



Warning Notice

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Warning Notices contain the names of entities recently brought to OSFI’s attention through some form of notice, inquiry or complaint. If these entities, or persons purporting to represent them, are operating in Canada, they may be violating provisions of the *Bank Act*, other federal financial institution legislation, other federal legislation, or provincial legislation.

A cumulative list of entities on previous Warning Circulars, Notices or Advisories is available on OSFI’s Web site at http://www.osfi-bsif.gc.ca/osfi/index_e.aspx?ArticleID=166

<i>Name and Address of Entity</i>	<i>Web Address / Related Entity(ies)</i>	<i>Agency to contact with any further information</i>
<p>Transamerica Investors Group Unknown</p> <p><i>(Not connected with Transamerica Life Canada, a legitimate insurance company, or its affiliates.)</i></p>	None	<p>OSFI; and Phonebusters National Call Centre (PNCC) Box 686 North Bay ON P1B 8J8 Web site: www.phonebusters.com Telephone: 1 (888) 495-8501 (toll-free in Canada and the USA) Fax: 1 (888) 654-9426 (toll-free in Canada and the USA) Telephone: 1 (705) 495-8501 (overseas and local) Fax: 1 (705) 494-4008 (overseas and local) Regular e-mail: info@phonebusters.com Address for “Nigerian” scam letters: waf1@phonebusters.com</p>
<p>Sun Trust Insurance Company of Canada / Sun Trust Financial Unknown</p> <p><i>(Not connected with Sun Life Financial Trust Inc., a legitimate federal trust company, or its affiliates.)</i></p>	<p>Affordable Lending Group 1244 Union Street Lansing, MI 48906 USA</p>	

The above entities are not federally regulated financial institutions. They are fictional entities and may be part of various advance fee scams (see OSFI's Warning Notice No. 23, dated February 2002).

Nigerian/African "scam" letters should be forwarded to the PNCC, a joint partnership between the Ontario Provincial Police and the RCMP. The PNCC is interested in receiving copies of any new versions of the scam letters, particularly those involving Canadian mailing addresses or telephone numbers. This intelligence information is used to assist in the strategic targeting of would-be fraudsters.

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