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Registration Requirements

1. Interpretation

- (1) Terms defined in the *Securities Act*, the *Securities Rules*, NI 14-101 *Definitions* or NI 31-103 *Registration Requirements*, have the same meanings in this Instrument.
- (2) "NI 31-103" means National Instrument 31-103 Registration Requirements.

2. Definition of dealing in securities

For the purposes of this Instrument and NI 31-103, "dealing in securities" includes

- (a) trading securities or exchange contracts,
- (b) acquiring securities or exchange contracts,
- (c) underwriting securities or exchange contracts, and
- (d) any act advertisement, solicitation, conduct or negotiation directly or indirectly in furtherance of an activity described in paragraph (b).
- **3.** Exemption for dealers that are not in the business of dealing in securities The dealer registration requirement does not apply to a person who is not in the business of dealing in securities.

4. Exemption from underwriter registration

The underwriter registration requirement does not apply to

- (a) a registered investment dealer,
- (b) a registered exempt market dealer, or
- (c) a dealing representative at (a) or (b).

5. Fair dealing with clients

- (1) A registrant must deal fairly, honestly and in good faith with the clients of the registrant.
- (2) A registered
 - (a) dealing representative
 - (b) advising representative
 - (c) associate advising representative

must deal fairly, honestly and in good faith with the clients of the dealer or adviser.

6. Information about registrant available on client's request

- (1) On request, a registrant must provide a client or prospective client with information about
 - (a) the registrant's registration status, including category of registration and any restrictions on or conditions of registration,
 - (b) any current administrative proceeding by a securities or exchange contracts regulatory authority, or by a self regulatory body or exchange, against the registrant in any jurisdiction,
 - (c) if the registrant is a registered individual, the registrant's education
 - (d) if the registrant is a dealer or adviser, a copy of the registrant's most recently prepared annual financial statements
 - (e) if the registrant is a dealer or adviser, a current list of the dealer's or adviser's partners, directors and senior officers,
 - (f) any registration or licensing under the *Financial Institutions Act* or comparable legislation in another jurisdiction.
- (2) A registered dealer and a registered adviser must inform its clients annually that the information referred to in subsection (1) is available to clients on request.

7. Subordination agreement

A registered firm must not borrow in order to maintain excess working capital unless the registered firm and the lender enter into a subordination agreement that subordinates the lender's claims to those of all current and future general creditors.

8. Compensation or contingency trust fund

(1) A registered firm must participate in and contribute to a compensation fund or contingency trust fund established by a

(a) self regulatory body recognized under section 24 of the Act, or (b) trust company.

(2) The executive director may exempt a registered firm from the requirement in subsection (1).

9. Trade confirmations – exchange contracts

- (1) If a registered dealer purchases or sells an exchange contract for a client, the trade confirmation that the dealer sends to the client must include, in addition to that information required under section 5.21 of NI 31-103,
 - (a) the delivery month and year, and
 - (b) the expiry date.

- (2) If a registered dealer purchases or sells an exchange contract that is an option for a client, the trade confirmation that the dealer sends to the client must include, in addition to that information required under subsection (1),
 - (a) the price of the initial and offsetting transactions,
 - (b) the dates of the initial and offsetting transactions,
 - (c) the gross profit or loss on the transactions, and
 - (d) the net profit or loss on the transactions.

10. Executive director's conditions of registration

- (1) The executive director may
 - (a) vary, if the executive director considers that to do so would not be prejudicial to the public interest, or
 - (b) add to, if the executive director considers that to do so would be in the public interest,

the provisions that apply to a registrant or a group of registrants in Parts 4, 5, and 6 of NI 31-103.

(2) The executive director must not vary or add to the provisions respecting registration under subsection (1) without giving the registrant or group of registrants an opportunity to be heard.