

**RYU Apparel Announces Appointment of New CFO
Secured Note Financing,
Shares for Debt Transaction, and
Engagement of Aurora**

Vancouver, BC – January 15, 2016 – RYU Apparel Inc. (TSX VENTURE: [RYU](#)), a global, athletic tech-style apparel brand engineered for the fitness, training and performance of the multi-discipline athlete, is pleased to announce the appointment of a new Chief Financial Officer, a secured note financing, a shares for debt transaction, and the engagement of Aurora.

Engagement of Aurora

RYU announces that it has engaged Aurora Realty Consultants to assist RYU in determining the locations of its next retail locations in 2016. Founded in 1989, Aurora Realty Consultants specializes in retail real estate brokerage and consulting services.

New CFO

RYU announces the appointment of Pedro Villa as Chief Financial Officer of RYU, effective February 1, 2016.

Mr. Villa is a Chartered Professional Accountant (CPA, CA) with six years of post-designation professional experience, four of which he spent helping to transform finance departments. Prior to joining RYU, he held controllership and financial reporting roles in three Vancouver-based mining companies with operations in North America. Mr. Villa began his professional career at Deloitte in the audit and assurance practice serving notable Canadian public companies in the IT and mining industries for four years. Mr. Villa has a Bachelor of Science in Business Management with concentrations in entrepreneurship and marketing from Babson College in the United States.

In connection with Mr. Villa's appointment commencing February 1, 2016, RYU has entered into an employment agreement with Mr. Villa whereby, among other terms, Mr. Villa's will receive a base salary of \$110,000 per year and is eligible for bonuses and grants of stock options in accordance with the policies of the Company.

Pedro Villa will be replacing Robby Payment as Chief Financial Officer and Secretary effective February 1, 2016. RYU thanks Mr. Payment for his services to the company. In connection with Mr. Payment's departure, RYU entered into an agreement with Mr. Payment, whereby the parties agreed, among other terms, that Mr. Payment will be provided a payment of \$6,000 payable in common shares at a price of \$0.25 per common share for additional time provided by Mr. Payment in connection with the transfer of the CFO role to Mr. Villa. The agreement is subject to the approval of the TSX Venture Exchange and upon issuance thereof, such shares will be subject to a hold period of four months and one day in accordance with applicable securities laws.

Secured Note

RYU also announces that it has issued a secured note for proceeds of up to \$800,000 that may be advanced by Marcello Leone, a director and an officer of RYU. Any proceeds advanced by Mr. Leone will bear interest at a rate of 8.95% per annum with a maturity of June 1, 2017 and be secured against the assets of RYU. RYU is also required to pay a commitment fee of \$51,000. As of January 15, 2016, Mr. Leone has advanced \$710,000 to RYU.

The secured note is a “related party transaction” within the meaning of Multilateral Instrument 61-101 *Protection of Minority Security Holders in Special Transactions*. RYU elected not to file a material change report 21 days before Mr. Leone advanced the funds as RYU required access to the funds prior to such date.

Shares for Debt

RYU announces its intention to settle debt in the amount of \$124,587.93 owed by the Company in exchange for the issuance of 498,351 common shares at a deemed price of \$0.25 per share. The proposed debt settlement is subject to the approval of the TSX Venture Exchange and entry into debt settlement agreements with the creditors. The debt settlement common shares will be subject to a four month hold period but the creditor may enter into an agreement to exchange the shares received pursuant to the debt settlement with unrestricted shares held by an insider of RYU.

For regular updates on RYU Apparel visit: <http://ryu.com>:

About RYU

RYU Apparel Inc. is a global, athletic tech-style apparel brand engineered for the fitness, training and performance of the multi-discipline athlete. Designed without compromise, RYU exists to facilitate human performance. For more information, visit: <http://ryu.com>

On Behalf of the Board

RYU APPAREL INC.

“Marcello Leone”

Marcello Leone, CEO, President and Chairman of the Board

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This news release contains forward-looking information that involve various risks and uncertainties regarding future events. Such forward-looking information can include without limitation statements based on current expectations involving a number of risks and uncertainties and are not guarantees of future performance of RYU, such as statements that RYU intends to appoint Pedro Villa as CFO, provide Robby Payment a payment of \$6,000

payable in common shares, the advancement of further funds under the note, the proposed shares for debt transaction, and RYU may open additional retail locations. There are numerous risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results and RYU's plans and objectives to differ materially from those expressed in the forward-looking information, including: (i) the risk that Pedro Villa is not appointed for any reason, or on the terms announced; (ii) the Exchange not approving (a) the appointment of Pedro Villa; (b) the issuance of common shares to Robby Payment, (c) the note with Mr. Leone, or (d) the shares for debt transaction; (iii) the ability to RYU to raise additional capital; and (iv) adverse market conditions. Actual results and future events could differ materially from those anticipated in such information. These and all subsequent written and oral forward-looking information are based on estimates and opinions of management on the dates they are made and are expressly qualified in their entirety by this notice. Except as required by law, RYU does not intend to update these forward-looking statements.

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