

Planting Hope Provides Corporate Update

CHICAGO, IL and VANCOUVER, B.C. / ACCESSWIRE / December 2, 2021 – The Planting Hope Company Inc. (TSXV: MYLK) ("Planting Hope" or the "Company"), a plant-based food and beverage company focused on producing the world's most nutritious and planet-friendly products, is pleased to provide the following update on sales and marketing initiatives and the grant of incentive stock options to directors and investor relations advisors.

Sales & Marketing Updates

United States

The Company has secured new distribution for its products with purchase orders from new grocery retail clients, including Dave's Fresh Marketplace, Lazy Acres, 1-800-FLOWERS.COM and Misfits Market.

Export Outside of the United States

The Company's 2022 growth strategy includes driving distribution in export markets outside of the United States. The Company has executed the following retail distribution and sales partnerships:

- Ecoideas (<u>www.ecoideas.ca</u>) Partnered with Ecoideas Inc. for retail product distribution in Canada. Ecoideas is a leading distributor of natural health products to retailers across Canada. Ecoideas is proudly partnered with high quality, local and worldwide suppliers. Ecoideas is distributing Planting Hope's products to leading health and natural retailers across Canada, including Whole Foods Markets in Canada and to the ecommerce operator Well.ca.
- **CPG Export Connect** (<u>www.cpgexport.com</u>) Representing Planting Hope's products to the global export market by CPG Export Connect through multi-channels across retail, export, military, club, dollar, mass and drug accounts, accessing customers in EU Zone, the Middle East and Latin America.
- GAMA Consumer Innovation (<u>www.gamaconsumer.com</u>) Partnered with GAMA Consumer Innovation, a global provider of business information and services specializing in product innovation and international trade. Though GAMA's selective 'Meet the Buyer' retailer introduction program, the Company is working on specific channels and customers in Europe, the UK and the Middle East for all of our brands, including sales representation and partnered distribution to major grocery retailers and ecommerce companies in these markets.

Stock Option Grant

Company's Board of Directors has authorized, pursuant to its Stock Option Plan, the grant of incentive stock options ("Options") to directors and investor relations advisors to purchase an aggregate of up to 785,000

subordinate voting shares ("SV Shares") in the capital of the Company at an exercise price of \$0.65 per SV Share. Of the Options granted:

- an aggregate of 585,000 Options were granted to certain directors of the Company for a 5-year term from December 2, 2021 and vest as follows: 30% on the first anniversary of the date of grant; 30% on the second anniversary of the date of grant; and 40% on the third anniversary of the date of grant;
- an aggregate of 200,000 Options were granted to IR Labs Inc., a firm providing investor relations services to the Company, for a 3-year term from December 2, 2021 and vest as follows: 20% at each of the 6, 12, 18, 24 and 30 month anniversaries of the date of grant.

About The Planting Hope Company Inc.

Planting Hope develops, launches and scales uniquely innovative plant-based and planet-friendly food and beverage brands. Planting Hope's cutting-edge products fill key unmet needs in the skyrocketing plant-based food and beverage space. Founded by experienced food industry entrepreneurs, Planting Hope is a women-managed and women-led company with a focus on nutrition, sustainability and diversity. For more information visit: <u>www.plantinghopecompany.com</u>.

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