

**ALBERTA SECURITIES COMMISSION
NOTICE**

SPECIAL WARRANTS

Blanket Order #45-509 (AB) – Special Warrants

June 28, 2002

The Alberta Securities Commission (the “Commission”) has issued Blanket Order #45-509 (AB) – Special Warrants which provides an exemption from the prospectus requirements of the *Securities Act* (Alberta) for the distribution of special warrants, subject to certain conditions specified in this blanket order. The Commission issued Blanket Order #45-509 (AB) on substantially the same terms as were in blanket order 11/02/99 – “In the Matter of the Investment Dealers Association of Canada and Special Warrants”. Blanket order 11/02/99 had expired on December 31, 2001. Blanket Order #45-509 (AB) will remain in effect until June 30, 2003.

During the course of the year, staff of the Commission will evaluate whether the exemption from the prospectus requirements of the *Securities Act* (Alberta) for the distribution of special warrants provided by Blanket Order #45-509 (AB) is still being utilized in light of the recent changes to the Alberta securities laws.

A copy of Blanket Order #45-509 (AB) is attached to this notice and can be accessed through the Commission’s website at www.albertasecurities.com.

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