity's longstanding commitment to outcome-based investing continues as we transition the funds and portfolios we manage for the benefit of our key stakeholders: clients, employees, and the broader society in which we operate.

This TCFD product report aligns with the UK regulatory requirements and with Fidelity's overarching approach as documented in the FIL Limited (The Group, or Fidelity) TCFD Report including the FIL Investment Services (UK) Limited (FISL) specific disclosures. FISL is the Alternative Investment Fund Manager (AIFM) for this Company. This report aims to provide you with more information on the emissions generated by the companies, or issuers, held by the Company together with further information about how the Company is operated. For a more complete understanding, this report should be read in conjunction with our Group TCFD Report.

This Company's approach to governance, strategy and risk management does not materially deviate from Fidelity's overarching approach as documented in the Group TCFD report. As such, this Company's approach follows that of the wider Fidelity organisation and can be reviewed in the entity report, alongside an overview below.

1. Climate Metrics

Indicator	Unit	31 December 2022
Scope 1 and 2 greenhouse gas emissions	tCO2e	62,445
Scope 3 greenhouse gas emissions	tCO2e	944,596
Total carbon emissions	tCO2e	1,007,041
Total carbon footprint	tCO2e/invested	507
Weighted average carbon intensity	tCO2e/revenue	647
Climate Warming scenario: Implied Temperature Rise Range	°C	Between 1.5 and 2.7 degrees

How the metrics should be interpreted

To carbon footprint any Fidelity fund, or a company or issuer held within a fund, we aim to fully align with the Partnership for Carbon Accounting Financials (PCAF) standard. To achieve this, we are using data from our primary climate data provider, Institutional Shareholder Services (ISS). To calculate the carbon footprint of a fund, we measure the emissions financed by a fund, i.e. a claim on how much of a company's, or issuer's, emitted carbon could be attributed to financing provided by the fund's investment.

We also measure what level of emissions, on average, are generated per a unit of a company's, or issuer's, revenue - this gives a number less sensitive to business performance fluctuations. All of the funds are footprinted daily on Carbon Footprint and Weighted Average Carbon Intensity - scopes 1, 2, and 3. This carbon footprinting approach will use Adjusted Enterprise Value (a measure of a company's total value, adjusted for debt) as the denominator for both equity and fixed income funds.

The table below is a guide to help understand the terms used:

Metric	Usage	Description
Scope 1 Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions	Measuring direct GHG emissions	Emissions that occur from sources owned or controlled by the reporting issuer (i.e. a company/issuer held by the fund), i.e., emissions from owned or controlled boilers, furnaces, vehicles, etc.
Scope 2 Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions	Measuring indirect GHG emissions	Emissions from the company/ issuer's generation of purchased or acquired electricity, steam, heating, or cooling consumed by the reporting company. Scope 2 emissions physically occur at the facility where the electricity, steam, heating, or cooling is generated. Traditionally this is calculated alongside Scope 1 at a fund level, using the proportion of total Scope 2 emissions by amount invested.
Scope 3 Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions	Measuring all other indirect GHG emissions (not included in Scope 2)	Emissions (not included in Scope 2) that occur in the value chain of the reporting issuer. Scope 3 can be broken down into upstream emissions and downstream emissions. Upstream emissions include all emissions that occur in the life cycle of a material/product/service up to the point of sale by the producer or service provider, such as from the production or extraction of purchased materials. Downstream emissions include all emissions that occur as a consequence of the distribution, storage, use, and end-of-life treatment of the organisation's products or services.
Total carbon emissions	Measuring a fund's total carbon footprint	Absolute GHG emissions associated with a fund - aggregated company / issuer emissions as a proportion of their total based on the fund's holding. This is usually expressed in metric tonnes of CO_2e (carbon dioxide equivalent).
Carbon footprint calculations	This is used for a variety of demands, including, client requests, regulatory disclosures, used in portfolio construction, and investment research analysis.	Carbon footprint acts as the main indicator of the portfolio's emissions, portfolio's total carbon emissions as emitted entity - a corporate, a government, or a project. Consequently, it enables reporting, target setting, climate action, and scenario analysis. Carbon footprint, at portfolio level, is expressed in tonnes CO_2e per US$ million invested.
Weighted Average Carbon Intensity (WACI)	Measuring a fund's exposure to carbon-intensive companies	This measures a fund's exposure to carbon-intensive companies. An investment's emissions are allocated based on its weight within the fund, i.e. the value of the investment relative to the fund's value (at the time of the calculation). A fund's exposure to carbon-intensive companies is expressed in tonnes CO_2e per US$ million in revenues.
Implied Temperature Rise Range	The Implied Temperature Rise metric provides an indication of how companies and investment funds align to global climate targets.	A fund's Implied Temperature Rise measures, in aggregate, a fund's temperature alignment (in °C) to keeping the world's temperature rise to 2°C by 2100. Each company/issuer (invested into by the fund) is assessed for their potential emissions versus a budget allocated by sector and market share. This difference results in an estimated temperature which is then aggregated on a fund level.

Gaps in the underlying data and how FIL is addressing these

For climate-related data, Fidelity works with multiple data providers to try and cover as much as the invested universe (of companies and issuers) as possible. Our core provider, Institutional Shareholder Services Inc. (ISS), has one of the widest coverages of emissions data available in the market, but data gaps do exist due to reasons such as: asset class (e.g. currencies) and lack of disclosure (such as for smaller companies) or challenges involving certain types of derivatives. ISS uses a detailed estimation methodology where possible, but some data gaps remain which we work alongside the data providers to try and minimise. Once raw data is provided (e.g. from ISS), there is an element of both automated and manual aggregation and mapping within Fidelity's systems. Fidelity has quality checks and review systems in place to manage the risk associated our data aggregation processes and minimise any potential gaps. Further information is available in Fidelity's Group TCFD report.

For this fund we have determined a sufficient level of data coverage for the fund's investments is available in order to provide the key metrics above.

2. Governance

The Fidelity China Special Situations PLC (the Investment Company) has a Board that is independent of the appointed FIL Group investment manager. In addition, FIL Investment Services (UK) Limited is appointed to provide Alternative Investment Fund Manager (AIFM) services. The Investment Company has adopted the FIL Group's climate related policies in relation to the management of this company and therefore the approaches taken to climate matters do not materially deviate from the FIL Group.

The Board of FIL Investment Services (UK) Limited (FISL) relies on FIL Group structures and committees to set the direction and the agenda to manage and oversee climate related risks and opportunities.

The Sustainable Investing Operating Committee (SIOC) was established by the FIL group to drive our climate agenda though our investment and corporate strategies. More detail relating to this committee can be found in the Group TCFD report.

3. Strategy

Fidelity is developing its suite of products and services to align to its climate goals and commitments.

The approach of the wider organisation and can be reviewed in Fidelity's Group TCFD Report.

4. Risk Management

The investment strategy for this Company is managed within the FIL Group and therefore risk management for this Company is aligned with FIL's wider approach, which is further explained in Fidelity's Group TCFD Report and is summarised below.

5. How climate change is likely to impact this fund

Efforts to address the emissions responsible for climate change and its physical impacts pose potential 'transitional' and 'physical' risks and opportunities for every investment type. Transitional factors may include the introduction of new policies, regulations or technologies, while physical factors might include changes to climate patterns, rising sea levels, or severe weather events.

We have provided commentary below as to how we believe this fund, based on its exposure to investment sectors* that are likely to have a material climate change impact, might be affected by the following climate scenarios, as devised by the Network for Greening the Financial System (NGFS). It is likely that our views will evolve over time.

'Hothouse world' scenarios assume only currently implemented policies are preserved, current commitments are not met and emissions continue to rise, with high physical risks and severe social and economic disruption and failure to limit temperature rise.

'Disorderly transition' scenarios assume climate policies are delayed or divergent, requiring sharper emissions reductions achieved at a higher cost and with increased physical risks in order to limit temperature rise to below 2 degrees Celsius on pre-industrial averages.

'Orderly transition' scenarios assume climate policies are introduced early and become gradually more stringent, reaching global net zero CO_2 emissions around 2050 and likely limiting global warming to below 2 degrees Celsius on pre-industrial averages.

*Generally we have provided scenario analysis commentary where sector exposure is greater than 10%, however for funds that are very well diversified (by sector) we may provide commentary where exposure is below this level.

Industrials: Capital Goods

Sector participants typically have carbon emission intensive production processes and may be situated in complex and global supply chains. As a result, participants are exposed to policy risk targeting sector decarbonisation which may include a price on carbon, or mandated minimum efficiency standards. This could result in; increased input costs (paying for green energy sources), capital expenditure to enhance efficiency, adoption of lower carbon solutions, or implementing Carbon Capture, Utilisation or Storage. Physical risks could drive lower revenue, or higher costs from supply chain disruption (with scarcity increasing input costs or limiting access, or delayed supply of critical components reducing or postponing sales), or damage to infrastructure impacting production volumes or market access. Companies with higher energy and material efficiency, or circular economy solutions could help mitigate some of these risks.

Under a ‘hothouse world’ scenario the frequency and magnitude of physical risks will be significantly increased. Supply chain disruptions will be more frequent requiring diversification of both input sourcing and potentially end markets to enhance resilience. This will likely require higher levels of working capital as companies shift from ‘just in time’, to ‘just in case’ production; potentially leading to lower asset turnover and lower returns on capital. Material efficiency, and circular economy practices could help mitigate some, but not all of these risks. The company’s own assets may also need capital investment to be upgraded against extreme weather conditions. Policy risk will be more muted with less pressure on decarbonisation of industrial processes.

Under a ‘disorderly transition’, physical risks from climate change will increase from historical levels and likely reduce the resilience of existing supply chains. A step change in policies to achieve rapid decarbonisation of the sector may result in higher energy costs or a price on carbon emissions, could change production costs for industry participants - companies with higher energy and production efficiency would likely be better placed than inefficient peers under this scenario. Rapid decarbonisation may also require significant capital expenditure to adopt solutions such as Carbon Capture Use, and Storage (CCUS).

Under an ‘orderly transition’ the issues outlined above will be less acute. Industry participants will face a higher level of policy certainty and longer lead times to adopt energy and input efficiency initiatives. A rising carbon price could potentially provide an advantage to companies with efficient processes or based in geographies with lower carbon intensity of the energy grid.

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