



**Australian REIT Income Fund (HRR.UN), Brand Leaders Income Fund (HBL.UN), Brand Leaders Plus Income Fund (HBF.UN), Energy Leaders Income Fund (HEN.UN) and Energy Leaders Plus Income Fund (HPF.UN) Announce Amendment to Normal Course Issuer Bids**

OAKVILLE, ONTARIO – January 8, 2015- Harvest Portfolios Group Inc., the manager of Australian REIT Income Fund, Brand Leaders Income Fund, Brand Leaders Plus Income Fund, Energy Leaders Income Fund and Energy Leaders Plus Income Fund (the “**Funds**”) today announced that the Funds have amended their previously announced normal course issuer bids (the “**Bids**”) to provide that, in addition to purchases of units through the facilities of the Toronto Stock Exchange, purchases under the Bids may be made on other Canadian marketplaces, including alternative trading systems. All other terms of the Bids, including the maximum number of units that may be purchased under the Bids, are unchanged.

Purchases on other marketplaces are expected to begin on or after January 14, 2015 and will end on the earlier of the originally announced expiry dates for the Bids or such date as a Fund completes the purchase of the maximum number of units under a Bid. All units will be purchased at prevailing market prices. All units purchased will be cancelled. The Funds are continuing the Bids, as amended, to provide the Funds with a mechanism to decrease the potential spread between the net asset value per unit and the market price of the units and to provide enhanced liquidity for the units.

The Toronto Stock Exchange has accepted the Funds’ amended notices of intention to make a normal course issuer bid.

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