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Gouvernement du Québec

O.C. 40-2013, 22 January 2013

Public Service Act (chapter F-3.1.1)

Appeals procedure for public servants not governed by a collective agreement — Amendment

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting an appeals procedure for public servants not governed by a collective agreement

WHEREAS, under the first paragraph of section 127 of the Public Service Act (chapter F-3.1.1), the Government, by regulation, may make provision for an appeal in the matters it determines, for public servants who are not governed by a collective agreement and for whom no appeal is provided in those matters under the Act;

WHEREAS the Government made the Regulation respecting an appeals procedure for public servants not governed by a collective agreement (chapter F-3.1.1, r. 5) by Order in Council 1042-2001 dated 12 September 2001;

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Regulation;

WHEREAS, in accordance with section 10 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1) and section 128 of the Public Service Act, a draft of the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting an appeals procedure for public servants not governed by a collective agreement was published in Part 2 of the *Gazette officielle du Québec* of 11 July 2012 with a notice that it may be made by the Government, with or without amendment, on the expiry of 30 days following that publication;

WHEREAS the 30-day period has expired;

WHEREAS it is expedient to make the Regulation, without amendment;

IT IS ORDERED, therefore, on the recommendation of the Minister responsible for Government Administration and Chair of the Conseil du trésor:

THAT the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting an appeals procedure for public servants not governed by a collective agreement, attached to this Order in Council, be made.

JEAN ST-GELAIS, Clerk of the Conseil exécutif

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting an appeals procedure for public servants not governed by a collective agreement

Public Service Act (chapter F-3.1.1, s. 127)

1. The Regulation respecting an appeals procedure for public servants not governed by a collective agreement (chapter F-3.1.1, r. 5) is amended by striking out paragraph 5 of section 2.

2. This Regulation comes into force on the fifteenth day following the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.

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M.O., 2013-01

Order number V-1.1-2013-01 of the Minister of Finance and the Economy, January 18th, 2013

Securities Act

(chapter V-1.1, s. 331.1, subpars. 1, 2, 3, 4.1, 8, 11, 20, 30 and 34)

CONCERNING the Regulation to amend Regulation 54-101 respecting communication with beneficial owners of securities of a reporting issuer and the Regulation to amend Regulation 51-102 respecting continuous disclosure obligations

WHEREAS subparagraphs 1, 2, 3, 4.1, 8, 11, 20, 30 and 34 of section 331.1 of the Securities Act (chapter V-1.1) provide that the *Autorité des marchés financiers* may make regulations concerning the matters referred to in those paragraphs;

WHEREAS the third and fourth paragraphs of section 331.2 of the said Act provide that a draft regulation shall be published in the *Bulletin de l'Autorité des marchés financiers*, accompanied with the notice required under section 10 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1) and may not be submitted for approval or be made before 30 days have elapsed since its publication;

WHEREAS the first and fifth paragraphs of the said section provide that every regulation made under section 331.1 must be approved, with or without amendment, by the Minister and comes into force on the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec* or on any later date specified in the regulation;

WHEREAS the Regulation 54-101 respecting communication with beneficial owners of securities of a reporting issuer was made by decision no. 2003-C-0082 dated March 3, 2003 (*Bulletin hebdomadaire* vol. XXXIV, no. 19, dated May 16, 2003);

WHEREAS the Regulation 51-102 respecting continuous disclosure obligations was made by decision no. 2005-PDG-0113 dated May 9, 2005 (*Bulletin de l'Autorité* vol. 2, no. 22, dated June 3, 2005);

WHEREAS there is cause to amend those regulations;

WHEREAS the draft Regulation to amend Regulation 54-101 respecting communication with beneficial owners of securities of a reporting issuer and the draft Regulation to amend Regulation 51-102 respecting continuous disclosure obligations were published for a first time in the *Bulletin de l'Autorité des marchés financiers*, vol. 7, no. 14 of April 9, 2010 and a second time in the *Bulletin de l'Autorité des marchés financiers*, volume 8, n° 24 of June 17, 2011;

WHEREAS the *Autorité des marchés financiers* made, on December 20, 2012, by the decision no. 2012-PDG-0233, Regulation to amend Regulation 54-101 respecting communication with beneficial owners of securities of a reporting issuer and, by the decision no. 2012-PDG-0234, Regulation to amend Regulation 51-102 respecting continuous disclosure obligations;

WHEREAS there is cause to approve those regulations without amendment;

CONSEQUENTLY, the Minister of Finance and the Economy approves without amendment the Regulation to amend Regulation 54-101 respecting communication with beneficial owners of securities of a reporting issuer and the Regulation to amend Regulation 51-102 respecting continuous disclosure obligations appended hereto.

January 18, 2013

NICOLAS MARCEAU, Minister of Finance and the Economy

Regulation to amend Regulation 54-101 respecting communication with beneficial owners of securities of a reporting issuer

Securities Act (R.S.Q., c. V-1.1, a. 331.1, par. (1), (2), (3), (4.1), (8), (11), (20), (30) and (34))

1. Section 1.1 of Regulation 54-101 respecting Communication with Beneficial Owners of Securities of a Reporting Issuer is amended:

(1) by deleting, in the French text of the definition of the expression "beneficial owner", the words "ou société"; (2) by deleting, in the French text of the definition of the expression "client", the words "ou la société";

(3) by deleting, in the French text of the definition of the expression "depository", the words "ou société";

(4) in the French text of the definition of the expression "intermediary":

(a) by deleting, wherever they occur in the part preceding paragraph (a), the words "ou société";

(b) by deleting, in paragraph (a), the words "ni une société";

(5) by deleting the definition of the expression "legal proxy";

(6) by deleting, in the French text of the definition of the expression "nominee", the words "ou société";

(7) by inserting, after the definition of the expression "non-objecting beneficial owner list", the following:

""notice-and-access" means

(a) in respect of registered holders of voting securities of a reporting issuer, the delivery procedures referred to in section 9.1.1 of Regulation 51-102 respecting Continuous Disclosure Obligations (M.O. 2005-03, 05-05-19); or

(b) in respect of beneficial owners of securities of a reporting issuer, the delivery procedures referred to in section 2.7.1;";

(8) by deleting, in the French text of the definition of the expression "participant in a depository", the words "ou une société";

(9) by inserting, in the definition of the expression "proxy-related materials" and after the words "registered holders", the words "or beneficial owners";

(10) by deleting, in the French text of the definition of the expression "registered holder", the words "ou société";

(11) by inserting, after the definition of "request for beneficial ownership information", the following:

""SEC issuer" means an issuer that

(a) has a class of securities registered under section 12 of the 1934 Act or is required to file reports under section 15(d) of the 1934 Act; and (b) is not registered or required to be registered as an investment company under the *Investment Company Act* of 1940 of the United States of America, as amended;

(12) by deleting the definition of the expression "request for voting instructions";

(13) by inserting, in the definition of the expression "securityholder materials" and after the words "registered holders", the words "or beneficial owners";

(14) by inserting, after the definition of the expression "special meeting", the following:

""stratification", in relation to a reporting issuer using notice-and-access, means procedures whereby a paper copy of the information circular and, if applicable, the documents in paragraph 2.7.1(2)(b), are included with either or both of the following:

(a) the documents required to be sent to registered holders under subsection 9.1(1) of Regulation 51-102 respecting Continuous Disclosure Obligations;

(b) the documents required to be sent to beneficial owners under subsection 2.7.1(1);";

(15) by deleting, in the French text of the definition of the expression "transfer agent", the words "ou société".

2. Section 1.3 of the Regulation is amended:

(1) by replacing, in the French text, the title with the following:

"1.3. Utilisation des formulaires prévus";

(2) by replacing paragraph (1) with the following:

"(1) A person required to send or use a required form or document under a provision of this Regulation may substitute for that form or document another form or document, or combine the required form or document with another form or document, if the substituted or combined form or document requests or includes the same information contemplated by the form or document that is otherwise required.".

3. Section 2.2 of the Regulation is amended by replacing subparagraphs (g) and (h) of paragraph (2) with the following:

"(g) the classes or series of securities that entitle the holder to vote at the meeting;

"(h) whether the meeting is a special meeting;

"(i) whether the reporting issuer is sending proxyrelated materials to registered holders or beneficial owners using notice-and-access and, if stratification will be used, the types of registered holders or beneficial owners who will receive paper copies of the information circular or other proxy-related materials;

"(j) whether the reporting issuer is sending the proxyrelated materials directly to NOBOs; and

"(k) whether the reporting issuer intends to pay for a proximate intermediary to send the proxy-related materials to OBOs.".

4. Section 2.5 of the Regulation is amended by replacing paragraph (4) with the following:

"(4) A reporting issuer that requests beneficial ownership information under this section must do so through a transfer agent.

"(5) Despite subsection (4), a reporting issuer may request beneficial ownership information without using a transfer agent for the sole purpose of obtaining a NOBO list if the reporting issuer has provided an undertaking using Form 54-101F9.".

5. Section 2.7 of the Regulation is amended by replacing, in the French text of the title, the words "de documents" with the words "des documents".

6. The Regulation is amended by inserting, after section 2.7, the following:

"2.7.1. Notice-and-Access

(1) A reporting issuer that is not an investment fund may use notice-and-access to send proxy-related materials relating to a meeting to a beneficial owner of its securities if all of the following apply:

(a) the beneficial owner is sent a notice that contains the following information and no other information:

(i) the date, time and location of the meeting for which the proxy-related materials are being sent;

(ii) a description of each matter or group of related matters identified in the form of proxy to be voted on, unless that information is already included in a Form 54-101F6 or Form 54-101F7 as applicable, that is being sent to the beneficial owner under paragraph (b); (iii) the website addresses for SEDAR and the non-SEDAR website where the proxy-related materials are posted;

(iv) a reminder to review the information circular before voting;

(v) an explanation of how to obtain a paper copy of the information circular and, if applicable, the documents in paragraph (2)(b) from the reporting issuer;

(vi) a plain-language explanation of notice-and-access that includes the following information:

(A) if the reporting issuer is using stratification, a list of the types of registered holders or beneficial owners who will receive paper copies of the information circular, and if applicable, the documents in paragraph (2)(b);

(B) the estimated date and time by which a request for a paper copy of the information circular and, if applicable, the documents in paragraph (2)(b), is to be received in order for the requester to receive the paper copy in advance of any deadline for the submission of voting instructions and the date of the meeting;

(C) an explanation of how the beneficial owner is to return voting instructions, including any deadline for return of those instructions;

(D) the sections of the information circular where disclosure regarding each matter or group of related matters identified in the notice can be found;

(E) a toll-free telephone number the beneficial owner can call to get information about notice-and-access;

(b) using the procedures referred to in section 2.9 or 2.12, as applicable, the beneficial owner is sent, by prepaid mail, courier or the equivalent, the notice required by paragraph (a) and a Form 54-101F6 or Form 54-101F7, as applicable;

(c) the reporting issuer files on SEDAR the notification of meeting and record dates on the same date that it sends the notification under subsection 2.2(1);

(d) public electronic access to the information circular and the notice in paragraph (a) is provided on or before the date that the reporting issuer sends the notice in paragraph (a) to beneficial owners, in the following manner:

(i) the documents are filed on SEDAR;

(ii) the documents are posted until the date that is one year from the date that the documents are posted, on a website other than the website for SEDAR;

(e) a toll-free telephone number is provided for use by the beneficial owner to request a paper copy of the information circular and, if applicable, the documents in paragraph (2)(b), at any time from the date that the reporting issuer sends the notice in paragraph (a) to the beneficial owner up to and including the date of the meeting, including any adjournment;

(f) if a request for a paper copy of the information circular and, if applicable, the documents in paragraph (2)(b), is received at the toll-free telephone number provided under paragraph (e) or by any other means, a paper copy of any such document requested is sent free of charge by the reporting issuer to the requester at the address specified in the request in the following manner:

(i) in the case of a request received prior to the date of the meeting, within 3 business days after receiving the request, by first class mail, courier or the equivalent;

(ii) in the case of a request received on or after the date of the meeting, and within one year of the information circular being filed, within 10 calendar days after receiving the request, by prepaid mail, courier or the equivalent.

(2) Unless an information circular is included with the proxy-related materials, a reporting issuer that sends proxy-related materials to a beneficial owner of its securities using notice-and-access must not include with the proxy-related materials any information or document that relates to the particulars of any matter to be submitted to the meeting, except for the following:

(a) the information required to be included in the notice under paragraph (1)(a);

(b) financial statements of the reporting issuer to be approved at the meeting, and MD&A related to those financial statements, which may be part of an annual report.

"2.7.2. Notice in advance of first use of notice-and-access

Despite paragraph 2.7.1(1)(c) and subsection 2.20(a.1), the first time that a reporting issuer uses notice-and-access to send proxy-related materials to a beneficial owner of its securities, the reporting issuer must file on SEDAR the notification of meeting and record dates at least 25 days before the record date for notice.

"2.7.3. Restrictions on information gathering

(1) A reporting issuer that receives a request for a paper copy of the information circular or other documents referred to in paragraph 2.7.1(1)(e) using the toll-free telephone number or by any other means must not do any of the following:

(a) ask for any information about the requester, other than the name and address to which the information circular and, if applicable, the documents in paragraph 2.7.1(2)(b), are to be sent;

(b) disclose or use the name or address of the requester for any purpose other than sending the information circular and, if applicable, the documents in paragraph 2.7.1(2)(b).

(2) A reporting issuer that posts proxy-related materials pursuant to subparagraph 2.7.1(1)(d)(ii) must not collect information that can be used to identify a person who has accessed the website address where the proxy-related materials are posted.

"2.7.4. Posting materials on non-SEDAR website

(1) A reporting issuer that posts proxy-related materials in the manner referred to in subparagraph 2.7.1(1)(d)(ii) must also post on the website the following documents:

(a) any disclosure material regarding the meeting that the reporting issuer has sent to registered holders or beneficial owners of its securities;

(b) any written communications the reporting issuer has made available to the public regarding each matter or group of matters to be voted on at the meeting, whether or not they were sent to registered holders or beneficial owners of its securities.

(2) Proxy-related materials that are posted under subparagraph 2.7.1(1)(d)(ii) must be posted in a manner and be in a format that permit an individual with a reasonable level of computer skill and knowledge to do all of the following easily:

(a) access, read and search the documents on the website;

(b) download and print the documents.

"2.7.5. Consent to other delivery methods

For greater certainty, section 2.7.1 does not

(a) prevent a beneficial owner from consenting to a reporting issuer, an intermediary or another person's use of other delivery methods to send proxy-related materials;

(b) terminate or modify a consent that a beneficial owner of voting securities previously gave to a reporting issuer, an intermediary or another person regarding the use of other delivery methods to send proxy-related materials; or

(c) prevent a reporting issuer, an intermediary or another person from sending proxy-related materials using a delivery method to which a beneficial owner has consented prior to February 11, 2013.

"2.7.6. Instructions to receive paper copies

(1) Despite section 2.7.1, an intermediary may obtain standing instructions from a beneficial owner that is a client of the intermediary that a paper copy of the information circular and, if applicable, the documents in paragraph 2.7.1(2)(b), be sent to the beneficial owner in all cases when a reporting issuer uses notice-and-access.

(2) If an intermediary has obtained standing instructions from a beneficial owner under subsection (1), the intermediary must do all of the following:

(a) if the reporting issuer is sending proxy-related materials directly under section 2.9, indicate in the NOBO list provided to the reporting issuer those NOBOs who have provided standing instructions under subsection (1) as at the date the NOBO list is generated;

(b) if the intermediary is sending proxy-related materials to a beneficial owner on behalf of a reporting issuer using notice-and-access, request appropriate quantities of paper copies of the information circular and, if applicable, the documents in paragraph 2.7.1(2)(b), from the reporting issuer for forwarding to beneficial owners who have provided standing instructions to be sent paper copies;

(c) include with the proxy-related materials a description, or otherwise inform the beneficial owner of, the means by which the beneficial owner may revoke the beneficial owner's standing instructions.

"2.7.7. Application to non-management solicitations

(1) A person other than management of a reporting issuer that is required by law to send materials to registered holders or beneficial owners of securities in connection with a meeting may use notice-and-access to send the materials. (2) Section 2.7.1, other than paragraph (1)(c), and sections 2.7.3, 2.7.4 and 2.7.5 apply to a person in subsection (1) as if the person were a reporting issuer.

(3) Paragraph 2.7.1(1)(c) and section 2.7.8 apply to a person referred to in subsection (1) only if the person has requisitioned a meeting.

"2.7.8 Record date for notice

Despite subsection 2.1(b), a reporting issuer that uses notice-and-access must set a record date for notice that is no fewer than 40 days before the date of the meeting.".

7. Section 2.9 de the Regulation is replaced with the following:

"2.9. Direct sending of proxy-related materials to NOBOs by a reporting issuer

(1) A reporting issuer that has stated in its request for beneficial ownership information sent in connection with a meeting, that it will send proxy-related materials to, and seek voting instructions from, NOBOs must send at its own expense the proxy-related materials for the meeting directly to the NOBOs on the NOBO lists received in response to the request.

(2) A reporting issuer that sends by prepaid mail, courier or the equivalent, paper copies of proxy-related materials directly to a NOBO must send the proxy-related materials at least 21 days before the date of the meeting.

(3) A reporting issuer that sends proxy-related materials directly to a NOBO using notice-and-access must send the notice required by paragraph 2.7.1(1)(a) and, if applicable, any paper copies of information circulars and documents in paragraph 2.7.1(2)(b), at least 30 days before the date of the meeting.".

8. Section 2.10 of the Regulation is amended by inserting, after "Except as required by securities legislation,", "and despite subsection 2.9(1),".

9. Section 2.12 of the Regulation is replaced with the following:

"2.12. Indirect sending of securityholder materials by a reporting issuer

(1) A reporting issuer sending securityholder materials indirectly to beneficial owners must send to each proximate intermediary that responded to the applicable request for beneficial ownership information the number of sets of those materials specified by that proximate intermediary for sending to beneficial owners. (2) A reporting issuer that sends proxy-related materials indirectly to a beneficial owner by having the proximate intermediary send the proxy-related materials by prepaid mail must send the proxy-related materials to the proximate intermediary

(a) at least 3 business days before the 21st day before the date of the meeting, in the case of proxy-related materials that are to be sent on by the proximate intermediary by first class mail, courier or the equivalent, or

(b) at least 4 business days before the 21st day before the date of the meeting, in the case of proxy-related materials that are to be sent using any other type of prepaid mail.

(3) A reporting issuer that sends proxy-related materials indirectly to a beneficial owner using notice-and-access must send the notice required by paragraph 2.7.1(1)(a) and, if applicable, any paper copies of information circulars and documents in paragraph 2.7.1(2)(b), to the proximate intermediary

(a) at least 3 business days before the 30th day before the date of the meeting, in the case of proxy-related materials that are to be sent on by the proximate intermediary by first class mail, courier or the equivalent, or

(b) at least 4 business days before the 30th day before the date of the meeting, in the case of proxy-related materials that are to be sent using any other type of prepaid mail.

(4) A reporting issuer that sends securityholder materials that are not proxy-related materials indirectly to beneficial owners must send the securityholder materials to the intermediary on the date specified in the request for beneficial ownership information.

(5) Despite section 2.9, a reporting issuer must not send securityholder materials directly to a NOBO if a proximate intermediary in a foreign jurisdiction holds securities on behalf of the NOBO and one or both of the following applies:

(a) the law of the foreign jurisdiction does not permit the reporting issuer to send securityholder materials directly to NOBOs;

(b) the proximate intermediary has stated in a response to a request for beneficial ownership information that the law in the foreign jurisdiction requires the proximate intermediary to deliver securityholder materials to beneficial owners.". **10.** Sections 2.16 to 2.18 of the Regulation are replaced with the following:

"2.16. Explanation of voting rights

(1) If a reporting issuer sends proxy-related materials for a meeting to a beneficial owner of its securities, the materials must explain, in plain language, how the beneficial owner can exercise voting rights attached to the securities, including an explanation of how to attend and vote the securities directly at the meeting.

(2) Management of a reporting issuer must provide the following disclosure in the information circular:

(a) whether the reporting issuer is sending proxyrelated materials to registered holders or beneficial owners using notice-and-access, and if stratification will be used the types of registered holders or beneficial owners who will receive paper copies of the information circular and, if applicable, the documents in paragraph 2.7.1(2)(b);

(b) whether the reporting issuer is sending proxyrelated materials directly to NOBOs;

(c) whether the reporting issuer intends to pay for an intermediary to deliver to OBOs the proxy-related materials and Form 54-101F7, and if the reporting issuer does not intend to pay for such delivery, a statement that OBOs will not receive the materials unless their intermediary assumes the costs of delivery.

"2.17. Voting instruction form (Form 54-101F6)

A reporting issuer that sends proxy-related materials directly to a NOBO that solicit votes or voting instructions from securityholders must include with the proxy-related materials a Form 54-101F6.

"2.18. Appointing beneficial owner as proxy holder

(1) A reporting issuer whose management holds a proxy in respect of securities beneficially owned by a NOBO must arrange, without expense to the NOBO, to appoint the NOBO or a nominee of the NOBO as a proxy holder in respect of those securities if the NOBO has instructed the reporting issuer to do so using either of the following methods:

(a) the NOBO filled in and submitted the Form 54-101F6 previously sent to the NOBO by the reporting issuer;

(b) the NOBO submitted any other document in writing that requests that the NOBO or a nominee of the NOBO be appointed as a proxyholder. (2) If management appoints a NOBO or a nominee of the NOBO as a proxy holder under subsection (1), the NOBO or nominee of the NOBO as applicable also must be given authority to attend, vote and otherwise act for and on behalf of management of the reporting issuer in respect of all matters that may come before the applicable meeting and at any adjournment or continuance, unless corporate law prohibits the giving of that authority.

(3) A reporting issuer who appoints a NOBO as a proxy holder pursuant to subsection (1) must deposit the proxy within any time specified for the deposit in the information circular if the reporting issuer obtains the instructions under subsection (1) at least one business day before the termination of that time.

(4) If corporate law requires an intermediary or depository to appoint the NOBO or nominee of the NOBO as a proxy holder in respect of securities beneficially owned by the NOBO in accordance with any written voting instructions received from the NOBO, and the intermediary has received the written voting instructions, the reporting issuer must provide, upon request by the intermediary, confirmation of both of the following:

(a) management of the reporting issuer will comply with subsections 2.18(1) and (2);

(b) management of the reporting issuer is acting on behalf of the intermediary or depository to |the extent it appoints the NOBO or nominee of the NOBO as proxy holder in respect of the securities of the reporting issuer beneficially owned by the NOBO.

(5) A confirmation provided under subsection (4) must identify the specific meeting to which the confirmation applies, but is not required to specify each proxy appointment that management of the reporting issuer has made.".

11. Section 2.20 of the Regulation is amended by replacing paragraph (a) with the following:

"(a) arranges to have proxy-related materials for the meeting sent in compliance with the applicable timing requirements in sections 2.9 and 2.12;

"(a.1) if the reporting issuer uses notice-and-access, fixes the record date for notice to be at least 40 days before the date of the meeting and sends the notification of meeting and record dates under section 2.2 at least 3 business days before the record date for notice;". **12.** Section 4.1 of the Regulation is amended:

(1) by replacing, in paragraph (1), the words "through the transfer agent of the reporting issuer that sent the request" with the words "through the transfer agent, or in the case of a NOBO list, a person described in subsection 2.5(5) that sent the request";

(2) by deleting, in the French text of paragraph (6), the words "ou société".

13. Sections 4.4 and 4.5 of the Regulation are replaced with the following:

"4.4. Voting instruction form (Form 54-101F7)

An intermediary that forwards proxy-related materials to a beneficial owner that solicit votes or voting instructions from securityholders must include with the proxyrelated materials a Form 54-101F7.

"4.5. Appointing beneficial owner as proxy holder

(1) An intermediary who is the registered holder of, or holds a proxy in respect of, securities owned by a beneficial owner must arrange, without expense to the beneficial owner, to appoint the beneficial owner or a nominee of the beneficial owner as a proxy holder in respect of those securities if the beneficial owner has instructed the intermediary to do so using either of the following methods:

(a) the beneficial owner filled in and submitted the Form 54-101F7 previously sent to the beneficial owner by the intermediary;

(b) the beneficial owner submitted any other document in writing that requests that the beneficial owner or a nominee of the beneficial owner be appointed as a proxy holder.

(2) If an intermediary appoints a beneficial owner or a nominee of the beneficial owner as a proxy holder under subsection (1), the beneficial owner or nominee of the beneficial owner, as applicable, must be given authority to attend, vote and otherwise act for and on behalf of the intermediary in respect of all matters that may come before the applicable meeting and at any adjournment or continuance, unless corporate law does not permit the giving of that authority.

(3) An intermediary who appoints a beneficial owner as proxy holder pursuant to subsection (1) must deposit the proxy within any time specified for deposit in the information circular if the intermediary obtains the instructions under subsection (1) at least one business day before the termination of that time.". **14.** Section 5.4 of the Regulation is amended by adding, after paragraph (2), the following:

"(3) If corporate law requires a depository to appoint a beneficial owner or nominee of the beneficial owner as a proxy holder in respect of securities beneficially owned by the beneficial owner in accordance with any written voting instructions received from the beneficial owner, and the depository has received the written voting instructions, any participant described in subsection (1) must provide, upon request by the depository, confirmation of all of the following:

(a) the participant will comply with subsections 4.5(1) and (2);

(b) the participant is acting on behalf of the depository to the extent it appoints a beneficial owner or nominee of a beneficial owner as proxy holder in respect of the securities of the reporting issuer beneficially owned by the beneficial owner;

(c) if the participant is required to execute an omnibus proxy under section 4.1, that the participant will take reasonable steps to request the confirmation set out in subsection 2.18(4).

"(4) A confirmation provided under subsection (3) must identify the specific securityholder meeting to which the confirmation applies, but is not required to specify each proxy appointment that the participant has made.".

15. Section 6.2 of the Regulation is amended:

(1) by deleting, in the French text of the title, the words "et sociétés";

(2) by deleting, wherever they occur in the French text of paragraphs (1), (2), (4) et (5), the words "ou société" and the words "ou sociétés";

(3) by replacing paragraph (6) with the following:

"(6) A person, other than the reporting issuer to which the request relates, that sends materials indirectly to beneficial owners must comply with all of the following:

(a) the person must pay to the proximate intermediary a fee for sending the securityholder materials to the beneficial owners;

(b) the person must provide an undertaking to the proximate intermediary in the form of Form 54-101F10.".

16. The Regulation is amended by replacing the title of Part 7 and sections 7.1 and 7.2 with the following:

"PART 7 USE OF NOBO LIST AND INDIRECT SENDING OF MATERIALS

"7.1. Use of NOBO list

(1) A reporting issuer may use a NOBO list or a report prepared under section 5.3 relating to the reporting issuer and obtained under this Regulation in connection with any matter relating to the affairs of the reporting issuer.

(2) A person that is not the reporting issuer must not use a NOBO list or a report prepared under section 5.3 relating to the reporting issuer and obtained under this Regulation, in any manner other than any of the following:

(a) for sending securityholder materials directly to NOBOs in accordance with this Regulation;

(b) in respect of an effort to influence the voting of securityholders of the reporting issuer;

(c) in respect of an offer to acquire securities of the reporting issuer.

"7.2. Sending of Materials

(1) A reporting issuer may send securityholder materials indirectly to beneficial owners of securities of the reporting issuer using the procedures in section 2.12, or directly to NOBOs of the reporting issuer using a NOBO list, in connection with any matter relating to the affairs of the reporting issuer.

(2) A person that is not the reporting issuer may send securityholder materials indirectly to beneficial owners of securities of the reporting issuer using the procedures in section 2.12, or directly to NOBOs of the reporting issuer using a NOBO list, only in connection with one or both of the following:

(a) an effort to influence the voting of securityholders of the reporting issuer;

(b) an offer to acquire securities of the reporting issuer.".

17. The Regulation is amended by inserting, after section 9.1, the following:

"9.1.1. Compliance with SEC Notice-and-Access Rules

(1) Despite section 2.7, a reporting issuer that is an SEC issuer can send proxy-related materials to beneficial owners using a delivery method permitted under U.S. federal securities law, if all of the following apply:

(a) the SEC issuer is subject to, and complies with Rule 14a-16 under the 1934 Act;

(b) the SEC issuer has arranged with each intermediary through whom the beneficial owner holds its interest in the reporting issuer's securities to have each intermediary send the proxy-related materials to the beneficial owner by implementing the procedures under Rule 14b-1 or Rule 14b-2 of the 1934 Act that relate to the procedures in Rule 14a-16 under the 1934 Act;

(c) residents of Canada do not own, directly or indirectly, outstanding voting securities of the issuer carrying more than 50% of the votes for the election of directors, and none of the following apply:

(i) the majority of the executive officers or directors of the issuer are residents of Canada;

(ii) more than 50% of the consolidated assets of the issuer are located in Canada;

(iii) the business of the issuer is administered principally in Canada.

(2) Part 4 does not apply to an intermediary with whom a reporting issuer has made arrangements under paragraph (1)(b) if the intermediary implements the procedures under Rule 14b-1 or Rule 14b-2 of the 1934 Act that relate to the procedures in Rule 14a-16 under the 1934 Act.".

18. Section 10.3 of the Regulation is amended by replacing, in the French text of the title, the words "**de documents**" with the words "**des documents**".

19. Form 54-101F2 of the Regulation is amended:

(1) by inserting, in item 1 and after the words "reporting issuer", "in English and, if applicable, French";

(2) by replacing item 2 with the following:

"Item 2 Contact person(s)

State the name, address, telephone number, facsimile number and email address of the contact person(s) of the reporting issuer, and of the reporting issuer's agent, if applicable, with whom the intermediary should deal. If different from the foregoing, also state the name, address, telephone number, facsimile number and email address of the contact person(s) of the reporting issuer responsible for dealing with invoices.";

(3) in item 6.7:

(a) by inserting, after the first sentence, the following:

"State whether the reporting issuer would like materials to be sent electronically when consent has been obtained from the beneficial owner of securities.";

(b) by replacing "National Policy 11-201 and, in Québec, Staff Notice 11-201" with "Policy Statement 11-201 respecting Electronic Delivery of Documents";

(4) by replacing item 6.9 with the following:

"6.9 State if securityholder materials are to be sent to (a) all beneficial owners of securities (including beneficial owners that have declined to receive them), (b) only those beneficial owners who have requested to receive all securityholder materials, or (c) only those beneficial owners who have requested to receive all securityholder materials or special meeting materials.";

(5) in item 7.9:

(a) by inserting, after the first sentence, the following:

"State whether the reporting issuer would like materials to be sent electronically when consent has been obtained from the beneficial owner of securities.";

(b) by replacing "National Policy 11-201 and, in Québec, Staff Notice 11-201" with "Policy Statement 11-201 respecting Electronic Delivery of Documents";

(6) by replacing item 7.11 with the following:

"7.11 State if securityholder materials are to be sent to (a) all beneficial owners of securities (including beneficial owners that have declined to receive them), (b) only those beneficial owners who have requested to receive all securityholder materials, or (c) only those beneficial owners who have requested to receive all securityholder materials or special meeting materials.

"7.12 State whether the reporting issuer is using notice-and-access, and any stratification criteria to be used. [Before completing this item, the reporting issuer should discuss with the intermediary what stratification criteria the intermediary is able to apply.]";

(7) in item 8.5:

(a) by inserting, after the first sentence, the following:

"State whether the reporting issuer would like materials to be sent electronically when consent has been obtained from the beneficial owner of securities.";

(b) by replacing "National Policy 11-201 and, in Québec, Staff Notice 11-201" with "Policy Statement 11-201 respecting Electronic Delivery of Documents";

(8) by replacing item 8.6 with the following:

"8.6 State if securityholder materials are to be sent to (a) all beneficial owners of securities (including beneficial owners that have declined to receive them), (b) only those beneficial owners who have requested to receive all securityholder materials, or (c) only those beneficial owners who have requested to receive all securityholder materials or special meeting materials.";

(9) in item 9.7:

(a) by inserting, after the first sentence, the following:

"State whether the reporting issuer would like materials to be sent electronically when consent has been obtained from the beneficial owner of securities.";

(b) by replacing "National Policy 11-201 and, in Québec, Staff Notice 11-201" with "Policy Statement 11-201 respecting Electronic Delivery of Documents";

(10) by replacing item 9.8 with the following:

"9.8 State if securityholder materials are to be sent to (a) all beneficial owners of securities (including beneficial owners that have declined to receive them), (b) only those beneficial owners who have requested to receive all securityholder materials, or (c) only those beneficial owners who have requested to receive all securityholder materials or special meeting materials.

"9.9 State whether the reporting issuer is using noticeand-access, and any stratification criteria to be used. [Before completing this item, the reporting issuer should discuss with the intermediary what stratification criteria the intermediary is able to apply.]".

20. Form 54-101F5 of the Regulation is replaced with the following:

HEADER RECORD DESCRIPTION	TYPE	LENGTH	POSITION	COMMENTS
RECORD TYPE	А	1	1	Header record = A
FINS NUMBER	А	4	2-5	Prefix T,M,V or C
ISIN	А	12	6-17	
FILLER	Х	3	18-20	Blank
SECURITY DESC.	А	32	21-52	Security Description
REC	Ν	8	53-60	Format YYYYMMDD
ORD DATE				
CREATION DATE	Ν	8	61-68	Format YYYYMMDD
FILLER	Х	250	69-318	Blank

"FORM 54-101F5 ELECTRONIC FORMAT FOR NOBO LIST

DETAIL RECORD DESCRIPTION	TYPE	LENGTH	POSITION	COMMENTS
RECORD TYPE	А	1	1	Detail Record = B
FINS NUMBER	А	4	2-5	Same as in Header record
ISIN	А	12	6-17	
FILLER	Х	3	18-20	Blank
FILLER	Х	20	21-40	Blank
NAME	А	32	41-72	Holder Name
ADDRESS	А	32 x 6	73- 264	Occurs 6 times
FILLER	Х	32	265-296	Blank
DETAIL RECORD DESCRIPTION	TYPE	LENGTH	POSITION	COMMENTS
POSTAL CODE	А	9	297-305	
POSTAL REGION	А	1	306	C=Canada; U=USA; F=Foreign; (other than USA); H=Hand Deliver
NOTICE AND ACCESS	А	1	307	Y=Full Package; N=Notice Only
FILLER	Х	1	308	Blank
E-MAIL ADDRESS	А	32	309- 340	
LANGUAGE CODE	А	1	341	E=English; F=French
NUMBER OF SHARES	Ν	9	342- 350	Shareholder Position
RECEIVE ALL MATERIAL	А	1	351	A – ALL Material, S – Material for SPECIAL Meetings only, D – DECLINE to receive Materials
AGREE TO ELECTRONIC DELIVERY BY INTERMEDIARY	А	1	352	Y/N
TRAILER RECORD DESCRIPTION	TYPE	LENGTH	POSITION	COMMENTS
RECORD TYPE	А	1	1	Trailer record = C
FINS NUMBER	А	4	2-5	Same as in Header Record
ISIN	А	12	6-17	
FILLER	Х	3	18-20	
TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS	Ν	7	21-27	Number of "B" type records
TOTAL SHARES	Ν	11	27-38	Total Shares on "B" type records
FILLER	Х	280	39-318	Blank ";

21. Form 54-101F6 of the Regulation is amended:

(1) by replacing, in the part entitled "Request for Voting Instructions", the sixth paragraph with the following:

"If you want to attend the meeting and vote in person, please write your name in the place provided for that purpose in this form. You can also write the name of someone else whom you wish to attend the meeting and vote on your behalf. Unless prohibited by law, the person whose name is written in the space provided will have full authority to present matters to the meeting and vote on all matters that are presented at the meeting, even if those matters are not set out in this form or the information circular. Consult a legal advisor if you wish to modify the authority of that person in any way. If you require help, contact [*insert name*].";

(2) by replacing, in the French text of the last paragraph, the words "la raison sociale complète" with the words "le nom complet".

22. Form 54-101A7 of the Regulation is amended:

(1) by replacing, in the part entitled "Request for Voting Instructions", the sixth paragraph with the following:

"If you want to attend the meeting and vote in person, please write your name in the place provided for that purpose in this form. You can also write the name of someone else whom you wish to attend the meeting and vote on your behalf. Unless prohibited by law, the person whose name is written in the space provided will have full authority to present matters to the meeting and vote on all matters that are presented at the meeting, even if these matters are not set out in this form or the information circular. Consult a legal advisor if you wish to modify the authority of that person in any way. If you require help, contact [*insert name*].";

(2) by replacing, in the French text of the last paragraph, the words "la raison sociale complète" with the words "le nom complet".

23. Form 54-101F8 of the Regulation is repealed.

24. Form 54-101F9 of the Regulation is amended:

(1) by replacing, in the French text of the paragraph under the reference to "(Full Residence Address)" the words "la raison sociale complète" with the words "le nom complet"; (2) by replacing paragraph (2) with the following:

"<Option #1: use this alternative if the reporting issuer is providing the undertaking>

2. I undertake that the information set out on the NOBO list will be used only in connection with matters relating to the affairs of the reporting issuer.

"<Option #2: use this alternative if a person other than the reporting issuer is providing the undertaking>

2. I undertake that the information set out on the NOBO list will be used only for one or more of the following purposes:

(a) sending securityholder materials directly to NOBOs in accordance with Regulation 54-101;

(b) an effort to influence the voting of securityholders of the reporting issuer;

(c) an offer to acquire securities of the reporting issuer.";

(3) by replacing paragraph (4) with the following:

"4. I am aware that it is a contravention of the law to use a NOBO list for purposes other than in connection with one or more of the following:

(a) sending securityholder materials directly to NOBOs in accordance with Regulation 54-101;

(b) an effort to influence the voting of securityholders of the reporting issuer;

(c) an offer to acquire securities of the reporting issuer.

"5. I declare that I (or the person I am using to make this request) has the technological capacity to receive the NOBO list.".

25. The Regulation is amended by adding, after Form 54-101F9, the following:

"FORM 54-101F10 UNDERTAKING

Note: Terms used in this Form have the meaning given to them in Regulation 54-101 respecting Communication with Beneficial Owners of Securities of a Reporting Issuer (c. V-1.1, r. 29). The use of this Form is referenced in section 6.2 of Regulation 54-101 respecting Communication with Beneficial Owners of Securities of a Reporting Issuer.

I,

(Full Residence Address)

(If this undertaking is made on behalf of a person other than an individual, set out the full legal name of that person, position of the individual signing on behalf of that person and address for service.)

SOLEMNLY DECLARE AND UNDERTAKE THAT:

1. I wish to send materials to beneficial owners of securities of [*insert name of the reporting issuer*] on whose behalf intermediaries hold securities, using the indirect sending procedures provided in Regulation 54-101 (the Regulation 54-101 Procedures").

2. I undertake that I am using the Regulation 54-101 Procedures to send materials to beneficial owners only for the purpose of one or both of the following:

(a) an effort to influence the voting of securityholders of the reporting issuer;

(b) an offer to acquire securities of the reporting issuer.

3. I am aware that it is a contravention of the law to send materials using the Regulation 54-101 Procedures for purposes other than in connection with one or both of the following:

(a) an effort to influence the voting of securityholders of the reporting issuer;

(b) an offer to acquire securities of the reporting issuer.

Signature

Name of person signing

Date".

26. The Regulation is amended by deleting, wherever they occur in the French text, the words "ou une société", "ou société", "ni société", "ou la société", "ou sociétés" and "et sociétés", and making the necessary changes.

27. Despite section 2.7.1 of the Regulation, as enacted by section 6, a person must not use notice-and-access to send proxy-related materials to a beneficial owner

of voting securities of a reporting issuer in respect of a meeting of the reporting issuer that takes place before March 1, 2013.

28. Despite paragraph (5) of section 2.5 of the Regulation, as enacted by section 4, a reporting issuer must not request beneficial ownership information without using a transfer agent for the sole purpose of obtaining a NOBO list before February 15, 2013.

29. Despite subparagraph (b) of paragraph (6) of section 6.2 of the Regulation, as enacted by section 15, a person is not required to provide the undertaking for a request to send materials indirectly to beneficial owners made before February 15, 2013.

30. Despite section 16, sections 7.1 and 7.2 of the Regulation do not apply to NOBO lists requested before February 15, 2013 and requests to send materials indirectly to beneficial owners made before February 15, 2013.

31. Despite section 17, a reporting issuer must not rely on section 9.1.1 of the Regulation in respect of a meeting that takes place before February 15, 2013.

32. This Regulation comes into force on February 11, 2013.

Regulation to amend Regulation 51-102 respecting continuous disclosure obligations

Securities Act

(R.S.Q., c. V-1.1, a. 331.1, par. (1), (2), (3), (4.1), (8), (11), (20) and (34))

1. Section 1.1 of Regulation 51-102 respecting Continuous Disclosure Obligations is amended:

(1) by inserting, after the definition of the expression "common share", the following:

""corporate law" has the same meaning as in section 1.1 of Regulation 54101 respecting Communication with Beneficial Owners of Securities of a Reporting Issuer (c. V-1.1, r. 29);";

(2) by inserting, after the definition of the expression "non-voting security", the following:

""notice-and-access" has the same meaning as in section 1.1 of Regulation 54101 respecting Communication with Beneficial Owners of Securities of a Reporting Issuer;"; (3) by inserting, after the definition of the expression "proxy", the following:

""proxy-related materials" means securityholder material relating to a meeting of securityholders that a person that solicits proxies is required under corporate law or securities legislation to send to the registered holders or beneficial owners of the securities;";

(4) by deleting, in paragraph (g) of the definition of the expression "solicit", "(Decision 2003-C-0082, 03-03-03)";

(5) by inserting after the definition of the expression "solicit", the following:

"special meeting" has the same meaning as in section 1.1 of Regulation 54101 respecting Communication with Beneficial Owners of Securities of a Reporting Issuer;

"special resolution" has the same meaning as in section 1.1 of Regulation 54101 respecting Communication with Beneficial Owners of Securities of a Reporting Issuer;

"stratification" has the same meaning as in section 1.1 of Regulation 54101 respecting Communication with Beneficial Owners of Securities of a Reporting Issuer;".

2. Section 4.6 of the Regulation is amended:

(1) by replacing paragraph (1) with the following:

"(1) A reporting issuer must send annually a request form to the registered holders and beneficial owners of its securities, other than debt instruments, that the registered holders and beneficial owners may use to request any of the following:

(a) a paper copy of the reporting issuer's annual financial statements and MD&A for the annual financial statements;

(b) a copy of the reporting issuer's interim financial reports and MD&A for the interim financial reports.";

(2) by replacing, in paragraph (2), the words "The reporting issuer must" with the words "Despite paragraph (1), the reporting issuer must";

(3) by replacing, in paragraph (4), "2 years" with the words "one year";

3. Section 5.6 of the Regulation is amended, in the French text of paragraph (3), by replacing the words "porteurs véritables" with the words "propriétaires véritables".

4. Section 8.4 of the Regulation is amended, in the French text:

(1) by replacing, in subparagraph (i) of subparagraph (b) of paragraph (5), the words "au cours de cet exercice" with the words "depuis le début de cet exercice";

(2) in paragraph (7):

(a) by deleting the words "sauf en regard du sous-paragraphe f";

(b) by replacing, in subparagraph (d), the words "conformément dans le" with the words "conformément au";

5. The Regulation is amended by inserting, after section 9.1, the following:

"9.1.1. Notice-and-Access

(1) A person soliciting proxies may use notice-andaccess to send proxy-related materials to a registered holder of voting securities of a reporting issuer if all of the following apply:

(a) the registered holder of voting securities is sent a notice that contains the following information and no other information:

(i) the date, time and location of the reporting issuer's meeting for which the proxy-related materials are being sent;

(ii) a description of each matter or group of related matters identified in the form of proxy to be voted on, unless that information is already included in a form of proxy that is being sent to the registered holder of voting securities under paragraph (b);

(iii) the website addresses for SEDAR and the non-SEDAR website where the proxy-related materials are posted;

(iv) a reminder to review the information circular before voting;

(v) an explanation of how to obtain a paper copy of the information circular and, if applicable, the documents in paragraph (2)(b) from the person;

(vi) a plain-language explanation of notice-and-access that includes the following information:

(A) if the person is using stratification, a list of the types of registered holders or beneficial owners who will receive paper copies of the information circular and, if applicable, the documents in paragraph (2)(b);

(B) the estimated date and time by which a request for a paper copy of the information circular and, if applicable, the documents in paragraph (2)(b), is to be received in order for the requester to receive the paper copy in advance of any deadline for the submission of the proxy and the date of the meeting;

(C) an explanation of how the registered holder is to return the proxy, including any deadline for return of the proxy;

(D) the sections of the information circular where disclosure regarding each matter or group of related matters identified in the notice can be found;

(E) a toll-free telephone number the registered holder can call to get information about notice-and-access;

(b) the registered holder of voting securities is sent, by prepaid mail, courier or the equivalent, the notice required by paragraph (a) and a form of proxy for use at the meeting and, in the case of a solicitation by or on behalf of management of the reporting issuer, the notice and form of proxy are sent at least 30 days before the date of the meeting;

(c) in the case of a solicitation by or on behalf of management of the reporting issuer, the reporting issuer files on SEDAR the notification of meeting and record dates in the manner and within the time specified by Regulation 54101 respecting Communication with Beneficial Owners of Securities of a Reporting Issuer (c. V-1.1, r. 29);

(d) public electronic access to the information circular, form of proxy and the notice in paragraph (a) is provided on or before the date that the person soliciting proxies sends the notice in paragraph (a) to registered holders in the following manner:

(i) the documents are filed on SEDAR as required by section 9.3;

(ii) the documents are posted until the date that is one year from the date that the documents are posted, on a website other than the website for SEDAR;

(e) a toll-free telephone number is provided for use by the registered holder of voting securities to request a paper copy of the information circular and, if applicable, the documents in paragraph (2)(b), at any time from the date that the person soliciting proxies sends the notice in paragraph (a) to the registered holder up to and including the date of the meeting, including any adjournment;

(f) if a request for a paper copy of the information circular and, if applicable, the documents in paragraph (2)(b), is received at the toll-free telephone number provided under paragraph (e) or by any other means, a paper copy of any such document requested is sent free of charge by the person soliciting proxies to the requester at the address specified in the request in the following manner:

(i) in the case of a request received prior to the date of the meeting, within 3 business days after receiving the request, by first class mail, courier or the equivalent;

(ii) in the case of a request received on or after the date of the meeting, and within one year of the information circular being filed, within 10 calendar days after receiving the request, by prepaid mail, courier or the equivalent.

(2) Unless an information circular is included with the proxy-related materials, a reporting issuer that sends proxy-related materials to a registered holder of voting securities using notice-and-access must not include with the proxy-related materials any information or document that relates to the particulars of any matter to be submitted to the meeting, except for the following:

(a) the information required to be included in the notice under paragraph (1)(a);

(b) financial statements of the reporting issuer to be approved at the meeting and MD&A related to those financial statements, which may be part of an annual report.

(3) A notice under paragraph (1)(a) and the form of proxy may be combined in a single document.

"9.1.2. Posting materials on non-SEDAR website

(1) A person that posts proxy-related materials in the manner referred to in subparagraph 9.1.1(1)(d)(ii) must also post on the website the following documents:

(a) any disclosure material regarding the meeting that the person has sent to registered holders or beneficial owners of voting securities;

(b) any written communications the person soliciting proxies has made available to the public regarding each matter or group of matters to be voted upon at the meeting, whether or not they were sent to registered holders or beneficial owners of voting securities. (2) Proxy-related materials that are posted under subparagraph 9.1.1(1)(d)(ii) must be posted in a manner and be in a format that permit an individual with a reasonable level of computer skill and knowledge to do all of the following easily:

(a) access, read and search the documents on the website;

(b) download and print the documents.

"9.1.3. Consent to other delivery methods

For greater certainty, section 9.1.1 does not

(a) prevent a registered holder of voting securities from consenting to a person's use of other delivery methods to send proxy-related materials;

(b) terminate or modify a consent that a registered holder of voting securities previously gave to a person regarding the use of other delivery methods to send proxyrelated materials; or

(c) prevent a person from sending proxy-related materials using a delivery method to which a registered holder has consented prior to February 11, 2013.

"9.1.4. Instructions to receive paper copies

(1) Despite section 9.1.1, a reporting issuer may obtain standing instructions from a registered holder of voting securities that a paper copy of the information circular and, if applicable, the documents in paragraph 9.1.1(2)(b), be sent to the registered holder in all cases when the reporting issuer uses notice-and-access.

(2) If a reporting issuer has obtained standing instructions from a registered holder under subsection (1), the reporting issuer must do both of the following:

(a) include with the notice required by paragraph 9.1.1(1)(a) any paper copies of information circulars and, if applicable, the documents in paragraph 9.1.1(2)(b), required to comply with standing instructions obtained under subsection (1);

(b) include with the notice under paragraph (a) a description, or otherwise inform the registered holder of, the means by which the registered holder may revoke the registered holder's standing instructions.

"9.1.5. Compliance with SEC Notice-and-Access Rules

A reporting issuer that is an SEC issuer can send proxyrelated materials to registered holders under section 9.1 using a delivery method permitted under U.S. federal securities law, if both of the following apply:

(a) the SEC issuer is subject to, and complies with Rule 14a-16 under the 1934 Act;

(b) residents of Canada do not own, directly or indirectly, outstanding voting securities carrying more than 50% of the votes for the election of directors, and none of the following apply:

(i) the majority of the executive officers or directors of the issuer are residents of Canada;

(ii) more than 50% of the consolidated assets of the issuer are located in Canada;

(iii) the business of the issuer is administered principally in Canada.".

6. Section 13.4 of the Regulation is amended, in the French text of paragraph (3):

(1) by replacing the words "si les conditions suivantes sont réunies" with the words "lorsque les conditions suivantes sont réunies";

(2) by replacing, in subparagraph (b), the words "l'initié n'est pas le garant et" with the words "si l'initié n'est pas garant";

(3) by replacing subparagraph (c) with the following:

"c) si l'initié est garant, il n'est propriétaire véritable d'aucun titre garanti désigné.".

7. Form 51-102F5 of the Regulation is amended by inserting, after item 4.2, the following:

"4.3 The information circular must include the following, if applicable:

(a) a statement that the reporting issuer is sending proxy-related materials to registered holders or beneficial owners using notice-and-access, and if stratification will be used, a description of the types of registered holders or beneficial owners who will receive paper copies of the information circular and, if applicable, the documents in paragraph 9.1.1(2)(b); (b) a statement that the reporting issuer is sending proxy-related materials directly to non-objecting beneficial owners under Regulation 54101 respecting Communication with Beneficial Owners of Securities of a Reporting Issuer (c. V-1.1, r. 29);

(c) a statement that management of the reporting issuer does not intend to pay for intermediaries to forward to objecting beneficial owners under Regulation 54101 respecting Communication with Beneficial Owners of Securities of a Reporting Issuer the proxy-related materials and Form 54-101F7 – Request for Voting Instructions Made by Intermediary, and that in the case of an objecting beneficial owner, the objecting beneficial owner will not receive the materials unless the objecting beneficial owner's intermediary assumes the cost of delivery.".

8. Despite section 9.1.1 of the Regulation, as enacted by section 5, a person must not use notice-and-access to send proxy-related materials to a registered holder of voting securities of a reporting issuer in respect of a meeting of the reporting issuer that takes place before March 1, 2013.

9. A reporting issuer must not rely on section 9.1.5 of the Regulation, as enacted by section 5, in respect of a meeting that takes place before February 15, 2013.

10. This Regulation comes into force on February 11, 2013.

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Draft Regulations

Draft Regulation

Private Security Act (chapter S-3.5)

Regulation —Amendment

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1), that the Regulation to amend the Regulation under the Private Security Act, made by the Bureau de la sécurité privée and appearing below, may be approved by the Minister of Public Security, with or without amendment, on the expiry of 45 days following this publication.

The draft Regulation removes the requirement for the representative of a private security agency to be solvent. It also amends the fees that must accompany an agent licence application and the fees that must be paid on the anniversary dates of the licence's issue or renewal.

Study of the matter has shown no significant impact on the public and enterprises.

Further information on the draft Regulation may be obtained by contacting Denis Lévesque, Director General, Bureau de la sécurité privée, 6363, route Transcanadienne Ouest, bureau 201, Saint-Laurent (Québec) H4T 1Z9; telephone: 1 877 748-7483; fax: 514 748-0002.

Any person wishing to comment on the draft Regulation is requested to submit written comments within the 45-day period to Isabelle Leblanc, Secretary and Director of Legal Affairs, Bureau de la sécurité privée, 6363, route Transcanadienne Ouest, bureau 201, Saint-Laurent (Québec) H4T 1Z9; telephone: 1 877 748-7483; fax: 514 748-0002.

STÉPHANE BERGERON, Minister of Public Security

Regulation to amend the Regulation under the Private Security Act

Private Security Act (chapter S-3.5, s. 107)

1. The Regulation under the Private Security Act (chapter S-3.5, r. 1) is amended by replacing "and its representative are solvent" in paragraph 2 of section 2 by "is solvent".

- **2.** Section 4 is revoked.
- **3.** Section 12 is amended
 - (1) by replacing "40" in paragraph 1 by "50";
 - (2) by replacing "88" in paragraph 2 by "78".

4. Section 15 is amended by replacing "an annual fee of \$70, on the anniversary dates of the licence's issue or renewal" by ", on the anniversary dates of the licence's issue or renewal, the following annual fees:

(1) a fee of \$50;

(2) a fee of \$25 to cover the cost of the verification referred to in the second paragraph of section 27 of the Act. Where a person holds more than one agent licence, the fee applies only once a year for all the licences held by that person."

5. This Regulation comes into force on the fifteenth day following the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.

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Draft Regulation

An Act respecting safety in sports (chapter S-3.1)

Combat sports licensing —Amendment

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1), that the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting combat sports licensing, appearing below, may be made by the Régie des alcools, des courses et des jeux and approved by the Government on the expiry of 45 days following this publication.

The draft Regulation amends the Regulation respecting combat sports licensing (chapter S-3.1, r. 7) to distinguish mixed boxing from other combat sports in respect of payment of duties established according to a percentage of the gross receipts derived from the sale of tickets that must be paid by every organizer holding a licence that is valid for a sports event and to remove the obligation of the licence holder to pay duties established according to a percentage from broadcasting or rebroadcasting rights for the sports event.

Study of the matter has shown no impact on the public and enterprises, including small and medium-sized businesses.

Further information may be obtained by contacting Johanne Lamontagne, Régie des alcools, des courses et des jeux, 560, boulevard Charest Est, 2^e étage, Québec (Québec) G1K 3J3, telephone: 418 528-7225, extension 23003; fax: 418 646-5204; email: johanne.lamontagne@racj.gouv.qc.ca

Any person wishing to comment on the draft Regulation is requested to submit written comments within the 45-day period to Johanne Lamontagne, Secretary, Régie des alcools, des courses et des jeux, 560, boulevard Charest Est, 2^e étage, Québec (Québec) G1K 3J3.

STÉPHANE BERGERON, Minister of Public Security

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting combat sports licensing

An Act respecting safety in sports (chapter S-3.1, s. 55.3, 1st par., subpar. 2 and 2nd par.)

1. The Regulation respecting combat sports licensing (chapter S-3.1, r. 7) is amended in section 10 by striking out paragraph 13.

2. Section 11 is amended by striking out "made as a result of the sale of broadcasting or rebroadcasting rights" in paragraph 4.

3. Section 35 is replaced by the following:

"35. The duties payable upon filing a licence application are \$34.25.

In addition, the holder of an organizer's licence valid for 1 sports event must pay the following duties, as the case may be:

(1) 5% of the gross receipts derived from the sale of tickets in the case of an organizer's licence valid for 1 sports event of mixed boxing or of an organizer's licence valid for 1 sports event comprising more than 1 type of combat sport; (2) 2% of the gross receipts derived from the sale of tickets for an organizer's licence valid during 1 sports event of any other combat sport.

The duties may not be less than

(1) \$5,000 where the capacity of the premises where the sports event is held is less than or equal to 5,000 persons;

(2) \$10,000 where the capacity of the premises where the sports event is held is greater than 5,000 persons.

For championship bouts, an amount of \$5,000 per championship bout is added to the duties.

The duties are payable upon the issue of an organizer's licence valid for 1 sports event. Despite the foregoing, where the amount of the duties payable is greater than the minimum duties provided for in the third paragraph, the organizer must pay the balance of gross receipts derived from the sale of tickets within 15 days following the sports event.

The duties prescribed in this section bear interest at the legal rate.".

4. This Regulation comes into force on the fifteenth day following the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.

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