1.1.2 Notice of Ministerial Approval of OSC Rule 62-504 Take-Over Bids and Issuer Bids and Related Forms and Consequential Amendments

NOTICE OF MINISTERIAL APPROVAL OF

ONTARIO SECURITIES COMMISSION RULE 62-504 TAKE-OVER BIDS AND ISSUER BIDS AND RELATED FORMS

AND

CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS

On December 21, 2007, the Minister of Finance approved the following (the "Rule"):

- Rule 62-504 Take-Over Bids and Issuer Bids, Form 62-504F1 Take-Over Bid Circular, Form 62-504F2 Issuer Bid Circular, Form 62-504F3 Directors' Circular, Form 62-504F4 Director's or Officer's Circular and Form 62-504F5 Notice of Change or Notice of Variation,
- revocation of Rule 62-501 Prohibited Stock Market Purchases of the Offeree's Securities by the Offeror During a Take-Over Bid,
- revocation of Rule 62-503 Financing of Take-Over Bids and Issuer Bids,
- revocation of Recognition Order 62-904 In the Matter of the Recognition of Certain Jurisdictions,
- amendments to Rule 13-502 Fees,
- amendments to National Instrument 62-103 The Early Warning System and Related Take-Over Bid and Insider Reporting Issues, and
- amendments to Rule 71-801 Implementing the Multijurisdictional Disclosure System.

The Rule was previously made by the Commission on October 30, 2007. On October 30, the Commission also adopted the following (the "Policy"):

- National Policy 62-203 Take-Over Bids and Issuer Bids,
- revocation of National Policy 62-201 Bids Made Only in Certain Jurisdictions, and
- withdrawal of CSA Staff Notice 62-303 Identifying the Offeror in a Take-over Bid.

The Rule and the Policy came into force on February 1, 2008. The Rule and the Policy were previously published in a Supplement to the Bulletin on December 14, 2007, and are published in Chapter 5 of this Bulletin.

On December 18, 2007, the Minister of Finance also approved a regulation (the "Regulation") amending or revoking certain provisions of Regulation 1015 of the Revised Regulations of Ontario, 1990 made under the *Securities Act* in connection with the Rule. This Regulation was filed as O. Reg. 589/07 on December 21, 2007 and published in *The Ontario Gazette* on January 5, 2008. The Regulation is also published in Chapter 9 of this Bulletin. The Regulation came into force on February 1, 2008, when the Rule came into force.

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