

January 20, 2015

On June 4, 2014, the Director, Market Regulation, on behalf of the Executive Director accepted a revised form of strip bond information statement (the **2014 Information Statement**) submitted by the Investment Industry Regulatory Organization of Canada (**IIROC**) pursuant to section 3.1(3) of Alberta Securities Commission Rule 91-504 *Strip Bonds* (the **Strip Bond Rule**). This acceptance is evidenced in a decision document dated June 4, 2014 (the **Decision Document**) which is published, with the 2014 Information Statement, on the Alberta Securities Commission website. Pursuant to the Decision Document the 2014 Information Statement has also been adopted in British Columbia, Manitoba, Newfoundland and Labrador, Nova Scotia, Ontario and Saskatchewan.

The 2014 Information Statement replaces:

- a) the information statement dated June 2003 (the **2003 Information Statement**) submitted by IIROC's predecessor, the Investment Dealers Association (**IDA**), and accepted by the Deputy Director, Capital Markets under section 3.1(3) of the Strip Bond Rule on July 28, 2003; and
- b) the information statement dated April 1998 (the **1998 Information Statement**) submitted by the IDA and determined to be in a form satisfactory to the Executive Director as at May 1, 1998.

Effective January 15, 2015 the Executive Director has revoked acceptance of the 2003 Information Statement and the 1998 Information Statement. Further, ASC Staff Notice 91-701 *Form of Information Statement for ASC Policy 5.4 - Strip Bonds* and ASC Staff Notice *Strip Bond Information Statement Accepted Under Alberta Securities Commission Rule 91-504 Strip Bonds* are withdrawn.

Commencing January 2, 2015 IIROC regulated investment dealers are required to use the 2014 Information Statement. Market participants that are not regulated by IIROC may also use the 2014 Information Statement in order to comply with the Strip Bond Rule. If a market participant, that is not regulated by IIROC, does not wish to use the 2014 Information Statement but another form of information statement then it will need to obtain the approval of the Executive Director pursuant to section 3.1(3) of the Strip Bond Rule prior to relying on the prospectus and registration exemption contained in Strip Bond Rule.

Further information regarding the use of the 2014 Information Statement by IIROC-regulated investment dealers and market participants that are not regulated by IIROC can be found in IIROC Notice 14-0158 dated June 26, 2014, available on the IIROC website at www.iroc.ca.

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