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RE: OSC Staff Consultation Paper 45-710

As an investor in Ontario I have discovered that the rules to invest in Exempt Market securities are not as fair as most of the other provinces. Having been through many volatile stock market cycles I would like investments that are not correlated to these cycles. We need alternative choices to investing and the current Exempt Market rules eliminate 98% of the Ontario investing public.

Changing the rules would allow Ontario based businesses to raise money (without the high cost of a prospectus and market volatility), which could create jobs and allow people like myself to invest in good Canadian companies, possibly in my own community.

From my research, there are reputable Exempt Market dealers that work hard to protect investors by doing their due diligence and education, and require their licenced brokers to do the same.

Please consider changing the Exempt Market rules and allow the average Ontario investor the capacity to make decisions on the risk/rewards of an investment.

Regards,

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