



**U.S. FINANCIALS INCOME FUND  
CLOSES INITIAL PUBLIC OFFERING**

**Toronto, Ontario, February 24, 2015** – Strathbridge Asset Management Inc. (the “Manager”) is pleased to announce that U.S. Financials Income Fund (the “Fund”) has completed its initial public offering of 3,200,000 Class A units at a price of \$10.00 per unit and 412,600 Class U units at a price of US\$10.00 per unit, for gross proceeds of approximately \$37 million. The Class A units will commence trading on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol USF.UN. Each unit initially pays a quarterly distribution of 5.0% annually of the issue price in their respective currencies.

The Fund’s investment objectives are (i) to provide Unitholders with quarterly cash distributions; and (ii) to maximize total return through capital appreciation and distributions.

The Fund will seek to achieve its investment objectives by investing in an actively managed portfolio (the “Portfolio”) generally consisting of 20 to 30 equity securities of U.S. financial issuers selected from the S&P 500 Index that are classified as “financials” by Standard & Poor’s Global Industry Classification Standard and which have a market capitalization of at least US\$10 billion and a credit rating issued by Standard & Poor’s<sup>®</sup> Rating Services, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc. of at least A- at the time of purchase (“U.S. Financials”). The Portfolio will also include U.S. publicly listed alternative asset management issuers which have a market capitalization of at least US\$5 billion at the time of purchase (“Alternative Asset Managers”). U.S. Financial issuers may include, but are not limited to, issuers operating in the following financial industry sub-sectors: retail and commercial banking, investment banking, wealth management, insurance and real estate. Alternative Asset Manager issuers may include, but are not limited to, managers or investment advisors who structure, promote, sponsor or operate investment and other funds focused on non-traditional asset classes such as private equity, real estate, commodities and alternative investment strategies. The investment universe as determined by the criteria noted above consisted of 45 issuers as of January 22, 2015.

To generate additional income above the distributions earned on its equity securities, the Fund will from time to time write covered call options in respect of all or a portion of the securities in its Portfolio.

The syndicate of agents for the offering was co-led by Scotiabank and RBC Capital Markets and included BMO Capital Markets, CIBC, National Bank Financial Inc., TD Securities Inc., GMP Securities L.P., Raymond James Ltd., Canaccord Genuity Corp., Desjardins Securities Inc., Dundee Securities Ltd. and Mackie Research Capital Corporation.

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