

## NOTICE TO MEMBERS

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## CRITERIA FOR ELIGIBILITY OF SECURITIES UNDERLYING OPTIONS

As the issuer and the guarantor of exchange traded derivatives in Canada, the Canadian Derivatives Clearing Corporation (CDCC) reviews every quarter the criteria for eligibility of underlying options. Rule B-6 of the CDCC Rules reads in part:

## Section B-603 Criteria for Eligibility of Securities Underlying Options

- (1) To determine whether any Securities should be approved as the Underlying Interest of a Securities Option, the Corporation, in those circumstances where Section B-607 does not apply, shall ensure that prior to being approved as an Underlying Interest the Securities meet all of the following criteria:
  - (a) the Security is listed on a Canadian Exchange;
  - (b) the Value of Available Public Float is within the top thirty percentile (30%) of the aggregate Value of Available Public Float listed on all Canadian Exchanges as of the last Business Day of the previous quarter. The specific dollar threshold will be published by the Corporation;
  - (c) the daily average North American Volume of the Security for the last twenty (20) Business Days of the previous quarter is within the top thirty percentile (30%) of the North American Volume of the Securities listed on all Canadian Exchanges as of the last Business Day of the previous quarter. The specific threshold will be published by the Corporation.
- (2) The Corporation may approve as an Underlying Interest a Security which does not otherwise meet the eligibility criteria set forth in Subsection B-603(1), but which meets all of the following criteria:
  - (a) the Security is listed on a Canadian Exchange;
  - (b) the Value of Available Public Float is within the top thirty percentile (30%) of the aggregate Value of Available Public Float listed on all the Canadian Exchanges on the last Business Day of the current quarter;
  - (c) the daily average North American Volume of the Security for the last twenty (20) Business Days of the Current quarter is within the top thirty percentile (30%) of the North American Volume of the Securities listed on all the Canadian Exchanges on the last Business Day of the current quarter.

Pursuant to CDCC Rules, the eligibility and deficiency criteria for the fourth quarter of 2018 are presented below:

Criteria	Eligibility Threshold	Deficiency Threshold
Available Public Float	\$129,683,000 CAD	\$60,683,760 CAD
Volume*	116,143	66,484

<sup>\*</sup> Expressed as an average daily volume based on the last 20 business days.

For any further information, please contact the Risk Management Department at (514) 871-3505.

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