ALBERTA SECURITIES COMMISSION BLANKET ORDER 31-535

Citation: Temporary Exemptions from Certain Financial Statements and Information Delivery Requirements for Registrants No. 2, 2020 ABASC 73 Date: 20200526

Definitions

1. Terms defined in the Securities Act (Alberta) (the Act), National Instrument 14-101 Definitions and National Instrument 31-103 Registration Requirements, Exemptions and Ongoing Registrant Obligations (NI 31-103) have the same meaning in this Order.

Background

- 2. As a result of the coronavirus disease 2019 (**COVID-19**) outbreak, which was declared a pandemic by the World Health Organization on March 11, 2020 and led to the declaration of a "public health emergency" under the *Public Health Act* (Alberta) by the Lieutenant Governor of Alberta on March 17, 2020, the Alberta Securities Commission (the **Commission**) acknowledges that this pandemic may present challenges for market participants in the meeting of certain obligations under Alberta securities laws.
- 3. Specifically, as a result of the COVID-19 outbreak, certain registrants may be unable to make certain filings or deliver certain documents, as and when required under NI 31-103.
- 4. Under section 213 of the Act, the Commission may by order exempt any class or classes of persons or companies from all or any provision of Alberta securities laws.

Order

- 5. The Commission, considering that to do so would not be prejudicial to the public interest, orders that:
 - (a) registered dealers, registered advisers and registered investment fund managers are temporarily exempted from the delivery deadlines specified in the following provisions of NI 31-103, where such delivery deadlines fall between June 2, 2020 and September 30, 2020, provided that each registrant delivers the documents to the regulator no later than 60 days after the relevant delivery deadline:
 - (i) in the case of a registered dealer, its annual financial statements and its completed Form 31-103F1 *Calculation of Excess Working Capital* as specified in section 12.12(1);
 - (ii) in the case of a registered dealer, its interim financial information and its completed Form 31-103F1 *Calculation of Excess Working Capital* as specified in section 12.12(2);
 - (iii) in the case of a registered adviser, its annual financial statement and its completed Form 31-103F1 *Calculation of Excess Working Capital* as specified in sections 12.13(a) and (b);

- (iv) in the case of a registered investment fund manager, its annual financial statements, its completed Form 31-103F1 *Calculation of Excess Working Capital* and its completed Form 31-103F4 *Net Asset Value Adjustment* as specified in section 12.14(1);
- (v) in the case of a registered investment fund manager, its interim financial information, its completed Form 31-103F1 *Calculation of Excess Working Capital* and its completed Form 31-103F4 *Net Asset Value Adjustment* as specified in section 12.14(2);
- (vi) in the case of a registered mutual fund dealer that is a member of the MFDA and is registered as an exempt market dealer or scholarship plan dealer, its completed MFDA Form 1 *MFDA Financial Questionnaire and Report*, as specified in section 12.12(2.1)(b);
- (vii) in the case of a registered mutual fund dealer that is a member of the MFDA and is registered as an exempt market dealer or scholarship plan dealer, its completed MFDA Form 1 *MFDA Financial Questionnaire and Report*, as specified in section 12.12(2.1)(c);
- (viii) in the case of a registered investment dealer that is a member of IIROC and is registered as an investment fund manager, its completed IIROC Form 1 *Joint Regulatory Financial Questionnaire and Report*, as specified in section 12.14(4)(b);
- (ix) in the case of a registered investment dealer that is a member of IIROC and is registered as an investment fund manager, its completed IIROC Form 1 *Joint Regulatory Financial Questionnaire and Report*, as specified in section 12.14(4)(c);
- (x) in the case of a registered mutual fund dealer that is a member of the MFDA and is registered as an investment fund manager, its completed MFDA Form 1 *MFDA Financial Questionnaire and Report*, as specified in section 12.14(5)(b); and
- (xi) in the case of a registered mutual fund dealer that is a member of the MFDA and is registered as an investment fund manager, its completed MFDA Form 1 *MFDA Financial Questionnaire and Report*, as specified in section 12.14(5)(c).
- (b) the restricted dealer, Net Energy Inc. (**Net Energy**) which is subject to *Re Net Energy Inc.*, 2019 ABASC 109, is temporarily exempted from the delivery deadline under section 12.12(2) of NI 31-103, with respect to the second interim period of Net Energy's financial year, provided that Net Energy delivers its unaudited interim financial information no later than August 31, 2020; and
- (c) the restricted dealers listed in Appendix A (the **restricted dealers**) are temporarily exempted from the delivery deadline under section 12.12(2) of

NI 31-103, with respect to the second interim period for each restricted dealer's year end, for documents required to be delivered to the regulator pursuant to paragraphs 1(b)(ii) and 1(b)(iv) of the exemption order applicable to each of the restricted dealers as specified in Appendix A, provided that each restricted dealer delivers the documents to the regulator no later than September 28, 2020.

- 6. This Order does not provide a further extension of any deadline previously extended under ASC Blanket Order 31-532 *Temporary Exemptions from Certain Financial Statements and Information Delivery Requirements for Registrants* dated March 23, 2020.
- 7. This Order takes effect on May 28, 2020.

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Appendix A

- One Exchange Futures Corp., subject to *Re One Exchange Futures Corp.*, 2019 ABASC 113
- Marex Spectron International Limited, subject to Re Marex Spectron International Limited, 2019 ABASC 108
- CalRock Brokers Inc., subject to Re CalRock Brokers Inc., 2019 ABASC 111
- Tullett Prebon Americas Corp., subject to *Re Tullett Prebon Americas Corp. and PVM Futures*, 2019 ABASC 110
- PVM Futures, Inc., subject to *Re Tullett Prebon Americas Corp. and PVM Futures*, 2019 ABASC 110