years thereafter, on the basis of the cumulative rate of increase in the Consumer Price Index for Canada as established by Statistics Canada for the three-year period ending on 31 December of the preceding year.

The indexed amounts shall be decreased to the nearest dollar where they contain a dollar fraction under \$0.50; they shall be increased to the nearest dollar where the dollar fraction is equal to or over \$0.50.

The Inspector General of Financial Institutions shall inform the public of the indexing under this section in the *Gazette officielle du Québec* and by any other means he may consider appropriate.".

9. This Regulation comes into force on 1 April 2000.

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Gouvernement du Québec

O.C. 275-2000, 15 March 2000

Companies Act (R.S.Q., c. C-38; 1999, c. 40)

Fees to be paid under Part IA of the Act — Amendments

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting fees to be paid under Part IA of the Companies Act

WHEREAS under paragraphs 1, 1.1 and 1.2 of section 123.169 of the Companies Act (R.S.Q., c. C-38), amended by section 70 of chapter 40 of the Statutes of 1999, the Government may make regulations with respect to the matters referred to therein;

WHEREAS the Government made the Regulation respecting fees to be paid under Part IA of the Companies Act (R.R.Q., 1981, c. C-38, r. 2);

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Regulation;

WHEREAS under section 12 of the Regulations Act (R.S.Q., c. R-18.1), a proposed regulation may be made without having been published in accordance with section 8 of that Act, where the authority making it is of the opinion that the urgency of the situation requires it;

WHEREAS under section 18 of that Act, a regulation may come into force between the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*, and the date applicable under section 17 of that Act, where the authority that has made it is of the opinion that the urgency of the situation requires it;

WHEREAS under sections 13 and 18 of that Act, the reason justifying the absence of prior publication and such coming into force must be published with the regulation:

WHEREAS the Government is of the opinion that the absence of prior publication and such coming into force are justified by the urgency due to the following circumstances:

— in order to preclude the indexing of the fees prescribed under the Regulation respecting fees to be paid under Part IA of the Companies Act at the beginning of the next fiscal year, which would cause administrative problems both for those governed by the Regulation and for the Administration, the Regulation attached to this Order in Council must come into force on 1 April 2000;

— those governed by the Regulation should be entitled to the reduction in fees prescribed under the Regulation attached to this Order in Council as soon as possible.

WHEREAS it is expedient to make the Regulation;

IT IS ORDERED, therefore, upon the recommendation of the Minister of State for the Economy and Finance and Minister of Finance:

THAT the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting fees to be paid under Part IA of the Companies Act, attached to this Order in Council, be made.

MICHEL NOËL DE TILLY, Clerk of the Conseil exécutif

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting fees to be paid under Part IA of the Companies Act*

Companies Act (R.S.Q., c. C-38, s. 123.169; 1999, c. 40, s. 70)

1. The Regulation respecting fees to be paid under Part IA of the Companies Act is amended by substituting the following for sections 1 and 1.1:

^{*} The Regulation respecting fees to be paid under Part IA of the Companies Act (R.R.Q., 1981, c. C-38, r. 2) was last amended by the Regulation made by Order in Council 1167-96 dated 18 September 1996 (1996, G.O. 2, 4059). For previous amendments, refer to the *Tableau des modifications et Index sommaire*, Éditeur officiel du Québec, 2000, updated to 1 February 2000.

- "1. The fees to be paid under Part IA of the Companies Act (R.S.Q., c. C-38) are the following:
 - (1) Upon the issuance of:

(a) a certificate of constitution as a legal person: \$300;

(b) a certificate of amalgamation: \$643;

(c) a certificate of continuance: \$262;

(d) a certificate of amendment: \$187;

(2) For an application for a name reservation or for the reservation of a version of a name, for the search and preparation of a research report: \$37;

Where the requested name or version was not reserved, for the search and preparation of a research report for each proposed name or version: \$37;

- (3) The fees for certifying a copy of a document are \$38;
- (4) The fees for a certification of a company's dissolution or a certification that a company has not been dissolved are \$26;
 - (5) The fees for the handling of a document are \$5.
- **1.1** The fees for a petition under section 123.27.1 of the Act are \$212.".
- **2.** The following is substituted for section 3:
- "3. The fees prescribed in this Regulation shall be increased on 1 April 2002, and on 1 April every three years thereafter, on the basis of the cumulative rate of increase in the Consumer Price Index for Canada as established by Statistics Canada for the three-year period ending on 31 December of the preceding year.

The indexed amounts shall be decreased to the nearest dollar where they contain a dollar fraction under \$0.50; they shall be increased to the nearest dollar where the dollar fraction is equal to or over \$0.50.

The Inspector General of Financial Institutions shall inform the public of the indexing under this section in the *Gazette officielle du Québec* and by any other means he may consider appropriate.".

3. This Regulation comes into force on 1 April 2000.

Gouvernement du Québec

O.C. 276-2000, 15 March 2000

An Act respecting the legal publicity of sole proprietorships, partnerships and legal persons (R.S.Q., c. P-45)

Application of the Act — Amendments

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the application of the Act respecting the legal publicity of sole proprietorships, partnerships and legal persons

WHEREAS under sections 97 to 99 and 526 of the Act respecting the legal publicity of sole proprietorships, partnerships and legal persons (R.S.Q., c. P-45), the Government may make regulations for the application of that Act:

WHEREAS the Government made the Regulation respecting the application of the Act respecting the legal publicity of sole proprietorships, partnerships and legal persons by Order in Council 1856-93 dated 15 December 1993:

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend that Regulation;

WHEREAS under section 12 of the Regulations Act (R.S.Q., c. R-18.1), a proposed regulation may be made without having been published in accordance with section 8 of that Act if the authority making it is of the opinion that the urgency of the situation requires it;

WHEREAS under section 18 of that Act, a regulation may come into force between the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec* and the date applicable under section 17 of the Act where the authority that has made it is of the opinion that the urgency of the situation requires it;

WHEREAS under sections 13 and 18 of that Act, the reason justifying the absence of prior publication and such coming into force shall be published with the regulation:

WHEREAS the Government is of the opinion that the urgency due to the following circumstances justifies the absence of prior publication and such coming into force:

— in order to preclude the indexing of the fees prescribed under the Regulation respecting the application of the Act respecting the legal publicity of sole