Announcement of Subsidiary's Release

TOKYO, September $26\ 2025 - 3iQ$ Corp., a subsidiary of Monex Group, Inc., issued the following press release.

Attachment: 3iQ Corp. press release

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3iQ Bitcoin ETF (TSX: BTCQ, BTCQ.U), 3iQ Ether Staking ETF (TSX: ETHQ, ETHQ.U) and 3iQ Solana Staking ETF (TSX: SOLQ, SOLQ.U) join the Ball Metaverse Index

The Roundhill Ball Metaverse ETF (NYSE: METV), which seeks to track the performance of the Ball Metaverse Index, has allocated over \$40 million across the 3iQ ETFs

TORONTO – September 22, 2025 – <u>3iQ Corp.</u> ("3iQ"), a global pioneer in digital asset investment solutions, today announced that three of its innovative ETFs—the <u>3iQ Bitcoin ETF</u> (TSX: BTCQ, BTCQ.U), the <u>3iQ Ether Staking ETF</u> (TSX: ETHQ, ETHQ.U), and the <u>3iQ Solana Staking ETF</u> (TSX: SOLQ, SOLQ.U)—have been added to the Ball Metaverse Index. The index is designed and overseen by <u>Ball Metaverse Research Partners</u>, founded by Matthew Ball. Ball, also CEO of Epyllion and bestselling author of *THE METAVERSE*, is widely recognized as a leading authority on the Metaverse economy, digital infrastructure, and the technologies shaping its future.

Sponsored by Roundhill Investments, the Roundhill Ball Metaverse ETF (NYSE: METV) is the world's largest Metaverse fund and seeks to track the performance of the Ball Metaverse Index. As a result of the inclusion of BTCQ, ETHQ, and SOLQ into the index, Roundhill now holds over \$40 million across these three 3iQ ETFs, creating meaningful new exposure to leading crypto assets within the METV portfolio. According to TD Waterhouse, the Roundhill Ball Metaverse ETF was the 2nd largest sector ETF launch in the United States in 2021.

The addition of 3iQ's ETFs into the index underscores the firm's leadership in providing institutional-quality, fully transparent, regulated crypto investment products. By bringing its flagship Bitcoin, Ethereum-staking, and Solana-staking ETFs to the Ball Metaverse Index, 3iQ expands its reach into a U.S.-listed ETF that is a cornerstone for investors seeking exposure to the Metaverse and artificial reality innovations.

Pascal St-Jean, President & CEO at 3iQ, said: "We are proud that BTCQ, ETHQ and SOLQ are now part of the Ball Metaverse Index. Matthew Ball has been one of the most influential voices on digital innovation and the future of the Metaverse. This inclusion reinforces our mission to deliver pioneering, institutional-quality crypto products, and with Roundhill's METV ETF tracking this index, 3iQ's strategies now reach an even broader base of global investors."

Matthew Ball, Founder of Ball Metaverse Research Partners, added: "The Metaverse depends on advancements across computing, networking, virtual platforms, and digital assets. By including 3iQ's Bitcoin, Ether staking, and Solana staking ETFs in the Ball Metaverse Index, we ensure investors gain direct exposure to the technologies at the core of this evolution. 3iQ's industry leadership has delivered innovative, regulated crypto products, and we're pleased to see their ETFs included in the index."

Since its founding, 3iQ has been recognized for pioneering digital asset investment innovation, including launching the world's first exchange-listed Bitcoin and Ether funds. ETHQ became the <u>first ETF in North America to incorporate staking rewards</u> into Ether strategies, while SOLQ debuted last April with <u>strong momentum</u> and continues to reach <u>new milestones</u>.

For more information, visit 3iQ.io.

About 3iQ Digital Asset Management

Founded in 2012, 3iQ is one of the world's leading alternative digital asset managers, pioneering institutional-grade investments. 3iQ launched the world's first Digital Assets Managed Account Platform (QMAP), a hedge fund investment solution, offering innovative risk-managed investment solutions to gain exposure to digital assets. 3iQ was also the first to launch a Bitcoin and Ethereum ETP listed on a major global stock exchange, integrate staking into its Ethereum and Solana ETPs boosting investor returns, and offering other regulated ETPs. In 2024, Monex Group, a leading

Japanese financial group, took a majority stake in 3iQ. Since 2012, 3iQ has been at the forefront of innovation in digital asset investment management. To learn more about 3iQ, visit 3iq.io.

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About Roundhill Investments

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Important information

Please read the prospectus before investing. Important information about the ETF is contained in the prospectus. Copies of the prospectus may be obtained from 3iQ Corp. or at www.sedar.com.

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