

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

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IN THE MATTER OF  
QUINTIN EARL SPONAGLE, TREVOR WAYNE HILL AND  
LARRY ENOS BEATON (collectively the "Respondents")

**NOTICE OF HEARING**  
(Sections 134, 135 and 135A of the Act)

**TAKE NOTICE** that the Nova Scotia Securities Commission ("Commission") will hold a hearing pursuant to sections 134, 135 and 135A of the Act at the offices of the Commission located at 1690 Hollis Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, Halifax, Nova Scotia, or such other place as the Commission may designate on notice to the parties, on a date and time to be determined by the Commission;

**AND TAKE NOTICE** that the purpose of the hearing will be for the Commission to consider whether it is in the public interest for the Commission to make:

1. an order pursuant to section 134(1) of the Act that:
  - a. any or all of the exemptions contained in Nova Scotia securities laws do not apply to the Respondents permanently;
  - b. the Respondents be permanently prohibited from becoming or acting as a director or officer of any issuer;
  - c. the Respondents be permanently prohibited from becoming or acting as a registrant, investment fund manager or promoter; and
  - d. the Respondents be reprimanded;
2. an order pursuant to section 135 of the Act that the Respondents pay an administrative penalty of not more than one million dollars for each contravention or failure to comply with the Act;
3. an order pursuant to section 135A of the Act that the Respondents pay costs in connection with the investigation and conduct of this proceeding before the Commission; and
4. such other order as the Commission considers appropriate.

**BY REASON OF** the allegations set out in the Statement of Allegations of staff of the Commission attached to this notice and such additional allegations as counsel may advise and the Commission may permit;

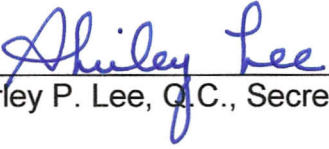
**AND TAKE NOTICE** that disclosure of evidence and copies of documents to be presented at the hearing will be provided as ordered by the Commission;

**AND TAKE NOTICE** that any party to the proceeding may be represented by legal counsel or an authorized agent;

**AND TAKE NOTICE** that the Respondents shall provide written notice to the Commission, at least seven (7) days prior to the date of the hearing, of their intention to attend the hearing, and if no such notice is provided within this time or upon failure of any party to attend at the hearing, the hearing may proceed in the absence of that party and an order granted and such party is not entitled to any further notice of the proceeding.

**DATED** at Halifax, Nova Scotia, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2011.

NOVA SCOTIA SECURITIES COMMISSION

  
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Shirley P. Lee, Q.C., Secretary