### Annex B

## **Summary of the Terms and Conditions of the SAR Pilot and CSA Commentary**

## Eligibility Criteria

Key Element	Commentary
The issuer is, and has been, a reporting issuer in at least one jurisdiction of Canada for at least 12 months	The intent of this condition is to address concerns related to less frequent reporting in circumstances where an issuer has recently become a reporting issuer and has not demonstrated a history of compliant continuous disclosure. Accordingly, we have included
See preamble in section 4 and subsection 4(a) of the Blanket Order	a condition to limit eligibility to issuers who have been reporting issuers in at least one jurisdiction of Canada for at least 12 months.
The issuer has securities listed on a Canadian venture exchange	The intent of this condition is to limit eligibility for the purposes of the SAR Pilot solely to venture issuers with listed securities on the TSXV or CSE that are subject to exchange listing requirements.
See subsections 4(b) and (c) of the Blanket Order	
The issuer has revenue, as shown on the issuer's most recently filed audited annual financial statements, of no more than C\$10 million	The intent of this condition is to limit eligibility to certain smaller venture issuers.
See subsection 4(d) of the Blanket Order	
The issuer has filed all periodic and timely disclosure documents that it is required to have filed	The intent of this condition is to address concerns related to issuers who are non- compliant with existing requirements in respect of periodic and timely reporting requirements from participating in the SAR Pilot.
See subsection 4(e) of the Blanket Order	
The issuer cannot have been, in the 12 months prior to the issuer relying on the	The intent of this condition is to limit eligibility to issuers that are generally in good standing. We have concerns related to less frequent reporting in circumstances where an issuer has recently been the subject of any penalties, sanctions or cease trade order.

Key Element	Commentary
exemptions in the Blanket Order, the subject of any	We note that, for the purposes of this condition, a late filing fee (or administrative monetary penalty for late filings) is not a "penalty or sanction".
<ul> <li>penalties or sanctions, including restrictions on the use by the issuer of any type of prospectus, or exemption, imposed by a court relating to securities legislation or by a securities regulatory authority</li> <li>cease trade order in any jurisdiction of Canada that was not revoked within 30 days of its issuance</li> </ul>	
See paragraphs 4(f)(i) and (ii) of the Blanket Order	

# Requirements From Which an Eligible Issuer is Exempt

Key Element	Commentary
An eligible issuer is exempt from the requirement to file an interim financial report for each of the three and nine-month interim periods of its financial year	Three and Nine-Month Interim Period  The Blanket Order provides an exemption from the requirement in NI 51-102 to file an interim financial report for each of the three and nine-month periods, subject to certain terms and conditions as described in the chart below.
See section 4 of the Blanket Order See also:  Subsection 4.3(1) of NI 51-102 Paragraph 4.2(b)(i) of NI 51-102 Subsection 5.1(1) of NI 51-102 Subsection 5.1(2) of NI 51-102 Subsection 5.1(2) of NI 52-109	Issuers relying on the exemptions in respect of filing interim financial reports for the three and nine-month periods are not required to file MD&As in respect of such interim periods. The Blanket Order does not include a specific exemption from the MD&A requirements for the three and nine-month interim periods as there is no trigger for an issuer to file an MD&A for any interim period for which it did not file an interim financial report.  The Blanket Order does not include a specific exemption from the interim certificate requirements for the three and nine-month interim periods as there is no trigger for an

Key Element	Commentary
	issuer to file an interim certificate for any interim period for which it did not file an interim financial report.
	Six-Month Interim Period
	Issuers must comply with the filing deadline in NI 51-102 when filing an interim financial report and related MD&A for the six-month interim period and certification of the foregoing filings as required by National Instrument 52-109 <i>Certification of Disclosure in Issuers' Annual and Interim Filings</i> (NI 52-109).
An eligible issuer is exempt from the requirement to deliver interim financial reports and MD&As for each of the three and nine-month interim periods of its financial year	The Blanket Order provides an exemption to issuers from the requirement to deliver an interim financial report and related MD&A where such documents are not required to be filed.
See section 10 of the Blanket Order	
See also:	
<ul><li>Subsection 4.6(3) of NI 51-102</li><li>Subsection 5.6(1) of NI 51-102</li></ul>	
An eligible issuer is exempt from including, in the interim financial report for the sixmonth interim period, a statement of comprehensive income for the current quarter to date and comparative financial information for the corresponding threemonth period in the immediately preceding financial year	The Blanket Order provides an exemption to issuers for the interim financial report for the six-month interim period.
	For example, an issuer with a December 31 year end will only be required to include in its interim financial report for the six-month interim period, a statement of comprehensive income for the six-months ended June 30 and comparative financial information for the corresponding period in the immediately preceding financial year (i.e. a statement of comprehensive income for the three-months ended June 30 and comparative financial information for the corresponding three-month period in the
See section 9 of the Blanket Order	immediately preceding financial year will not be required).
See also:	
<ul> <li>Paragraph 4.3(2)(c) of NI 51-102</li> </ul>	

Key Element	Commentary
An eligible issuer is exempt from certain	Item 1.5 and Item 1.10
MD&A form requirements  See sections 11-14 of the Blanket Order	We are of the view that it is appropriate to exempt issuers participating in the SAR Pilot from these requirements in their entirety to further reduce burden for such issuers.
See also:	Therefore, an issuer that opts into the SAR Pilot will not be required to provide (i) a
<ul> <li>Item 1.5 of Form 51-102F1</li> <li>Item 1.10 of Form 51-102F1</li> </ul>	summary of quarterly results, and related discussion, for each of the eight most recently completed quarters and (ii) a discussion and analysis of events or items in the fourth quarter.
• Item 2.2(a)(i) of Form 51-102F1	Item 2.2(a)(i)
	This exemption is applicable to the MD&A for the six-month interim period.
	For example, an issuer with a December 31 year end will only be required to include in its MD&A for the six-month interim period, a discussion of its analysis of year-to-date results including a comparison of financial performance to the corresponding period in the previous year for the six-months ended June 30.
	Therefore, an issuer that opts into the SAR Pilot will not be required to include in its interim MD&A a discussion of its analysis of current quarter results including a comparison of financial performance to the corresponding period in the previous year for the three-months ended June 30.

## **Additional Conditions and Restrictions**

Key Element	Commentary
An issuer cannot rely on the exemptions in the Blanket Order if in the last 12 months it had stopped relying on the exemptions in the Blanket Order	The intent of this condition is to prohibit issuers from opting in and out of the SAR Pilot. We think it would create confusion in the market, especially for investors, if an issuer frequently changes the cadence of when it reports interim financial results.
See paragraph 4(f)(iii) of the Blanket Order	

Key Element	Commentary
An issuer must file a news release announcing its adoption of the SAR Pilot See subsection 4(g) of the Blanket Order	An issuer intending to rely on the Blanket Order must file a news release with the information specified in the Blanket Order. The news release will provide transparency to the market about the issuer's future filings and allows investors and intermediaries to set their expectations for the timing of future interim financial reporting. As a result, issuers should consider filing the news release as soon as possible after the end of the initial interim period for which they do not intend to file an interim financial report and related MD&A.
An issuer must cease relying on the exemptions in the Blanket Order if it has changed its financial year-end  See subsection 5(a) of the Blanket Order	Changes in financial year-end while relying on the Blanket Order may result in significant periods with no financial disclosure.  We understand that in connection with certain restructuring transactions an issuer may intend to change its financial year-end. If an issuer has been relying on the Blanket Order and intends to change its financial year-end, such issuer is encouraged to contact their principal regulator to discuss staff's expectations for financial disclosure post-transaction.
The exemptions in the Blanket Order do not apply in respect of financial disclosure required in a short form prospectus, an information circular, take-over bid circular or an issuer bid circular  See section 7 of the Blanket Order	The SAR Pilot is intended to be a pilot project to reduce burden in respect of continuous disclosure requirements. The SAR Pilot is not meant to alter prospectus or prospectus-level disclosure required in the context of a prospectus offering or a circular.  The conditions of the Blanket Order require an issuer that files a short form prospectus, information circular, take-over bid circular or issuer bid circular to include the most recent interim financial disclosure in the form required by NI 51-102.  We believe this approach will maintain the integrity of the short form prospectus disclosure system, facilitate comparisons between similar issuers and provides issuers with flexibility to raise capital and conduct business operations during the life of the SAR Pilot.  Issuers planning to file a short form prospectus or a circular while relying on the Blanket Order are encouraged to contact their principal regulator to discuss staff's expectations for financial disclosure.

Key Element	Commentary
An issuer that has filed a short form prospectus must not rely on the exemptions in the Blanket Order during the period of distribution  See section 8 of the Blanket Order	As outlined above, the SAR Pilot is not meant to alter disclosure required in the context of a prospectus offering.
	Accordingly, if an issuer has filed a short form prospectus and has not closed its offering by the filing deadline for a subsequent interim period, the issuer must prepare, and file
	interim financial disclosure required under NI 51-102 without regard to the exemptions included in the Blanket Order. Such interim financial disclosure would be deemed incorporated by reference into the issuer's prospectus by virtue of the language required to be included in a short form prospectus under item 11.2 of Form 44-101F1 Short Form Prospectus.
An issuer must cease relying on the exemptions in the Blanket Order if it has filed a base shelf prospectus	As outlined above, the SAR Pilot is not meant to alter disclosure required in the context of a prospectus offering. Accordingly, the SAR Pilot is not compatible with continuous distributions under shelf prospectuses.
See subsection 5(b) of the Blanket Order	A shelf prospectus supplement can be filed at any time over the life of a base shelf prospectus i.e. 25 months. Further, base shelf prospectuses are used by issuers to, among other things, conduct continuous offerings (e.g., at-the-market distributions). Accordingly, the SAR Pilot is not compatible with the filing of shelf prospectus supplements.
An issuer relying on the exemptions in the Blanket Order must not file a shelf prospectus supplement under a base shelf prospectus that was filed prior to its adoption of the SAR Pilot	
See section 6 of the Blanket Order	