

Harvest Portfolios Group Inc. Announces Unitholder Approval of ETF Conversions

OAKVILLE, ONTARIO, September 19, 2016 – Brand Leaders Plus Income Fund (TSX:HBF.UN), Healthcare Leaders Income Fund (TSX:HHL.UN), US Buyback Leaders Fund (TSX:HUL.UN) and Energy Leaders Plus Income Fund (TSX:HPF.UN) (the "Funds") announce that at special meetings held today, unitholders approved the conversion of the Funds from a closed-end fund into an exchange-traded fund (each, a "Conversion"), and, in respect of the US Buyback Leaders Fund, certain amendments to the investment objectives of the Fund.

Harvest Portfolios Group Inc., the manager of the Funds (the "Manager") believes that the Conversions will benefit existing unitholders of the Funds because, as exchange-traded funds, the Funds will offer greater market liquidity and efficient trading as well as participation in potential benefits from economies of scale through the continuous offering of units. The Manager anticipates implementing the Conversions in October, 2016, subject to obtaining a receipt for the final prospectus of the exchange traded funds and any necessary third party or regulatory approvals. The Manager will issue a press release confirming the effective date of the Conversions after the required approvals have been obtained.

Further details of the meetings and the Manager's proposals are further described in a management information circular that was mailed to unitholders on or about August 17, 2016.

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