# Appendix E

# **Proposed Amendments to National Instrument 44-101** *Short Form Prospectus Distributions* and Companion Policy

## Schedule E-1

### Proposed Amendments to National Instrument 44-101 Short Form Prospectus Distributions

- 1. National Instrument 44-101 Short Form Prospectus Distributions is amended by this Instrument.
- 2. Section 1.1 is amended
  - (a) by replacing the definition of "approved rating" with the following:

"designated rating" means, for a security, a rating issued by a designated rating organization, or its DRO affiliate, that is at or above one of the following rating categories or that is at or above a category that replaces one of the following rating categories:

<b>Designated Rating</b>	Long Term Debt	Short Term Debt	<b>Preferred Shares</b>
Organization			
DBRS Limited	BBB	R-2	Pfd-3
Fitch, Inc.	BBB	F3	BBB
Moody's Canada	Baa	Prime-3	"baaa"
Inc.			
Standard & Poor's	BBB	A-3	P-3
Ratings Services			
(Canada)			

- (b) in the definition of "cash equivalent", by
  - (*i*) *replacing* "an approved rating" *wherever it occurs with* "a designated rating", *and*
  - (*ii*) *replacing* "approved rating organization" *with* "designated rating organization or its DRO affiliate", *and*
- (c) after the definition of "current annual financial statements", by adding the following definition:

"DRO affiliate" has the same meaning as in section 1 of National Instrument 25-101 *Designated Rating Organizations*;.

## 3. Section 2.3 is amended

- (a) in the title, by replacing "Approved Rating" with "Designated Rating",
- (b) in paragraph (1)(e), by
  - (*i*) *replacing* "an approved rating" *wherever it occurs with* "a designated rating",
  - (ii) in subparagraph (e)(ii),
    - (A) *replacing* "an approved rating organization" *with* "a designated rating organization or its DRO affiliate",
    - (B) replacing "approved rating" with "designated rating", and
  - (*iii*) *in subparagraph* (*e*)(*iii*), *replacing* "approved rating organization" *with* "designated rating organization or its DRO affiliate".

# 4. Subsection 2.4(1) is amended by

- (a) *replacing* "an approved rating" *wherever it occurs with* "a designated rating",
- (b) *replacing* "an approved rating organization" *wherever it occurs with* "a designated rating organization or its DRO affiliate",
- (c) *replacing* "any approved rating organization" *wherever it occurs with* "any designated rating organization or its DRO affiliate",
- (d) in clause (c)(i)(B), replacing "approved rating" with "designated rating", and
- (e) in clause(c)(ii)(B), replacing "approved rating" with "designated rating".
- 5. Subsection 2.6(1) is amended by
  - (a) *replacing* "an approved rating" *wherever it occurs with* "a designated rating",
  - (b) in subparagraph (c)(ii),
    - (*i*) *replacing* "an approved rating organization" *with* "a designated rating organization or its DRO affiliate",

- (ii) replacing "approved rating" with "designated rating", and
- (c) in subparagraph (c)(iii), replacing "approved rating organization" with "designated rating organization or its DRO affiliate".
- 6. *Item 7.9 of Form 44-101F1 is amended by replacing* "securities of the issuer that are outstanding, or will be outstanding," *with* "the securities being distributed".
- 7. This Instrument comes into force on  $\bullet$ , 2012.