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Listing: TSX (Toronto Stock Exchange)

Symbol: CBD/XBAL¹, CBH, CBN/XGRO², CBO, CDZ, CEW, CGL, CGL.C, CGR, CHB, CIF, CLF, CLG, CMR, COW, CPD, CSD, CUD, CVD, CWW, CYH, DXB, DXC, DXF, DXG, DXO, DXP, DXU, DXV, DXZ, FIE, SVR, SVR.C, XAW, XBB, XBM, XCB, XCD, XCG, XCH, XCS, XCV, XDG, XDGH, XDIV, XDU, XDUH, XDV, XEB, XEC, XEF, XEG, XEH, XEI, XEM, XEN, XEU, XFA, XFC, XFF, XFH, XFI, XFN, XFR, XFS, XGB, XGD, XGI, XHB, XHC, XHD, XHU, XHY, XIC, XID, XIG, XIN, XIT, XIU, XLB, XMA, XMC, XMD, XMH, XMI, XML, XMM, XMS, XMU, XMV, XMW, XMY, XPF, XQB, XQQ, XRB, XRE, XSB, XSC, XSE, XSH, XSI, XSP, XSQ, XST, XSU, XTR, XUH, XUS, XUT, XUU, XWD

Listing: NEO (Aequitas NEO Exchange)

Symbol: CIE, CJP, CLU, CLU.C, CRQ, CWO

BlackRock® Canada Announces Estimated Annual Reinvested Capital Gains Distributions for the iShares® ETFs

Toronto, December 20, 2018 – BlackRock Asset Management Canada Limited (“BlackRock Canada”), an indirect, wholly-owned subsidiary of BlackRock, Inc. (NYSE: BLK), today announced the estimated annual reinvested capital gains distributions for the iShares ETFs listed on the TSX or NEO for the 2018 tax year. ***Please note that these are estimated amounts only as of December 15, 2018 and could change if the iShares Funds experience subscriptions or redemptions prior to the ex-dividend date or may change for other unforeseen factors.***

These estimates are for the annual non-cash capital gains distributions, which are typically reinvested in additional units of the respective funds at the year-end, and do not include estimates of ongoing monthly, quarterly, semi-annual, or annual cash distribution amounts. The additional units will be immediately consolidated with the previously outstanding units such that the number of outstanding units following the distribution will equal the number of units outstanding prior to the distribution.

BlackRock Canada expects to announce the final annual reinvested distribution amounts on or about December 28, 2018, for all funds. The record date for the 2018 annual distributions will be December 31, 2018, payable on January 4, 2019. The actual taxable amounts of reinvested and cash distributions for 2018, including the tax characteristics of the distributions, will be reported to brokers (through CDS Clearing and Depository Services Inc. or “CDS”) in early 2019. BlackRock Canada expects to announce the final monthly, quarterly, semi-annual, and annual cash distribution amounts, as applicable, for 2018, on or about December 27, 2018, for all funds



except the iShares Premium Money Market ETF, for which a press release will be issued on or about December 28, 2018.

Details regarding the “per unit” distribution amounts are as follows:

Fund Name	Fund Ticker	Estimated Annual Reinvested Capital Gains Distribution Per Unit (\$) at Dec 15, 2018
iShares Core Balanced ETF Portfolio (formerly iShares Balanced Income CorePortfolio™ Index ETF)	CBD/XBAL ¹	0.00000 ³
iShares 1-10 Year Laddered Corporate Bond Index ETF	CBH	0.00000
iShares Core Growth ETF Portfolio (formerly iShares Balanced Growth CorePortfolio™ Index ETF)	CBN/XGRO ²	0.00000 ³
iShares 1-5 Year Laddered Corporate Bond Index ETF	CBO	0.00000
iShares S&P/TSX Canadian Dividend Aristocrats Index ETF	CDZ	0.19182
iShares Equal Weight Banc & Lifeco ETF	CEW	0.53630
iShares Gold Bullion ETF	CGL	0.00000
iShares Gold Bullion ETF	CGL.C	0.00000
iShares Global Real Estate Index ETF	CGR	0.00000
iShares U.S. High Yield Fixed Income Index ETF (CAD-Hedged)	CHB	0.00000
iShares International Fundamental Index ETF	CIE	0.61758
iShares Global Infrastructure Index ETF	CIF	0.29023
iShares Japan Fundamental Index ETF (CAD-Hedged)	CJP	0.00000
iShares 1-5 Year Laddered Government Bond Index ETF	CLF	0.00000
iShares 1-10 Year Laddered Government Bond Index ETF	CLG	0.00000
iShares US Fundamental Index ETF	CLU	1.29157
iShares US Fundamental Index ETF	CLU.C	3.12538
iShares Premium Money Market ETF	CMR	0.00000

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iShares Global Agriculture Index ETF	COW	3.59097
iShares S&P/TSX Canadian Preferred Share Index ETF	CPD	0.00000
iShares Canadian Fundamental Index ETF	CRQ	0.64054
iShares Short Duration High Income ETF (CAD-Hedged)	CSD	0.00000
iShares US Dividend Growers Index ETF (CAD-Hedged)	CUD	1.92774
iShares Convertible Bond Index ETF	CVD	0.00000
iShares Emerging Markets Fundamental Index ETF	CWO	3.85195
iShares Global Water Index ETF	CWW	0.00000
iShares Global Monthly Dividend Index ETF (CAD-Hedged)	CYH	0.49707
Dynamic iShares Active Tactical Bond ETF	DXB	0.00000
Dynamic iShares Active Canadian Dividend ETF	DXC	0.18828
Dynamic iShares Active Global Financial Services ETF	DXF	0.74195
Dynamic iShares Active Global Dividend ETF	DXG	0.00000
Dynamic iShares Active Crossover Bond ETF	DXO	0.00000
Dynamic iShares Active Preferred Shares ETF	DXP	0.00000
Dynamic iShares Active U.S. Dividend ETF	DXU	0.00000
Dynamic iShares Active Investment Grade Floating Rate ETF	DXV	0.00000
Dynamic iShares Active U.S. Mid-Cap ETF	DXZ	1.19544
iShares Canadian Financial Monthly Income ETF	FIE	0.00000
iShares Silver Bullion ETF	SVR	0.00000
iShares Silver Bullion ETF	SVR.C	0.00000

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iShares Core MSCI All Country World ex Canada Index ETF	XAW	0.00000
iShares Core Canadian Universe Bond Index ETF	XBB	0.00000
iShares S&P/TSX Global Base Metals Index ETF	XBM	0.14904
iShares Canadian Corporate Bond Index ETF	XCB	0.00000
iShares S&P Global Consumer Discretionary Index ETF (CAD-Hedged)	XCD	0.00000
iShares Canadian Growth Index ETF	XCG	0.00000
iShares China Index ETF	XCH	0.00000
iShares S&P/TSX SmallCap Index ETF	XCS	0.00000
iShares Canadian Value Index ETF	XCV	0.18953
iShares Core MSCI Global Quality Dividend Index ETF	XDG	0.06644
iShares Core MSCI Global Quality Dividend Index ETF (CAD-Hedged)	XDGH	0.00000
iShares Core MSCI Canadian Quality Dividend Index ETF	XDIV	0.07407
iShares Core MSCI US Quality Dividend Index ETF	XDU	0.48458
iShares Core MSCI US Quality Dividend Index ETF (CAD-Hedged)	XDUH	0.00000
iShares Canadian Select Dividend Index ETF	XDV	0.00000
iShares J.P. Morgan USD Emerging Markets Bond Index ETF (CAD-Hedged)	XEB	0.00000
iShares Core MSCI Emerging Markets IMI Index ETF	XEC	0.00000
iShares Core MSCI EAFE IMI Index ETF	XEF	0.13454
iShares S&P/TSX Capped Energy Index ETF	XEG	0.00000
iShares MSCI Europe IMI Index ETF (CAD-Hedged)	XEH	0.62289
iShares S&P/TSX Composite High Dividend Index ETF	XEI	0.00000

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iShares MSCI Emerging Markets Index ETF	XEM	0.10553
iShares Jantzi Social Index ETF	XEN	0.00000
iShares MSCI Europe IMI Index ETF	XEU	0.12915
iShares Edge MSCI Multifactor USA Index ETF (CAD-Hedged)	XFA	0.00000
iShares Edge MSCI Multifactor Canada Index ETF	XFC	0.00000
iShares Edge MSCI Multifactor EAFE Index ETF (CAD-Hedged)	XFF	0.46806
iShares Core MSCI EAFE IMI Index ETF (CAD-Hedged)	XFH	0.35757
iShares Edge MSCI Multifactor EAFE Index ETF	XFI	0.40300
iShares S&P/TSX Capped Financials Index ETF	XFN	0.07715
iShares Floating Rate Index ETF	XFR	0.00000
iShares Edge MSCI Multifactor USA Index ETF	XFS	0.54442
iShares Canadian Government Bond Index ETF	XGB	0.00000
iShares S&P/TSX Global Gold Index ETF	XGD	0.00000
iShares S&P Global Industrials Index ETF (CAD-Hedged)	XGI	0.00000
iShares Canadian HYBrid Corporate Bond Index ETF	XHB	0.00000
iShares Global Healthcare Index ETF (CAD-Hedged)	XHC	0.00000
iShares U.S. High Dividend Equity Index ETF (CAD-Hedged)	XHD	0.00000
iShares U.S. High Dividend Equity Index ETF	XHU	0.27585
iShares U.S. High Yield Bond Index ETF (CAD-Hedged)	XHY	0.00000
iShares Core S&P/TSX Capped Composite Index ETF	XIC	0.19062
iShares India Index ETF	XID	0.00000

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iShares U.S. IG Corporate Bond Index ETF (CAD-Hedged)	XIG	0.00000
iShares MSCI EAFE® Index ETF (CAD-Hedged)	XIN	0.10695
iShares S&P/TSX Capped Information Technology Index ETF	XIT	0.00000
iShares S&P/TSX 60 Index ETF	XIU	0.43481
iShares Core Canadian Long Term Bond Index ETF	XLB	0.00000
iShares S&P/TSX Capped Materials Index ETF	XMA	0.00000
iShares S&P U.S. Mid-Cap Index ETF	XMC	0.00000
iShares S&P/TSX Completion Index ETF	XMD	0.28175
iShares S&P U.S. Mid-Cap Index ETF (CAD-Hedged)	XMH	0.00000
iShares Edge MSCI Min Vol EAFE Index ETF	XMI	0.00000
iShares Edge MSCI Min Vol EAFE Index ETF (CAD-Hedged)	XML	0.22106
iShares Edge MSCI Min Vol Emerging Markets Index ETF	XMM	0.00000
iShares Edge MSCI Min Vol USA Index ETF (CAD-Hedged)	XMS	0.00000
iShares Edge MSCI Min Vol USA Index ETF	XMU	1.54969
iShares Edge MSCI Min Vol Canada Index ETF	XMV	0.00000
iShares Edge MSCI Min Vol Global Index ETF	XMW	0.00000
iShares Edge MSCI Min Vol Global Index ETF (CAD-Hedged)	XMY	0.00000
iShares S&P/TSX North American Preferred Stock Index ETF (CAD-Hedged)	XPF	0.00000
iShares High Quality Canadian Bond Index ETF	XQB	0.00000
iShares NASDAQ 100 Index ETF (CAD-Hedged)	XQQ	0.00000
iShares Canadian Real Return Bond Index ETF	XRB	0.45884*

Fund Name	Fund Ticker	Estimated Annual Reinvested Capital Gains Distribution Per Unit (\$) at Dec 15, 2018
iShares S&P/TSX Capped REIT Index ETF	XRE	0.30866
iShares Core Canadian Short Term Bond Index ETF	XSB	0.00000
iShares Conservative Short Term Strategic Fixed Income ETF	XSC	0.00000
iShares Conservative Strategic Fixed Income ETF	XSE	0.00000
iShares Core Canadian Short Term Corporate + Maple Bond Index ETF	XSH	0.00000
iShares Short Term Strategic Fixed Income ETF	XSI	0.00000
iShares Core S&P 500 Index ETF (CAD-Hedged)	XSP	0.00000
iShares Short Term High Quality Canadian Bond Index ETF	XSQ	0.00000
iShares S&P/TSX Capped Consumer Staples Index ETF	XST	0.00000
iShares U.S. Small Cap Index ETF (CAD-Hedged)	XSU	0.00000
iShares Diversified Monthly Income ETF	XTR	0.00000
iShares Core S&P U.S. Total Market Index ETF (CAD-Hedged)	XUH	0.00000
iShares Core S&P 500 Index ETF	XUS	0.13559
iShares S&P/TSX Capped Utilities Index ETF	XUT	0.00000
iShares Core S&P U.S. Total Market Index ETF	XUU	0.12669
iShares MSCI World Index ETF	XWD	0.17280

¹ The TSX ticker for the iShares Fund is expected to change from CBD to XBAL on or about December 20, 2018. The CUSIP of the iShares Fund will not change as a result of the implementation of the ticker or name changes. The iShares Fund also changed its name, effective December 11, 2018.

² The TSX ticker for the iShares Fund is expected to change from CBN to XGRO on or about December 20, 2018. The CUSIP of the iShares Fund will not change as a result of the implementation of the ticker or name changes. The iShares Fund also changed its name, effective December 11, 2018.

³ As previously announced on December 18, 2018 in a separate press release, realization of net capital gains for this iShares Fund is being paid as a special cash distribution. The special cash distribution is in connection with the approved changes to the fundamental investment objective of each iShares Fund and certain related matters which were previously announced on December 7, 2018.



*For iShares Canadian Real Return Bond Index ETF (XRB) only, the distribution amount includes an income component.

Further information on the iShares Funds can be found at <http://www.blackrock.com/ca>.

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