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CERTIFIED SHAREHOLDER REPORT OF REGISTERED
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Investment Company Act file number 811-21448

Pioneer Tax Advantaged Balanced Trust
(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

60 State Street, Boston, MA 02109
(Address of principal executive offices) (ZIP code)

Dorothy E. Bourassa, Pioneer Investment Management, Inc.,
60 State Street, Boston, MA 02109
(Name and address of agent for service)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (617) 742-7825

Date of fiscal year end: November 30

Date of reporting period: December 1, 2004 through May 31, 2005

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ITEM 1. REPORTS TO SHAREOWNERS.



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Semiannual
Report

5/31/05

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LETTER TO SHAREOWNERS 5/31/05

Dear Shareowner,

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U.S. equity markets stumbled early in the year before advancing to three-year highs in March. Stocks spent much of April retracing their gains, as higher interest rates and soaring energy prices overwhelmed sentiment. Then a brisk May rally left the Dow Industrials, the Standard and Poor's 500 Stock Index and the NASDAQ Composite slightly below year-end levels.

With investors less welcoming of risk and the economy giving mixed signals, value stocks were more resilient than growth stocks. Large-capitalization stocks held up better than small- and mid-sized issues that might be seen as more vulnerable in an economic "soft patch," in the phrase of Federal Reserve Board Chairman Alan Greenspan. The possibility of slower growth notwithstanding, the Fed continued to raise short-term rates in an effort to head off damaging inflation.

Bond returns were modestly negative overall early in the year, and fixed-income investors more risk-averse. High-yield and other corporate sectors retrenched after a run of stellar performance while Treasuries and mortgage-backed securities showed smaller declines. Long-term bond prices rose and their yields fell, suggesting that investors were not concerned about inflation and offering a boost to home buyers. Municipal revenue bonds trended higher against a backdrop of heavy new issuance by states and localities.

Higher U.S. interest rates enhanced the dollar's appeal and brought a pause in its protracted fall. However, the stronger dollar meant muted returns for U.S. investors in overseas markets. Globally, economies rich in metals and other industrial commodities benefited from heavy demand. Meanwhile, growth in Japan may have stalled, and Europe's halting expansion ran afoul of political issues.

We believe that the U.S. economy and corporate earnings will continue to grow at a moderate pace. Although oil prices had backed away from their record highs, steep energy costs and rising interest rates may hold investor attention for a while. Looking beyond present concerns, Pioneer's global investment experts continue to find stocks and bonds with attractive long-term potential for our domestic and international funds.

Expanding your opportunities

This period was like all others; different classes of investments delivered different returns. That's why allocating your portfolio across several investment types is one way to seek wider opportunities. Pioneer's disciplined approach and growing range of products are designed to help you achieve this important objective. For thoughtful guidance on how to align your portfolio with your goals, contact your financial professional.

Please consider a fund's investment objective, risks, charges and expenses carefully before investing. The prospectus contains this and other information about each fund and should be read carefully before you invest or send money. To obtain a prospectus and for other information on any Pioneer fund, contact your financial advisor, call 1-800-225-6292 or visit our web site at www.pioneerfunds.com.

Respectfully,

/s/ Osbert M. Hood

Osbert M. Hood
President
Pioneer Investment Management, Inc.

Any information in this shareholder report regarding market or economic trends or the factors influencing the Trust's historical or future performance are

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statements of the opinion of Trust management as of the date of this report. These statements should not be relied upon for any other purposes. Past performance is no guarantee of future results, and there is no guarantee that market forecasts discussed will be realized.

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PORTFOLIO SUMMARY 5/31/05

Portfolio Maturity

(As a percentage of total debt holdings)

[THE FOLLOWING DATA WAS REPRESENTED AS A PIE CHART IN THE PRINTED MATERIAL]

| | | |
|------|-------|-------|
| 0-1 | Year | 1.4% |
| 1-3 | Years | 3.3% |
| 3-6 | Years | 25.5% |
| 6-8 | Years | 56.0% |
| 8-10 | Years | 1.1% |
| 10+ | Years | 12.7% |

Portfolio Diversification

(As a percentage of total investment portfolio)

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| | |
|----------------------------------|-------|
| Tax-Exempt Obligations | 54.6% |
| Common Stocks | 26.4% |
| Non Convertible Preferred Stocks | 17.7% |
| Temporary Cash Investment | 0.9% |
| Convertible Preferred Stocks | 0.4% |

The portfolio is actively managed, and current holdings may be different.

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PERFORMANCE UPDATE 5/31/05

Share Prices and Distributions

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| | | |
|----------------------------------|---------|----------|
| Market Value per Common Share | 5/31/05 | 11/30/04 |
| | \$13.20 | \$12.74 |

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|---------|----------|
| Net Asset Value per Common Share | 5/31/05 | 11/30/04 |
| | \$15.10 | \$14.55 |

| | | | |
|--|---------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Distributions per Common Share (12/1/04 - 5/31/05) | Income Dividends | Short-Term Capital Gains | Long-Term Capital Gains |
| | \$0.4122 | \$ - | \$ - |

10 Largest Holdings

(As a percentage of total long-term holdings)*

| | | |
|-----|--|-------|
| 1. | Exelon Corp. | 1.78% |
| 2. | Gila County Industrial Development Authority, 5.55%, 1/1/27 | 1.58 |
| 3. | Consolidated Edison, Inc. | 1.51 |
| 4. | Fannie Mae, Series L, 5.125% | 1.48 |
| 5. | Tobacco Settlement Financing Corp., 5.875%, 5/15/39 | 1.40 |
| 6. | King County Washington Sewer Revenue, 5.0%, 1/1/35 | 1.39 |
| 7. | Puerto Rico Commonwealth Highway & Transportation Authority Revenue, 5.125%, 7/1/43 | 1.39 |
| 8. | Duke Energy Corp. | 1.38 |
| 9. | Montana Health Facility Authority Revenue, RIB, 7.409%, 2/25/25 | 1.36 |
| 10. | Ameren Corp. | 1.24 |

* This list excludes temporary cash and derivative instruments. The portfolio is actively managed, and current holdings may be different.

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PERFORMANCE UPDATE 5/31/05

Investment Returns

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The mountain chart on the right shows the change in value of a \$10,000 investment made in common shares of Pioneer Tax Advantaged Balanced Trust at public offering price, compared to that of the Lehman Brothers Municipal Bond Index and the S&P 500 Index.

 Cumulative Total Returns
 (As of May 31, 2005)

| Period | Net Asset Value (NAV) | Market Price |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|
| Life-of-Trust (1/28/04) | 13.59% | -5.13% |
| 1 Year | 20.23% | 16.79% |

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| | Pioneer Tax Advantage Balanced Trust ----- | Lehman Brothers Municipal Bond Index ----- | Standard & Poors 500 ----- |
|------|---|---|----------------------------------|
| 1/04 | \$10,000 | \$10,000 | \$10,000 |
| | \$9,460 | \$9,839 | \$9,964 |
| 5/05 | \$11,297 | \$10,623 | \$10,784 |

Call 1-800-225-6292 or visit www.pioneerfunds.com for the most recent month-end performance results. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data quoted.

Performance data shown represents past performance. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Investment return and market price will fluctuate, and your shares may trade below NAV, due to such factors as interest rate changes, and the perceived credit quality of borrowers.

Total investment return does not reflect broker sales charges or commissions. All performance is for common shares of the Trust.

Closed-end funds, unlike open-end funds, are not continuously offered. There is a one-time public offering and once issued, shares of closed-end funds are sold in the open market through a stock exchange and frequently trade at prices lower than their NAV. NAV is total assets less total liabilities, which includes preferred shares, divided by the number of common shares outstanding.

When NAV is lower than market price, dividends are assumed to be reinvested at the greater of NAV or 95% of the market price. When NAV is higher, dividends are assumed to be reinvested at market price.

The performance table and graph do not reflect the deduction of fees and taxes that a shareowner would pay on Trust distributions or the redemption of Trust

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shares.

Index comparison begins January 31, 2004. The Lehman Brothers Municipal Bond Index is a broad measure of the municipal bond market. The Standard & Poor's 500 Stock Index (the S&P 500) is a commonly used measure of the broad U.S. stock market. Index returns are calculated monthly, assume reinvestment of dividends and, unlike Trust returns, do not reflect any fees, expenses or charges. You cannot invest directly in an Index.

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PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION 5/31/05

Investors in Pioneer Tax Advantaged Balanced Trust were rewarded during the six-month period ended May 31, 2005, as both municipal bonds and large-cap stocks produced positive returns. In the following interview, David Eurkus, portfolio manager for the Trust's fixed-income portion, and Walter Hunnewell, Jr., portfolio manager for the Trust's equity portion, discuss the Trust's investment strategy and outlook.

Q: How did the Trust perform during the period?

A: For the six-month period ended May 31, 2005, Pioneer Tax Advantaged Balanced Trust returned 7.08% at net asset value and 6.90% at market price. As of May 31, 2005, the Trust was selling at a discount of market price to net asset value of 12.6%. From November 30, 2004 through May 31, 2005, the Lehman Brothers Municipal Bond Index returned 3.51% and the S&P 500 Index returned 2.42%.

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Q: What was the investment environment like during the period?

A: The economic expansion continued, raising concerns about the potential for accelerating inflation. In this environment, the Federal Reserve maintained its measured policy of periodically boosting the Federal funds rate by a quarter percentage point. (The Federal funds rate is the rate banks charge each other for overnight loans.) As a result of the Fed's actions, yields on short-term and intermediate-term bonds rose, but yields on long-term bonds declined, which increased their value as their prices went up.

Concerns about rising interest rates, along with higher oil prices, were evident in the performance of the equity markets. While the S&P 500 Index was up 2.42%, stock prices fluctuated within a broad range, as investors assessed the impact that higher interest rates and oil prices would have on corporate profits.

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PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION 5/31/05

(continued)

Q: What were the principal strategies used in managing the fixed-income portion of the Trust?

A: On May 31, 2005, municipal securities accounted for 55% of portfolio assets. We primarily emphasized high-quality, investment-grade bonds, although we continued to maintain a 12.8% position in selected below investment-grade securities, which we believed were undervalued. The lower-quality securities helped the Trust maintain a relatively high level of income. They also added principal appreciation. At the end of the period, the credit quality breakdown of the fixed-income portion of the Trust was: AAA (26.4%); AA (10.3%); A (22.6%); BBB (27.0%); BB and lower (12.8%).

The largest allocation of fixed-income assets was to insured bonds (22.8%), various revenue bonds (22.4%) and special revenue bonds (5.0%). The Trust was diversified across a variety of economic sectors. Health care/hospitals accounted for 31.1%, education 5.5%, housing 3.3%, pollution control 2.4%, transportation 4.0%, and water and sewer 1.5%.

During the period, we maintained our hedging strategy, which was implemented early in 2004. At that time, short-term interest rates were at historically low levels, but long-term rates were relatively high. This situation allowed us to borrow funds at low short-term rates to invest in long-term municipal bonds. This leveraging strategy helped augment the Trust's income. On May 31, 2005, about 32% of the fixed-income portion of the Trust was leveraged. About 60% of the Trust's leverage is now hedged for four years.

Q: What were the principal strategies used in managing the equity portion of the Trust?

A: At the end of the period, about 45% of the portfolio was invested in equities. We focused on the highest yielding sectors of the market and on companies with long-term records of dividend payouts. Financials and utilities (38.3% and 30.5% of equity net assets, respectively) accounted for the largest sector allocations.

Among equities, utilities were the biggest contributors to performance. Exelon, which benefited from its exposure to the nuclear industry at a time when oil prices were rising, made some of the biggest gains. Ameren also aided results. The company has made a number of opportunistic acquisitions of smaller utilities, and it

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has exposure to coal-fired generation, which may benefit it in the future

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as deregulation continues.

Q: What detracted from performance?

A: Financial stocks held back performance, reflecting investor concerns that rising interest rates would have a negative impact on the earnings of financial institutions. General Motors also suffered because of a poor earnings outlook, and telecommunications company SBC Communications declined.

Q: What is your outlook?

A: Moving into the second half of 2005, we believe economic growth will continue at a moderate rate. We expect the Fed to continue raising interest rates at a measured pace and believe inflation will be held in check. This type of environment should be positive for municipal bonds. On the equity side, we expect corporate profit growth to be fairly strong, although less robust than in 2004. While high oil prices remain a factor in the equity market, we continue to find opportunities in companies that have long-term records of dividend payouts in the highest yielding areas of the market.

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 SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS 5/31/05 (unaudited)

| Principal Amount | S&P/Moody's Ratings (unaudited) | | Value |
|------------------|---------------------------------|--|---------------|
| | | TAX EXEMPT OBLIGATIONS - 76.6% of Net Assets | |
| | | Alabama - 2.9% | |
| \$6,990,000 | AAA/Aaa | Birmingham Waterworks & Sewer Revenue, 5.0%, 1/1/43 | \$ 7,275,961 |
| 5,000,000 | NR/A2 | Huntsville Health Care Authority Revenue, 5.75%, 6/1/32 | 5,377,200 |
| | | | \$ 12,653,161 |
| | | Arizona - 3.2% | |
| 10,285,000 | BB-/Ca | Gila County Industrial Development Authority, 5.55%, 1/1/27 | \$ 9,535,121 |
| 1,000,000 | BBB/Baa1 | Maricopa County Hospital Revenue, 5.0%, 4/1/35 | 1,009,220 |
| 1,000,000 | NR/Baa3 | Pima County Industrial Development Authority, 6.375%, 7/1/31 | 1,034,020 |

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| 1,000,000 | NR/Baa3 | Pima County Industrial Development Authority, 6.75%, 7/1/31 | 1,045,970 |
| 1,000,000 | NR/NR | Pima County Industrial Development Authority, 7.5%, 7/1/34 | 1,022,260 |
| | | | ----- |
| | | | \$ 13,646,591 |
| | | | ----- |
| | | California - 1.5% | |
| 1,000,000 | A-/Baa1 | California Health Facilities Authority Revenue, 5.25%, 7/1/23 | \$ 1,056,140 |
| 1,000,000 | A-/Baa1 | California State Public Works Board Revenue, 5.25%, 6/1/24 | 1,090,140 |
| 4,000,000 | BBB/Baa3 | Golden State Tobacco Securitization Corp., 6.75%, 6/1/39 | 4,366,040 |
| | | | ----- |
| | | | \$ 6,512,320 |
| | | | ----- |
| | | Connecticut - 1.6% | |
| 4,190,000 | BBB-/Baa1 | Connecticut State Development Authority Pollution Control Revenue, 5.85%, 9/1/28 | \$ 4,459,962 |
| 1,000,000 | AAA/Aaa | Connecticut State Health & Educational Facilities Authority Revenue, 5.0%, 7/1/21 | 1,077,080 |
| 1,500,000 | BB+/NR | Mohegan Tribe Indians Gaming Authority, 5.25%, 1/1/33 | 1,514,475 |
| | | | ----- |
| | | | \$ 7,051,517 |
| | | | ----- |

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| Principal Amount | S&P/Moody's Ratings (unaudited) | | Value |
|------------------|---------------------------------|--|--------------|
| \$ 4,000,000 | BBB/Baa3 | District of Columbia - 1.0% District of Columbia Tobacco Settlement Financing Corp., 6.75%, 5/15/40 | \$ 4,294,560 |
| | | | ----- |
| 5,000,000 | A/A2 | Florida - 1.9% Highlands County Health Facilities Authority Revenue, 6.0%, 11/15/25 | \$ 5,503,700 |
| 2,025,000 | BB+/NR | Miami Beach Health Facilities Authority, 5.375%, 11/15/28 | 2,032,533 |
| 500,000 | BB+/Ba2 | Miami Beach Health Facilities Authority, 6.7%, 11/15/19 | 548,490 |
| | | | ----- |
| | | | \$ 8,084,723 |
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| | | Georgia - 2.4% | |
| 5,000,000 | AAA/Aaa | Burke County Development Authority Revenue, 4.75%, 5/1/34 | \$ 5,025,950 |
| 2,500,000 | BBB/NR | Milledgeville-Baldwin County Development Authority Revenue, 5.5%, 9/1/24 | 2,664,700 |
| 2,500,000 | BBB/NR | Milledgeville-Baldwin County Development Authority Revenue, 5.625%, 9/1/30 | 2,653,125 |
| | | | ----- |
| | | | \$ 10,343,775 |
| | | | ----- |
| | | Illinois - 5.1% | |
| 3,000,000 | AAA/Aaa | Chicago Illinois General Obligation, 5.0%, 1/1/28 | \$ 3,164,730 |
| 4,580,000 | A-/Baa1 | Illinois Development Finance Authority Revenue, 5.25%, 10/1/24 | 4,846,327 |
| 5,000,000 | AA+/Aa1 | Illinois Educational Facilities Authority Revenue, 5.0%, 12/1/38 | 5,200,050 |
| 2,000,000 | AA+/Aa2 | Illinois Finance Authority Revenue, 5.5%, 8/15/43 | 2,163,340 |
| 5,095,000+ | NR/A1 | Illinois Health Facilities Authority Revenue, 5.75%, 7/1/15 | 5,482,984 |
| 1,130,000+ | CCC/Caa1 | Illinois Health Facilities Authority Revenue, 6.375%, 1/1/15 | 1,132,904 |
| | | | ----- |
| | | | \$ 21,990,335 |
| | | | ----- |
| | | Indiana - 2.3% | |
| 4,135,000 | BBB-/Ba3 | Indiana State Development Finance Authority Revenue, 5.75%, 10/1/11 | \$ 4,380,619 |
| 5,100,000 | AAA/Aaa | Indiana Transportation Finance Authority Highway Revenue, 5.0%, 6/1/28 | 5,378,358 |
| | | | ----- |
| | | | \$ 9,758,977 |
| | | | ----- |

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 SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS 5/31/05 (unaudited) (continued)

| Principal Amount | S&P/Moody's Ratings (unaudited) | | Value |
|------------------|---------------------------------|---|--------------|
| | | Kansas - 0.8% | |
| \$ 3,000,000 | AAA/Aaa | Wyandotte County Unified Government Utility System Revenue, 5.65%, 9/1/19 | \$ 3,501,900 |
| | | | ----- |
| | | Louisiana - 1.9% | |
| 8,335,000 | BBB/Baa3 | Tobacco Settlement Financing Corp., 5.875%, 5/15/39 | \$ 8,412,265 |
| | | | ----- |
| | | Maryland - 0.7% | |

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|-----------|-----------|---|--------------|
| 3,000,000 | A/A3 | Maryland State Health & Higher Educational Facilities Authority Revenue, 5.125%, 7/1/34 | \$ 3,128,430 |
| | | | ----- |
| 2,000,000 | AA+/Aa1 | Massachusetts - 5.1% Massachusetts Health & Educational Facilities Authority Revenue, 5.0%, 7/1/33 | \$ 2,107,240 |
| 1,550,000 | BBB-/Baa3 | Massachusetts Health & Educational Facilities Authority Revenue, 5.25%, 7/15/18 | 1,570,367 |
| 1,600,000 | BBB/NR | Massachusetts Health & Educational Facilities Authority Revenue, 5.45%, 11/15/23 | 1,655,600 |
| 2,120,000 | BBB/Baa3 | Massachusetts Health & Educational Facilities Authority Revenue, 5.625%, 7/1/20 | 2,176,434 |
| 5,000,000 | AA-/Aa3 | Massachusetts Health & Educational Facilities Authority Revenue, 5.75%, 7/1/21 | 5,550,350 |
| 900,000 | BBB/Baa3 | Massachusetts Health & Educational Facilities Authority Revenue, 6.25%, 7/1/22 | 980,577 |
| 2,750,000 | BBB/Baa2 | Massachusetts Health & Educational Facilities Authority Revenue, 6.625%, 7/1/32 | 3,021,040 |
| 500,000 | BBB-/NR | Massachusetts State Development Finance Agency, 5.5%, 1/1/35 | 507,300 |
| 1,100,000 | BBB/Baa2 | Massachusetts State Development Finance Agency, 5.625%, 10/1/24 | 1,166,693 |
| 1,000,000 | BBB/Baa2 | Massachusetts State Development Finance Agency, 5.7%, 10/1/34 | 1,058,280 |

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| Principal Amount | S&P/Moody's Ratings (unaudited) | | Value |
|------------------|---------------------------------|---|---------------|
| \$ 2,000,000 | AAA/Aaa | Massachusetts (continued) University of Massachusetts Building Authority Project Revenue, 5.25%, 11/1/29 | \$ 2,184,640 |
| | | | ----- |
| | | | \$ 21,978,521 |
| | | | ----- |
| 5,000,000 | BB/NR | Michigan - 2.6% Macomb County Hospital Finance Authority Revenue, 5.875%, 11/15/34 | \$ 5,044,550 |
| 2,000,000 | NR/NR | Michigan State Hospital Finance Authority Revenue, 5.25%, 11/15/25 | 2,018,480 |

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| 2,000,000 | A/A2 | Michigan State Hospital Finance Authority Revenue, 5.5%, 11/1/15 | 2,192,320 |
| 1,000,000 | NR/NR | Michigan State Hospital Finance Authority Revenue, 5.5%, 11/15/35 | 1,018,000 |
| 1,025,000 | BB/Ba2 | Pontiac Hospital Finance Authority Revenue, 6.0%, 8/1/07 | 1,024,898 |
| | | | ----- |
| | | | \$ 11,298,248 |
| | | | ----- |
| | | Minnesota - 0.9% | |
| 2,000,000 | A-/NR | Duluth Economic Development Authority Health Care Facilities Revenue, 5.25%, 2/15/28 | \$ 2,095,180 |
| 1,500,000 | A-/NR | Duluth Economic Development Authority Health Care Facilities Revenue, 5.25%, 2/15/33 | 1,567,005 |
| | | | ----- |
| | | | \$ 3,662,185 |
| | | | ----- |
| | | Missouri - 0.4% | |
| 1,720,000 | AA/Aa3 | Missouri State Health & Educational Authority Health Facilities Revenue, 5.25%, 8/15/28 | \$ 1,824,748 |
| | | | ----- |
| | | Montana - 2.2% | |
| 1,350,000 | NR/A3 | Montana Finance Authority Hospital Facilities Revenue, 5.0%, 6/1/24 | \$ 1,386,423 |
| 8,000,000 (a) | AAA/Aaa | Montana Health Facility Authority Revenue, RIB, 7.409%, 2/25/25 | 8,180,480 |
| | | | ----- |
| | | | \$ 9,566,903 |
| | | | ----- |
| | | Nebraska - 1.0% | |
| 4,000,000 (a) | AAA/Aaa | Nebraska Investment Finance Authority Revenue, RIB, 8.76%, 3/1/26 | \$ 4,497,040 |
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 SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS 5/31/05% (unaudited) (continued)

| Principal Amount | S&P/Moody's Ratings (unaudited) | | Value |
|------------------|---------------------------------|---|--------------|
| \$3,000,000 | B-/NR | Nevada - 2.2% | |
| | | Clark County Industrial Development Revenue, 5.5%, 10/1/30 | \$ 2,947,440 |
| 1,500,000 | A-/Baa1 | Henderson Nevada Health Care Facilities Revenue, 5.625%, 7/1/24 | 1,622,295 |
| 5,000,000 | BB/Ba2 | Washoe County Water Facility Revenue, 5.0%, 3/1/36 | 5,097,050 |

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|-----------|----------|--|--|
| | | | ----- \$ 9,666,785 ----- |
| 2,000,000 | NR/NR | New Hampshire - 0.7% New Hampshire Business Finance Authority Revenue, 6.05%, 9/1/29 | \$ 1,911,280 |
| 1,000,000 | A+/A2 | New Hampshire Health & Education Facilities Authority Revenue, 5.75%, 10/1/31 | 1,075,120 ----- \$ 2,986,400 ----- |
| 1,250,000 | BBB/Baa3 | New Jersey - 3.4% Camden County Improvement Authority Revenue, 5.75%, 2/15/34 | \$ 1,332,637 |
| 1,500,000 | BB/Ba2 | New Jersey Health Care Facilities Financing Authority Revenue, 5.125%, 7/1/14 | 1,375,515 |
| 5,000,000 | BBB/Baa1 | New Jersey Health Care Facilities Financing Authority Revenue, 5.375%, 7/1/33 | 5,229,750 |
| 3,500,000 | NR/NR | New Jersey Health Care Facilities Financing Authority Revenue, 7.25%, 7/1/27 | 3,649,800 |
| 3,000,000 | BBB/Baa3 | Tobacco Settlement Financing Corp., 6.25%, 6/1/43 | 3,099,000 ----- \$ 14,686,702 ----- |
| 1,000,000 | AA/NR | New Mexico - 0.6% Do-a Ana County PILT Revenue, 5.25%, 12/1/25 | \$ 1,079,930 |
| 1,500,000 | NR/A3 | Farmington New Mexico Hospital Revenue, 5.0%, 6/1/23 | 1,551,630 ----- \$ 2,631,560 ----- |
| 2,000,000 | NR/NR | New York - 5.1% Dutchess County Industrial Development Agency Revenue, 7.5%, 3/1/29 | \$ 2,093,540 |
| 1,000,000 | NR/Aa2 | New York City Industrial Development Agency, 5.0%, 7/1/27 | 1,062,970 |

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| Principal Amount | S&P/Moody's Ratings (unaudited) | | Value |
|---------------------|---------------------------------------|---|--------------|
| \$ 1,000,000 | NR/Aa2 | New York (continued) New York City Industrial Development Agency, 5.25%, 7/1/24 | \$ 1,095,980 |
| 8,820,000 (b) | AAA/Aa1 | New York City Transitional Finance | |

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|-----------|---------|--|---------------------------------|
| 5,000,000 | AA-/A1 | Authority Revenue, 0.0%, 11/1/29 Port Authority of New York & New Jersey Revenue, 5.0%, 9/1/38 | 7,024,072 5,272,250 |
| 4,900,000 | AAA/Aaa | Triborough Bridge & Tunnel Authority, 5.25%, 11/15/30 | 5,317,382 |
| | | | ----- \$ 21,866,194 ----- |
| 3,000,000 | AA+/Aa1 | North Carolina - 1.4% North Carolina Capital Facilities Finance Agency Revenue, 5.125%, 7/1/42 | \$ 3,147,150 |
| 1,000,000 | AA/Aa3 | North Carolina Capital Facilities Finance Agency Student Revenue, 5.0%, 6/1/27 | 1,040,880 |
| 1,000,000 | AA/Aa3 | North Carolina Capital Facilities Finance Agency Student Revenue, 5.0%, 6/1/32 | 1,038,620 |
| 1,000,000 | NR/NR | North Carolina Medical Care Commission Health Care Facilities Revenue, 5.0%, 11/1/23 | 1,034,120 |
| | | | ----- \$ 6,260,770 ----- |
| 2,000,000 | B-/Caa2 | Ohio - 1.4% Cleveland Airport Special Revenue, 5.7%, 12/1/19 | \$ 1,601,340 |
| 3,000,000 | AAA/Aaa | Columbus City School District, 5.0%, 12/1/32 | 3,186,420 |
| 1,000,000 | AAA/Aaa | Hamilton County Hospital Facilities Revenue, 5.125%, 5/15/28 | 1,065,360 |
| | | | ----- \$ 5,853,120 ----- |
| 2,935,000 | NR/Aaa | Oregon - 0.7% Oregon State Housing & Community Services Department Multi-Family Revenue, 6.0%, 7/1/31 | \$ 3,045,327 |
| 5,000,000 | AAA/Aaa | Pennsylvania - 2.8% Pennsylvania State Turnpike Commission Oil Franchise Tax Revenue, 5.0%, 12/1/31 | \$ 5,287,150 |

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SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS 5/31/05 (unaudited) (continued)

| Principal Amount | S&P/Moody's Ratings (unaudited) | | Value |
|---------------------|---------------------------------------|--|--------------|
| \$ 3,000,000 | A-/NR | Pennsylvania (continued) Sayre Health Care Facilities Authority Revenue, 5.875%, 12/1/31 | \$ 3,223,050 |
| 280,000 | B-/NR | Scranton-Lackawanna Health and Welfare | |

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|-----------|----------|---|---------------|
| 700,000 | B-/NR | Authority Hospital Revenue, 5.9%, 7/1/08 | 270,522 |
| 460,000 | B-/NR | Scranton-Lackawanna Health and Welfare Authority Hospital Revenue, 6.0%, 7/1/09 | 656,131 |
| 2,165,000 | AA+/Aa1 | Scranton-Lackawanna Health and Welfare Authority Hospital Revenue, 6.05%, 7/1/10 | 425,436 |
| | | Swarthmore Borough Authority College Revenue, 5.0%, 9/15/31 | 2,253,657 |
| | | | ----- |
| | | | \$ 12,115,946 |
| | | | ----- |
| 8,000,000 | A/Baa2 | Puerto Rico - 3.9% Puerto Rico Commonwealth Highway & Transportation Authority Revenue, 5.125%, 7/1/43 | \$ 8,369,120 |
| 5,000,000 | BBB/Baa2 | Puerto Rico Public Buildings Authority Revenue, 5.25%, 7/1/33 | 5,346,100 |
| 3,000,000 | BBB/Baa3 | Puerto Rico Public Finance Corp., 5.75%, 8/1/27 | 3,324,930 |
| | | | ----- |
| | | | \$ 17,040,150 |
| | | | ----- |
| 1,545,000 | BBB/Baa3 | Rhode Island - 1.1% Tobacco Settlement Financing Corp., 6.125%, 6/1/32 | \$ 1,575,328 |
| 3,100,000 | BBB/Baa3 | Tobacco Settlement Financing Corp., 6.25%, 6/1/42 | 3,168,603 |
| | | | ----- |
| | | | \$ 4,743,931 |
| | | | ----- |
| 6,000,000 | A-/A3 | South Carolina - 4.1% Berkeley County School District Installment Lease, 5.0%, 12/1/28 | \$ 6,175,800 |
| 5,000,000 | AAA/Aaa | Florence County Hospital Revenue, 5.25%, 11/1/34 | 5,404,700 |
| 3,500,000 | A/A2 | Lexington County Health Services District, Inc., Hospital Revenue, 5.5%, 11/1/32 | 3,702,615 |

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| Principal Amount | S&P/Moody's Ratings (unaudited) | | Value |
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| \$ 2,500,000 | A-/A3 | South Carolina (continued) South Carolina Jobs Economic Development Authority Revenue, 5.5%, 11/15/23 | \$ 2,650,300 |

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|-----------|----------|---|---------------------------------|
| | | | ----- \$ 17,933,415 ----- |
| 2,500,000 | NR/Baa3 | Tennessee - 0.6% Knox County Health Educational & Housing Facilities Board Hospital Revenue, 6.5%, 4/15/31 | \$ 2,617,175 ----- |
| 1,551,760 | NR/Aaa | Texas - 2.8% Houston Housing Financing Corp., 6.25%, 9/20/31 | \$ 1,677,142 |
| 2,750,000 | AAA/Aaa | Lower Colorado River Authority, 5.0%, 5/15/31 | 2,864,620 |
| 1,711,000 | NR/Aaa | Panhandle Regional Housing Finance Corp., 6.6%, 7/20/31 | 1,887,866 |
| 3,000,000 | BBB/Baa2 | Richardson Hospital Authority, 6.0%, 12/1/34 | 3,237,570 |
| 1,000,000 | BBB-/NR | Seguin Higher Education Facilities Corp. Revenue, 5.0%, 9/1/23 | 1,003,600 |
| 1,500,000 | NR/Baa3 | Texas State Student Housing Revenue, 6.5%, 9/1/34 | 1,586,730 ----- |
| | | | \$ 12,257,528 ----- |
| 1,295,000 | AA/Aa3 | Vermont - 0.3% Vermont Educational & Health Buildings Financing Agency Revenue, 5.0%, 7/1/24 | \$ 1,364,516 ----- |
| 1,500,000 | NR/A3 | Virginia - 1.3% Prince William County Industrial Development Hospital Revenue, 5.2%, 10/1/26 | \$ 1,583,115 |
| 3,925,000 | NR/A3 | Prince William County Industrial Development Hospital Revenue, 5.35%, 10/1/36 | 4,157,085 ----- |
| | | | \$ 5,740,200 ----- |
| 8,000,000 | AAA/Aaa | Washington - 4.4% King County Washington Sewer Revenue, 5.0%, 1/1/35 | \$ 8,378,720 |

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SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS 5/31/05 (unaudited) (continued)

| | | |
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| Principal Amount | S&P/Moody's Ratings (unaudited) | Value |
|---------------------|---------------------------------------|-------|

Washington (continued)

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|--------------|----------|--|---------------|
| \$ 3,000,000 | AAA/Aaa | Spokane County General Obligation, 5.0%, 12/1/33 | \$ 3,140,880 |
| 7,000,000 | BBB/Baa3 | Tobacco Settlement Authority Revenue, 6.625%, 6/1/32 | 7,379,190 |
| | | | ----- |
| | | | \$ 18,898,790 |
| | | | ----- |
| 2,500,000 | A-/NR | West Virginia - 0.6% Monongalia County Building Commission Hospital Revenue, 5.25%, 7/1/35 | \$ 2,574,075 |
| | | | ----- |
| 3,650,000 | BB/Baa3 | Wisconsin - 1.7% Janesville Pollution Control Revenue, 5.55%, 4/1/09 | \$ 3,578,424 |
| 3,500,000 | BBB+/NR | Wisconsin State Health & Educational Facilities Authority Revenue, 5.6%, 2/15/29 | 3,620,120 |
| | | | ----- |
| | | | \$ 7,198,544 |
| | | | ----- |
| | | TOTAL TAX-EXEMPT OBLIGATIONS (Cost \$312,190,765) (c) | \$331,687,327 |
| | | | ----- |

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| Shares | | Value |
|--------|--------------------------------------|---------------|
| | COMMON STOCKS - 37.0% of Net Assets | |
| | Energy - 1.1% | |
| | Oil & Gas - 1.1% | |
| 50,000 | ChevronTexaco Corp. | \$ 2,689,000 |
| 29,861 | Kerr-McGee Corp. | 2,205,533 |
| | | ----- |
| | Total Energy | \$ 4,894,533 |
| | | ----- |
| | Materials - 2.9% | |
| | Chemicals - 2.6% | |
| 83,000 | Eastman Chemical Co. | \$ 4,878,740 |
| 96,022 | Lyondell Chemical Co. | 2,279,562 |
| 61,128 | PPG Industries, Inc. | 3,997,160 |
| | | ----- |
| | | \$ 11,155,462 |
| | | ----- |
| | Construction Materials - 0.0% | |
| 3,950 | Monarch Cement Co. | \$ 88,875 |
| | | ----- |
| | Metals & Mining - 0.3% | |
| 39,800 | Freeport-McMoRan Copper & Gold, Inc. | \$ 1,404,940 |
| 200 | Worthington Industries, Inc. | 3,352 |
| | | ----- |

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| | | |
|---------|---------------------------------------|---------------|
| | | \$ 1,408,292 |
| | | ----- |
| | Total Materials | \$ 12,652,629 |
| | | ----- |
| | Industrials - 0.3% | |
| | Commercial Services & Supplies - 0.3% | |
| 39,600 | R.R. Donnelley & Sons Co. | \$ 1,316,700 |
| | | ----- |
| | Total Industrials | \$ 1,316,700 |
| | | ----- |
| | Capital Goods - 2.5% | |
| | Automobiles - 0.6% | |
| 80,000 | General Motors Corp. | \$ 2,522,400 |
| | | ----- |
| | Diversified Consumer Services - 0.6% | |
| 200,227 | ServiceMaster Co. | \$ 2,602,951 |
| | | ----- |
| | Household Durables - 1.3% | |
| 50,000 | Bassett Furniture Industries, Inc. | \$ 976,500 |
| 48,386 | Kimball International, Inc. | 595,148 |
| 33,700 | Knape & Vogt Manufacturing Co. | 379,125 |
| 166,444 | Tupperware Corp. | 3,761,634 |
| | | ----- |
| | | \$ 5,712,407 |
| | | ----- |
| | Total Capital Goods | \$ 10,837,758 |
| | | ----- |

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Pioneer Tax Advantaged Balanced Trust

SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS 5/31/05 (unaudited) (continued)

| Shares | | Value |
|---------|---------------------------------|---------------|
| | Consumer Staples - 3.7% | |
| | Food & Staples Retailing - 0.5% | |
| 140,947 | Lance, Inc. | \$ 2,491,943 |
| | | ----- |
| | Tobacco - 3.2% | |
| 76,000 | Altria Group, Inc. | \$ 5,102,640 |
| 115,000 | Loews Corp. - Carolina Group | 3,436,200 |
| 33,000 | Reynolds American, Inc. | 2,736,030 |
| 56,000 | UST, Inc. | 2,495,360 |
| | | ----- |
| | | \$ 13,770,230 |
| | | ----- |
| | Total Consumer Staples | \$ 16,262,173 |
| | | ----- |
| | Health Care - 3.3% | |
| | Pharmaceuticals - 3.3% | |
| 281,215 | Bristol-Myers Squibb Co. | \$ 7,131,612 |
| 216,536 | Merck & Co., Inc. | 7,024,428 |

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|---------|---|---------------|
| | Total Health Care | \$ 14,156,040 |
| | Financials - 3.8% | |
| | Commercial Banks - 3.3% | |
| 78,200 | FirstMerit Corp. | \$ 1,994,100 |
| 81,550 | KeyCorp | 2,671,578 |
| 90,000 | National City Corp. | 3,110,400 |
| 67,800 | Regions Financial Corp. | 2,283,504 |
| 222,700 | TrustCo Bank Corp., NY | 2,772,615 |
| 28,642 | Wachovia Corp. | 1,453,582 |
| | | \$ 14,285,779 |
| | Thrifts & Mortgage Finance - 0.5% | |
| 50,000 | Washington Mutual, Inc. | \$ 2,065,000 |
| | Total Financials | \$ 16,350,779 |
| | Telecommunication Services - 4.4% | |
| | Diversified Telecommunication Services - 4.4% | |
| 53,130 | ALLTEL Corp. | \$ 3,090,572 |
| 257,900 | AT&T Corp. | 4,845,941 |
| 182,750 | BellSouth Corp. | 4,890,390 |
| 260,000 | SBC Communications, Inc. | 6,078,800 |
| | Total Telecommunication Services | \$ 18,905,703 |

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| Shares | | Value |
|---------|------------------------------|---------------|
| | Utilities - 15.0% | |
| | Electric Utilities - 10.4% | |
| 137,135 | Ameren Corp. | \$ 7,484,828 |
| 200,000 | Consolidated Edison, Inc. | 9,102,000 |
| 138,400 | Empire District Electric Co. | 3,180,432 |
| 229,293 | Exelon Corp. | 10,742,377 |
| 74,383 | Great Plains Energy, Inc. | 2,343,065 |
| 67,056 | NSTAR | 3,925,458 |
| 64,000 | PG&E Corp. | 2,289,280 |
| 179,000 | Southern Co. | 6,077,050 |
| | | \$ 45,144,490 |
| | Gas Utilities - 2.7% | |
| 172,185 | Atmos Energy Corp. | \$ 4,871,114 |
| 167,249 | KeySpan Corp. | 6,646,475 |
| | | \$ 11,517,589 |

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|---------|--|---------------|
| | Multi-Utilities - 1.9% | |
| 303,253 | Duke Energy Corp. | \$ 8,333,392 |
| | Total Utilities | \$ 64,995,471 |
| | TOTAL COMMON STOCKS (Cost \$149,877,469) | \$160,371,786 |
| | NON-CONVERTIBLE PREFERRED STOCKS - 24.8% of Net Assets | |
| | Energy - 1.1% | |
| | Oil & Gas - 1.1% | |
| 49,300 | Apache Corp., Series B, 5.68% | \$ 5,093,306 |
| | Total Energy | \$ 5,093,306 |
| | Financials - 19.7% | |
| | Capital Markets - 3.2% | |
| 57,000 | Bear Stearns Companies, Inc., Series F, 5.72% | \$ 2,909,850 |
| 40,000 | Bear Stearns Companies, Inc., Series G, 5.49% | 2,016,000 |
| 100,000 | Lehman Brothers Holdings, Inc., 6.5% | 2,598,000 |
| 19,000 | Lehman Brothers Holdings, Inc., Series C, 5.94% | 961,400 |
| 30,000 | Lehman Brothers Holdings, Inc., Series D, 5.67% | 1,485,000 |
| 65,000 | Merrill Lynch Preferred Capital Trust IV, 7.12% | 1,710,186 |
| 87,000 | Merrill Lynch Preferred Capital Trust V, 7.28% | 2,306,644 |
| | | \$ 13,987,080 |

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SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS 5/31/05 (unaudited) (continued)

| Shares | | Value |
|---------|---|---------------|
| | Commercial Banks - 3.7% | |
| 94,000 | Bank of America Corp., Series VI, 6.75% | \$ 5,240,500 |
| 30,000 | Bank One Capital V, 8.0% | 768,092 |
| 105,000 | Bank One Capital VI, 7.2% | 2,698,246 |
| 27,000 | Fleet Capital Trust VII, 7.2% | 696,292 |
| 200,000 | Royal Bank of Scotland Group Plc, Series L, 5.75% | 4,870,000 |
| 55,000 | Wachovia Preferred Funding Corp., Series A, 7.25% | 1,587,850 |
| | | \$ 15,860,980 |
| | Consumer Finance - 0.8% | |
| 18,000 | MBNA Capital, Series D, 8.125% | \$ 466,170 |
| 50,000 | SLM Holding Corp., Series A, 6.97% | 2,867,500 |
| | | \$ 3,333,670 |
| | Diversified Financial Services - 1.7% | |

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|---------|---|--------------|
| 55,000 | Citigroup Inc., Series G, 6.213% | \$ 2,934,250 |
| 81,500 | Citigroup Inc., Series M, 5.864% | 4,258,375 |
| | | ----- |
| | | \$ 7,192,625 |
| | | ----- |
| | Insurance - 2.1% | |
| 110,000 | ACE Ltd., Series C, 7.8% | \$ 2,919,400 |
| 70,000 | RenaissanceRe Holdings, Ltd., Series C, 6.08% | 1,652,700 |
| 70,000 | St. Paul Capital Trust I, 7.6% | 1,805,588 |
| 109,000 | XL Capital, Ltd., Series B, 7.625% | 2,904,850 |
| | | ----- |
| | | \$ 9,282,538 |
| | | ----- |
| | Real Estate - 2.2% | |
| 27,000 | Equity Office Properties Trust, Series G, 7.75% | \$ 723,600 |
| 92,000 | Home Properties New York, Inc., Series F, 9.0% | 2,520,800 |
| 40,000 | Prologis Trust, Series G, 6.75% | 1,013,200 |
| 60,000 | PS Business Parks, Inc., Series H, 7.0% | 1,482,000 |
| 22,000 | PS Business Parks, Inc., Series I, 6.875% | 537,900 |
| 35,480 | Public Storage, Inc., Series T, 7.625% | 927,092 |
| 94,000 | Regency Centers Corp., Series C, 7.45% | 2,411,100 |
| | | ----- |
| | | \$ 9,615,692 |
| | | ----- |

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| Shares | | Value |
|---------|--|---------------|
| | Thriffs & Mortgage Finance - 6.0% | |
| 12,000 | Countrywide Capital IV, 6.75% | \$ 308,013 |
| 201,000 | Fannie Mae, Series L, 5.125% | 8,904,300 |
| 114,000 | Fannie Mae, Series M, 4.75% | 4,605,600 |
| 100,000 | Fannie Mae, Series N, 5.5% | 4,750,000 |
| 57,000 | Freddie Mac, 5.81% | 2,850,000 |
| 39,000 | Freddie Mac, Series F, 5.0% | 1,667,250 |
| 58,000 | Freddie Mac, Series K, 5.79% | 2,943,500 |
| | | ----- |
| | | \$ 26,028,663 |
| | | ----- |
| | Total Financials | \$ 85,301,248 |
| | | ----- |
| | Utilities - 4.0% | |
| | Electric Utilities - 3.6% | |
| 98,000 | Alabama Power Co., 5.3% | \$ 2,517,375 |
| 113,000 | Alabama Power Co., 5.83% | 2,836,300 |
| 80,000 | Energy East Capital Trust I, 8.25% | 2,071,778 |
| 78,000 | Interstate Power and Light Co., Series B, 8.375% | 2,613,000 |
| 40,000 | Mississippi Power Co., 5.25% | 1,008,752 |
| 7,700 | PPL Electric Utilities Corp., 4.5% | 635,250 |
| 72,000 | Southern California Edison Co., 4.32% | 1,422,000 |

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| 94,000 | Virginia Power Capital Trust II, 7.375% | 2,457,881 |
| | | ----- |
| | | \$ 15,562,336 |
| | | ----- |
| | Gas Utilities - 0.4% | |
| 62,000 | Southern Union Co., Series C, 7.55% | \$ 1,670,900 |
| | | ----- |
| | Total Utilities | \$ 17,233,236 |
| | | ----- |
| | TOTAL NON-CONVERTIBLE PREFERRED STOCKS (Cost \$109,210,983) | \$107,627,790 |
| | | ----- |
| | CONVERTIBLE PREFERRED STOCKS - 0.6% of Net Assets | |
| | Industrials - 0.4% | |
| | Aerospace & Defense - 0.4% | |
| 15,000 | Northrop Grumman Corp., 7.0% | \$ 1,886,250 |
| | | ----- |
| | Total Industrials | \$ 1,886,250 |
| | | ----- |
| | Utilities - 0.2% | |
| | Electric Utilities - 0.2% | |
| 31,000 | DTE Energy Co., 8.75% | \$ 770,350 |
| | | ----- |
| | Total Utilities | \$ 770,350 |
| | | ----- |
| | TOTAL CONVERTIBLE PREFERRED STOCKS (Cost \$2,750,800) | \$ 2,656,600 |
| | | ----- |

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 SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS 5/31/05 (unaudited) (continued)

| Shares | | Value |
|-----------|--|------------------|
| 5,105,102 | TAX-EXEMPT MONEY MARKET MUTUAL FUND - 1.2% of Net Assets BlackRock Provident Institutional Municipal Fund | \$ 5,105,102 |
| | | ----- |
| | TOTAL TAX-EXEMPT MONEY MARKET MUTUAL FUND (Cost \$5,105,102) | \$ 5,105,102 |
| | | ----- |
| | TOTAL INVESTMENTS IN SECURITIES - 140.2% (Cost \$579,135,119) (d) | \$ 607,448,605 |
| | | ----- |
| | OTHER ASSETS AND LIABILITIES - 0.5% | \$ 2,208,568 |
| | | ----- |
| | PREFERRED SHARES AT REDEMPTION VALUE, INCLUDING DIVIDENDS PAYABLE - (40.7)% | \$ (176,285,297) |
| | | ----- |
| | NET ASSETS APPLICABLE TO COMMON SHAREOWNERS - 100.0% | \$ 433,371,876 |

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NR Security not rated by S&P or Moody's.

+ Prefunded bonds have been collateralized by U.S. Treasury securities which are held in escrow to pay interest and principal on the tax exempt issue and to retire the bonds in full at the earliest refunding date.

(a) The interest rate is subject to change periodically and inversely based upon prevailing market rates. The interest rate shown was the rate at May 31, 2005.

(b) Indicates a security that has a zero coupon that remains in effect until a predetermined date at which time the stated coupon rate becomes effective until final maturity.

(c) The concentration of tax-exempt investments by type of obligation/market sector is as follows:

| | |
|-------------------------|--------|
| Insured | 22.8% |
| Revenue Bonds: | |
| Health Revenue | 31.1 |
| Development Revenue | 10.1 |
| Tobacco Revenue | 9.6 |
| Education Revenue | 5.5 |
| Other | 5.0 |
| Transportation Revenue | 4.0 |
| Housing Revenue | 3.3 |
| Pollution Revenue | 2.4 |
| School District Revenue | 1.8 |
| Facilities Revenue | 1.6 |
| Water Revenue | 1.5 |
| Airport Revenue | 0.5 |
| Gaming Revenue | 0.5 |
| Utilities Revenue | 0.3 |
| | ---- |
| | 100.0% |
| | ----- |

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(d) At May 31, 2005, the net unrealized gain on investments based on cost for federal income tax purposes of \$579,010,130 was as follows:

| | |
|--|--------------|
| Aggregate gross unrealized gain for all investments in which there is an excess of value over tax cost | \$36,393,661 |
| Aggregate gross unrealized loss for all investments in which there is an excess of tax cost over value | (7,955,186) |

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|---------------------|--------------|
| Net unrealized gain | \$28,438,475 |
|---------------------|--------------|

For financial reporting purposes net unrealized gain on investments was \$28,313,486 and cost of investments aggregated \$579,135,119.

Portfolio Abbreviations
RIB Residual Interest Bonds

Purchases and sales of securities (excluding temporary cash investments) for the six months ended May 31, 2005, aggregated \$87,427,570 and \$89,894,990, respectively.

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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES 5/31/05 (unaudited)

ASSETS:

| | |
|--|---------------|
| Investments in securities, at value (cost \$579,135,119) | \$607,448,605 |
| Cash | 850 |
| Receivables - | |
| Investment securities sold | 3,158,300 |
| Dividends and interest | 6,333,297 |
| Unrealized appreciation on interest rate swaps | 792,336 |
| Prepaid expenses | 9,488 |
| | ----- |
| Total assets | \$617,742,876 |
| | ----- |

LIABILITIES:

| | |
|---------------------------------|--------------|
| Payables - | |
| Investment securities purchased | \$ 7,657,927 |
| Due to affiliate | 309,608 |
| Administration fee payable | 32,454 |
| Accrued expenses | 85,714 |
| | ----- |
| Total liabilities | \$ 8,085,703 |
| | ----- |

PREFERRED SHARES AT REDEMPTION VALUE:

| | |
|--|---------------|
| \$25,000 liquidation value per share applicable to 7,050 shares, including dividends payable of \$35,297 | \$176,285,297 |
| | ----- |

NET ASSETS APPLICABLE TO COMMON SHAREOWNERS:

| | |
|--|---------------|
| Paid-in capital | \$408,360,057 |
| Distributions in excess of net investment income | (140,798) |
| Accumulated net realized loss on investments and interest rate swaps | (3,953,205) |
| Net unrealized gain on investments | 28,313,486 |
| Net unrealized gain on interest rate swaps | 792,336 |
| | ----- |
| Net assets applicable to common shareowners | \$433,371,876 |
| | ===== |

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NET ASSET VALUE PER SHARE:

No par value, (unlimited number of shares authorized)

Based on \$433,371,876/28,706,981 common shares \$ 15.10
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STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS (unaudited)

For the Six Months Ended 5/31/05

INVESTMENT INCOME:

| | | |
|-----------|--------------|--------------|
| Dividends | \$ 6,636,834 | |
| Interest | 8,889,728 | |
| | ----- | \$15,526,562 |
| | | ----- |

EXPENSES:

| | | |
|--|--------------|--------------|
| Management fees | \$ 1,805,569 | |
| Administration fees and reimbursements | 206,719 | |
| Transfer agent fees and expenses | 26,922 | |
| Auction agent fees | 232,615 | |
| Custodian fees | 7,855 | |
| Registration fees | 17,171 | |
| Professional fees | 45,301 | |
| Printing expense | 11,945 | |
| Trustees' fees | 6,141 | |
| Miscellaneous | 20,551 | |
| | ----- | |
| Total expenses | | \$ 2,380,789 |
| | | ----- |
| Net investment income | | \$13,145,773 |
| | | ----- |

REALIZED AND UNREALIZED GAIN (LOSS) ON
INVESTMENTS AND INTEREST RATE SWAPS:

| | | |
|---|--------------|--------------|
| Net realized gain (loss) from: | | |
| Investments | \$ 3,284,471 | |
| Interest rate swaps | (407,151) | \$ 2,877,320 |
| | ----- | ----- |
| Change in net unrealized gain from: | | |
| Investments | \$13,888,941 | |
| Interest rate swaps | (170,780) | \$13,718,161 |
| | ----- | ----- |
| Net gain on investments and interest rate swaps | | \$16,595,481 |
| | | ----- |

DISTRIBUTIONS TO PREFERRED SHAREOWNERS FROM
NET INVESTMENT INCOME

| | | |
|--|--|----------------|
| | | \$ (2,325,630) |
| | | ----- |
| Net increase in net assets applicable to common shareowners resulting from operations | | \$27,415,624 |
| | | ===== |

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STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

For the Six Months Ended 5/31/05 and the Period from 1/28/04
(Commencement of Operations) to 11/30/04

| | Six Months Ended 5/31/05 (unaudited) | 1/28/04 to 11/30/04 |
|---|---|---------------------------|
| FROM OPERATIONS: | | |
| Net investment income | \$ 13,145,773 | \$ 18,780,875 |
| Net realized gain (loss) on investments and interest rate swaps | 2,877,320 | (7,159,776) |
| Net unrealized gain on investments and interest rate swaps | 13,718,161 | 15,387,661 |
| Distributions to preferred shareowners from net investment income | (2,325,630) | (1,802,192) |
| | ----- | ----- |
| Net increase in net assets applicable to common shareowners | \$ 27,415,624 | \$ 25,206,568 |
| | ----- | ----- |
| DISTRIBUTIONS TO COMMON SHAREOWNERS: | | |
| Net investment income (\$0.41 and \$0.55 per share, respectively) | \$ (11,833,017) | \$ (15,777,356) |
| | ----- | ----- |
| Total dividends to common shareowners | \$ (11,833,017) | \$ (15,777,356) |
| | ----- | ----- |
| FROM TRUST SHARE TRANSACTIONS: | | |
| Net proceeds from the issuance of common shares | \$ - | \$ 366,720,000 |
| Net proceeds from underwriters' over-allotment option exercised | - | 44,407,500 |
| Common share offering expenses charged to paid-in capital | - | (851,752) |
| Preferred share offering expenses charged to paid-in capital | - | (2,015,694) |
| | ----- | ----- |
| Net increase in net assets applicable to common shareowners resulting from Trust share transactions | \$ - | \$ 408,260,054 |
| | ----- | ----- |
| Net increase in net assets applicable to common shareowners | \$ 15,582,607 | \$ 417,689,266 |
| | ----- | ----- |
| NET ASSETS APPLICABLE TO COMMON SHAREOWNERS: | | |
| Beginning of period | 417,789,269 | 100,003 |
| | ----- | ----- |
| End of period (including distributions in excess of net investment income and undistributed net investment income of (\$140,798) and \$872,076, respectively) | \$ 433,371,876 | \$ 417,789,269 |

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| | Six Months Ended 5/31/05 (unaudited) | 1/2 11 |
|---|---|-----------|
| Per Common Share Operating Performance | | |
| Net asset value, beginning of period | \$ 14.55 | \$ |
| | ----- | ----- |
| Increase (decrease) from investment operations:(a) | | |
| Net investment income | \$ 0.46 | \$ |
| Net realized and unrealized gain on investments and interest rate swaps | 0.58 | |
| Distributions to preferred shareowners from net investment income | (0.08) | |
| | ----- | ----- |
| Net increase from investment operations | \$ 0.96 | \$ |
| Distributions to common shareowners: | | |
| Net investment income | (0.41) | |
| Capital charge with respect to issuance of: | | |
| Common shares | - | |
| Preferred shares | - | |
| | ----- | ----- |
| Net increase in net asset value | \$ 0.55 | \$ |
| | ----- | ----- |
| Net asset value, end of period(d) | \$ 15.10 | \$ |
| | ----- | ----- |
| Market value, end of period(d) | \$ 13.20 | \$ |
| | ----- | ----- |
| Total return(e) | 6.90% | (|
| Ratios to average net assets of common shareowners | | |
| Net expenses(f) | 1.12% (g) | |
| Net investment income before preferred share dividends(f) | 6.17% (g) | |
| Preferred share dividends | 1.09% (g) | |
| Net investment income available to common shareowners | 5.08% (g) | |
| Portfolio turnover | 15% | |
| Net assets of common shareowners, end of period (in thousands) | \$433,372 | \$41 |
| Preferred shares outstanding (in thousands) | \$176,250 | \$17 |
| Asset coverage per preferred share, end of period | \$ 86,476 | \$ 8 |
| Average market value per preferred share | \$ 25,000 | \$ 2 |
| Liquidation value, including dividends payable, per preferred share | \$ 25,005 | \$ 2 |
| Ratios to average net assets of common shareowners before reimbursement of organization expenses | | |
| Net expenses(f) | 1.12% (g) | |
| Net investment income before preferred share dividends(f) | 6.17% (g) | |
| Preferred share dividends | 1.09% (g) | |
| Net investment income available to common shareowners | 5.08% (g) | |

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- (a) The per common share data presented above is based upon the average common shares outstanding for the periods presented.
- (b) Trust shares were first publicly offered on January 28, 2004.
- (c) Net asset value immediately after the closing of the first public offering was \$14.30.
- (d) Net asset value and market value are published in Barron's on Saturday, The Wall Street Journal on Monday and The New York Times on Monday and Saturday.
- (e) Total investment return is calculated assuming a purchase of common shares at the current market value on the first day and a sale at the current market value on the last day of the periods reported. Dividends and distributions, if any, are assumed for purposes of this calculation to be reinvested at prices obtained under the Trust's dividend reinvestment plan. Total investment return does not reflect brokerage commissions. Total investment return less than a full period is not annualized. Past performance is not a guarantee of future results.
- (f) Ratios do not reflect the effect of dividend payments to preferred shareowners.
- (g) Annualized.

The information above represents the operating performance data for a share of common stock outstanding, total investment return, ratios to average net assets of common shareowners and other supplemental data for the periods indicated. This information has been determined based upon financial information provided in the financial statements and market value data for the Trust's common shares.

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 5/31/05 (unaudited)

1. Organization and Significant Accounting Policies

Pioneer Tax Advantaged Balanced Trust (the "Trust") was organized as a Delaware business trust on October 16, 2003. Prior to commencing operations on January 28, 2004, the Trust had no operations other than matters relating to its organization and registration as a diversified, closed-end management investment company under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, and the sale and issuance to Pioneer Funds Distributor, Inc., an affiliate of Pioneer Investment Management, Inc. ("PIM"), the Trust's investment adviser, a wholly owned indirect subsidiary of UniCredito Italiano S.p.A. (UniCredito Italiano), of 6,981 shares of beneficial interest at an aggregate purchase price of \$100,003. The investment objective of the Trust is to provide a high level of total after-tax return, including attractive tax-advantaged income.

The Trust may invest in municipal securities with a broad range of maturities and credit ratings, including both investment grade and below investment grade municipal securities. The Trust may also invest in common stocks and preferred securities that pay tax-qualified dividends. In addition, the Trust may invest in other securities, including debt instruments, real estate investment trusts ("REITS") and equity securities, that generate income taxable at ordinary income rates, rather than long-term capital gain rates.

The Trust invests in below investment grade (high-yield) debt securities. Debt

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securities rated below investment grade are commonly referred to as "junk bonds" and are considered speculative. These securities involve greater risk of loss, are subject to greater price volatility, and are less liquid, especially during periods of economic uncertainty or change, than higher rated debt securities.

The Trust's financial statements have been prepared in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles that require the management of the Trust to, among other things, make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of income, expenses and gains and losses on investments during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. The following is a summary of significant accounting policies followed by the Trust in preparation of its financial statements, which are consistent with those policies generally accepted in the investment company industry:

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A. Security Valuation

Security transactions are recorded as of trade date. Debt securities are valued at prices supplied by independent pricing services, which consider such factors as Treasury spreads, yields, maturities and ratings. Valuations may be supplemented by dealers and other sources, as required. Equity securities are valued at the last sale price on the principal exchange where they are traded. The values of interest rate swaps are determined by obtaining dealer quotations. Securities for which market quotations are not readily available are valued at their fair values as determined by, or under the direction of, the Board of Trustees. The Trust may also use the fair value of a security, including a non U.S. security, when the closing market price on the principal exchange where the security is traded no longer accurately reflects the value of the security as of the close of the exchange. As of May 31, 2005, there were no securities fair valued. Temporary cash investments are valued at amortized cost.

Dividend income is recorded on the ex-dividend date, except that certain dividends from foreign securities where the ex-dividend date may have passed are recorded as soon as the Trust becomes aware of the ex-dividend data in the exercise of reasonable diligence. Discount and premium on debt securities are accreted or amortized daily, respectively, on an effective yield to maturity basis and are included in interest income. Interest income, including income on interest bearing cash accounts, is recorded on an accrual basis.

Gains and losses on sales of investments are calculated on the identified cost method for both financial reporting and federal income tax purposes.

B. Federal Income Taxes

It is the Trust's policy to comply with the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code applicable to regulated investment companies and to distribute all of its taxable income and net realized capital gains, if

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any, to its shareowners. Therefore, no federal income tax provision is required.

The amounts and characterizations of distributions to shareowners for financial reporting purposes are determined in accordance with federal income tax rules. Therefore, the source of the Trust's

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 NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 5/31/05 (unaudited) (continued)

distributions may be shown in the accompanying financial statements as either from or in excess of net investment income or net realized gain on investment transactions, or from paid-in capital, depending on the type of book/tax differences that may exist.

At November 30, 2004, the Trust had a capital loss carryforward of \$6,830,525 which will expire in 2012 if not utilized.

The tax character of current year distributions paid will be determined at the end of the current fiscal year. The tax character of distributions paid to common and preferred shareowners during the period ended November 30, 2004 was as follows:

| | 2004 |
|--------------------------|--------------|
| ----- | |
| Distributions paid from: | |
| Tax-Exempt income | \$ 9,413,848 |
| Ordinary income | 8,165,700 |
| Long-term capital gain | - |
| | ----- |
| | \$17,579,548 |
| | ===== |

The following shows the components of distributable earnings on a federal income tax basis at November 30, 2004.

| | 2004 |
|---------------------------------|-------------|
| ----- | |
| Undistributed tax-exempt income | \$ 475,326 |
| Undistributed ordinary income | 412,584 |
| Capital loss carryforward | (6,830,525) |
| Unrealized appreciation | 15,371,827 |
| | ----- |
| Total | \$9,429,212 |
| | ===== |

The difference between book basis and tax basis unrealized appreciation is primarily attributable to the difference between book and tax amortization methods for premiums and discounts on fixed income securities.

C. Automatic Dividend Reinvestment Plan

All common shareowners automatically participate in the Automatic Dividend Reinvestment Plan (the "Plan"), under which participants receive all dividends and capital gain distributions (collectively, "dividends") in full and fractional common shares of the Trust in

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lieu of cash. Shareowners may elect not to participate in the Plan. Shareowners not participating in the Plan receive all dividends and capital gain distributions in cash. Participation in the Plan is completely voluntary and may be terminated or resumed at any time without penalty by notifying Mellon Investor Services LLC, the agent for shareowners in administering the Plan (the "Plan Agent"), in writing prior to any dividend record date; otherwise such termination or resumption will be effective with respect to any subsequently declared dividend or other distribution. Whenever the Trust declares a dividend on common shares payable in cash, participants in the Plan will receive the equivalent in common shares acquired by the Plan Agent either (i) through receipt of additional unissued but authorized common shares from the Trust or (ii) by purchase of outstanding common shares on the New York Stock Exchange or elsewhere. If, on the payment date for any dividend, the net asset value per common share is equal to or less than the market price per share plus estimated brokerage trading fees ("market premium"), the Plan Agent will invest the dividend amount in newly issued common shares. The number of newly issued common shares to be credited to each account will be determined by dividing the dollar amount of the dividend by the net asset value per common share on the date the shares are issued, provided that the maximum discount from the then current market price per share on the date of issuance does not exceed 5%. If, on the payment date for any dividend, the net asset value per common share is greater than the market value ("market discount"), the Plan Agent will invest the dividend amount in common shares acquired in open-market purchases. There are no brokerage charges with respect to newly issued common shares. However, each participant will pay a pro rata share of brokerage trading fees incurred with respect to the Plan Agent's open-market purchases. Participating in the Plan does not relieve shareowners from any federal, state or local taxes which may be due on dividends paid in any taxable year. Shareowners holding Plan shares in a brokerage account may not be able to transfer the shares to another broker and continue to participate in the Plan.

2. Management Agreement

PIM manages the Trust's portfolio. Management fees are calculated daily at the annual rate of 0.60% of the Trust's average daily managed assets. "Managed assets" is the average daily value of the

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Trust's total assets minus the sum of the Trust's liabilities, which liabilities exclude debt related to leverage, short-term debt and the aggregate liquidation preference of any outstanding preferred shares. At May 31, 2005, \$309,608 was payable to PIM related to management fees.

In addition, under PIM's management and administration agreements, certain other services and costs are paid by PIM and reimbursed by the Trust. For the six months ended, the Trust recorded \$16,715 in reimbursements and is included in "Administration fees and reimbursement" on the Statement of Operations.

The Trust has retained Princeton Administrators, L.P., ("Princeton") an affiliate of Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, to provide certain administrative services to the Trust on its behalf. The Trust pays Princeton a monthly fee at an annual rate of 0.07% of the average daily value of the Trust's managed assets up to \$500 million and 0.03% for average daily managed assets in excess of \$500 million, subject to a minimum monthly fee of \$10,000.

Also, PIM has agreed for the first three years of the Trust's investment operations to limit the Trust's total annual expenses [excluding offering costs for common and preferred shares, interest expense, the cost of defending or prosecuting any claim or litigation to which the Trust is a party (together with any amount in judgment or settlement), indemnification expenses or taxes incurred due to the failure of the Trust to qualify as a regulated investment company under the Code or any other non-recurring or non-operating expenses] to 0.80% of the Trust's average daily managed assets. The dividend on any preferred shares is not an expense for this purpose. For the six months ended, May 31, 2005, the Trust's expenses were not reduced under such arrangements.

3. Transfer Agents

Pioneer Investment Management Shareholder Services, Inc. ("PIMSS"), a wholly owned indirect subsidiary of UniCredito Italiano, through a sub-transfer agency agreement with Mellon Investor Services LLC, provides substantially all transfer agent and shareowner services related to the Trust's common shares at negotiated rates. Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas is the transfer agent, registrar, dividend paying agent and redemption agent with respect to the Trust's Auction Market Preferred Shares ("AMPS"). The Trust pays

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 Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas an annual fee, as is agreed to from time to time by the Trust and Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas, for providing

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such services.

4. Interest Rate Swaps

The Trust may enter into interest rate swap transactions to attempt to protect itself from increasing dividend or interest expense on its leverage resulting from increasing short-term interest rates. The cost of leverage may rise with an increase in interest rates, generally having the effect of lower yields and potentially lower dividends to common shareowners. Interest rate swaps can be used to "lock in" the cost of leverage and reduce the negative impact that rising short-term interest rates would have on the Trust's leveraging costs.

An interest rate swap is an agreement between two parties, which involves exchanging a floating rate and fixed rate interest payments for a specified period of time. Interest rate swaps involve the accrual of the net interest payments between the parties on a daily basis, with the net amount recorded within the unrealized appreciation/ depreciation of interest rate swaps on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities. Once the interim payments are settled in cash, at the pre-determined dates specified in the agreement, the net amount is recorded as realized gain or loss from interest rate swaps on the Statement of Operations. During the term of the swap, changes in the value of the swap are recognized as unrealized gains and losses by "marking-to market" the market value of the swap based on values obtained from dealer quotations. When the swap is terminated, the Trust will record a realized gain or loss equal to the difference, if any, between the proceeds from (or cost of) closing the contract and the cost basis of the contract. The Trust is exposed to credit risk in the event of non-performance by the other party to the interest rate swap. However, at May 31, 2005 the Trust does not anticipate non-performance by any counterparty. Risk may also arise with regard to market movements in the value of the swap arrangement that do not exactly offset the changes in the related dividend requirement or interest expense on the Trust's leverage.

Under the terms of the agreement entered into by the Trust, the Trust receives a floating rate of interest and pays a fixed rate of interest for the term. Details of the swap agreement outstanding as of May 31, 2005 were as follows:

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| Counterparty | Termination Date | Notional Amount (000) | Fixed Rate | Floating Rate | Unrealized Appreciation |
|--------------|---------------------|--------------------------|---------------|---------------|----------------------------|
| UBS AG | Sept. 1, 2009 | \$106,000 | 2.855% | 1 month BMA | \$792,336 |

5. Trust Shares

There are an unlimited number of common shares of beneficial interest authorized. Of the 28,706,981 common shares of beneficial interest outstanding at May 31, 2005, PIM owned 6,981 shares.

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Transactions in common shares of beneficial interest for the six months ended May 31, 2005 and the period from January 28, 2004 (commencement of operations) to November 30, 2004 were as follows:

| | 2005 | 2004 |
|--|------------|------------|
| Shares issued in connection with initial public offering | - | 25,600,000 |
| Shares issued from underwriters' over-allotment option exercised | - | 3,100,000 |
| Net increase in shares outstanding | - | 28,700,000 |
| Shares outstanding at beginning of period | 28,706,981 | 6,981 |
| Shares outstanding at end of period | 28,706,981 | 28,706,981 |

The Trust may classify or reclassify any unissued common shares of beneficial interest into one or more series of preferred shares of beneficial interest. As of May 31, 2005, there were 7,050 AMPS as follows: Series T7-2,350, Series F7-2,350 and Series TH28-2,350.

Dividends on Series T7 and Series F7 are cumulative at a rate which is reset every seven days based on the results of an auction. Dividends on Series TH28 are also cumulative at a rate reset every 28 days based on the results of an auction. Dividend rates ranged from 2.05% to 3.36% during the six months ended May 31, 2005.

The Trust may not declare dividends or make other distributions on its common shares or purchase any such shares if, at the time of the declaration, distribution or purchase, asset coverage with respect to the outstanding preferred shares would be less than 200%.

The AMPS are redeemable at the option of the Trust, in whole or in part, on any dividend payment date at \$25,000 per share plus any accumulated or unpaid dividends, whether or not declared. The AMPS

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are also subject to mandatory redemption at \$25,000 per share plus any accumulated or unpaid dividends, whether or not declared, if certain requirements relating to the composition of the assets and liabilities of the Trust as set forth in the Agreement and Declaration of Trust are not satisfied.

The holders of AMPS have voting rights equal to the holders of the Trust's common shares (one vote per share) and will vote together with holders of the common shares as a single class. However, holders of AMPS are also entitled to

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elect two of the Trust's Trustees. In addition, the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, requires that along with approval by shareowners that might otherwise be required, the approval of the holders of a majority of any outstanding preferred shares, voting separately as a class, would be required to (a) adopt any plan of reorganization that would adversely affect the preferred shares and (b) take any action requiring a vote of security holders, including, among other things, changes in the Trust's subclassification as a closed-end investment company or changes in its fundamental investment restrictions.

6. Subsequent Events

Subsequent to May 31, 2005, the Board of Trustees of the Trust declared a dividend from undistributed net investment income of \$0.0687 per common share payable June 30, 2005, to common shareowners of record on June 15, 2005.

For the period June 1, 2005 to June 30, 2005, dividends declared on preferred stock totaled \$418,441 in aggregate for the three outstanding preferred share series.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (unaudited)

During the period, there have been no material changes in the Trust's investment objective or fundamental policies that have not been approved by the shareowners. There have been no changes in the Trust's charter or By-Laws that would delay or prevent a change in control of the Trust which have not been approved by the shareowners. There have been no changes in the principal risk factors associated with investment in the Trust. There have been no changes in the persons who are primarily responsible for the day-to-day management of the Trust's portfolio.

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

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----- TRUSTEES, OFFICERS AND SERVICE PROVIDERS

Trustees

John F. Cogan, Jr., Chairman
David R. Bock
Mary K. Bush
Margaret B.W. Graham
Osbert M. Hood
Marguerite A. Piret
Stephen K. West
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John F. Cogan, Jr., President
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Custodian
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Legal Counsel
Wilmer Cutler Pickering Hale and Dorr LLP

Transfer Agent
Pioneer Investment Management Shareholder Services, Inc.

Shareowner Services and Sub-Transfer Agent
Mellon Investor Services LLC

Preferred Share Auction/Transfer Agent and Registrar
Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas

Sub-Administrator
Princeton Administrators, L.P.

Proxy Voting Policies and Procedures of the Trust are available without charge, upon request, by calling our toll free number (1-800-225-6292). Information regarding how the Trust voted proxies relating to portfolio securities during the most recent 6-month period ended August 31, 2004 is publicly available to shareowners at www.pioneerfunds.com. This information is also available on the Securities and Exchange Commission's web site at <http://www.sec.gov>.

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HOW TO CONTACT PIONEER

We are pleased to offer a variety of convenient ways for you to contact us for assistance or information.

You can call Mellon Investor Services LLC for:

Account Information 1-800-710-0935

Telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TDD) 1-800-231-5469

Or write to Mellon Investor Services LLC:

| For | Write to |
|--|---|
| General inquiries, lost dividend checks | P.O. Box 3315 South Hackensack, NJ 07606-1915 |
| Change of address, account consolidation | P.O. Box 3316 South Hackensack, NJ 07606-1916 |
| Lost stock certificates | P.O. Box 3317 South Hackensack, NJ 07606-1917 |
| Stock transfer | P.O. Box 3312 South Hackensack, NJ 07606-1912 |
| Dividend reinvestment plan (DRIP) | P.O. Box 3338 South Hackensack, NJ 07606-1938 |

For additional information, please contact your investment advisor or visit our web site www.pioneerfunds.com.

The Trust files a complete statement of investments with the Securities and Exchange Commission for the first and third quarters for each fiscal year on Form N-Q. Shareowners may view the filed Form N-Q by visiting the Commission's web site at <http://www.sec.gov>. The filed form may also be viewed and copied at the Commission's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. Information regarding the operations of the Public Reference Room may be obtained by calling 1-800-SEC-0330.

ITEM 2. CODE OF ETHICS.

(a) Disclose whether, as of the end of the period covered by the report, the registrant has 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, regardless of whether these individuals are employed by the registrant or a third party. If the registrant has not adopted such a code of ethics, explain why it has not

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done so.

The registrant has adopted, as of the end of the period covered by this report, a code of ethics that applies to the registrant's principal executive officer, principal financial officer, principal accounting officer and controller.

(b) For purposes of this Item, the term "code of ethics" means written standards that are reasonably designed to deter wrongdoing and to promote:

(1) Honest and ethical conduct, including the ethical handling of actual or apparent conflicts of interest between personal and professional relationships;

(2) Full, fair, accurate, timely, and understandable disclosure in reports and documents that a registrant files with, or submits to, the Commission and in other public communications made by the registrant;

(3) Compliance with applicable governmental laws, rules, and regulations;

(4) The prompt internal reporting of violations of the code to an appropriate person or persons identified in the code; and

(5) Accountability for adherence to the code.

(c) The registrant must briefly describe the nature of any amendment, during the period covered by the report, to a provision of its 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, regardless of whether these individuals are employed by the registrant or a third party, and that relates to any element of the code of ethics definition enumerated in paragraph (b) of this Item. The registrant must file a copy of any such amendment as an exhibit pursuant to Item 10(a), unless the registrant has elected to satisfy paragraph (f) of this Item by posting its code of ethics on its website pursuant to paragraph (f)(2) of this Item, or by undertaking to provide its code of ethics to any person without charge, upon request, pursuant to paragraph (f)(3) of this Item.

The registrant has made no amendments to the code of ethics during the period covered by this report.

(d) If the registrant has, during the period covered by the report, granted a waiver, including an implicit waiver, from a provision of the code of ethics to the registrant's principal executive officer, principal financial officer, principal accounting officer or controller, or persons performing similar functions, regardless of whether these individuals are employed by the registrant or a third party, that relates to one or more of the items set forth in paragraph (b) of this Item, the registrant must briefly describe the nature of the waiver, the name of the person to whom the waiver was granted, and the date of the waiver.

Not applicable.

(e) If the registrant intends to satisfy the disclosure requirement under paragraph (c) or (d) of this Item regarding an amendment to, or a waiver from, a provision of its 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 and that relates to any element of the code of ethics definition enumerated in paragraph (b) of this Item by posting such information on its Internet website, disclose the registrant's Internet address and such intention.

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Not applicable.

(f) The registrant must:

(1) File with the Commission, pursuant to Item 10(a), a copy of its 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, as an exhibit to its annual report on this Form N-CSR;

(2) Post the text of such code of ethics on its Internet website and disclose, in its most recent report on this Form N-CSR, its Internet address and the fact that it has posted such code of ethics on its Internet website; or

(3) Undertake in its most recent report on this Form N-CSR to provide to any person without charge, upon request, a copy of such code of ethics and explain the manner in which such request may be made.
See Item 10(2)

ITEM 3. AUDIT COMMITTEE FINANCIAL EXPERT.

(a) (1) Disclose that the registrant's board of trustees has determined that the registrant either:

(i) Has at least one audit committee financial expert serving on its audit committee; or

(ii) Does not have an audit committee financial expert serving on its audit committee.

The registrant's Board of Trustees has determined that the registrant has at least one audit committee financial expert.

(2) If the registrant provides the disclosure required by paragraph (a)(1)(i) of this Item, it must disclose the name of the audit committee financial expert and whether that person is "independent." In order to be considered "independent" for purposes of this Item, a member of an audit committee may not, other than in his or her capacity as a member of the audit committee, the board of trustees, or any other board committee:

(i) Accept directly or indirectly any consulting, advisory, or other compensatory fee from the issuer; or

(ii) Be an "interested person" of the investment company as defined in Section 2(a)(19) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 80a-2(a)(19)).

Ms. Marguerite A. Piret, an independent trustee, is such an audit committee financial expert.

(3) If the registrant provides the disclosure required by paragraph (a)(1)(ii) of this Item, it must explain why it does not have an audit committee financial expert.

Not applicable.

ITEM 4. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTANT FEES AND SERVICES.

(a) Disclose, under the caption AUDIT FEES, the aggregate fees billed for each of the last two fiscal years for professional services rendered by the principal accountant for the audit of the registrant's annual financial statements or

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services that are normally provided by the accountant in connection with statutory and regulatory filings or engagements for those fiscal years.

N/A

(b) Disclose, under the caption AUDIT-RELATED FEES, the aggregate fees billed in each of the last two fiscal years for assurance and related services by the principal accountant that are reasonably related to the performance of the audit of the registrant's financial statements and are not reported under paragraph (a) of this Item. Registrants shall describe the nature of the services comprising the fees disclosed under this category.

N/A

(c) Disclose, under the caption TAX FEES, the aggregate fees billed in each of the last two fiscal years for professional services rendered by the principal accountant for tax compliance, tax advice, and tax planning. Registrants shall describe the nature of the services comprising the fees disclosed under this category.

N/A

(d) Disclose, under the caption ALL OTHER FEES, the aggregate fees billed in each of the last two fiscal years for products and services provided by the principal accountant, other than the services reported in paragraphs (a) through (c) of this Item. Registrants shall describe the nature of the services comprising the fees disclosed under this category.

N/A

(e) (1) Disclose the audit committee's pre-approval policies and procedures described in paragraph (c) (7) of Rule 2-01 of Regulation S-X.

PIONEER FUNDS

APPROVAL OF AUDIT, AUDIT-RELATED, TAX AND OTHER SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE INDEPENDENT AUDITOR

SECTION I - POLICY PURPOSE AND APPLICABILITY

The Pioneer Funds recognize the importance of maintaining the independence of their outside auditors. Maintaining independence is a shared responsibility involving Pioneer Investment Management, Inc ("PIM"), the audit committee and the independent auditors.

The Funds recognize that a Fund's independent auditors: 1) possess knowledge of the Funds, 2) are able to incorporate certain services into the scope of the audit, thereby avoiding redundant work, cost and disruption of Fund personnel and processes, and 3) have expertise that has value to the Funds. As a result, there are situations where it is desirable to use the Fund's independent auditors for services in addition to the annual audit and where the potential for conflicts of interests are minimal. Consequently, this policy, which is intended to comply with Rule 210.2-01(C) (7), sets forth guidelines and procedures to be followed by the Funds when retaining the independent audit firm to perform audit, audit-related tax and other services under those circumstances, while also maintaining independence.

Approval of a service in accordance with this policy for a Fund shall also constitute approval for any other Fund whose pre-approval is required pursuant to Rule 210.2-01(c) (7) (ii).

In addition to the procedures set forth in this policy, any non-audit services that may be provided consistently with Rule 210.2-01 may be approved by the

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Audit Committee itself and any pre-approval that may be waived in accordance with Rule 210.2-01(c)(7)(i)(C) is hereby waived.

Selection of a Fund's independent auditors and their compensation shall be determined by the Audit Committee and shall not be subject to this policy.

SECTION II - POLICY

| SERVICE CATEGORY | SERVICE CATEGORY DESCRIPTION | SPECIFIC PRE-APPROVED SERVICE SUBCATEGORIES |
|----------------------------|---|---|
| I. AUDIT SERVICES | Services that are directly related to performing the independent audit of the Funds | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Accounting research assistance o SEC consultation, registration statements, and reporting o Tax accrual related matters o Implementation of new accounting standards o Compliance letters (e.g. rating agency letters) o Regulatory reviews and assistance regarding financial matters o Semi-annual reviews (if requested) o Comfort letters for closed end offerings |
| II. AUDIT-RELATED SERVICES | Services which are not prohibited under Rule 210.2-01(C)(4) (the "Rule") and are related extensions of the audit services support the audit, or use the knowledge/expertise gained from the audit procedures as a foundation to complete the project. In most cases, if the Audit-Related Services are not performed by the Audit firm, the scope of the Audit Services would likely increase. The Services are typically well-defined and governed by accounting professional standards (AICPA, SEC, etc.) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o AICPA attest and agreed-upon procedures o Technology control assessments o Financial reporting control assessments o Enterprise security architecture assessment |

AUDIT COMMITTEE APPROVAL POLICY

AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORTING POLICY

o "One-time" pre-approval for the audit period for all pre-approved specific service subcategories. Approval of the independent auditors as auditors for a Fund shall

o A summary of all such services and related fees reported at each regularly scheduled Audit Committee meeting.

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constitute pre approval for these services.

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- o "One-time" pre-approval for the fund fiscal year within a specified dollar limit for all pre-approved specific service subcategories
 - o Specific approval is needed to exceed the pre-approved dollar limit for these services (see general Audit Committee approval policy below for details on obtaining specific approvals)
 - o Specific approval is needed to use the Fund's auditors for Audit-Related Services not denoted as "pre-approved", or to add a specific service subcategory as "pre-approved"
- o A summary of all such services and related fees (including comparison to specified dollar limits) reported quarterly.
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SECTION III - POLICY DETAIL, CONTINUED

| SERVICE CATEGORY | SERVICE CATEGORY DESCRIPTION | SPECIFIC PRE-APPROVED SERVICE SUBCATEGORIES |
|-------------------|---|---|
| III. TAX SERVICES | Services which are not prohibited by the Rule, if an officer of the Fund determines that using the Fund's auditor to provide these services creates significant synergy in the form of efficiency, minimized disruption, or the ability to maintain a desired level of confidentiality. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Tax planning and support o Tax controversy assistance o Tax compliance, tax returns, excise tax returns and support o Tax opinions |

| AUDIT COMMITTEE APPROVAL POLICY | AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORTING POLICY |
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| o "One-time" pre-approval for the fund fiscal year within a specified dollar limit | o A summary of all such services and related fees (including comparison to specified dollar limits) reported quarterly. |

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- o Specific approval is needed to exceed the pre-approved dollar limits for these services (see general Audit Committee approval policy below for details on obtaining specific approvals)
- o Specific approval is needed to use the Fund's auditors for tax services not denoted as pre-approved, or to add a specific service subcategory as "pre-approved"

SECTION III - POLICY DETAIL, CONTINUED

| SERVICE CATEGORY | SERVICE CATEGORY DESCRIPTION | SPECIFIC PRE-APPROVED SERVICE SUBCATEGORIES |
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| IV. OTHER SERVICES A. SYNERGISTIC, UNIQUE QUALIFICATIONS | Services which are not prohibited by the Rule, if an officer of the Fund determines that using the Fund's auditor to provide these services creates significant synergy in the form of efficiency, minimized disruption, the ability to maintain a desired level of confidentiality, or where the Fund's auditors posses unique or superior qualifications to provide these services, resulting in superior value and results for the Fund. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Business Risk Management support o Other control and regulatory compliance projects |

| AUDIT COMMITTEE APPROVAL POLICY | AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORTING POLICY |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o "One-time" pre-approval for the fund fiscal year within a specified dollar limit o Specific approval is needed to exceed the pre-approved dollar limits for | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o A summary of all such services and related fees (including comparison to specified dollar limits) reported quarterly. |

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these services (see general Audit Committee approval policy below for details on obtaining specific approvals)

- o Specific approval is needed to use the Fund's auditors for "Synergistic" or "Unique Qualifications" Other Services not denoted as pre-approved to the left, or to add a specific service subcategory as "pre-approved"

SECTION III - POLICY DETAIL, CONTINUED

| SERVICE CATEGORY | SERVICE CATEGORY DESCRIPTION | SPECIFIC PROHIBITED SERVICE SUBCATEGORIES |
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| PROHIBITED SERVICES | Services which result in the auditors losing independence status under the Rule. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Bookkeeping or other services related to the accounting records or financial statements of the audit client* 2. Financial information systems design and implementation* 3. Appraisal or valuation services, fairness* opinions, or contribution-in-kind reports 4. Actuarial services (i.e., setting actuarial reserves versus actuarial audit work)* 5. Internal audit outsourcing services* 6. Management functions or human resources 7. Broker or dealer, investment advisor, or investment banking services 8. Legal services and expert services unrelated to the audit 9. Any other service that the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board determines, by regulation, is impermissible |

| AUDIT COMMITTEE APPROVAL POLICY | AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORTING POLICY |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o These services are not to be performed with the exception of the(*) services that may be permitted if they would not be subject to audit procedures at the audit client (as defined in rule 2-01(f)(4)) level the firm providing the service. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o A summary of all services and related fees reported at each regularly scheduled Audit Committee meeting will serve as continual confirmation that has not provided any |

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restricted services.

GENERAL AUDIT COMMITTEE APPROVAL POLICY:

- o For all projects, the officers of the Funds and the Fund's auditors will each make an assessment to determine that any proposed projects will not impair independence.
 - o Potential services will be classified into the four non-restricted service categories and the "Approval of Audit, Audit-Related, Tax and Other Services" Policy above will be applied. Any services outside the specific pre-approved service subcategories set forth above must be specifically approved by the Audit Committee.
 - o At least quarterly, the Audit Committee shall review a report summarizing the services by service category, including fees, provided by the Audit firm as set forth in the above policy.
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(2) Disclose the percentage of services described in each of paragraphs (b) through (d) of this Item that were approved by the audit committee pursuant to paragraph (c) (7) (i) (C) of Rule 2-01 of Regulation S-X.

N/A

(f) If greater than 50 percent, disclose the percentage of hours expended on the principal accountant's engagement to audit the registrant's financial statements for the most recent fiscal year that were attributed to work performed by persons other than the principal accountant's full-time, permanent employees.

N/A

(g) Disclose the aggregate non-audit fees billed by the registrant's accountant for services rendered to the registrant, and rendered to the registrant's investment adviser (not including any sub-adviser whose role is primarily portfolio management and is subcontracted with or overseen by another investment adviser), and any entity controlling, controlled by, or under common control with the adviser that provides ongoing services to the registrant for each of the last two fiscal years of the registrant.

The Fund's independent auditor, Ernst & Young LLP ("E&Y"), has advised the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board, and the Audit Committee of the Fund's Board of Trustees that certain non-audit work performed by E&Y's China affiliate raised questions regarding E&Y's independence with respect to its performance of audit services for the Fund. In July 2004, E&Y became aware that member firms in China ("E&Y China") provided certain tax services to offices of UniCredito Italiano, S.p.A. ("UCI"), a member of the Fund's Investment Company Complex. The services included receipt and disbursement of monies transferred to E&Y China by UCI in payment of individual expatriate income taxes due on returns prepared by E&Y China for certain UCI employees located in China from October 1998 to May 2003. E&Y became auditors of the Fund in

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May 2002. These expatriate tax services were discontinued in May 2003. The fees received by E&Y China for all such services totaled \$3,685.

The Fund's Audit Committee and E&Y have discussed the matter, including the nature of the services provided, the personnel involved in providing the services and the fees received by E&Y for performing the services. E&Y has informed the Audit Committee that based on its internal reviews and the de minimis nature of the services provided and fees received, it does not believe its independence with respect to the Fund has been impaired.

N/A

(h) Disclose whether the registrant's audit committee of the board of trustees has considered whether the provision of non-audit services that were rendered to the registrant's investment adviser (not including any subadviser whose role is primarily portfolio management and is subcontracted with or overseen by another investment adviser), and any entity controlling, controlled by, or under common control with the investment adviser that provides ongoing services to the registrant that were not pre-approved pursuant to paragraph (c)(7)(ii) of Rule 2-01 of Regulation S-X is compatible with maintaining the principal accountant's independence.

N/A

ITEMS 5-6. [RESERVED]

ITEM 7. DISCLOSURE OF PROXY VOTING POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR CLOSED-END MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANIES.

A closed-end management investment company that is filing an annual report on this Form N-CSR must, unless it invests exclusively in non-voting securities, describe the policies and procedures that it uses to determine how to vote proxies relating to portfolio securities, including the procedures that the company uses when a vote presents a conflict between the interests of its shareholders, on the one hand, and those of the company's investment adviser; principal underwriter; or any affiliated person (as defined in Section 2(a)(3) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-2(a)(3)) and the rules thereunder) of the company, its investment adviser, or its principal underwriter, on the other. Include any policies and procedures of the company's investment adviser, or any other third party, that the company uses, or that are used on the company's behalf, to determine how to vote proxies relating to portfolio securities.

N/A

ITEM 8. [RESERVED]

ITEM 9. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES.

(a) Disclose the conclusions of the registrant's principal executive officer or officers and principal financial officer or officers, or persons performing similar functions, about the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 30a-2(c) under the Act (17 CFR

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270.30a-2(c)) based on their evaluation of these controls and procedures as of a date within 90 days of the filing date of the report that includes the disclosure required by this paragraph.

The registrant's principal executive officer and principal financial officer have concluded, that the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures are effective based on their evaluation of these controls and procedures as of a date within 90 days of the filing date of this report.

(b) Disclose whether or not there were significant changes in the registrant's internal controls or in other factors that could significantly affect these controls subsequent to the date of their evaluation, including any corrective actions with regard to significant deficiencies and material weaknesses.

There were no significant changes in the registrant's internal controls or in other factors that could significantly affect these controls subsequent to the date of their evaluation, including any corrective actions with regard to significant deficiencies and material weaknesses.

ITEM 10. EXHIBITS.

File the exhibits listed below as part of this Form. Letter or number the exhibits in the sequence indicated.

(a) Any code of ethics, or amendment thereto, that is the subject of the disclosure required by Item 2, to the extent that the registrant intends to satisfy the Item 2 requirements through filing of an exhibit.

(b) A separate certification for each principal executive officer and principal financial officer of the registrant as required by Rule 30a-2 under the Act (17 CFR 270.30a-2).

Filed herewith.

SIGNATURES

[See General Instruction F]

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.

(Registrant) Pioneer Tax Advantaged Balanced Trust

By (Signature and Title)* /s/ John F. Cogan, Jr.
John F. Cogan, Jr, President

Date July 29, 2005

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the

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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 (Signature and Title)* /s/ John F. Cogan, Jr.
John F. Cogan, Jr., President

Date July 29, 2005

By (Signature and Title)* /s/ Vincent Nave
Vincent Nave, Treasurer

Date July 29, 2005

* Print the name and title of each signing officer under his or her signature.