British Columbia Securities Commission

BC Instrument 81-801

The British Columbia Securities Commission, having considered that to do so would not be prejudicial to the public interest, orders that the attached BC Instrument 81-801 *Implementing National Instrument 81-106 Investment Fund Continuous Disclosure* is made effective June 1, 2005.

May 19, 2005

Douglas M. Hyndman Chair

(This part is for administrative purposes only and is not part of the Order)

Authority under which Order is made:

Act and sections:- *Securities Act*, sections 91(1), and 119(2) Other (specify):- National Instrument 81-106 *Investment Fund Continuous Disclosure*, s. 17.1

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Implementing National Instrument 81-106 Investment Fund Continuous Disclosure

Order Under Section 91(1) and 119(2) of the Securities Act and Section 17.1 of National Instrument 81-106 Investment Fund Continuous Disclosure

1. Interpretation - In this Instrument

(a) "Act" means the *Securities* Act;

- (b) "investment fund" has the same meaning as in NI 81-106;
- (c) "NI 81-106" means National Instrument 81-106 Investment Fund Continuous Disclosure;
- (d) "non-redeemable investment fund" has the same meaning as in NI 81-106.

2. Application

- (1) This instrument implements NI 81-106 by providing relief from
 - (a) the material change reporting and proxy requirements of the Act, and
 - (b) the financial statement and interim reporting requirements of the Rules
 - to investment funds that comply with NI 81-106.
- (2) This instrument implements NI 81-106 by permitting investment funds whose financial year ends before June 30, 2005 to continue preparing their financial statements and interim reports in compliance with the Rules that were in force on May 31, 2005 until the investment fund has had its first financial year end after June 30, 2005.
- **3.** Material Change Reporting Exemption Section 85 of the Act does not apply to an investment fund that complies with Part 11 of NI 81-106.
- **4. Proxy Requirements Exemption** Section 117 of the Act does not apply to a person soliciting proxies from securityholders of an investment fund, if that person complies with Part 10 of NI 81-106.
- 5. Interim financial statement filing exemption [revised effective June 30, 2005 see BCN 2005/35]
- (1) Section 144(2) does not apply to a reporting issuer that is an investment fund for financial statements relating to financial years ending before June 30, 2006 if,
 - (a) in the case of a non-redeemable investment fund that is a reporting issuer, the fund files, on or before the 60th day after the date to which they are made up, interim financial statements,
 - (i) if the non-redeemable investment fund has not completed its first financial year, for the periods commencing with the beginning of that financial year and ending 9, 6 and 3 months respectively before the end of that financial year, or

- (ii) if the non-redeemable investment fund has completed its first financial year, for the periods commencing at the end of its last completed financial year and ending 3, 6 and 9 months after that financial year end and comparative financial statements to the end of each of the corresponding periods in the immediately preceding financial year,
- (b) in the case of a mutual fund that is a reporting issuer, the mutual fund files, on or before the 60th day after the date to which they are made up, interim financial statements,
 - (i) if the mutual fund has not completed its first financial year, for the period commencing with the beginning of that financial year and ending 6 months before the end of that financial year, and
 - (ii) if the mutual fund has completed its first financial year, for the 6 month period commencing at the end of its last completed financial year and may include comparative financial statements to the end of the corresponding period in the immediately preceding financial year.
- (2) The interim financial statements filed under subsection 5(1)(a) must include
 - (i) a statement of changes in financial position, and
 - (ii) an income statement.
- (3) The interim financial statements filed under subsection 5(1)(b) must include
 - (i) an income statement,
 - (ii) a statement of investment portfolio, and
 - (iii) a statement of changes in net assets.
- (4) The interim financial statements filed under subsection 5(1)(a) or 5(1)(b) need not include an audit report.
- (5) A reporting issuer that is an investment fund pays the fees required to be paid as if the investment fund filed its interim financial statements under s.144 of the Rules.
- (6) A reporting issuer that is an investment fund is not required to prepare its financial statements on a comparative basis under subsections 5(1)(a) or 5(1)(b) if the ending date of that comparative period precedes the date on which the investment fund became a reporting issuer.

6. Annual financial statement filing exemption

- (1) Section 145 (2) does not apply to a reporting issuer that is an investment fund for financial statements relating to financial years ending before June 30, 2005 if,
 - (a) the investment fund files annually under comparative financial statements relating separately to

- (i) the period that commend on the date of incorporation or organization and ended as at the close of the first financial year, or if the investment fund has completed a financial year, the latest financial year, as the case may be, and
- (ii) the period covered by the financial year immediately preceding the latest financial year, if any.
- (2) The financial statements required to be filed under subsection (1) must
 - (a) be filed on or before the 140^{th} day after the end of the latest financial year, and
 - (b) include, if they are to be filed by a non-redeemable investment fund,
 - (i) an income statement,
 - (ii) a statement of retained earnings,
 - (iii) a statement of changes in financial position, and
 - (iv) a balance sheet, and
 - (c) include, if they are to be filed by a mutual fund,
 - (i) a balance sheet,
 - (ii) a statement of investment portfolio,
 - (iii) a statement of changes in net assets, and
 - (iv) an income statement.
- (3) The reporting issuer that is investment fund pays the fees required to be paid as if the investment fund filed its annual financial statements under s. 145 of the Rules.
- 7. Quarterly Reports Filing Exemption Section 152 of the Rules does not apply to a reporting issuer that is an investment fund for financial years ending on or after June 30, 2005, if the reporting issuer complies with Part 4 of NI 81-106.

8. Financial statements in a prospectus – investment fund

- (1) Sections 113 and 113.1 of the Rules do not apply to an investment fund that is a reporting issuer on June 1, 2005 and which, as of the date of the prospectus, was not required to file financial statements to which NI 81-106 applies, if it includes in its prospectus the financial statements it was required to file for continuous disclosure purposes, including those prepared in reliance on the exemptions in Parts 5 and 6 of this Instrument.
- (2) Despite subsection (1), an investment fund is not required to include a statement of portfolio transactions in its prospectus.