Gouvernement du Québec

# **O.C. 1028-2009,** 23 September 2009

Act respecting the Ministère du Revenu (R.S.Q., c. M-31)

#### Norbourg and Evolution Funds — Remission in Favour of the Investors

CONCERNING the Remission Regulation in Favour of the Investors in the Norbourg and Evolution Funds

WHEREAS, on 31 May 2006, the Minister of Revenue announced the Government's intention to remit to the investors the amounts that would be collected further to the notices of assessment sent to Vincent Lacroix;

WHEREAS, on 31 December 2008, the liquidator of the Norbourg and Evolution Funds proceeded with the redemption, to the investors, of 99.9% of the shares in the Funds and the validity of that redemption was confirmed by the Superior Court on 9 February 2009;

WHEREAS the Minister of Revenue has collected or may collect the income tax, and the related interest and penalties, determined under Part I or I.1 of the Taxation Act (R.S.Q., c. I-3), with respect to which Vincent Lacroix was sent notices of assessment for the taxation years from 1995 to 2004 and which are attributable to his additional income established for those years;

WHEREAS, under section 94 of the Act respecting the Ministère du Revenu (R.S.Q., c. M-31), the Government, whenever it considers it in the public interest, and to save the public from serious inconvenience or individuals from hardship or injustice, may remit any amount payable or refund any amount paid to the State relating to any matter within the powers of the Parliament;

WHEREAS under the circumstances, in order to save the investors concerned from hardship or injustice, it is desirable that the income tax, and the related interest and penalties, collected by the Minister of Revenue, and the interest calculated on such amounts, be remitted to the shareholders who, on 25 August 2005, held shares in the Norbourg and Evolution Funds;

WHEREAS it is expedient to make a regulation for this purpose;

WHEREAS, under section 12 of the Regulations Act (R.S.Q., c. R-18.1), a proposed regulation may be made without the prior publication thereof, as provided for in section 8 of that Act, if the authority making it is of the opinion that the fiscal nature of the norms established, amended or repealed by the regulation warrants it;

WHEREAS, under section 18 of said Act, a regulation may come into force on the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec* where the authority making it is of the opinion that the fiscal nature of the norms established, amended or repealed by the regulation warrants it;

WHEREAS the Government is of the opinion that the fiscal nature of the norms established by this Regulation warrants the absence of prior publication and such a coming into force;

IT IS ORDERED, therefore, on the recommendation of the Minister of Revenue:

THAT the Remission Regulation in Favour of the Investors in the Norbourg and Evolution Funds, annexed to this Order in Council, be made.

GÉRARD BIBEAU, Clerk of the Conseil exécutif

## Remission regulation in Favour of the Investors in the Norbourg and Evolution Funds

Act respecting the Ministère du Revenu (R.S.Q., c. M-31, s. 94)

**I**. To the extent that the Minister of Revenue collects the income tax, interest and penalties determined under Part I or I.1 of the Taxation Act (R.S.Q., c. I-3), with respect to which Vincent Lacroix was sent notices of assessment for the taxation years from 1995 to 2004 and which are attributable to his additional income established for those years, such amounts shall be remitted and distributed pursuant to this Regulation.

**2.** Every shareholder who, on 25 August 2005, held shares in one or more of the Norbourg or Evolution Funds whose names appear on the annexed list, is granted the remission of an amount equal to the product obtained by multiplying the total amount referred to in section 1 by the ratio, at the time of distribution, of the unpaid balance of the shareholder's claim to the aggregate of the unpaid balances of all shareholders' claims. For this purpose, the unpaid balance of the shareholder's claim is equal to the amount by which the adjusted cost base of the shareholder's shares on 25 August 2005, established under the Taxation Act, exceeds the aggregate of the amounts each of which is an amount the shareholder received from the liquidator of the property of the Norbourg and Evolution Funds or an amount paid to the shareholder by the Autorité des marchés financiers as an indemnity from the Fonds d'indemnisation des services financiers, reduced by any portion of such amount repaid to the Autorité des marchés financiers.

**3.** Every shareholder is also granted the remission of an amount equal to the interest on the amount remitted by the Minister of Revenue pursuant to section 2, and such interest is calculated at the rate referred to in the second paragraph of section 28 of the Act respecting the Ministère du Revenu (R.S.Q., c. M-31) and accrues from 31 May 2006 or the day 10 days after the day the Minister of Revenue collects an amount, whichever is later, until the transfer of such amount to the person referred to in section 4.

**4.** The distribution of the amounts remitted by the Minister of Revenue is made by the person given the mandate to do so under an agreement entered into with the Minister.

**5.** A distribution is made every time amounts are transferred by the Minister of Revenue to the person referred to in section 4. That person shall proceed diligently with the distribution of these amounts to the shareholders.

**6.** This Regulation comes into force on the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.

### SCHEDULE

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### **EVOLUTION FUNDS**

Evolution Money Market Fund

Evolution Balanced Fund

Evolution Canadian Asset Allocation Fund

Evolution Canadian Equity - Large Cap Fund

Evolution Canadian Equity - Value Fund

Evolution Quebec Expansion Fund

Evolution World Leaders Fund

Evolution American Fund

**Evolution Bond Fund** 

Evolution Finance and Technology Fund

Evolution Canadian Demographic Fund

Evolution Demographic Trends Fund

Evolution Selection ETF Fund

**Evolution QSSP Fund** 

Evolution World Leaders RSP Fund

Evolution American RSP Fund

Evolution Perfolio Diversified Revenue Fund

Evolution Perfolio Global Fund

Evolution Perfolio Balanced Fund

Evolution Perfolio Growth Fund

Evolution Asset Management Global Industries of the Future Fund

NORBOURG FUNDS

Norbourg Balanced Fund

Norbourg International Balanced Fund

Norbourg Equity - Special Situations Fund

Norbourg Convertible Debentures Fund

Norbourg Fixed Income Fund

Norbourg Money Market Fund

Norbourg Emerging Growth Companies Fund

Norbourg Canadian Tactical Asset Allocation Fund

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