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Montreal, November 11, 2020

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**RE: Request for access – Insurance companies financial statements
Our file: GDC05-06-01-3017**

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This is further to the access request you sent to the Corporate Secretariat of the *Autorité des marchés financiers* (the “AMF”) on October 14, 2020 regarding the above-mentioned matter.

In response to your request, we invite you to consult the latest *Annual Report on Financial Institutions*, an English excerpt of which is available on the AMF’s website at <https://lautorite.qc.ca/en/general-public/publications/amf-publications/annual-reports> (The complete version is available in French only at <https://lautorite.qc.ca/grand-public/publications/publications-organisationnelles/rapports-annuels>).

This report contains all publicly available financial information regarding insurers governed by *An Act respecting insurance*, CQLR, c. A-32.

Any other financial information that we have on these insurers is confidential and cannot be communicated pursuant to section 16 of *An Act respecting the regulation of the financial sector*, CQLR, c. E-6.1, which apply notwithstanding section 9 of *An Act respecting Access to documents held by public bodies and the Protection of personal information*, CQLR, c. A-2.1 (“Access Act”).

Under section 135 of the Access Act, you have the right to apply to the *Commission d’accès à l’information* for a review of this decision. Attached is information on how to exercise this right.

Note that other financial information regarding insurers governed by the Office of the Superintendent of Financial Institutions is available via Beyond 20/20 on their website <https://www.osfi-bsif.gc.ca/Eng/wt-ow/Pages/FINDAT-pc.aspx>

Yours truly,

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Section 16 of An *the Act respecting the regulation of the financial sector*, CQLR, c. E-6.1

16. No person employed by the Authority or authorized by the Authority to exercise the powers to make an inspection or inquiry shall communicate or allow to be communicated to anyone information obtained under this Act or a regulation made by the Government, or allow the examination of a document filed under this Act or the regulation, unless the person is authorized to do so by the Authority. The same applies to any information or document relating to the application of guidelines and provided voluntarily to the Authority.

Notwithstanding sections 9 and 59 of the Act respecting Access to documents held by public bodies and the Protection of personal information ([chapter A-2.1](#)), only a person generally or specially authorized by the Authority may have access to such information or such a document.

NOTICE OF RECOURSE

(Pursuant to a decision rendered in accordance with the *Act respecting access to documents held by public bodies and the protection of personal information*, R.S.Q., c. A-2.1) (the « Act »)

REVIEW

a) Power

Section 135 of the Act stipulates that every person whose request has been denied, in whole or in part, by the person in charge of access to documents or of the protection of personal information may apply to the *Commission d'accès à l'information* for a review of the decision. An appeal may also be brought for a failure to respond within the applicable time limit.

The application for review must be made in writing; it may state briefly the reasons for which the decision should be reviewed (section 137).

The *Commission d'accès à l'information* may be reached at the following addresses :

QUÉBEC CITY

Bureau 2.36
525, boul. René-Lévesque Est
Québec (Québec) G1R 5S9

Phone : (418) 528-7741
Fax : (418) 529-3102

MONTRÉAL

Bureau 18.200
500, boul. René-Lévesque Ouest
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Phone : (514) 873-4196
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Toll-free number for both offices : 1-800-528-7741

b) Grounds

An application for review may be based on grounds pertaining to the decision, the time prescribed for processing the request, the mode of access to a document or information, the fees payable, or the application of section 9 (personal notes written on a document, sketches, outlines, drafts, preliminary notes or other documents of the same nature which are not deemed to be documents held by a public body).

c) Time limit

The application for review must be made to the *Commission d'accès à l'information* within thirty (30) days of the date of the decision or of the time granted by the Act to the person in charge for processing a request (section 135).

The Act specifically provides that the *Commission d'accès à l'information* may, for any serious reason, release the applicant from a failure to respect the thirty-day time limit (section 135).

APPEAL TO THE COURT OF QUÉBEC

a) Power

Section 147 of the Act stipulates that a person directly concerned may bring an appeal from a decision of the *Commission d'accès à l'information* before a judge of the Court of Québec on any question of law or jurisdiction. However, an appeal from an interlocutory decision may only be brought with leave of a judge of the Court of Québec. The judge shall grant leave if the interlocutory decision will not be remedied by the final decision.

b) Time limit

Under section 149 of the Act, the motion for leave to appeal must be filed in the office of the Court of Québec, within thirty (30) days of receipt of the decision of the *Commission d'accès à l'information* by the parties.

c) Procedure

Under section 151 of the Act, the notice of appeal must be served on the parties and on the Commission within ten (10) days after its filing at the office of the Court of Québec.