ASC NOTICE OF AMENDMENTS TO NI 31-103 REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS, EXEMPTIONS, AND ONGOING REGISTRANT OBLIGATIONS

October 13, 2016

Introduction

The Alberta Securities Commission (**ASC**) is adopting consequential amendments to NI 31-103 *Registration Requirements, Exemptions, and Ongoing Registrant Obligations* (**Amendments**).

The text of the Amendments is contained in Annex A of this notice and will also be available on the ASC website, <u>www.albertasecurities.com</u>.

The Amendments are related to the adoption of ASC Rule 13-501 *Fees* (**Fee Rule**), and both the Amendments and the Fee Rule will come into force on December 1, 2016, subject to the Fee Rule receiving the necessary Ministerial approval. If the Fee Rule does not receive Ministerial approval and come into force on December 1, 2016, then the Amendments will not come into force until such time as the Fee Rule receives Ministerial approval and comes into force.

Background and Substance

The ASC's new Fee Rule is scheduled to be effective December 1, 2016, subject to receiving the necessary Ministerial approval, and it will replace the Schedule - Fees in the Alta. Reg. 115/1995 - Securities Regulation (**Fee Schedule**).

Section 10.1(1)(a) of NI 31-103 is being amended to reference section 5 of the Fee Rule instead of section 2.1 of the Fee Schedule. The Amendments are consequential amendments to the adoption of the new Fee Rule and do not materially change NI 31-103. As the Amendments do not materially change NI 31-103, we are not publishing the Amendments for a comment period.

Questions

Please refer your questions to any of the following:

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ANNEX A AMENDMENTS TO NATIONAL INSTRUMENT 31-103 REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS, EXEMPTIONS, AND ONGOING REGISTRANT OBLIGATIONS

- 1. National Instrument 31-103 Registration Requirements, Exemptions, and Ongoing Registrant Obligations is amended by this Instrument.
- 2. Section 10.1(1)(a) is amended by deleting "2.1 of the Schedule Fees in Alta. Reg. 115/95 Securities Regulation" and adding "5 of ASC Rule 13-501 Fees".
- 3. This Instrument comes into force on December 1, 2016.