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To: Registrants

***IMPORTANT- New Reporting Requirement
United Nations Suppression of Terrorism Regulations***

We bring to your attention that the Government of Canada has enacted new regulations to assist in the fight against terrorism. The [United Nations Suppression of Terrorism Regulations](#) (the “Regulations”) implement key measures in a resolution adopted by the United Nations Security Council on September 28, 2001. A copy of the Regulations is available from the Office of the Superintendent of Financial Institutions (“OSFI”) website (<http://www.osfi-bsif.gc.ca/>). You should obtain a copy and read these Regulations because they may affect you. The OSFI website also has a consolidated schedule listing names of terrorist individuals and organizations (the “Listed Persons”).

These Regulations impose a number of duties on all Canadian financial institutions, which includes any provincially regulated entities that deal in securities or are engaged in portfolio management or investment counselling and that are incorporated or formed under an Act of Parliament or the legislature of a province. These duties include the following obligations:

1. Freeze Property: Under section 4 of the Regulations any property held either directly or indirectly on behalf of a Listed Person must be held and frozen.
2. Duty to Disclose: Under section 8 of the Regulations you must promptly report to both the RCMP and Canadian Security and Intelligence Service (“CSIS”) any property held for any Listed Person and any details about actual or proposed transactions concerning that property. You can contact

the RCMP at their dedicated tips line (1-888-349-9963). Contact with CSIS should be directed to the Project Leader Government Operations, Security Screening Branch in Ottawa, phone: 613-842-1874 or fax: 613-842-1902.

3. Duty to Review and Make Filings : Under section 7 of the Regulations you must review your records on a continuing basis for any dealings with Listed Persons and report your findings on a monthly basis to the Nova Scotia Securities Commission (“NSSC”). **Your first report must be filed with the NSSC by October 26, 2001, with subsequent reports to be provided on the 15th day of each month thereafter.** A copy of the required form is available on our website at www.gov.ns.ca/nssc. A senior officer of the firm, preferably the designated compliance officer, should sign the monthly report. The OSFI website has an updated consolidated schedule of Listed Persons. Please refer to the OSFI website prior to completing each report.

If you are required to provide a similar report to another Canadian regulator or agency, the Commission will accept a copy of the report filed with the other agency. It is not necessary to prepare a separate report.

Please submit the required report to the Deputy Director, Capital Markets, by fax at (902) 424-4625. If you have any questions about these requirements you can contact our office at (902) 424-7768.

Yours truly,

NOVA SCOTIA SECURITIES COMMISSION

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