Amendments to Companion Policy 45-102CP to Multilateral Instrument 45-102 Resale of Securities

PART 1 AMENDMENTS TO COMPANION POLICY 45-102CP

- **1.1 Amendment** Companion Policy 45-102CP to Multilateral Instrument 45-102 *Resale of Securities* (the Companion Policy) is amended by:
 - (a) in the Companion Policy, striking "Multilateral Instrument 45-102" and substituting "National Instrument 45-102" as follows:
 - (i) in the title of the Companion Policy, and
 - (ii) in subsection 1.1(1) of the Companion Policy;
 - (b) amending section 1.1 by
 - (i) striking "MI 45-102" wherever it appears and substituting "NI 45-102",
 - (ii) in subsection (1), striking "except Quebec", and
 - (iii) in subsection (2); striking "Manitoba, New Brunswick and the Yukon Territory" and substituting "Manitoba and Yukon",
 - (c) amending section 1.2 by
 - (i) in subsections (1) and (3), striking "MI 45-102" wherever it appears and substituting "NI 45-102",
 - (ii) repealing and replacing subsection (2) with:
 - (1) Appendices D and E to NI 45-102 list the new harmonized exemptions in National Instrument 45-106 *Registration and Prospectus Exemptions* (NI 45-106) and local exemptions that are subject to the resale restrictions under section 2.5 or 2.6 of NI 45-102, while Appendix F lists the new harmonized exemptions in NI 45-106 applicable to underwriters. Each of these appendices also contains transitional provisions applicable to securities acquired under exemptions listed in the Appendices to MI 45-102 as Appendices D, E and F read on March 30, 2004. For all local exemptions that come into effect after September 14, 2005, you should look to the local instrument itself to see if it specifies that the securities acquired are subject to section 2.5 or 2.6 of NI 45-102 as well as to Appendix D and E to NI 45-102. You may also wish to consult the CSA Notice listing local registration and

prospectus exemptions in place in each jurisdiction of Canada, which the CSA will update periodically.

(d) repealing and replacing section 1.3 with:

1.3 Transition

- When Multilateral Instrument 45-102 Resale of Securities ("former (1) MI 45-102") came into force on November 30, 2001, that instrument imposed harmonized resale restrictions on the first trade of securities made on or after that date, even if the securities were distributed, or acquired by the selling security holder in the case of a trade that is a control distribution, prior to November 30, 2001. These securities were subject to prescribed restricted periods and seasoning periods of either four or twelve months. When MI 45-102 was implemented on March 30, 2004, the securities of all reporting issuers became subject to four month restricted and seasoning periods under section 2.5 and 2.8 or four month seasoning periods under section 2.6 of MI 45-102. This meant that any existing restricted period or seasoning period imposed under Part 2 of former MI 45-102 that exceeded four months was reduced to four months under MI 45-102. Under NI 45-102, securities of all reporting issuers continue to be subject to a four month restricted period under subsection 2.5(2) or 2.8(2) of the Instrument.
- (2) Item 3. of subsection 2.5(2) of MI 45-102 required that the certificate or the ownership statement evidencing a security that is the subject of the first trade carry either a legend or a legend restriction notation disclosing the resale restrictions. This legend requirement applied only to securities distributed on or after MI 45-102 comes into effect on March 30, 2004 in all jurisdictions except Quebec. We have added language to Item 3. of subsection 2.5(2) of NI 45-102 to clarify that the legend requirement in NI 45-102 will only apply to securities distributed in Quebec on or after NI 45-106 comes into effect on September 14, 2005.
- (3) Issuers may continue to replace those certificates that are legended in accordance with former MI 45-102 with a certificate (or an acceptable electronic alternative) carrying the legend (or legend restriction notation) specified in item 3. of subsection 2.5(2) of NI 45-102. As was the case under former MI 45-102, certificates representing securities distributed prior to November 30, 2001 do not have to be legended.
- (e) amending section 1.4 by

- (i) striking "MI 45-102" and substituting "NI 45-102", and
- (ii) striking "Manitoba, New Brunswick and the Yukon Territory" and substituting "Manitoba and Yukon";
- (f) amending sections 1.5 and 1.6 by striking "MI 45-102" wherever it appears and substituting "NI 45-102";
- (g) repealing and replacing section 1.7 with:
 - 1.7 **Legending of Securities** - Item 3. of subsection 2.5(2) of NI 45-102 imposes a legend requirement for securities distributed under any of the provisions listed in Appendix D to NI 45-102 or another prospectus exemption of any jurisdiction subject to the resale restrictions in subsection 2.5(2) of NI 45-102. Beneficial security holders must receive either a paper certificate representing their security or an electronic alternative such as an ownership statement under a direct registration system, scheduled to be phased into operation during 2005. If a paper certificate is issued, the certificate must carry the legend specified in item 3 that notifies the beneficial security holder of the applicable resale restrictions. Similarly, an ownership statement must carry a restricted legend notation that notifies the beneficial security holder of the applicable resale restrictions. Issuers may add additional wording to that found in item 3. of subsection 2.5(2) of NI 45-102. If you supplement the specified text of the legend on the certificate or the restricted legend notation on the ownership statement, that additional wording cannot alter the meaning of the specified wording. You should also look to section 1.10 for further guidance on the legending of convertible and underlying securities.
- (h) amending section 1.8 by:
 - (i) in subsection (1) striking "MI 45-102" and substituting "NI 45-102", and
 - (ii) repealing subsection (2);
- (i) amending sections 1.9, 1.11, 1.12, 1.13, 1.14 and 1.15 by striking "MI 45-102" wherever it appears and substituting "NI 45-102";
- (j) amending section 1.16 by:
 - (i) striking "MI 45-102" wherever it appears and substituting "NI 45-102", and
 - (ii) striking the last sentence.

PART 2 EFFECTIVE DATE

2.1 **Effective Date -** These amendments are effective September 14, 2005.