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DISCIPLINARY DECISION OLIVIER LIARD

On June 25, 2003, following an investigation conducted by the Regulatory Division, Bourse de Montréal Inc. (the Bourse) lodged a complaint against Olivier Liard who was, when the reproached facts occurred, a person approved by the Bourse.

By way of an offer of settlement approved by the Special Committee – Regulatory Division, Olivier Liard has agreed to pay a fine of \$5,000 and the costs of the investigation in the amount of \$2,500.

Olivier Liard admitted having contravened paragraph 3 of article 7411 (now paragraph 3 of article 7412) and article 7476 of the Rules of the Bourse pertaining to discretionary accounts.

Articles 7412 and 7476 of the Rules of the Bourse prohibit a registered representative from executing a discretionary order or exercising any discretion in the handling of an account of a client of an approved participant, unless such client has given prior written authorization and the account has been accepted in writing by a duly designated partner or director of the approved participant.

During the period between July 18 to 28, 2000, Olivier Liard had, on his own initiative, three (3) transactions executed in the account of a client, while this client was abroad, and without the account having been accepted in writing as a discretionary account by a duly designated partner or director of the approved participant, and without the client's prior written authorization, as required by the Rules of the Bourse.

At the time of these violations, Olivier Liard was a registered representative of National Bank Financial Inc.

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Olivier Liard is not currently employed in the securities industry.

Following a review of the facts and circumstances revealed during the investigation, the Regulatory Division has concluded that there were no grounds for disciplinary action against National Bank Financial Inc.

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