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John Stevenson, Secretary
Ontario Securities Commission
20 Queen Street West
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Dear Sir:

**Re: Proposed Amendments to Ontario Securities Commission (“OSC”)
Rule 31-502 – Proficiency Requirements for Registrants, OSC Rule 31-505 –
Conditions of Registration and OSC Rule 35-502 – Non-Resident Advisers
 (“Proposed Amendments”)**

We are submitting comments on the Proposed Amendments on behalf of RBC Global Investment Management Inc. and RBC Private Counsel Inc. which are members of RBC Investments, the wealth management division of RBC Financial Group. Both firms are registered with the OSC as Advisers in the category of Investment Counsel and Portfolio Manager. We are pleased that the OSC has considered our October 2, 2001 submission and looked to the Investment Dealers Association (“IDA”) model set out in IDA By-law 38 as a model for the compliance structure in registered advisers. The Proposed Amendments represent a significant improvement to the existing rules by clarifying both the responsibilities of the compliance function and the accountability for the compliance function while enabling registrant firms to staff the compliance function with qualified individuals in a manner appropriate for the firm’s size and resources.

We concur that the Proposed Amendments will permit advisers to establish more effective compliance systems without incurring new costs and urge that proposed amendments be adopted at the early possible date. Our only suggestion for improving the

proposed amendments is to enlarge the group of qualified individuals eligible to be designated as the chief compliance officer to include individuals with significant regulatory experience by adding "securities regulatory authorities or an SRO" after "securities industry" in proposed subclause 3.1(2)(b)(iii)(B) of Rule 31-502.

Sincerely,

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