

**American Beacon Funds**  
**Form 5500 Eligible Indirect Compensation Disclosure**

**American Beacon Balanced Fund**  
**Soft Dollar Disclosure**

Investment Adviser: [American Beacon Advisors, Inc.](#)

Sub-Advisors: [Barrow, Hanley, Mewhinney & Strauss, LLC](#)  
[Hotchkis and Wiley Capital Management, LLC](#)

**American Beacon Advisors, Inc.**

American Beacon Advisors has no soft dollar arrangements.

**Barrow, Hanley, Mewhinney & Strauss, LLC ("BHMS")**

*Disclosure Item 1:*

BHMS may use Fund commissions to purchase research provided by the executing broker ("proprietary research"). Proprietary research provided to BHMS through a bundled research and execution commission rate may be considered indirect compensation.

*Disclosure Item 2:*

The proprietary research BHMS receives from full-service executing brokerage firms includes written research reports discussing individual companies, general discussion of business industries, market analysis, regulatory/political environment analysis, and other areas that may impact investing. Receiving this research may be through electronic mail, telephone or in person. BHMS requires its PMs and Analysts to vote semi-annually on the quality and contribution of proprietary research provided by brokers, our trading commissions are generally directed to proprietary brokers based on these voting results, and the commissions are reviewed each quarter. These are all important factors in brokerage allocation; however, pursuit of best execution is the initial and most important determination for initial placement of trades, and the commission results generally follow the above detailed guidelines when reviewed each quarter.

*Disclosure Item 3:*

BHMS is unable to quantify the portion of the bundled commission rate that pays for executing brokers' research services from which BHMS may benefit.

The Fund's average commission rate per share for soft dollar transactions, and the percentage of the Fund's overall commissions paid that were represented by soft dollar commissions for the period January 1, 2025 to December 31, 2025 were:

<u>Type</u>	<u>Rate Per Share</u>	<u>Percentage of Overall Commissions Paid</u>
Proprietary Research	3.0 ¢	45.80%
Commission Sharing Arrangements	2.0 ¢	5.55%
Soft Dollars (Third Party Research)	3.5 ¢	34.17%

*Disclosure Item 4:*

BHMS had client commission arrangements and commission sharing arrangements with the following brokers-dealers during 2025:

Proprietary Research

Morgan Stanley	Instinet (Wolfe Research)
Barclays	J.P. Morgan Securities
Citigroup	Merrill Lynch
Deutsche Bank	Robert Baird
Evercore ISI	Sanford Bernstein
Goldman Sachs	Seaport Global
HSBC Securities	Strategas Securities
	Truist Financial

Commission Sharing Arrangements

Instinet (Machine)  
Liquidnet  
Morgan Stanley

Soft Dollars (Third Party Research)

J.P. Morgan  
Piper Sandler & Co

**Hotchkis and Wiley Capital Management, LLC**

*Disclosure Item 1:*

When more than one broker is believed capable of providing the best combination of price and execution, HWCM may select a broker based upon research services

provided to HWCM and its clients. Selecting a broker-dealer in recognition in part of brokerage and research services or products it provides, rather than based solely upon its ability to execute transactions, is known as paying for those services and products with “soft dollars” or “client commission arrangements.” H&W defines the term “soft dollars” to refer to all payment structures that utilize client commissions to purchase “research” as permitted under Section 28(e).

*Disclosure Item 2:*

H&W utilizes client commission arrangements (“CCAs”) with certain broker-dealers. Under a CCA, H&W may affect transactions through a broker-dealer and request that broker-dealer to pay other broker-dealers, independent research providers and third-party vendors based on commission targets. The use of CCAs is intended to assist H&W in providing credits to broker-dealers or third-party research providers who, in its judgement, provide the best access to analysts and management, and to independent research providers, while using reliable executing broker-dealers which H&W believes will benefit its client accounts.

The Funds utilized client commission arrangements (“CCAs”) with certain broker-dealers. Please see additional details below.

*Disclosure Item 3:*

For the calendar year ended December 31, 2025, 77.96% of the total \$7,049 in commissions paid by Hotchkis and Wiley for the Balanced Fund was allocated to execution and research services and 22.049% of total commissions were allocated to execution services. The Fund’s average commission rate per share for January 1, 2025 until December 31, 2025 for execution and research services was \$0.0396.

*Disclosure Item 4:*

B. RILEY FBR	KEEFE BRUYETTE WOODS
BARCLAYS CAPITAL	KEPLER CHEUVREUX
BENCHMARK CO	KEYBANC CAPITAL MKTS
BERENBERG	MACQUARIE CAPITAL (USA) INC
BMO CAPITAL MARKETS CANADIAN	MIZUHO SECURITIES
BOFA SECURITIES	MORGAN STANLEY
CANTOR FITZGERALD	PIPER JAFFRAY & CO
CITIGROUP GLOBAL MARKETS	RAYMOND JAMES
CONVERGEX EXECUTION SOLUTIONS	RBC CAPITAL MARKETS
D.A. DAVIDSON SECURITIES	REDBURN PARTNERS
DEUTSCHE BANK SECURITIES	ROBERT W BAIRD AND CO
EVERCORE ISI	SANFORD BERNSTEIN
GOLDMAN SACHS	SHIELDS CAPITAL
HSBC SECURITIES	STIFEL NICOLAUS & CO
INSTINET NOMURA	UBS SECURITIES
JEFFERIES	WELLS FARGO SECURITIES
JP MORGAN SECURITIES	