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Further omnibus / blanket orders exempting registrants from certain provisions of National Instrument 31-103 Registration Requirements and Exemptions

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Since the coming into force of National Instrument 31-103 Registration Requirements and Exemptions (NI 31-103), the Canadian Securities Administrators (the CSA or we) have received applications requesting exemptions from certain provisions of NI 31-103.

Each of the CSA members has issued parallel orders (the "orders") that provide relief from the requirement to provide the relationship disclosure information prescribed by section 14.2(1) of NI 31-103 for IIROC member firms, for MFDA member firms and for mutual fund dealers in Ouébec.

This Notice summarizes the orders. We are publishing the orders with this Notice. The orders are also available on websites of CSA members, including:

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1. Relief from the requirement to provide the relationship disclosure information prescribed by section 14.2(1) of NI 31-103 for IIROC member firms

Section 14.2 of NI 31-103, which prescribes relationship disclosure information, is scheduled to come into effect on September 28, 2010. Based on the current status of the proposals of IIROC and the MFDA on the Client Relationship Model ("CRM"), it is not anticipated that the equivalent SRO relationship disclosure requirements will be in effect by September 28, 2010.

Each regulator has issued an order that exempts a dealer that is a member of IIROC from the application of the requirements of section 14.2(1) of NI 31-103 until the earlier of September 28, 2011 or the coming into force of amendments to the IIROC regulation giving effect to the IIROC CRM proposal.

2. Relief from the requirement to provide the relationship disclosure information prescribed by section 14.2(1) of NI 31-103 for MFDA member firms and for mutual fund dealers in Québec

Each regulator has issued an order that exempts a dealer that is a member of the MFDA, and, in Québec, a mutual fund dealer, from the application of the requirements of section 14.2(1) of NI 31-103 until the earlier of September 28, 2011 or the coming into force of amendments to the MFDA rules giving effect to the MFDA CRM proposal.

In Québec, the order will be in force until the earlier of September 28, 2011 or the coming into force of the regulation on mutual fund dealers in Québec.

This relief applies to MFDA members and mutual fund dealers in Québec notwithstanding their registration in other categories.

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