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## **BLUE RIBBON INCOME FUND CLOSES TREASURY OFFERING AND OVER-ALLOTMENT**

**Toronto, December 19, 2012 – (TSX: RBN.UN)** Blue Ribbon Income Fund (the “Fund”) is pleased to announce the completion of its offering of 3.865 million units for total gross proceeds of approximately \$44.2 million. The offering was comprised of the 3.5 million unit maximum offering, plus an additional 0.365 million units pursuant to the agent’s over-allotment option, each as qualified under the Fund’s short form prospectus dated December 11, 2012. The units will continue to trade on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the existing symbol RBN.UN. The units were offered at a price of \$11.43. The offering price of the units was determined so as to be non-dilutive to the most recently calculated net asset value per unit of existing unitholders prior to the filing of the final prospectus.

The Fund invests in a portfolio consisting primarily of dividend-paying Canadian high income equities. The investment objectives of the Fund are to provide unitholders with monthly cash distributions and the opportunity to participate in gains in the value of the Fund’s investment portfolio.

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

For further information, please contact your investment advisor, call Brompton’s investor relations line at 416-642-6000, toll-free at 1-866-642-6001, email [info@bromptongroup.com](mailto:info@bromptongroup.com) or visit our website at [www.blueribbonincomefund.com](http://www.blueribbonincomefund.com).

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