

## **AMENDMENTS TO POLICY STATEMENT TO REGULATION 45-106 RESPECTING PROSPECTUS EXEMPTIONS**

1. *Policy Statement to Regulation 45-106 respecting Prospectus Exemptions* is amended by replacing section 5.1 with the following:

### **“5.1. Report of exempt distribution**

#### **(1) Requirement to file**

An issuer that has distributed a security of its own issue under any of the prospectus exemptions listed in section 6.1 of Regulation 45-106 is required to file a report of exempt distribution, on or before the 10th day after the distribution. Alternatively, if an underwriter distributes securities acquired under section 2.33 of Regulation 45-106, either the issuer or the underwriter may complete and file the form. If there is a syndicate of underwriters, the lead underwriter may file the form on behalf of the syndicate or each underwriter may file a form relating to the portion of the distribution it was responsible for. The required form of report is Form 45-106F1.

In determining if it is required to file a report in a particular jurisdiction, the issuer or underwriter should consider the following questions:

(a) Is there a distribution in the jurisdiction? (Please refer to the securities legislation and securities directions of the jurisdiction for guidance, if any, on when a distribution occurs in the jurisdiction.)

(b) If there is a distribution in the jurisdiction, what exemption from the prospectus requirement is the issuer relying on for the distribution of the security?

(c) Does the exemption referred to in paragraph (b) trigger a reporting requirement? (Reports of exempt distribution are required for distributions made in reliance on the prospectus exemptions provided in section 6.1 of Regulation 45-106, *Regulation 45-108 respecting Crowdfunding* (chapter V-1.1, r. 21.02) and certain local rules and orders.)

A distribution may occur in more than one jurisdiction. In this case, the issuer may complete a single report identifying all purchasers, and file the report in each Canadian jurisdiction where the distribution has occurred.

#### **(2) Access to information**

The securities legislation of several provinces requires that information filed with the securities regulatory authority or, where applicable, the regulator under such securities legislation, be made available for public inspection during normal business hours except for information that the securities regulatory authority or, where applicable, the regulator,

(a) believes to be personal or other information of such a nature that the desirability of avoiding disclosure thereof in the interest of any affected individual outweighs the desirability of adhering to the principle that information filed with the securities regulatory authority or the regulator, as applicable, be available to the public for inspection,

(b) in Alberta, considers that it would not be prejudicial to the public interest to hold the information in confidence, and

(c) in Québec, considers that access to the information could result in serious prejudice.

Based on the above-mentioned provisions of securities legislation, the securities regulatory authorities or regulators, as applicable, have determined that the information listed in Schedule 1 and Schedule 2 of Form 45-106F1, discloses personal or other information of such a nature that the desirability of avoiding disclosure of this information outweighs the desirability of making the information available to the public for inspection. In addition, in Alberta, the

regulator considers that it would not be prejudicial to the public interest to hold the information listed in these schedules in confidence. In Québec, the securities regulatory authority considers that access to these schedules by the public in general could result in serious prejudice and consequently, the information listed in these schedules will not be made publicly available.

(3) Electronic filing of Form 45-106F1

Form 45-106F1 is required to be filed electronically in all CSA jurisdictions as described below.

For filings made in British Columbia, issuers are required to file Form 45-106F1 and pay the fees associated with that filing electronically using BCSC eServices. This requirement only applies to filings that are required to be made within 10 days of the distribution. It does not apply to filings made annually by investment funds under subsection 6.2(2) of Regulation 45-106. Please refer to BC Instrument 13-502 *Electronic Filing of Reports of Exempt Distribution* for further information.

For filings made in Ontario, issuers are required to file Form 45-106F1 electronically through the OSC's Electronic Filing Portal and pay the applicable fees. The electronic filing requirement applies to all issuers that file Form 45-106F1 including investment fund issuers that file annually in accordance with subsection 6.2(2) of the Regulation. Please see OSC Rule 11-501 *Electronic Delivery of Documents to the Ontario Securities Commission* and OSC Rule 13-502 *Fees* for further information.

For filings made in any Canadian jurisdiction except for British Columbia and Ontario, issuers, other than certain foreign issuers, are required to file Form 45-106F1 and pay the fees associated with that filing electronically through the System for Electronic Document Analysis and Retrieval (SEDAR). The electronic filing requirement also applies to investment fund issuers that file annually in accordance with subsection 6.2(2) of Regulation 45-106. Please refer to *Regulation 13-101 respecting System for Electronic Document Analysis and Retrieval (SEDAR)* (chapter V-1.1, r. 2) and *Regulation 13-102 respecting System fees for SEDAR and NRD* (chapter V-1.1, r. 21) for further information. Foreign issuers that are not required to file Form 45-106F1 electronically through SEDAR should file the report and pay the applicable fees in each of the jurisdictions in which a distribution is made at the addresses listed at the end of the report.”.