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JOHN HANCOCK PREFERRED INCOME FUNDS, PREMIUM DIVIDEND FUND AND TAX-ADVANTAGED DIVIDEND INCOME FUND PORTFOLIO MANAGEMEMENT UPDATE

BOSTON, MA (June 1, 2015)—John Hancock Advisers, LLC today announced an update to the portfolio management teams for the following John Hancock closed end funds: Preferred Income Fund (NYSE: HPI), Preferred Income II Fund (NYSE: HPF) Preferred Income III Fund (NYSE: HPS), Premium Dividend Fund (NYSE: PDT) and Tax–Advantaged Dividend Income Fund (NYSE: HTD) (collectively, the "Funds"). The Funds are advised by John Hancock Advisers, LLC and sub-advised by John Hancock Asset Management (U.S.) LLC, a division of Manulife Asset Management (the "Sub-adviser").

Effective June 1, 2015, Joseph Bozoyan, CFA, joins the portfolio management teams of the Funds. Mr. Bozoyan, who has been with the subadviser since 2011, previously held analyst positions at Evergreen Investments, RCM, and Sun Life. He has over 20 years of investment experience, has a B.S. in Finance from Providence College, an M.B.A. from Boston College and holds the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

Additionally, Mark Maloney is retiring from the subadviser and, effective August 31, 2015, will no longer serve as a portfolio manager of the Funds. Gregory Phelps, head of the team, will continue in his role as portfolio manager of the Funds, a role he has served since 1995. Mr. Phelps is a senior managing director and senior portfolio manager at John Hancock Asset Management. He joined the subadviser in 1995 and has over 30 years of investment experience.

Statements in this press release that are not historical facts are forward-looking statements as defined by the United States securities laws. You should exercise caution in interpreting and relying on forward-looking statements because they are subject to uncertainties and other factors which are, in some cases, beyond the Fund's control and could cause actual results to differ materially from those set forth in the forward-looking statements.

An investor should consider a Fund's investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses carefully before investing.

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