

## **Advent Claymore Convertible Securities and Income Fund II Announces Intent to Commence Share Repurchase Program**

New York, NY – July 22, 2016 – Advent Claymore Convertible Securities and Income Fund II (NYSE: AGC) (the “Fund”), a closed-end fund, announced today that the Fund’s Board of Trustees has authorized a share repurchase program (the “Repurchase Program”).

Under the Repurchase Program, the Fund will purchase, in the open market, up to 7.5% of its outstanding common shares (based on common shares outstanding as of July 22, 2016). Pursuant to the Repurchase Program, the Fund will, subject to applicable legal restrictions, conduct repurchases when its common shares are trading on the New York Stock Exchange (“NYSE”) at a discount to net asset value (“NAV”) of 13% or greater. The Fund intends to commence the Repurchase Program as soon as reasonably practicable, and in no event later than September 1, 2016. The Repurchase Program will terminate on September 30, 2018, provided that following the commencement of the Repurchase Program, if the closing price on the NYSE of the Fund’s common shares represents a discount to NAV of less than 13% on five consecutive trading days, the Repurchase Program will immediately terminate. Under no circumstances will the Fund repurchase in a given calendar month a number of common shares greater than 2% of the Fund’s outstanding common shares as of the beginning of such month.

The Repurchase Program allows the repurchase of common shares in the open market at a discount to NAV. The Repurchase Program could allow the Fund to realize incremental accretion to its NAV and earnings per share to the benefit of existing common shareholders. It could also have the benefit of providing additional liquidity in the trading of common shares.

There is no assurance that the Fund will purchase common shares at any specific discount levels or in any specific amounts. The Fund’s repurchase activity will be disclosed in its shareholder report for the relevant fiscal period. There is no assurance that the market price of the Fund’s common shares, either on an absolute basis or relative to NAV, will increase as a result of any repurchases of common shares, or that the Repurchase Program will enhance shareholder value over the long-term.

The commencement of the Repurchase Program is pursuant to an Agreement between the Fund and Western Investment LLC and certain associated parties (“Western”). Pursuant to the Agreement between the Fund and Western, Western has agreed to be bound by certain “standstill” covenants through July 22, 2021 with respect to the Fund and Advent Claymore Convertible Securities and Income Fund (NYSE: AVK) and Advent Claymore Enhanced Growth & Income Fund (NYSE: LCM) (the “Other Advent Closed-End Funds”). In addition, Western has agreed, among other things, to withdraw its shareholder proposal and trustee nominations for the 2016 annual meeting of shareholders of the Fund and the Other Advent Closed-End Funds. The Fund has been advised that Western will file a copy of the Standstill Agreement with the Securities and Exchange Commission as an exhibit to its Schedule 13D.

## **Additional Information**

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