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### **Manulife Strength-Equity Dividend Fund to pay dividend of THB 0.70**

**Bangkok** - Manulife Asset Management (Thailand) Company Limited (Manulife AM (Thailand)) announces a dividend payment for the **Manulife Strength-Equity Dividend Fund**.

Mr. Sukkawat Prasurtying, CFA, Chief Executive Officer said: "We are delighted to announce the Manulife Strength-Equity Dividend Fund's dividend payment of THB 0.70 per unit. The book closing date (XD) is April 26, 2011 and the payment date is May 6, 2011. This will be its 7th dividend payment since the inception on August 28, 2009. The total dividend payments have reached THB 4.95 per unit representing a 49.5% return".

MS-EQ DIV fund has a policy of paying dividend not exceeding 12 times per annum. Its investment policy is to focus on medium to long-term equity investment in companies listed on the Stock Exchange of Thailand (SET). The criteria for stock selection are: price vs. valuation, fundamental factors, industry trend, dividend policy and historical dividend payment as well as potential dividend payment in the near future.

Sukkawat also added: "In January of 2011, we experienced a decline in SET index due to capital outflows from emerging markets to developed market such as US and Europe. We have expected a reversal of such capital flows to emerging market, especially to Asian markets due to its superior growth potential. Although the US economy is on the recovery path, the economic revival is still very fragile as is evident from relatively high unemployment rate, continued weakness in housing sector as US Fed is still using low interest rate policy and quantitative easing (QE1 & 2) to support asset prices. US government is still running massive deficits and borrowing tremendous future money to spend today to stimulate the economy in hope of a gradual recuperation. As such, we started to see the capital inflows return to Asia. For Thailand, the foreign investors net sold as much as THB 28,000 million in January 2011. Nonetheless, from the beginning of February until now (April 25, 2011), foreign investors have net bought THB 52,000 million on the ground of better than expected economic data, operating results of listed companies and most importantly the positive development in political situation. All these positive elements help propel SET index to new high and rank amongst the best performing markets in Asia year-to-date (April 22, 2011). During that period, Manulife's Thai equity funds rose by an average of 10.5%, outperformed SET50 index by almost 2% and surpassed SET index by approximately 3.5%. Manulife still maintains its positive outlook for Thai equity market in 2011".

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Manulife Asset Management has investment offices in 17 countries around the world, including 10 countries in Asia; China, Japan, Hong Kong, Singapore, Taiwan, Indonesia, Thailand, Vietnam, Malaysia and the Philippines. Our clients benefit from the in-depth local market expertise of empowered, interconnected investment professionals across Asia, North America and Europe, underpinned by world-class investment and risk management processes and the backing of a global leader in financial services, Manulife Financial Corporation.

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