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BlackRock Equity Option Closed-End Funds Announce Change of Fiscal Year-End

New York, September 19, 2014 - BlackRock Advisors, LLC today announced that the Boards of Directors/Trustees of eleven BlackRock equity option closed-end funds (the "Funds") have approved a change of the fiscal year-end of each of the Funds from October 31st to December 31st. This change will be effective following the October 31, 2014 fiscal year-end. BlackRock believes making this change will better align the fiscal year-end of each of the Funds with the shareholder tax reporting cycle. A list of the Funds is provided below.

Fund	Ticker
BlackRock Real Asset Equity Trust	BCF
BlackRock Resources & Commodities Strategy	BCX
Trust	DCA
BlackRock Enhanced Equity Dividend Trust	BDJ
BlackRock Energy and Resources Trust	BGR
BlackRock International Growth and Income Trust	BGY
BlackRock Health Sciences Trust	BME
BlackRock Global Opportunities Equity Trust	BOE
BlackRock EcoSolutions Investment Trust	BQR
BlackRock Dividend Income Trust	BQY
BlackRock Utility and Infrastructure Trust	BUI
BlackRock Enhanced Capital and Income Fund,	CII
Inc.	CII

As announced on July 30th, 2014, the Board of Directors/Trustees approved the reorganization of certain equity option closed-end funds. The reorganizations of BlackRock Real Asset Equity Trust (NYSE:BCF) and BlackRock EcoSolutions Investment Trust (NYSE:BQR) into BlackRock Resources & Commodities Strategy Trust (NYSE:BCX) and the reorganization of BlackRock Dividend Income Trust (NYSE MKT:BQY) into BlackRock Enhanced Equity Dividend Trust (NYSE:BDJ) are subject to required shareholder approvals and the satisfaction of applicable regulatory requirements and other customary closing conditions. The target funds in the potential reorganizations (BCF, BOR and BOY) will not change their fiscal year-end if the reorganizations are consummated.

Additional Information about the Reorganizations and Where to Find It

This press release is not intended to, and does not, constitute an offer to purchase or sell shares of any of BCF, BQR, BCX, BQY or BDJ (the "Reorganization Funds"); nor is this press release intended to solicit a proxy from any shareholder of any of the Reorganization Funds.

The Reorganization Funds and their respective trustees, officers and employees, and BlackRock, and its shareholders, officers and employees and other persons may be deemed to be participants in the solicitation of proxies with respect to the reorganizations. Investors and shareholders may obtain more detailed information regarding the direct and indirect interests of the Reorganization Funds' respective trustees, officers and employees, and BlackRock and its shareholders, officers and employees and other persons by reading the Joint Proxy Statement/Prospectus or Combined Proxy Statement/Prospectus, as applicable (the "Joint Proxy Statement/Prospectus"), relating to the reorganizations, which was filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") on September 19, 2014.

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