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News Release

UBS announces mandatory redemption of ETRACS 2xMonthly Leveraged S&P MLP Index ETN due July 14, 2045

New York, 20 January 2016 – <u>UBS Investment Bank</u> today announced that all outstanding notes of the ETRACS 2xMonthly Leveraged S&P MLP Index ETN due July 14, 2045 (Ticker: MLPV) (the "Securities") will be mandatorily redeemed in accordance with the terms of the Securities as a result of the occurrence of an Acceleration Event, triggered as a result of the intraday indicative value of the Securities being equal to or less than \$5.00 on January 20, 2016 (the "Acceleration Date").

As disclosed in more detail in the prospectus supplement relating to the Securities, all outstanding notes will be automatically accelerated and redeemed and holders will be entitled to receive the "Acceleration Amount" calculated in accordance with the terms of the Securities. Payment of the Acceleration Amount will be made on the Acceleration Settlement Date, which will be February 1, 2016.

For more information regarding the mandatory redemption, including how the Acceleration Amount will be determined, see the prospectus supplement relating to the Securities. The prospectus supplement for the Securities can be accessed on EDGAR, the SEC website, at www.sec.gov/Archives/edgar/data/1114446/000119312515252489/d87834d424b2.htm.

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