

IN THE MATTER OF THE SECURITIES ACT  
R.S.N.S. 1989, C. 418 as amended ("Act")

-AND-

IN THE MATTER OF  
Trusthouse Mercantile Inc ("Trusthouse") and  
Robert Ernest Raymond ("Raymond")  
(collectively the "Respondents")

**ORDER**

(Sections 134, 135, 135A)

**WHEREAS** on February 15, 2007, the Nova Scotia Securities Commission ("Commission") issued a Notice of Hearing pursuant to sections 134, 135 and 135A of the Act in respect to the Respondents;

**AND WHEREAS** the Respondents entered into a settlement agreement with Staff of the Commission ("Staff") whereby they agreed to a proposed settlement of the proceeding, subject to the approval of the Commission;

**AND WHEREAS** Staff recommended approval of the settlement agreement;

**AND UPON** reviewing the settlement agreement and the Notice of Hearing, and upon hearing submissions of Heidi Schedler on behalf of Staff and the Respondents on their own behalf;

**AND WHEREAS** the Commission is of the opinion that the Respondents have contravened Nova Scotia securities laws and it is in the public interest to make this Order;

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED**, pursuant to sections 134, 135 and 135A of the Act, that:

1. the settlement agreement dated February 9, 2007, a copy of which is attached, is approved;
2. pursuant to section 134(1)(b)(i) of the Act, Trusthouse shall permanently cease trading in any and all classes of securities;
3. pursuant to section 134(1)(b)(i) of the Act, Raymond shall permanently cease trading in any and all classes of securities with the exception of trading accounts in his name for his benefit, using his funds, in which case he shall cease trading in any and all classes of securities for a period of twelve months from the date of this order;

4. pursuant to section 134(1)(c) of the Act, the Respondents shall be permanently denied all exemptions contained in Nova Scotia securities laws;
5. pursuant to section 135(b) of the Act, the Respondents shall pay an administrative penalty in the amount of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00) forthwith; and
6. pursuant to section 135A of the Act, the Respondents shall pay costs in connection with the investigation and conduct of the proceedings in the amount of twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000.00) forthwith.

DATED at Halifax, Nova Scotia, this 20<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2007.

NOVA SCOTIA SECURITIES COMMISSION

"H. Leslie O'Brien"

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"Paul Radford"

Paul Radford, Commission Member