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## CI Global Asset Management provides update on proposed fixed administration fees

TORONTO (December 4, 2020) – CI Global Asset Management ("CI GAM") today provided an update on its proposal (the "Proposal") to implement fixed administration fees for each series of 19 CI GAM exchange-traded funds (the "ETFs").

Under the Proposal, first announced on September 25, 2020, fixed administration fees will replace the current variable operating expenses being charged to the ETFs effective on or before January 1, 2021. It is expected that investors will realize several benefits with the change to a fixed administration fee structure, including greater predictability and transparency of the management expense ratio ("MER") for each ETF, as well as protection from potential increases in future operating expenses.

Once the Proposal is implemented, CI Investments Inc., as manager of the ETFs, will be responsible for the operating expenses of each ETF, other than certain expenses ("Certain Expenses"), in exchange for the payment by the ETF of a fixed administration fee. The MER of each series of an ETF will consist of the management fee, the fixed administration fee, Certain Expenses and applicable taxes.

The approval of securityholders of an ETF is required to implement the Proposal for a particular ETF. At the special meetings of the ETFs held on December 3, 2020, securityholders of the following ETFs approved the respective Proposal

Fund name	Ticker(s)	Fund name	Ticker(s)
CI First Asset Active Canadian	FDV	CI First Asset Global Financial	FSF
Dividend ETF		Sector ETF	
CI First Asset Active Credit ETF	FAO,	CI First Asset Investment Grade	FIG,
	FAO.U	Bond ETF	FIG.U
CI First Asset Active Utility &	FAI	CI First Asset Long Duration Fixed	FLB
Infrastructure ETF		Income ETF	
CI First Asset Canadian Buyback	FBE	CI First Asset Preferred Share ETF	FPR
Index ETF			
CI First Asset Canadian REIT ETF	RIT	CI First Asset Short Term	FGB
		Government Bond Index Class	
		ETF	
CI First Asset Enhanced	FGO,	CI First Asset U.S. & Canada	FLI
Government Bond ETF	FGO.U	Lifeco Income ETF	
CI First Asset Enhanced Short	FSB, FSB.U	CI First Asset U.S. Buyback Index	FBU
Duration Bond Fund*		ETF	



CI First Asset European Bank ETF	FHB	CI First Asset U.S. TrendLeaders	SID
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<sup>\*</sup>formerly CI First Asset Enhanced Short Duration Bond ETF.

Meetings of securityholders of the following ETFs have been adjourned to December 10, 2020:

Fund name	Ticker(s)
CI First Asset CanBanc Income	CIC
Class ETF	
CI First Asset Core Canadian	CSY
Equity Income Class ETF	
CI First Asset MSCI Canada	FQC
Quality Index Class ETF	

More information about CI GAM's ETF lineup is available at www.firstasset.com.

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