

PREMIUM INCOME CORPORATION ANNOUNCES SUCCESSFUL OVERNIGHT OFFERING

Toronto, Ontario, January 15, 2019 – (TSX: PIC.A; PIC.PR.A) – Premium Income Corporation (the "Fund") is pleased to announce a successful overnight treasury offering of 694,000 Preferred Shares and 694,000 Class A Shares. Gross proceeds of the offering are expected to be approximately \$14.6 million.

The offering is expected to close on or about January 22, 2019 and is subject to certain conditions including approval by the Toronto Stock Exchange ("TSX"). The Preferred Shares were offered at a price of \$14.60 per Preferred Share and the Class A Shares were offered at a price of \$6.40 per Class A Share.

Since the inception of the Fund, the aggregate dividends declared on the Preferred Shares is \$19.40 per shares and the aggregate dividends declared on the Class A Shares is \$24.81 per share, for a combined total of \$44.21 per unit.

The Fund invests in a portfolio consisting principally of common shares of Bank of Montreal, The Bank of Nova Scotia, Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce, National Bank of Canada, Royal Bank of Canada and The Toronto-Dominion Bank (the "Banks"). To generate additional returns above the dividend income earned on the Fund's portfolio, the Fund may selectively write covered call and put options in respect of some or all of the common shares in the Fund's portfolio. The manager and investment manager of the Fund is Strathbridge Asset Management Inc.

The Preferred Shares pay fixed cumulative preferential quarterly cash distributions in the amount of \$0.215625 (\$0.8625 per annum) per preferred share representing a yield of 5.75% on the original issue price of \$15.00. The Class A Shares currently pay quarterly distributions in the amount \$0.20319 (\$0.81276 per annum) per Class A Share.

The syndicate of agents for the offering was co-led by RBC Capital Markets, CIBC Capital Markets, National Bank Financial Inc. and Scotiabank, and also includes BMO Capital Markets, TD Securities Inc., Raymond James Ltd., Canaccord Genuity Corp., Desjardins Securities Inc., Echelon Wealth Partners Inc., GMP Securities L.P. and Industrial Alliance Securities Inc.

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