

TURNING POINT BRANDS INCREASES COMMON STOCK DIVIDEND AND ANNOUNCES SHARE REPURCHASE AUTHORIZATION

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LOUISVILLE, Ky.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- The Board of Directors of Turning Point Brands (NYSE: TPB) declared a regular quarterly dividend of \$0.05 per common share. This is an approximate 11% increase over the regular quarterly dividend declared in October 2019. The dividend is payable on April 10, 2020, to shareholders of record on the close of business on March 20, 2020.

The Board of Directors also approved a stock repurchase authorization providing for the purchase of up to \$50 million of the Company's outstanding common shares.

"The share repurchase authorization provides another tool for us to efficiently allocate capital and create shareholder value," said Larry Wexler, President and Chief Executive. "We will continue to re-invest in our business to deliver organic growth and pursue strategic acquisitions. Given our healthy balance sheet, our outlook for our business and the current stock price, we believe it is also prudent to have a share repurchase authorization in place that we can utilize on an opportunistic basis."

The repurchase authorization permits shares to be repurchased in open market or private transactions, through block trades, and pursuant to any trading plan or other arrangements. The timing, manner, price and amount of any repurchases will be determined by the Company's management in its discretion and will be subject to economic and market conditions, stock price, applicable legal requirements and other factors. The repurchase authorization does not obligate the Company to purchase any specific number of shares and may be suspended or discontinued at any time.

About Turning Point Brands, Inc.

Louisville, Kentucky-based Turning Point Brands, Inc. (NYSE: TPB) is a leading U.S. provider of Other Tobacco Products and adult consumer alternatives. TPB, through its focus brands generates solid cash flow which it uses to finance acquisitions, increase brand support and strengthen its capital structure. TPB does not sell cigarettes. More information about the company is available at its corporate website, www.turningpointbrands.com.

Forward-Looking Statements

This press release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the federal securities laws. Forward-looking statements may generally be identified by the use of words such as "anticipate," "believe," "expect," "intend," "plan" and "will" or, in each case, their negative, or other variations or comparable terminology. These forward-looking statements include all matters that are not historical facts. By their nature, forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties because they relate to events and depend on circumstances that may or may not occur in the future. As a result, actual events may differ materially from those expressed in or suggested by the forward-looking statements. Any forward-looking statement made by TPB in this press release speaks only as of the date hereof. New risks and uncertainties come up from time to time, and it is impossible for TPB to predict these events or how they may affect it. TPB has no obligation, and does not intend, to update any forward-looking statements after the date hereof, except as required by federal securities laws. Factors that could cause these differences include, but are not limited to:

- declining sales of tobacco products, and expected continuing decline of sales, in the tobacco industry overall;
- our dependence on a small number of third-party suppliers and producers;
- the possibility that we will be unable to identify or contract with new suppliers or producers in the event of a supply or product disruption;
- our business may be damaged by events outside of our suppliers' control, such as the impact of epidemics (e.g., coronavirus), political upheavals, or natural disasters;
- the possibility that our licenses to use certain brands or trademarks will be terminated, challenged or restricted;
- failure to maintain consumer brand recognition and loyalty of our customers;
- substantial and increasing U.S. regulation;
- regulation of our products by the FDA, which has broad regulatory powers;
- our products are subject to developing and unpredictable regulation, for example, current court action moving forward certain substantial Pre Market Tobacco Application obligations;
- some of our products contain nicotine which is considered to be a highly addictive substance;
- uncertainty related to the regulation and taxation of our NewGen products;

- possible significant increases in federal, state and local municipal tobacco- and vapor-related taxes;
- possible increasing international control and regulation;
- our reliance on relationships with several large retailers and national chains for distribution of our products;
- our amount of indebtedness;
- the terms of our credit facilities, which may restrict our current and future operations;
- intense competition and our ability to compete effectively;
- uncertainty and continued evolution of markets containing our NewGen products;
- significant product liability litigation;
- the scientific community's lack of information regarding the long-term health effects of certain substances contained in some of our products;
- requirement to maintain compliance with master settlement agreement escrow account;
- competition from illicit sources;
- our reliance on information technology;
- security and privacy breaches;
- contamination of our tobacco supply or products;
- infringement on our intellectual property;
- third-party claims that we infringe on their intellectual property;
- failure to manage our growth;
- failure to successfully integrate our acquisitions or otherwise be unable to benefit from pursuing acquisitions;
- fluctuations in our results;
- exchange rate fluctuations;
- adverse U.S. and global economic conditions;
- sensitivity of end-customers to increased sales taxes and economic conditions;
- failure to comply with certain regulations;
- departure of key management personnel or our inability to attract and retain talent;
- imposition of significant tariffs on imports into the U.S.;
- reduced disclosure requirements applicable to emerging growth companies may make our common stock less attractive to investors, potentially decreasing our stock price;
- failure to maintain our status as an emerging growth company before the five-year maximum time period a company may retain such status;
- our principal stockholders will be able to exert significant influence over matters submitted to our stockholders and may take certain actions to prevent takeovers;
- our certificate of incorporation and bylaws, as well as Delaware law and certain regulations, could discourage or prohibit acquisition bids or merger proposals, which may adversely affect the market price of our common stock;
- our certificate of incorporation limits the ownership of our common stock by individuals and entities that are Restricted Investors. These restrictions may affect the liquidity of our common stock and may result in Restricted Investors being required to sell or redeem their shares at a loss or relinquish their voting, dividend and distribution rights;
- future sales of our common stock in the public market could reduce our stock price, and any additional capital raised by us through the sale of equity or convertible securities may dilute your ownership in us;
- we may issue preferred stock whose terms could adversely affect the voting power or value of our common stock; and
- our status as a "controlled company" could make our common stock less attractive to some investors or otherwise harm our stock price.

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