

**ALBERTA SECURITIES COMMISSION**

**SURRENDER OF RECOGNITION  
SELF-REGULATORY ORGANIZATION**

**Citation: Re Market Regulation Services Inc., 2014 ABASC 145**

**Date: 20140327**

**Market Regulation Services Inc.**

**Background**

1. On 23 November 1999 the Alberta Securities Commission (the **Commission**) recognized Market Regulation Services Inc. (**RS**) as a self-regulatory organization pursuant to section 53.1 (now section 64) of the *Securities Act* (Alberta) (the **Act**) (the **RS Recognition**).
2. Effective 1 June 2008 (the **Effective Date**):
  - (a) RS and the Investment Dealers Association of Canada combined their operations into the Investment Industry Regulatory Organization of Canada (**IIROC**);
  - (b) the Commission recognized IIROC as a self-regulatory organization pursuant to section 64 of the Act; and
  - (c) the Commission, by order cited as *Re Market Regulation Services Inc. (RS)*, 2008 ABASC 307, varied the RS Recognition to reflect that RS would continue to regulate and maintain its authority over persons and companies who were subject to its authority prior to the Effective Date for conduct occurring prior to the Effective Date (**Pre-Combination Conduct**), for up to five years following the Effective Date (the **Five-Year Period**).

**Application**

3. The Five-Year Period elapsed on 1 June 2013 and IIROC has now applied to the Commission for the voluntary surrender of the RS Recognition.
4. In support of its application IIROC has represented as follows:
  - (a) based on a review by IIROC staff, after the Five-Year Period, of outstanding and potential investigation and enforcement activity relating to Pre-Combination Conduct, IIROC determined that there is no longer a material need for the RS Recognition;
  - (b) IIROC has no knowledge of any threatened, pending or actual claims against RS; and

- (c) IIROC previously agreed to discharge, perform and fulfil all of the obligations and liabilities of RS arising before, on or after the Effective Date, and will continue to do so following the Commission's acceptance of the voluntary surrender of the RS Recognition.
5. The Commission is not aware of any circumstances that warrant the continued need for the RS Recognition.

**Decision**

6. Based on the above representations of IIROC, and considering that it would not be prejudicial to the public interest to do so, the Commission accepts the voluntary surrender of the RS Recognition under section 72 of the Act, with effect on 17 April 2014.

**For the Commission:**

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William Rice, QC  
Chair

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Stephen Murison  
Vice-Chair