

IN THE MATTER OF THE SECURITIES ACT, S.N.B. 2004, c. S-5.5 (the "Act")

AND

IN THE MATTER OF

EXEMPTION FROM THE DEALER REGISTRATION REQUIREMENT AND THE ADVISER REGISTRATION REQUIREMENT IN RESPECT OF TRADES AND ADVICE FOR U.S. RESIDENT CLIENTS

Blanket Order 32-503

Subsection 208(1) of the Act

Interpretation

Unless otherwise defined in this decision or the context otherwise requires, terms used in this decision that are defined in National Instrument 31-103 *Registration Requirements, Exemptions and Ongoing Registrant Obligations* or National Instrument 14-101 *Definitions* have the same meaning.

Background

- 1. Certain broker-dealers registered under U.S. federal securities law (U.S. broker-dealer firms) have offices or employees in New Brunswick.
- Certain advisers registered or exempt from registration under U.S. federal securities law (U.S. adviser firms) have offices or employees in New Brunswick.
- 3. Those U.S. broker-dealer firms and U.S. adviser firms trade for and advise U.S. resident clients and may be subsidiaries of, affiliated to, or have arrangements with registered firms in New Brunswick.
- 4. Employees in New Brunswick of
 - (a) those U.S. broker-dealer firms who trade for U.S. resident clients must be registered to trade for U.S. resident clients under U.S. federal securities law;

- (b) those U.S. adviser firms who advise U.S. resident clients must be registered or exempt from registration to advise U.S. resident clients under U.S. federal securities law (registered representatives).
- 5. If those U.S. broker-dealer firms and U.S. adviser firms and their registered representatives trade for and advise U.S. resident clients and are not registered in New Brunswick, they are in default of the dealer registration requirement or the adviser registration requirement, because carrying out those activities in New Brunswick requires registration.
- 6. Those U.S. broker-dealer firms and U.S. adviser firms and their registered representatives are subject to U.S. federal securities law in respect of trades for and advice to U.S. resident clients. The Commission has a mutual cooperation and information sharing arrangement with the SEC relating to the exchange of information about persons registered with those bodies or exempt from registration under U.S. federal securities law.

Decision

- 7. Considering that to do so would not be prejudicial to the public interest, the Commission orders that:
 - (1) a U.S. broker-dealer firm and its representatives are exempt from the dealer registration requirement in respect of trades for U.S. resident clients;
 - a U.S. adviser firm and its representatives are exempt from the adviser registration requirement in respect of advice to U.S. resident clients;

if they comply with all of the following conditions:

(a) The U.S. broker-dealer firm or U.S. adviser firm files with the regulator a current information report in the form prescribed in Appendix A before relying on this order, and files an updated information report within 10 days of a change to a previously filed information report; (b) The U.S. broker-dealer firm or U.S. adviser firm does not trade

securities for or advise clients resident in New Brunswick, and their

registered representatives only trade securities for or advise clients resident in New Brunswick if they are registered in the appropriate

category;

(c) The U.S. broker-dealer firm or U.S. adviser firm files with the regulator

all information and records about its trading and advising activities as

the regulator requires from time to time;

(d) The U.S. broker-dealer firm and its representatives or the U.S. adviser

firm and its representatives are not in default of securities law in any

jurisdiction or foreign jurisdiction;

(e) The U.S. broker-dealer firm and its representatives are registered

under U.S. federal securities law; and

(f) The U.S. adviser firm and its representatives are registered or exempt

from registration under U.S. federal securities law.

This order comes into effect on 26 March 2015.

Dated at Saint John, New Brunswick, this 23rd day of March 2015.

"Original signed by"

Kevin Hoyt Executive Director

Appendix A

Information report under FCNB Blanket Order 32-503

Exemption from the dealer registration requirement and the adviser registration requirement in respect of trades and advice for U.S. resident clients

Complete the applicable sections.

Indicate the jurisdiction(s) in which the firm has employees who trade for or advise U.S. resident clients.													
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[Name of firm]												_	
[Street address]												_	
[Telephone number]													
[Name of registered firm in Canada with which you are affiliated, have a business arrangement, or share employees or offices]													
[Name of individual responsible for ensuring conditions to use this exemption are met]													
[Telephone number for responsible individual]													
[E-mail address for responsible individual]													
[Names of employees trading or advising on securities for U.S. resident clients. Use separate sheet if necessary]													
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