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Headnote

Issuer exempt from the requirements of the *Company Act* relating to trust indentures.

Exemption Order

Norske Skog Canada Limited

Section 87 of the *Company Act*, R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 62

Background

- ¶ 1 Norske Skog Canada Limited (Norske Canada) has applied for an exemption from sections 86 to 97 of the Act.

Representations

- ¶ 2 Norske Canada represents that:
1. it is a corporation amalgamated under the *Canada Business Corporations Act*, is a reporting issuer under the *Securities Act* (British Columbia) and is not in default of any requirement of the *Securities Act* or the *Securities Rules*, B.C. Reg. 194/97;
 2. all of its outstanding common shares are listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange;
 3. it is conducting a private placement of senior notes (the Notes) in the aggregate principle amount of US\$150,000,000 in the United States, British Columbia, Ontario and Québec;
 4. the Notes will be issued under a trust indenture (the Indenture) to be entered into among Norske Canada, certain of its subsidiaries and Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota, National Association (the Trustee);
 5. the Indenture is governed by the laws of the State of New York and the *Trust Indenture Act of 1939* (United States), which contains provisions that are substantially similar to the provisions of sections 86 to 97 of the Act;
 6. the Trustee is a bank organized under the federal laws of the United States of America;

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7. Norske Canada has distributed a preliminary offering memorandum dated May 8, 2003 to prospective purchasers in connection with the offering of the Notes;
8. the Notes will be sold in the United States to qualified institutional purchasers in reliance on Rule 144A of the *Securities Act of 1933* (United States) and outside the United States in reliance on Regulation S under the *Securities Act of 1933*; and
9. any Notes sold in Canada, or to a resident of Canada, will be sold in compliance with applicable securities legislation.

Order

- ¶ 3 Because it is not prejudicial to the public interest, the Executive Director orders under section 87(2) of the Act that sections 86 to 97 of the Act do not apply to the Indenture provided that the Indenture complies in all material respects with the provisions of the *Trust Indenture Act of 1939* that are substantially similar to the provisions of sections 86 to 97 of the Act.
- ¶ 4 May 8, 2003

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