Blanket Order No. 51-513

IN THE MATTER OF THE SECURITIES ACT, R.S.N.S. 1989, CHAPTER 418, AS AMENDED

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IN THE MATTER OF A TEMPORARY EXEMPTION FROM CERTAIN CORPORATE FINANCE REMENTS FOR COMMUNITY ECONOMIC-DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

REQUIREMENTS FOR COMMUNITY ECONOMIC-DEVELOPMENT CORPORATIONS
DURING THE PERIOD JUNE 2 TO AUGUST 31, 2020

ORDER (SECTION 151A)

WHEREAS

- 1. Terms defined in the Securities Act (Nova Scotia) (the Act) or the Community Economic-Development Corporations Regulations have the same meaning in this order.
- 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 has led to the declaration of a "Provincial State of Emergency" under the *Emergency Management Act* (Nova Scotia) on March 22, 2020, as extended, the Nova Scotia Securities Commission (the Commission) acknowledges that this pandemic may present challenges for market participants in the meeting of certain obligations under Nova Scotia securities laws.
- 3. Specifically, certain Community Economic-Development Corporations may be unable to make certain filings, or send or deliver certain documents, as and when required under continuous disclosure requirements.
- 4. The Commission is of the opinion that to order relief in these circumstances would not be prejudicial to the public interest.

IT IS ORDERED, pursuant to subsection 151A(1) of the Act, that:

- 1. A person or company required to make a filing listed in Exhibit A, or to send or deliver a document listed in Exhibit A, during the period from June 2, 2020 to August 31, 2020 has an additional 45 days from the deadline otherwise applicable under Nova Scotia securities laws to make the filing or to send or deliver the document, PROVIDED THAT:
 - (a) the person or company files a notice to rely on this exemption with the Director of Corporate Finance as soon as reasonably practicable and in advance of its filing or delivery deadline that discloses
 - (i) the specific requirements for which it is relying on this exemption;

- (ii) the estimated date by which the required disclosure is expected to be filed or the required document is expected to be sent or delivered; and
- (iii) the following information about the person or company
 - (A) an update of any material business developments since the date of the last annual financial statements or interim financial reports that were filed, or
 - (B) confirmation that there have been no material business developments since that date; and
- (b) if the person or company is relying on this exemption for one or more documents, it does not file an offering document until it has filed all documents for which it is relying on this exemption.
- 2. This Order does not provide a further extension of any deadline extended pursuant to Blanket Order 51-510 A Temporary Exemption from Certain Corporate Finance Requirements for Community Economic-Development Corporations, dated March 23, 2020

EFFECTIVE DATE

This Order comes into effect on May 27, 2020.

DATED at Halifax, Nova Scotia, this 27th day of May, 2020.

NOVA SCOTIA SECURITIES COMMISSION

Paul E. Radford, Q.C., Chair

Exhibit A – Annual and interim filings

1. The filing of:

- annual financial statements required by section 4(a) of Nova Scotia Securities Commission Blanket Order No. 51-504, or
- interim financial statements required by section 4(b) of Nova Scotia Securities Commission Blanket Order No. 51-504.

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