Certain Franklin Templeton Closed-End Funds Announce Private Placements of Preferred Stock

NEW YORK – November 18, 2022 – ClearBridge MLP and Midstream Fund Inc. (NYSE: CEM), ClearBridge Energy Midstream Opportunity Fund Inc. (NYSE: EMO) and ClearBridge MLP and Midstream Total Return Fund Inc. (NYSE: CTR) (each a "Fund" and together, the "Funds") announced today that each Fund completed private placements of fixed-rate Mandatory Redeemable Preferred Stock ("MRPS") on November 17, 2022, raising additional capital for each Fund. Net proceeds from the offering will be used for general corporate purposes and to refinance existing leverage.

The table below summarizes the key terms of the offering.

CEM

<u>Security</u>	<u>Aggregate</u> <u>Amount</u>	Rate	Liquidation Preference	<u>Maturity</u>			
Mandatory Redeemable Preferred Stock							
Series L	\$15,000,020	7.12%	\$35	November 17, 2029			
Series M	\$10,000,025	7.28%	\$35	November 17, 2032			

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<u>Security</u>	<u>Aggregate</u> <u>Amount</u>	Rate	<u>Liquidation</u> <u>Preference</u>	<u>Maturity</u>			
Mandatory Redeemable Preferred Stock							
Series L	\$17,000,070	7.28%	\$30	November 17, 2032			

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<u>Security</u>	<u>Aggregate</u> <u>Amount</u>	Rate	<u>Liquidation</u> <u>Preference</u>	<u>Maturity</u>				
Mandatory Redeemable Preferred Stock								
Series E	\$11,000,010	7.12%	\$30	November 17, 2029				

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For more information about the Funds, please call 1-888-777-0102 or consult the Funds' website at www.franklintempleton.com/investments/options/closed-end-funds. Hard copies of the Funds' complete audited financial statements are available free of charge upon request.

Data and commentary provided in this press release are for informational purposes only. Franklin Resources and its affiliates do not engage in selling shares of the Funds.

The Funds' shares are traded on the New York Stock Exchange. Similar to stocks, the Funds' share prices will fluctuate with market conditions and, at the time of sale, may be worth more or less than the original investment. Shares of closed-end funds often trade at a discount to their NAV, and can increase an investor's risk of loss. All investments are subject to risk, including the risk of loss.

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