

IN THE MATTER OF  
THE *SECURITIES ACT*, R.S.N.S. 1989, CHAPTER 418, AS AMENDED (the Act)

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IN THE MATTER OF STRATUS OFFSHORE (also operating as Stratus Financial Group International), MAGNUS TORGERSON, JOHN WESTBROOK, MARK STONE AND TEDDY STONE  
(collectively the Respondents)

**ORDER**

**WHEREAS** an Amended Notice of Hearing was issued by the Nova Scotia Securities Commission (the Commission) on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2015;

**AND WHEREAS** proper notice and service of the Amended Notice of Hearing was effected on the Respondents in accordance with the Commission Memorandum of Pre-Hearing Conference issued on November 19, 2015, and in accordance with part 5 of Rule 15-501 General Rules of Practice and Procedure;

**AND WHEREAS** the hearing of this matter was held on Monday, December 21, 2015, and the Respondents did not appear at the hearing;

**AND UPON** consideration and review of the evidence submitted on behalf of the Director of Enforcement;

**AND UPON** hearing the submissions of Heidi Schedler, counsel for the Director of Enforcement;

**AND UPON** the Commission having issued an order pursuant to section 134 of the Act against the Respondents on December 22, 2015;

**AND UPON** the Commission having found that the Respondents contravened sections 31 and 44A(2) of the Act, and that they acted contrary to fair and efficient capital markets and contrary to the public interest;

**AND UPON** the Respondents having been given an opportunity to be heard and the Commission determining it is in the public interest to make this Order;

**AND UPON** the Commission having issued its decision on February 11, 2016, finding that an order for administrative penalties and costs against the Respondents is warranted;

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that:

1. Pursuant to section 135 (a) and (b) of the Act, Stratus Offshore (also operating as Stratus Financial Group International) pay an administrative penalty of fifty thousand Canadian dollars (\$50,000 CAD) forthwith;

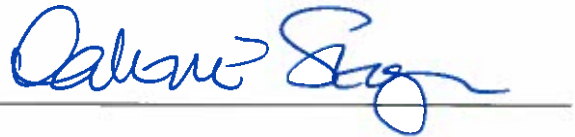
2. Pursuant to section 135 (a) and (b) of the Act, Magnus Torgerson pay an administrative penalty of forty thousand Canadian dollars (\$40,000 CAD) forthwith;
3. Pursuant to section 135 (a) and (b) of the Act, John Westbrook pay an administrative penalty of twenty five thousand Canadian dollars (\$25,000 CAD) forthwith;
4. Pursuant to section 135 (a) and (b) of the Act, Mark Stone pay an administrative penalty of twenty five thousand Canadian dollars (\$25,000 CAD) forthwith;
5. Pursuant to section 135 (a) and (b) of the Act, Teddy Stone pay an administrative penalty of twenty five thousand Canadian dollars (\$25,000 CAD) forthwith; and
6. Pursuant to section 135A of the Act, the Respondents, jointly and severally, pay costs in connection with the investigation and conduct of the proceeding before the Commission in the amount of three thousand Canadian dollars (\$3,000 CAD) forthwith.

DATED at Halifax, Nova Scotia, this 1<sup>st</sup> day of April, 2016.

**NOVA SCOTIA SECURITIES COMMISSION**



Sandra MacPherson-Duncan, QC



Valerie Seager



Michael Deturbide, QC