

PREMIUM INCOME CORPORATION ANNOUNCES OVERNIGHT OFFERING

Toronto, Ontario, August 20, 2019 – (TSX: PIC.A; PIC.PR.A) – Premium Income Corporation (the "Fund") is pleased to announce that it is undertaking an overnight treasury offering of Preferred Shares and Class A Shares.

The sales period for the overnight offering will end at 9:00 am EST tomorrow, August 21, 2019. The offering is expected to close on or about August 28, 2019 and is subject to certain conditions including approval by the Toronto Stock Exchange ("TSX"). The Preferred Shares will be offered at an indicative price of \$14.70 per Preferred Share to yield 5.97% and the Class A Shares will be offered at an indicative price of \$6.10 per Class A Share to yield 13.3%. The trading price on the TSX for the Preferred Shares and Class A Shares as at 2:30 pm EST on August 20, 2019 was \$14.70 and \$6.27, respectively.

Since the inception of the Fund, the aggregate dividends declared on the Preferred Shares have been \$19.83 per share and the aggregate dividends declared on the Class A Shares have been \$25.21 per share, for a combined total of \$45.04 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. To generate additional returns above the dividend income earned on the Fund's portfolio, the Fund will 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 is being co-led by RBC Capital Markets, CIBC Capital Markets, National Bank Financial Inc. and Scotiabank.

For further information, please contact Investor Relations at 416.681.3966, toll free at 1.800.725.7172, email at info@strathbridge.com or visit www.strathbridge.com

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A short form base shelf prospectus containing important detailed information about the securities being offered has been filed with securities commissions or similar authorities in each of the provinces of Canada. Copies of the short form base shelf prospectus may be obtained from a member of the syndicate. The Fund intends to file a supplement to the short form base shelf prospectus and investors should read the short form base shelf prospectus and the prospectus supplement before making an investment decision. There will not be any sale or any acceptance of an offer to buy the securities being offered until the prospectus supplement has been filed with the securities commissions or similar authorities in each of the provinces of Canada.

Commissions, trailing commissions, management fees and expenses all may be associated with mutual fund investments. Please read the prospectus before investing. Mutual funds are not guaranteed, their values change frequently and past performance may not be repeated.

The securities offered have not been registered under the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and may not be offered or sold in the United States absent registration or any applicable exemption from the registration requirements. This news release does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy securities nor will there be any sale of such securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful.