

Nextleaf Solutions Proactively Moves to Maximize Shareholder Value by Adopting Shareholder Rights Plan

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VANCOUVER, July 24, 2019 /CNW/ - Nextleaf Solutions Ltd. ("**Nextleaf**", "**OILS**" or the "**Company**") (**CSE: OILS**) (**OTC: OILFF**) (**Frankfurt: LOMA**) announces that it has adopted a shareholder rights plan (the "**Plan**"). The Plan will be presented for ratification by shareholders of the Company at the Annual Meeting to be held on August 29, 2019.

The Plan is intended to provide the Company's board of directors (the "**Board**") and long-term shareholders with adequate time to assess an unsolicited take-over bid for the Company, to provide the Board with sufficient time to explore and develop alternatives for maximizing shareholder value if a take-over bid is made and to ensure that the shareholders of the Company are provided equal treatment under a take-over bid.

"With OILS recently becoming the first public company to be issued a U.S. patent for industrial-scale extraction and purification of cannabinoids, we felt it was essential to take proactive steps to protect and maximize shareholder value at the current stage of our Company," said Paul Pedersen, CEO of Nextleaf. "Major alcohol and tobacco companies have made significant investments into the cannabis industry over the past year, and we expect to see pharmaceutical and large CPG companies enter the industry once CBD and THC based products become federally legal. We believe now more than ever that developing and protecting disruptive intellectual property around the extraction and manufacturing of standardized THC and CBD products will create significant shareholder value over the long-term."

The Company owns a portfolio of 27 issued and pending patents pertaining to the company's unique, industrial-scale process of extraction and purification of cannabinoids. OILS is playing a leading role in revolutionizing extraction and purification throughput, yield, and purity to enhance cannabis oil economics across the globe.

Under the Plan, the Company has issued one right for no consideration in respect of each outstanding common share of the Company to all holders of record on July 23, 2019. All common shares issued by the Company during the term of the Plan will have one right represented on the certificates for the common shares of the Company. The term of the Plan is three years, subject to reapproval by shareholders of the Company at their 2022 Annual Meeting.

The rights issued under the Plan become exercisable only if a person acquires 20% or more of the common shares of the Company without complying with the "Permitted Bid" provisions in the Plan, other prescribed exemptions, or without the approval of the Board. Should such an acquisition occur, rights holders (other than the acquiring person or related persons) can purchase common shares of the Company at half the prevailing market price (as defined in the Plan) at the time the rights become exercisable. Each right, upon exercise, would permit the purchase of shares of the Company at a substantial discount to the market price.

Under the Plan, a permitted bid must be made to all shareholders for all shares of the Company, and must be open for acceptance for a minimum of 105 days. If more than 50% of the outstanding

shares held by independent shareholders have been tendered and not withdrawn after 105 days, the bidder may take up the shares, but must make a public announcement of that take-up and extend the bid for a further 10 days to allow other shareholders to tender to the bid.

The Plan provides for "Permitted Lock-Up Agreements" which allow a locked-up person to withdraw shares from a locked-up bid in order to support another bid or transaction that provides for a greater consideration than the lock-up bid, regardless of the number of shares involved.

The Company is not currently aware of any pending or threatened take-over bid.

About Nextleaf Solutions Ltd:

Nextleaf Solutions Ltd. ("**OILS**") is the first publicly traded company to be issued a U.S. patent for industrial-scale extraction and purification of cannabinoids. The company owns a portfolio of 3 issued and 24 pending patents pertaining to the production of high-purity cannabinoid distillate, the precursor used in the manufacturing of standardized THC and CBD based products. Once cannabis concentrates become legal across Canada on October 17, 2019, OILS plans to commercialize its intellectual property portfolio through B2B processing services and the supply of cannabis oils and concentrates to qualified Canadian and international partners.

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