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Date:	January 07, 2022
Subject:	Lument Finance Trust, Inc Rights Distribution Option Symbol: LFT New Symbol: LFT1 Date: 01/14/2022

Lument Finance Trust, Inc. (LFT) has declared a rights distribution to LFT Common Shareholders, as described below:

Rights:	Transferable Rights ("Rights") to purchase 1 new Common Share of Lument Finance Trust, Inc. per one 1 whole Right
Price:	92.5% of the volume-weighted average of the sales prices of shares of LFT common stock on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) for the five consecutive trading days ending on the expiration of the Rights Offer, as described in the LFT Prospectus Supplement dated January 7, 2022. The subscription price is currently estimated to be \$3.58 per share.
Distribution Ratio:	1.5 Rights for every LFT Common Share held
Record Date:	January 18, 2022
Expiration:	5:00 p.m. New York City Time, on February 11, 2022, unless extended
Depositary:	Broadridge Corporate Issuer Solutions, Inc.
Guaranty Period:	2 business days

Lument Finance Trust, Inc. Rights are anticipated to begin trading on the NYSE on January 19, 2022, under the symbol "LFTRT".

Contract Adjustment	
Effective Date:	January 14, 2022
Option Symbol:	LFT changes to LFT1

Strike Divisor: 1

Contract Multiplier:	1
New Multiplier:	100 (e.g., a premium of 1.50 yields \$150)
New Deliverable Per Contract:	1) 100 Lument Finance Trust, Inc. (LFT) Common Shares 2) 150 Lument Finance Trust, Inc. Rights (LFTRT) (subject to delayed settlement until commencement of regular way trading)
Settlement Allocation:	LFT: 95% LFTRT: 5%
CUSIPs:	LFT: 55025L108 LFTRT: TBD

THE ALLOCATION OF THE AGGREGATE STRIKE PRICE AMOUNT IS BEING PROVIDED SOLELY FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE INTERFACE BETWEEN OCC AND THE NATIONAL SECURITIES CLEARING CORPORATION (NSCC), AND IS NOT INTENDED TO BE USED FOR ANY OTHER PURPOSE, TRANSACTION OR CUSTOMER ACCOUNT STATEMENTS.

<u>Settlement</u>

The LFT component of the LFT1 exercise/assignment activity will settle through National Securities Clearing Corporation (NSCC). The LFTRT component of LFT1 exercise/assignment activity will be subject to delayed settlement until the commencement of regular way trading. Upon commencement of regular way trading, the LFTRT component of LFT exercise/assignment activity will settle through NSCC.

NOTE: It is anticipated that the Rights will cease trading on NYSE before the opening on February 11, 2022. The Rights are expected to expire on February 11, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. New York City time. The LFTRT component of adjusted option LFT1 will remain part of the LFT1 deliverable until the Rights have expired. Once the expiration of the Rights has been confirmed, the LFTRT component will be removed from the LFT1 deliverable. This change to the deliverables is expected to be effective on February 14, 2022.

Pricing

The underlying price of LFT1 will be determined as follows:

LFT1 = LFT + 1.5 (LFT RT)

Further Contract Adjustment

When the Rights expire, adjusted LFT1 options will be further adjusted to no longer call for the delivery of the Rights. No adjustment will be made to the adjusted contracts to compensate for any in-the-money value the LFT Rights may have at the time of their expiration.

Exercise Considerations

The Rights are to be suspended from trading before the open on February 11, 2022 and are expected to expire on February 11, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. New York City time. Shares for which there is no subscription during the primary subscription will be offered, by means of the over-subscription privilege, first to record date stockholders who fully exercise the rights issued to them pursuant to this offering. Once over-subscription privileges exercised by record date stockholders have been met, any non-record date rights holder who exercises rights is entitled to subscribe for remaining shares that are not otherwise subscribed for by record date stockholders. Call option holders who wish to exercise their adjusted options to obtain the Rights for subsequent exercise, sale or other purposes bear sole responsibility for determining when

to exercise their options as well as complying with all terms and conditions of the Rights offering applicable to Rights exercise or delivery.

Delivery Settlement and Protect Provisions

Option contracts which are exercised, will require the settlement of all component securities included in the contract deliverable at the time of the option contract exercise, including rights, warrants, or similar instruments. Additional entitlements (such as due bills, eligibility to participate in tender offers, elections, etc.) may also automatically attach to securities deliverable upon option exercise. Conversely, exercised calls may be unable to realize the benefit of securities or entitlements **not** associated to the contract deliverable at the time of the option exercise or Option contract maturity.

Except in unusual cases, securities deliverable as a result of equity option exercises and or Option contract maturity are settled through National Securities Clearing Corporation (NSCC).

Rights and obligations of Members with respect to securities settling at NSCC as a result of an option exercise/assignment are governed by the rules of NSCC. NSCC has its own rules which enable purchasers of securities to protect themselves for value which may be lost if timely delivery is not made to them of securities subject to specific deadlines, such as the expiration of a tender offer, rights offering, election, or similar event. These rules are generally called protect or liability notice procedures, and are intended to protect purchasers by binding the delivering parties to liability if such value is lost because timely delivery is not effected. Purchasers of securities must observe the rules and procedures of NSCC to avail themselves of such protect provisions of NSCC. Questions regarding these provisions should be addressed to NSCC.

Special Risks

Call Holders/ Put Writers

As a result of the adjustment described above, the Rights will be part of the adjusted LFT1 options deliverable, but only until the Rights expire, after which time they will be dropped from the deliverable of the option contract. When the Rights expire and are dropped from the deliverable of the option contract, any value the Rights may have had will no longer be associated with the option contract. As a result, holders of in-the-money calls may be disadvantaged unless they exercise in sufficient time to obtain the Rights. After the Rights expire and are dropped from the deliverable of the option contract, holders of short put positions who are assigned will be required to purchase LFT stock *whose value may have been substantially diminished by the Rights distribution.*

Uncovered Short Obligations

Holders of assigned calls or exercised puts who do not possess the underlying security at the time of assignment or exercise are subject to special risk. Suspension of trading of the underlying security, inability to borrow the security, or similar events may preclude the possibility of effecting timely delivery, thereby exposing persons with an obligation to deliver to liability if timely delivery is not effected (See Delivery Settlement and Protect Provisions above).

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