

STATEMENT OF INVESTMENT POLICIES AND PROCEDURES
FOR THE
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1. Introduction and Background

- 1.1. This document constitutes the Statement of Investment Policies and Procedures (the "Policy" or "SIPP") in respect of the TQM Pipeline Trust (the "Trust") established by agreement dated January 29, 2015 between CIBC Trust Corporation (the "Initial Trustee" or "Trustee") and Trans Québec & Maritimes Pipeline Inc. ("TQM Inc." or the "Company"), as amended and restated on October 1, 2015 (the "Trust Agreement").
- 1.2. The Trust is a "qualifying environmental trust" ("QET") within the meaning of the *Income Tax Act* (Canada) (the "Income Tax Act") and is maintained for the sole purpose of setting aside funds to secure the Company's reclamation obligations in respect of the site in Canada used primarily for the operation of the Trans Québec & Maritimes Pipeline System.
- 1.3. The purpose of this SIPP is to outline investment guidelines and monitoring procedures appropriate to the objectives of the Trust and in accordance with the *National Energy Board* (the "Board") *MH-001-2013 Reasons for Decision* (the "Decision") and the provisions of the Income Tax Act which govern QETs (together the "Governing Law"). Appendix A contains supplemental information requested by the Board and its successor, the Canadian Energy Regulator (the "Commission").
- 1.4. Any investment manager ("Investment Manager") providing services in connection with the Trust assets shall accept and adhere to this SIPP. The investment of the Trust assets will be in compliance with Governing Law.
- 1.5. This Policy replaces previous statements of investment policies and procedures in respect of the Trust.
- 1.6. Trust assets are currently held by the Trustee, a licensed trust company regulated under the *Trust and Loan Companies Act*.

2. Allocation of Responsibilities

Subject to the terms of the Trust Agreement, this section sets out the responsibility for the management, oversight and investment of the Trust.

- 2.1. The Company will:
 - a) Determine and disseminate the Trust's SIPP in accordance with the Commission's requirements;
 - b) document the Company's governance structure related to oversight of the Trust;
 - c) file the Trust Agreement and any amendments, including a change in trustee, with the Commission for approval;
 - d) file changes to this SIPP, except for immaterial changes as defined in Section 14.3 of this Policy, with the Commission;
 - e) monitor the activities, service providers and performance of the Trust assets;
 - f) collect and contribute funds to the Trust as required by the Commission; and
 - g) receive distributions from the Trust subject to the conditions as set out in the Trust Agreement.

2.2. The Trustee will:

- a) fulfill the duties of a trustee as required by law and as outlined in the Trust Agreement;
- b) receive, hold, invest and release Trust assets in accordance with the Trust Agreement;
- c) select, appoint, retain and terminate any Investment Manager and custodian ("Custodian") as to part or all of the Trust assets and ensure each party performs its duties in accordance with their respective agreement with the Trustee in providing the necessary service;
- d) ensure that investments are consistent with this SIPP and Governing Law;
- e) consider engaging the services of a consultant, as deemed necessary and in consultation with the Company, when contemplating changes to the investment strategies;
- f) consult with the Company, from time to time, prior to making any material changes to the investment strategies;
- g) monitor investment results in accordance with the investment objectives defined in this SIPP;
- h) receive, review and comment on this SIPP periodically or as required due to changes in circumstances, at a minimum every five years; and
- i) consult with the Company to stay current on applicable issues and matters.

2.3. Any Investment Manager engaged by the Trustee will:

- a) invest the portion of Trust assets under its control in accordance with all Governing Law, a written investment management agreement and this SIPP;
- b) exercise the powers granted to it by the Trustee hereunder relating to the investment and/or reinvestment of the Trust assets, including the power at any time and from time to time to choose, acquire, dispose of or change any investment or reinvestment of Trust assets;
- c) participate in the periodic review of this SIPP;
- d) confirm to the Trustee compliance with this SIPP on a quarterly basis;
- e) provide investment performance reporting on a monthly basis, or as requested by the Trustee;
- f) work with the Custodian to settle transactions and reconcile differences in gross return calculations and individual portfolio holdings;
- g) provide valuation and activity statements on a monthly and quarterly basis;
- h) manage asset mix in accordance with long-term guidelines and select securities, subject to applicable legislation and the constraints set out in this SIPP and its mandate;
- i) promptly report to the Trustee and the Company any material matters pertaining to the investment of the Trust assets under its control; and
- j) meet with the Trustee and the Company periodically to review the investment portfolio's structure, strategy and performance.

3. Investment Objectives, Return and Risk Expectations

3.1. Investment Objectives

Trust assets will be invested in accordance with a conservative, low-risk portfolio with a goal of capital preservation. Mid-term provincial bonds were used to determine the Trust's long-term expected return as an appropriate proxy for that portfolio.

3.2. Return and Risk Expectations

The risks inherent in the investment strategy over a market cycle include:

- a) The risk that long term market returns will be lower than expectations.
- b) The risk of annual volatility in returns, which means that in any one year the actual return may be significantly different from the expected long term return and that such return may also be negative.

The detailed risk and return expectations are set out in Appendix A of this SIPP.

3.3. Return and Risk Considerations

The Commission does not subscribe to the concept of elimination of risk and acknowledges that no approach can guarantee capital preservation. In general, the investment objectives of the Trust may be periodically reviewed by the Company with regard to the characteristics of the obligations, including:

- a) The long term nature of the obligations;
- b) The degree of inflation sensitivity of the obligations;
- c) The long-term return expectations and risks associated with key asset classes, as well as the relationships of their returns with each other, inflation and interest rates;
- d) Consideration of the risk tolerance of interested persons; and
- e) Practical considerations.

3.4. Liquidity

Trust assets should have sufficient liquidity to meet obligations as they become due. The Trustee shall consult with the Company prior to calling in or redeeming investments for the purposes of making a payment in accordance with sections 4.05 or 4.06 of the Trust Agreement. At the discretion of the Trustee, excess liquidity may be capitalized and added to the assets entrusted with an Investment Manager.

The Investment Manager shall consult with the Trustee prior to calling in or redeeming investments for the purpose of distributing Trust property for reclamation purposes.

4. **Reporting**

4.1. All income of the Trust assets entrusted to the Investment Manager should be reported to the Trustee to clearly delineate capital and income balances of the Trust.

5. **Asset Allocation Guidelines**

5.1. The market values of the individual asset class components of the Trust shall be within the following minimum and maximum aggregate investment limits when the Trust is less than 100% funded:

Asset Class	In Percent		
	Minimum	Target	Maximum
Fixed Income ¹	90	100	100
Cash and Short Term Paper	-	-	10

When the Trust is 100% funded the entire portfolio will be moved to cash like securities.

5.2. **De-Risking**

A de-risking strategy provides a glidepath to implement de-risking as the Trust's funding ratio improves. The funding ratio is the ratio of assets to obligations (assets ÷ obligations). As the funding ratio reaches 100% the entire portfolio is reallocated to cash like securities, effectively reducing risk. The Trust Expected Return in Appendix A incorporates the expected returns earned through the de-risking phase.

The glidepath reflects a "one-way" approach which means the Trust's portfolio will not be re-risked should the funding ratio fall back below prior trigger points. The Trust's de-risking strategy will be reevaluated periodically by the Company, or at least every five years, in conjunction with the review of the SIPP.

The Company shall be responsible for formally notifying the Trustee of the funding ratio periodically, and at least annually.

5.3. The Trust's performance shall be measured against the following benchmark index (the "Benchmark Portfolio"), inclusive of the ranges outlined in Section 5.1, using market values.

Asset Class	Benchmark Index	Benchmark Portfolio (%)
Fixed Income	FTSE Canada Mid-Term Provincial Bond Index	100

5.4. Investments in fixed income will have a maximum relative market value weight versus the provincial bond benchmark of:

- (i) Issuer: +/- 5%
- (ii) Credit rating: +/- 5%

5.5. The Company will provide the Trustee an approved list of select agency bonds that can be included in the portfolio, and at no time will any other agency bonds be included in the portfolio to ensure the Trust maintains QET status.

5.6. Notwithstanding the asset mix ranges above, the Trustee may authorize temporary asset mix positions outside these ranges where appropriate including, for example, to accommodate the liquidation of an investment for purposes of ensuring that the Trust maintains QET status, an asset liquidation to fund pipeline abandonment activities, an asset restructuring due to an approved change in investment strategy, or a transition between investment managers, as applicable.

5.7. For greater certainty, any change to the asset classes and investment limits in this section require Company approval and an amendment of the SIPP must be filed with the Commission.

5.8. **Rebalancing**

- a) The Trust should be periodically rebalanced in the direction of the asset mix guidelines.
- b) When funds are contributed to or distributed from the Trust, consideration shall be given to bringing the actual asset mix, in effect at the time of the transaction, closer to targets.
- c) The trust will be rebalanced when:
 - (iii) there is a material change in the investment strategy; or

(iv) the market value of the actual Trust asset mix falls outside of the minimum or maximum ranges specified above.

6. Trust Objectives and Constraints

6.1. Passive investment management will be employed.

6.2. Trust Performance

Performance will be considered to have met a minimum threshold if the annualized return over a full market cycle is in line with the Benchmark Portfolio Return before investment management fees.

6.3. Individual Investment Manager Performance

Performance will be considered satisfactory if it meets the performance objective specified in the investment management agreement.

6.4. The Trust will be passively managed within the following constraints:

a) Aggregate Investment Limits

At all times the market value of individual asset classes will be within the investment limits as set out in this SIPP.

b) Permitted Investments within Asset Classes

The Trust is restricted to investing in those investments that from time to time are qualified investments for a QET ("Qualified Investments"), and for greater certainty, Qualified Investments on the date hereof include only those types of property described in paragraphs (a), (b), (c), (c.1), (d) and (f) of the definition of "qualified investment" in section 204 of the Income Tax Act that are not encompassed within the definition of "prohibited investment" in subsection 211.6(1) of the Income Tax Act, which provisions, as they read as of the date hereof, are set out in Appendix B of this SIPP.

Currently, the permissible investments for the Trust is limited to property described in paragraphs (a) and (b)(i) of the definition of "qualified investment" in section 204 of the Income Tax Act ("Permissible Investments").

In addition to the Permissible Investments it is expected that the Investment Manager will limit the investments held in the portfolio to securities of similar term and quality in order to hold and perform in line with the Benchmark Portfolio as much as practicable. Permissible Investments that, while permitted in the SIPP, result in the portfolio deviating from the Benchmark Portfolio in terms of risk and return are not desirable.

6.5. Investments may be made through a segregated fund.

6.6. The Company shall not select investments on behalf of the Trust.

7. Individual Investment Constraints

7.1. The following constraints refer to the Permissible Investments noted in Section 6.4(b) of this SIPP.

- 7.2. The Trust shall be passively invested to mimic the Benchmark Portfolio as per Sections 5.3 and 6.1.
- 7.3. **Cash and Equivalents and Fixed Income Securities**
 - a) Investments in debt obligations will have an investment grade rating with a prescribed rating agency at the time of purchase.
 - b) If the credit rating for any fixed income or cash and equivalent holding drops below the minimum specified in this SIPP, the Investment Manager must notify the Trustee and the Company as soon as practicable and recommend a specific course of action.
- 7.4. **Other Constraints**
 - a) All investment activities must be consistent with the Code of Ethics and Standards of Professional Conduct of the CFA Institute.
 - b) If adopted by the investment management firm, the Investment Manager must confirm compliance with the CFA Institute Asset Manager Code of Professional Conduct.
 - c) All investments shall be made in accordance with Governing Law.

8. Analysis and Evaluation of Investment Performance

- 8.1. The following return definitions will be used in the attribution of portfolio performance:
 - a) **Actual Trust Return** is the time weighted return actually earned by the Trust.
 - b) **Time Weighted Return**, or required equivalent, for a given period is the investment return earned on a constant unit of assets held throughout the measurement period. It is unaffected by external cash flows and is therefore an accurate measure of an Investment Manager's investment performance.
 - c) **Benchmark Portfolio Return** is the return earned by the passive management of the Benchmark Portfolio.
- 8.2. The Benchmark Portfolio and associated asset class indices are reflected in Sections 5.1 and 5.3.
- 8.3. Independent of investment performance analysis, the Trustee, in consultation with the Company, shall decide whether there are any other reasons why a change in Investment Manager(s) is warranted. Such reasons could include:
 - a) Change of investment strategy at the Trust level;
 - b) Significant turnover of Investment Manager staff;
 - c) Significant change in the Investment Manager's ownership, structure or investment process;
 - d) Inconsistent investment performance or failure to satisfy the requirements of this SIPP; and
 - e) Investment management fees.

9. Affiliated Parties

- 9.1. For the purposes of this SIPP, an Affiliated Party means, with respect to a person (including a partnership), that person's affiliates within the meaning of the *Canada Business Corporations Act*, and for the Trustee includes, but is not limited to, CIBC World Markets Inc., CIBC Asset Management Inc., CIBC Mellon Trust Company, CIBC Mellon Global Securities Services Company, and CIBC Private Investment Counsel, a division of CIBC Asset Management.

- 9.2. The Trustee may retain, invest or reinvest any assets constituting the whole or any part of the Trust assets in Qualified investments in accordance with this Policy, including Qualified Investments that are deposits, investment products or obligations issued or administered by the Trustee or its Affiliates, or by any one or more of its Affiliates or subsidiaries.
- 9.3. The Trustee may authorize the Investment Manager to deposit any cash in or invest in or purchase securities, products and services of related and connected issuers of the Trustee or its Affiliates, notwithstanding that the Trustee, its Affiliates, any related and connected issuers, its agents and/or advisors may benefit therefrom.

10. Conflict of Interest Policy and Disclosure Requirements

10.1. Individuals Governed by Guidelines

- a) The guidelines in this section apply to:
 - i) The Investment Manager(s);
 - ii) The Trustee;
 - iii) Any consultant retained by the Trustee to provide services to the Trust; and
 - iv) Any officer, employee or agent retained by those listed in (i) to (iii) to provide services to the Trust;
- b) No person listed above may exercise their powers primarily in their own interest or in the interest of a third person with regard to the investments of the Trust.
- c) These guidelines apply in addition to any policies and procedures these parties may have in place.

- 10.2. Any person listed above must disclose any direct or indirect association or material interest or involvement that would result in any actual, potential or perceived conflict of interest with regard to the investments of the Trust. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, this would include material benefit from any Trust asset, or any significant holdings in or membership on boards of other corporations, or any actual or proposed contracts.
- 10.3. The persons listed in Section 10.1(a) shall disclose the nature and extent of their interest to the Trustee and the Company promptly upon first becoming aware of the conflict or possible conflict.
- 10.4. For the purpose above, the disclosure must be made verbally if the knowledge of the conflict arises in the course of discussion at a meeting.
- 10.5. If the party disclosing the conflict has the capacity to participate in or to make decisions affecting the investment of the Trust assets, the party may only continue to participate with the approval of the Trustee. The party may elect not to participate with respect to the issue under conflict. The declaration of conflict will be recorded in the minutes of the relevant committee.
- 10.6. The failure of a party to comply with the procedures described in this section shall not of itself invalidate any transaction, decision or other matter. The relevant committee shall determine the consequences of any such failure.

11. Loans and Borrowing

- 11.1. No part of the Trust assets shall be loaned to any party.
- 11.2. Money shall not be borrowed on behalf of the Trust and the Trust assets shall not be pledged or otherwise encumbered in respect thereof.

12. Valuation of Investments

- 12.1. Investments in publicly traded securities will be valued no less frequently than monthly at their market value. If a market valuation of an investment is not readily available, an estimate of fair value will be supplied by the Investment Manager to the Custodian no less frequently than quarterly. Such fair value may be determined by reference to the most recent independent expert appraisal or by other means such as risk-adjusted discounted cash flows or comparison with similar assets which are publicly traded. In all cases, the methodology should be applied consistently over time.

13. Tax Constraints

- 13.1. The residence, situs, mind and management of the Trust shall be located in the Province of Alberta.
- 13.2. The Trust shall only invest in Qualified Investments.
- 13.3. At no time shall the Company, the Trustee or any advisor hired by the Trustee, including an Investment Manager or Custodian, take any action which could jeopardize the status of the Trust as a QET.

14. Policy Review and Amendments

- 14.1. This SIPP and any amendments must be filed with the Commission.
- 14.2. Amendments must be filed 60 days prior to implementing the change and include a letter of notification which:
 - a) Identifies the change;
 - b) Provides a clear articulation of the risk and return among the Company and stakeholders, including the Company's shippers and any affected public;
 - c) Explains whether the change is supported by the Company's shippers and interested persons.
- 14.3. Immaterial amendments do not need to be filed with the Commission and have been defined by the Commission as follows:
 - a) Subtracting a year from the time horizon due to the passage of time; and
 - b) A less than or equal to 25 basis points change in the expected rate of return on a particular asset class, as set out in this SIPP previously filed with the Commission.
- 14.4. This SIPP is to be reviewed periodically, at a minimum, every five years by the Trustee and the Company.

15. Paramountcy

15.1. In the event of a conflict between the terms of this Policy and the Trust Agreement, the terms of the Trust Agreement shall prevail.

APPENDIX A – SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

Trustee	CIBC Trust Corporation		
Custodian	CIBC Mellon Trust Company		
Investment Manager	CIBC Asset Management		
Trust Expected Return	4.4%		
Trust Expected Risk (Standard Deviation)	4.9%		
Trust Asset Mix	100% Mid-Term Provincial Bonds		
Trust Time Horizon	Long-term, as approved by the Commission		
Custody Fee	Tiered fee schedule: \$0-250 million 2.0 basis points \$250-500 million 1.5 basis points \$500-1,000 million 1.0 basis points Over \$1,000 million 0.5 basis points		
Investment Management Fee	2.5 basis points		
Trustee Fee	2 basis points		

APPENDIX B – QUALIFIED INVESTMENTS

The relevant paragraphs of the definition of “qualified investment” in section 204 of the Income Tax Act currently read as follows:

- (a) money (other than money the fair market value of which exceeds its stated value as legal tender in the country of issuance or money that is held for its numismatic value) and deposits (within the meaning assigned by the *Canada Deposit Insurance Corporation Act* or with a branch in Canada of a bank) of such money standing to the credit of the trust,
- (b) debt obligations described in paragraph (a) of the definition “fully exempt interest” in subsection 212(3) [*being a bond, debenture, note, mortgage, hypothecary claim or similar debt obligation*
 - (i) *of, or guaranteed (otherwise than by being insured by the Canada Deposit Insurance Corporation) by, the Government of Canada,*
 - (ii) *of the government of a province,*
 - (iii) *of an agent of a province,*
 - (iv) *of a municipality in Canada or a municipal or public body performing a function of government in Canada,*
 - (v) *of a corporation, commission or association to which any of paragraphs 149(1)(d) to (d.6)¹ applies or of an educational institution or a hospital if repayment of the principal amount of the obligation and payment of the interest is to be made, or is guaranteed, assured or otherwise specifically provided for or secured by the government of a province],*
- (c) debt obligations issued by
 - (i) a corporation, mutual fund trust or limited partnership the shares or units of which are listed on a designated stock exchange in Canada,²
 - (ii) a corporation the shares of which are listed on a designated stock exchange outside Canada,³ or
 - (iii) an authorized foreign bank⁴ and payable at a branch in Canada of the bank,

(c.1) debt obligations that meet the following criteria, namely,

- (i) any of
 - (A) the debt obligations had, at the time of acquisition by the trust, an investment grade rating with a prescribed credit rating agency,⁵
 - (B) the debt obligations have an investment grade rating with a prescribed credit rating agency,⁶ or,
 - (C) the debt obligations were acquired by the trust in exchange for debt obligations that satisfied the condition in clause (A) and as part of a proposal to, or an arrangement with, the creditors of the issuer of the debt obligations that has been approved by a court under the *Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act* or the *Companies’ Creditors Arrangement Act*, and
- (ii) either
 - (A) the debt obligations were issued as part of a single issue of debt of at least \$25 million, or,
 - (B) in the case of debt obligations that are issued on a continuous basis under a debt issuance program, the issuer of the debt obligations had issued and outstanding debt under the program of at least \$25 million,

- (d) securities (other than futures contracts or other derivative instruments in respect of which the holder's risk of loss may exceed the holder's cost) that are listed on a designated stock exchange,⁷ and
- (f) guaranteed investment certificates issued by a trust company incorporated under the laws of Canada or of a province.

The definition of “prohibited investment” in Subsection 211.6(1) of the Income Tax Act reads as follows:

A “prohibited investment”, of a trust at any time, means a property that:

- (a) at the time it was acquired by the trust, was described by any of paragraphs (c), (c.1) or (d) of the definition “qualified investment” in section 204; and
- (b) was issued by:
 - (i) a person or partnership that has contributed property to, or that is a beneficiary under, the trust,
 - (ii) a person that is related to, or a partnership that is affiliated with, a person or partnership that has contributed property to, or that is a beneficiary under, the trust, or
 - (iii) a particular person or partnership if:
 - (A) another person or partnership holds significant interest (within the meaning assigned by subsection 207.01(4) with any modifications that the circumstances require)⁸ in the particular person or partnership, and
 - (B) the holder of that significant interest has contributed property to, or is a beneficiary under, the trust.

¹ The relevant paragraphs read as follows:

- (d) **[corporations owned by the Crown]** – a corporation, commission or association all of the shares (except directors' qualifying shares) or of the capital of which was owned by one or more persons each of which is Her Majesty in right of Canada or Her Majesty in right of a province;
- (d.1) **[corporations 90% owned by the Crown]** – a corporation, commission or association not less than 90% of the shares (except directors' qualifying shares) or of the capital of which was owned by one or more persons each of which is Her Majesty in right of Canada or Her Majesty in right of a Province;
- (d.2) **[wholly-owned [by Crown corporation] corporations]** – a corporation all of the shares (except directors' qualifying shares) or of the capital of which was owned by one or more persons each of which is a corporation, commission or association to which this paragraph or paragraph (d) applies for the period;
- (d.3) **[90% [Crown] owned corporations]** -- a corporation, commission or association not less than 90% of the shares (except directors' qualifying shares) or of the capital of which was owned by:
 - (i) one or more persons each of which is Her Majesty in right of Canada or a Province or a person to which paragraph (d) or (d.2) applies for the period, or
 - (ii) one or more municipalities in Canada in combination with one or more persons each of which is Her Majesty in right of Canada or a Province or a person to which paragraph (d) or (d.2) applies for the period;
- (d.4) **[combined [Crown] ownership]** -- a corporation all of the shares (except directors' qualifying shares) or of the capital of which was owned by one or more persons each of which is a corporation, commission or association to which this paragraph or any of paragraphs (d) to (d.3) applies for the period;
- (d.5) **[[municipally-owned corporation earning] income with boundaries of entities]** – subject to subsections (1.2) and (1.3), a corporation, commission or association not less than 90% of the capital of which was owned by one or more entities each of which is a municipality in Canada, or a municipal or public body performing a function of government in Canada, if the income for the period of the corporation, commission or association from activities carried on outside the geographical boundaries of the municipalities does not exceed 10% of its income for the period;
- (d.6) **[subsidiaries of municipal corporations]** -- subject to subsections (1.2) and (1.3), a particular corporation all of the shares (except directors' qualifying shares) or of the capital of which was owned by one or more entities (referred to in this paragraph as “qualifying owners”) each of which is a corporation, commission or association to which paragraph (d.5) applies, a corporation to which this paragraph applies, a municipality in Canada, or a

municipal or public body performing a function of government in Canada, if no more than 10% of the particular corporation's income for the period is from activities carried on outside

- (i) if a qualifying owner is a municipality in Canada, or a municipal or public body performing a function of government in Canada, the geographical boundaries of each such qualifying owner,
- (ii) if paragraph (d.5) applies to a qualifying owner, the geographical boundaries of the municipality, or municipal or public body, referred to in that paragraph in its application to each such qualifying owner, and
- (iii) if this paragraph applies to a qualifying owner, the geographical boundaries of the municipality, or municipal or public body, referred to in subparagraph (i) or paragraph (d.5), as the case may be, in their respective applications to each such qualifying owner.

²A “designated stock exchange” is defined in subsection 248(1) of the Tax Act as a stock exchange, or that part of a stock exchange, for which a designation by the Minister of Finance under Section 262 of the Tax Act is in effect. Section 262 gives the Minister the authority to designate a stock exchange or part thereof for the purposes of the Act. Pursuant to subsection 262(4) of the Tax Act, the Minister of Finance is required to post on the internet website of the Department of Finance or by any other means considered appropriate, the names of the stock exchanges or parts thereof that are designated under Section 262. The current list can be found at <https://www.canada.ca/en/department-finance/services/designated-stock-exchanges.html>. In Canada, the designated stock exchanges include the Canadian National Stock Exchange (CNSX), the Montreal Exchange, the TSX Venture Exchange (Tiers 1 and 2) and the Toronto Stock Exchange.

³*Ibid.* The Department of Finance website referred to also includes the list of designated stock exchanges outside Canada.

⁴An “authorized foreign bank” is defined in subsection 248(1) of the Tax Act as having the meaning in Section 2 of the *Bank Act* (Canada), being “a foreign bank that is the subject of an order under subsection 524(1)”. Subsection 524(1) states that on application by a foreign bank, the Minister may make an order permitting the foreign bank to establish a branch in Canada to carry on business in Canada under Part XII .1 of the *Bank Act* (Canada). The definition of “foreign bank” is found in Section 2 of the *Bank Act*. It reads:

“foreign bank”, subject to Section 12, means an entity incorporated or formed by or under the laws of a country other than Canada that is a bank according to the laws of any foreign country where it carries on business, (b) carries on a business in any foreign country that, if carried on in Canada, would be, wholly or to a significant extent, the business of banking, (c) engages, directly or indirectly, in the business of providing financial services and employs, to identify or describe its business, a name that includes the word “bank”, “banque”, “banking” or “bancaire”, either alone or in combination with other words, or any word or words in any language other than English or French corresponding generally thereto, (d) engages in the business of lending money and accepting deposit liabilities transferable by cheque or other instrument, (e) engages, directly or indirectly, in the business of providing financial services and is affiliated with another foreign bank, (f) controls another foreign bank, or (g) is a foreign institution, other than a foreign bank within the meaning of any of paragraphs (a) to (f), that controls a bank incorporated or formed under this Act, but does not include a subsidiary of a bank named in Schedule I as that Schedule read immediately before the day section 184 of the *Financial Consumer Agency of Canada Act* comes into force, unless the Minister has specified that subsection 378(1) no longer applies to the bank.

⁵Pursuant to regulation 4900(2) of the *Income Tax Regulations* (Canada), the following are prescribed credit rating agencies for the purposes of section 204: A.M. Best Company Inc.; DBRS Limited; Fitch, Inc.; Moody's Investors Service Inc.; and Standard & Poor's Financial Services LLC.

⁶*Ibid.*

⁷*Supra* note 2.

⁸Subsection 207.01(4) reads:

(4) **[Significant interest]** – An individual has a significant interest in a corporation, partnership or trust at any time if:

- (a) in the case of a corporation, the individual is a specified shareholder of the corporation at that time [...];
- (b) in the case of a partnership, the individual, or the individual together with persons and partnerships with which the individual does not deal at arm's length, holds at that time interests as a member of the partnership that have a fair market value of 10% or more of the fair market value of the interests of all members in the partnership; and
- (c) in the case of a trust, the individual, or the individual together with persons and partnerships with which the individual does not deal at arm's length, holds at that time interests as a beneficiary (in this paragraph, as defined in subsection 108(1)) under the trust that have a fair market value of 10% or more of the fair market value of the interests of all beneficiaries under the trust.