

PREMIUM INCOME CORPORATION ANNOUNCES YEAR END RESULTS

Toronto, Ontario, December 20, 2012 – (**TSX: PIC.A; PIC.A; PIC.PR.A**) Premium Income Corporation today announces results for the year ended October 31, 2012. Net investment income before distributions amounted to \$6.3 million or \$0.66 per Unit. Each Unit consists of one Class A share and one Preferred Share. Distributions to shareholders amounted to \$0.86 per Preferred share, and \$0.81 per Class A share.

Premium Income Corporation is a mutual fund corporation, which invests in the common shares of Bank of Montreal, The Bank of Nova Scotia, Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce, Royal Bank of Canada, and the Toronto Dominion Bank. The Fund employs a proprietary investment strategy, Strathbridge Selective Overwriting, to enhance the income generated by the Portfolio and to reduce volatility. In addition, the Fund may write cash covered put options in respect of securities in which it is permitted to invest.

Selected Financial Information: (\$ Millions)	
Statement of Financial Position Assets Liabilities	2012 \$ 197.8 145.2
Equity	\$ 52.6
Statement of Operations	
Revenue	\$ 8.7
Expenses	(2.4)
Preferred Share Distributions	(8.2)
Net Investment Loss	(1.9)
Net Gain on Investments	<u>7.1</u>
Net Income	5.2

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