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SECOND QUARTER FINANCIAL RESULTS

(Note: All dollar amounts in this news release are expressed in U.S. dollars except as otherwise noted. The financial results are prepared using the recognition and measurement requirements of International Financial Reporting Standards except as otherwise noted, and are unaudited.)

Fairfax India Holdings Corporation (TSX: FIH.U) announces net earnings of \$38.3 million in the second quarter of 2016 (\$0.36 per basic share) compared to a net loss of \$2.2 million in the second quarter of 2015 (\$0.02 net loss per basic share) as the company continues to invest the funds it raised into Indian companies. Book value per basic share of \$9.68 at June 30, 2016 increased from \$9.50 at December 31, 2015.

Highlights in and subsequent to the second quarter of 2016 included the following:

- On April 8, 2016 the company announced that, through its wholly-owned subsidiaries, it had agreed to invest \$300 million into the Sanmar Chemicals Group ("Sanmar"), through a combination of equity and debt securities resulting in a 30% equity ownership in Sanmar. As Fairfax India is currently limited to investing approximately \$250 million, the company funded an initial tranche of \$250 million upon the closing of the transaction, and the second tranche of \$50 million will be funded on or before September 30, 2016 by the company, Fairfax or another investor.
- On July 12, 2016 the company announced that through its wholly-owned subsidiaries, it had agreed to acquire a 51% equity ownership of Privi Organics for approximately \$55 million at exchange rates on the announcement date. The transaction is subject to customary closing conditions and is expected to close in the third quarter of 2016.
- At June 30, 2016, common shareholders' equity was \$1,033.2 million or \$9.68 per share.

There were 106.7 million weighted average shares outstanding during the second quarters of 2016 and 2015. At June 30, 2016 there were 76,678,879 subordinate voting shares and 30,000,000 multiple voting shares outstanding.

Effective August 1, 2016 John Varnell will become Vice President, Corporate Affairs, while continuing to assist as the company's liaison with the financial community. The office of Chief Financial Officer of Fairfax India is being assumed by Jennifer Allen who, as Fairfax Financial's Assistant Vice President, Finance and Global Controller for ten years, has worked closely with John.

Fairfax India Holdings Corporation is an investment holding company. Its investment objective is to achieve long-term capital appreciation, while preserving capital, by investing in public and private equity securities and debt instruments in India and Indian businesses or other businesses with customers, suppliers or business primarily conducted in, or dependent on, India.

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Forward-looking statements are based on the opinions and estimates of the company as of the date of this press release, and they are subject to known and unknown risks, uncertainties, assumptions and other factors that may cause the actual results, level of activity, performance or achievements to be materially different from those expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements, including but not limited to the following factors: taxation of the company and its subsidiaries; substantial loss of capital; long-term nature of investment; limited number of investments; geographic concentration of investments; potential lack of diversification; financial market fluctuations; pace of completing investments; control or significant influence position risk; minority investments; ranking of company investments and structural subordination; follow-on investments; prepayments of debt investments; risks upon dispositions of investments; bridge financings; reliance on key personnel; effect of fees; performance fee could induce Fairfax to make speculative investments; operating and financial risks of investments; allocation of personnel; potential conflicts of interest; employee misconduct at the portfolio advisor could harm the company; valuation methodologies involve subjective judgments; lawsuits; foreign currency fluctuation; derivative risks; unknown merits and risks of future investments; resources could be wasted in researching investment opportunities that are not ultimately completed; investments may be made in foreign private businesses where information is unreliable or unavailable; illiquidity of investments; competitive market for investment opportunities; use of leverage; investing in leveraged businesses; regulation; investment and repatriation restrictions; aggregation restrictions; restrictions relating to debt securities; pricing guidelines; emerging markets; corporate disclosure, governance and regulatory requirements; legal and regulatory risks; volatility of the Indian securities markets; political, economic, social and other factors; governance issues risk; Indian tax law; changes in law; exposure to permanent establishment, etc.; enforcement of rights; smaller company risk; due diligence and conduct of potential investment entities; Asian economic risk; reliance on trading partners risk; natural disaster risks; government debt risk; and economic risk. Additional risks and uncertainties are described in the company's annual information form dated March 29, 2016 which is available on SEDAR at www.sedar.com and on the company's website at www.fairfaxindia.ca. These factors and assumptions are not intended to represent a complete list of the factors and assumptions that could affect the company. These factors and assumptions, however, should be considered carefully.

Although the company has attempted to identify important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in forward-looking statements, there may be other factors that cause results not to be as anticipated, estimated or intended. There can be no assurance that such statements will prove to be accurate, as actual results and future events could differ materially from those anticipated in such statements. Accordingly, readers should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements. The company does not undertake to update any forward-looking statements contained herein, except as required by applicable securities laws.