

## Nextleaf Solutions Granted Two Patents for Industrial-Scale Extraction of CBD and THC

The Company's 10 issued patents protect what management believes to be the most efficient methods for producing CBD and THC distillate oil at scale

VANCOUVER, Nov. 20, 2019 /CNW/ - Nextleaf Solutions Ltd. ("Nextleaf", "OILS", or the "Company") (CSE: OILS) (OTCQB: OILFF) (FSE: L0MA), a company developing disruptive intellectual property for extraction and purification of cannabinoids, announced today the United States Patent and Trademark Office has granted the Company its sixth U.S. patent pertaining to a proprietary chilled cannabinoid extraction process with downstream media treatment and filtration.

Nextleaf is pleased to further announce it has been issued a patent by the Superintendency of Industry and Commerce – the Colombian Government agency that administers intellectual property rights – pertaining to the Company's industrial-scale process of extraction, refinement, and distillation of cannabinoids.

"Nextleaf being awarded 10 patents by four international patent offices in the key markets of Canada, Australia, Colombia, and the United States validates our technology and further reinforces our vision of developing defendable intellectual property ("IP") that improves CBD and THC oil economics globally," said Paul Pedersen, CEO of Nextleaf.

The Company's patented technology allows for lower-quality dried cannabis and hemp biomass to be efficiently processed at scale into a high-purity THC and CBD distilled oil, the key ingredient used in the manufacturing of standardized cannabis 2.0 products. OILS believes that as cannabis becomes commoditized, proprietary technology which allows companies to establish a low-cost competitive advantage will become a focal point of differentiation and a key driver of long-term value.

"As more governments around the world move to legalize cannabis, we expect to see large multi-national companies, including tobacco and pharmaceutical companies, acquire IP in order to protect their rights as part of their broader strategy to dominate the global market for legal cannabinoid-based products," stated Pedersen. "Recent acquisitions by large players in the sector are evidence of the potential for significant shareholder value creation through the formalization and protection of IP."

## Commercialization of Intellectual Property

The Company is focused commercializing its IP portfolio through toll processing, wholesale of CBD and THC distillate, and licensing IP to partners operating in other legal markets. Management feels there is significant value in the Company's IP and has had advanced discussions with a number of strategic parties regarding IP licensing. Management believes over the next 12 months, Nextleaf can generate upwards of \$5MM-\$10MM in gross revenue from IP licensing alone. <sup>i</sup>

## **About Nextleaf Solutions**

Nextleaf Solutions Ltd. ("**OILS**") is developing disruptive intellectual property for industrial-scale extraction, purification, and formulation of cannabinoids. OILS owns a portfolio of 10 issued patents and over 40 pending patents pertaining to the production of high-purity, cannabinoid-rich distillate, the key ingredient used in the manufacturing of standardized CBD and THC infused products. OILS commercializes its IP portfolio through IP licensing, B2B processing services, and supplying THC and CBD oils to qualified Canadian and international partners through Nextleaf Labs Ltd., a Health Canada licensed Standard Processor.

Nextleaf Solutions trades as **OILS** on the Canadian Securities Exchange, **OILFF** on the OTCQB Market in the United States, and **L0MA** on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange.

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On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Company, Paul Pedersen, CEO

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This estimate is based on management's current views, strategies, expectations, assumptions and forecasts, and has been calculated using accounting policies that are generally consistent with the Company's current accounting policies. The estimate is derived from the expected gross revenues from IP licensing globally and assumes the commercialization of various aspects of Nextleaf IP portfolio and the achievement of projected product sales forecasts. This estimate is considered a financial outlook under applicable securities laws. The estimate and any other financial outlook or future-oriented financial information included herein has been approved by management of the Company as of the date hereof. Such financial outlooks or future-oriented financial information are provided for the purposes of presenting information about management's current expectations and goals relating to the future business of OILS. Readers are cautioned that actual results may vary materially as a result of a number of risks, uncertainties, and other factors, many of which are beyond the Company's control. See "Cautionary Statement".