

**THE QUEEN'S BENCH  
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**BETWEEN:**

**THE MANITOBA SECURITIES COMMISSION,**

Applicant,

– and –

**CROCUS INVESTMENT FUND,**

Respondent,

Application under Section 27 of the Securities Act, CCSM c. S50  
and Queen's Bench Rule 14.05(2)(b)

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THE HONOURABLE )  
MR. JUSTICE SCURFIELD )

Tuesday, the 28 of June, 2005

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**ORDER**

THIS MOTION, made by the Applicant for an Order pursuant to Section 27 of The Securities Act, CCSM c. S50 and Queen's Bench Rule 14.05(2)(b) appointing DELOITTE & TOUCHE, Inc. as receiver and manager (the "Receiver") without security, of all of the assets, undertakings and properties of CROCUS INVESTMENT FUND (the "Respondent"), and for such other Orders as may be just and convenient in the circumstances was heard this day on June 28, 2005 at the Law Courts, 408 York Avenue, in the City of Winnipeg.

ON READING the affidavit of Robert B. Bouchard sworn June 27, 2005 and the Exhibits thereto and on hearing the submissions of counsel for the applicant, ~~no one for the respondent, and for THE MANITOBA FEDERATION OF LABOUR~~ appearing for the respondent although duly served, and on reading the consent of DELOITTE & TOUCHE, Inc. to act as the Receiver, and this matter coming on for final decision on this date:

## **SERVICE**

1. THIS COURT ORDERS that the time for service of the Notice of Application is hereby abridged so that this motion is properly returnable today and hereby dispenses with further service thereof.

## **APPOINTMENT**

2. THIS COURT ORDERS that pursuant to Section 27 of The Securities Act, CCSM c. S50, DELOITTE & TOUCHE, Inc. is hereby appointed Receiver, without security, of all of the Respondent's current and future assets, undertakings and properties of every nature and kind whatsoever, and wherever situate including all proceeds thereof (the "Property").

## **RECEIVER'S POWERS**

3. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Receiver is hereby empowered and authorized, but not obligated, to act at once in respect of the Property and, without in any way limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Receiver is hereby expressly empowered and authorized to do any of the following where the Receiver considers it necessary or desirable:

- (a) to take possession and control of the Property and any and all proceeds, receipts and disbursements arising out of or from the Property;
- (b) to receive, preserve, protect and maintain control of the Property, or any part or parts thereof, including, but not limited to, the changing of locks and security codes, the relocating of Property to safeguard it, the engaging of independent security personnel, the taking of physical inventories and the placement of such insurance coverage as may be necessary or desirable;
- (c) to manage, operate and carry on the business of the Respondent, including the powers to enter into any agreements, incur any

obligations in the ordinary course of business, cease to carry on all or any part of the business, or cease to perform any contracts of the Respondent;

- (d) to engage consultants, appraisers, agents, experts, auditors, accountants, managers, counsel and such other persons from time to time and on whatever basis, including on a temporary basis, to assist with the exercise of the powers and duties conferred by this Order;
- (e) to purchase or lease such machinery, equipment, inventories, supplies, premises or other assets to continue the business of the Respondent or any part or parts thereof;
- (f) to receive and collect all monies and accounts now owed or hereafter owing to the Respondent and to exercise all remedies of the Respondent in collecting such monies, including, without limitation, to enforce any security held by the Respondent;
- (g) to settle, extend or compromise any indebtedness owing to the Respondent;
- (h) to execute, assign, issue and endorse documents of whatever nature in respect of any of the Property, whether in the Receiver's name or in the name and on behalf of the Respondent, for any purpose pursuant to this Order;
- (i) to undertake environmental or workers' health and safety assessments of the Property and operations of the Respondent;
- (j) to initiate, prosecute and continue the prosecution of any and all proceedings and to defend all proceedings now pending or hereafter instituted with respect to the Respondent, the Property or the Receiver, and to settle or compromise any such proceedings.

The authority hereby conveyed shall extend to such appeals or applications for judicial review in respect of any order or judgment pronounced in any such proceeding;

- (k) to market any or all of the Property, including advertising and soliciting offers in respect of the Property or any part or parts thereof and negotiating such terms and conditions of sale as the Receiver in its discretion may deem appropriate;
- (l) to sell, convey, transfer, lease or assign the Property or any part or parts thereof out of the ordinary course of business,  
  
without the approval of this Court in respect of any transaction not exceeding \$100,000, provided that the aggregate consideration for all such transactions does not exceed \$100,000;
- (m) to apply for any vesting order or other orders necessary to convey the Property or any part or parts thereof to a purchaser or purchasers thereof, free and clear of any liens or encumbrances affecting such Property;
- (n) to report to, meet with and discuss with such affected Persons (as defined below) as the Receiver deems appropriate on all matters relating to the Property and the receivership, and to share information, subject to such terms as to confidentiality as the Receiver deems advisable;
- (o) to register a copy of this Order and any other Orders in respect of the Property against title to any of the Property;
- (p) to apply for any permits, licences, approvals or permissions as may be required by any governmental authority and any renewals thereof for and on behalf of and, if thought desirable by the Receiver, in the name of the Respondent;

- (q) to exercise any shareholder, partnership, joint venture or other rights which the Respondent may have, including but not limited to the right to designate representatives of the Receiver to the board of directors of any company to which the Respondent had such right immediately preceding the granting of this order; and
- (r) to take any steps reasonably incidental to the exercise of these powers,

and in each case where the Receiver takes any such actions or steps, it shall be exclusively authorized and empowered to do so, to the exclusion of all other Persons (as defined below), including the Respondent, and without interference from any other Person.

4. This Court orders that the ability of the Receiver to sell, convey, transfer, lease or assign the Property or any part or parts thereof out of the ordinary course of business, other than those transactions described in paragraph 3(l) hereof, shall be the subject of future application to this Court.

#### **DUTY TO PROVIDE ACCESS AND CO-OPERATION TO THE RECEIVER**

5. THIS COURT ORDERS that (i) the Respondent, (ii) all of its current and former directors, officers, employees, agents, accountants, legal counsel and shareholders, and all other persons acting on its instructions or behalf, and (iii) all other individuals, firms, corporations, governmental bodies or agencies, or other entities having notice of this Order (all of the foregoing, collectively, being "Persons" and each being a "Person") shall forthwith advise the Receiver of the existence of any Property in such Person's possession or control, shall grant immediate and continued access to the Property to the Receiver, and shall deliver all such Property to the Receiver upon the Receiver's request.

6. THIS COURT ORDERS that all Persons shall forthwith advise the Receiver of the existence of any books, documents, securities, contracts, orders, corporate and accounting records, and any other papers, records and information of any kind related

to the business or affairs of the Respondent, and any computer programs, computer tapes, computer disks, or other data storage media containing any such information (the foregoing, collectively, the "Records") in that Person's possession or control, and shall provide to the Receiver or permit the Receiver to make, retain and take away copies thereof and grant to the Receiver unfettered access to and use of accounting, computer, software and physical facilities relating thereto, provided however that nothing in this paragraph 5 or in paragraph 6 of this Order shall require the delivery of Records, or the granting of access to Records, which may not be disclosed or provided to the Receiver due to the privilege attaching to solicitor-client communication or due to statutory provisions prohibiting such disclosure.

7. THIS COURT ORDERS that if any Records are stored or otherwise contained on a computer or other electronic system of information storage, whether by independent service provider or otherwise, all Persons in possession or control of such Records shall forthwith give unfettered access to the Receiver for the purpose of allowing the Receiver to recover and fully copy all of the information contained therein whether by way of printing the information onto paper or making copies of computer disks or such other manner of retrieving and copying the information as the Receiver in its discretion deems expedient, and shall not alter, erase or destroy any Records without the prior written consent of the Receiver. Further, for the purposes of this paragraph, all Persons shall provide the Receiver with all such assistance in gaining immediate access to the information in the Records as the Receiver may in its discretion require including providing the Receiver with instructions on the use of any computer or other system and providing the Receiver with any and all access codes, account names and account numbers that may be required to gain access to the information.

#### **NO PROCEEDINGS AGAINST THE RECEIVER**

8. THIS COURT ORDERS that no proceeding or enforcement process in any court or tribunal (each, a "Proceeding"), shall be commenced or continued against the Receiver except with the written consent of the Receiver or with leave of this Court.

### **NO PROCEEDINGS AGAINST THE RESPONDENT OR THE PROPERTY**

9. THIS COURT ORDERS that no Proceeding against or in respect of the Respondent or the Property shall be commenced or continued except with the written consent of the Receiver or with leave of this Court and any and all Proceedings currently under way against or in respect of the Respondent or the Property are hereby stayed and suspended pending further Order of this Court, provided that the within stay shall not apply to proceedings initiated or continued by the Applicant.

### **NO EXERCISE OF RIGHTS OR REMEDIES**

10. THIS COURT ORDERS that all rights and remedies against the Respondent, the Receiver, or affecting the Property, including, but not limited to, the exercise of any contractual rights, including but not limited to a right to a setoff, are hereby stayed and suspended except with the written consent of the Receiver or leave of this Court, provided however that nothing in this paragraph shall (i) empower the Receiver or the Respondent to carry on any business which the Respondent is not lawfully entitled to carry on, (ii) exempt the Receiver or the Respondent from compliance with statutory or regulatory provisions relating to securities, health, safety or the environment, (iii) prevent the filing of any registration to preserve or perfect a security interest, or (iv) prevent the registration of a claim for lien.

### **NO INTERFERENCE WITH THE RECEIVER**

11. THIS COURT ORDERS that no Person shall discontinue, fail to honour, alter, interfere with, repudiate, terminate or cease to perform any right, renewal right, contract, agreement, licence or permit in favour of or held by the Respondent, without written consent of the Receiver or leave of this Court.

### **CONTINUATION OF SERVICES**

12. THIS COURT ORDERS that all Persons having oral or written agreements with the Respondent or statutory or regulatory mandates for the supply of goods and/or services, including without limitation, all computer software, communication and other data services, centralized banking services, payroll services, insurance, transportation



services, utility or other services to the Respondent are hereby restrained until further Order of this Court from discontinuing, altering, interfering with or terminating the supply of such goods or services as may be required by the Receiver, and that the Receiver shall be entitled to the continued use of the Respondent's current telephone numbers, facsimile numbers, internet addresses and domain names, provided in each case that the normal prices or charges for all such goods or services received after the date of this Order are paid by the Receiver in accordance with normal payment practices of the Respondent or such other practices as may be agreed upon by the supplier or service provider and the Receiver, or as may be ordered by this Court.

### **RECEIVER TO HOLD FUNDS**

13. THIS COURT ORDERS that all funds, monies, cheques, instruments, and other forms of payments received or collected by the Receiver from and after the making of this Order from any source whatsoever, including without limitation the sale of all or any of the Property and the collection of any accounts receivable in whole or in part, whether in existence on the date of this Order or hereafter coming into existence, shall be deposited into one or more new accounts to be opened by the Receiver (the "Post Receivership Accounts") and the monies standing to the credit of such Post Receivership Accounts from time to time, net of any disbursements provided for herein, shall be held by the Receiver to be paid in accordance with the terms of this Order or any further Order of this Court.

### **EMPLOYEES**

14. THIS COURT ORDERS that all employees of the Respondent who have not yet been terminated effective as of the time of this Order, shall remain the employees of the Respondent until such time as the Receiver, on the Respondent's behalf, may terminate the employment of such employees. The Receiver shall not be liable for any employee-related liabilities, including wages, severance pay, termination pay, vacation pay, and pension or benefit amounts, other than such amounts as the Receiver may specifically agree in writing to pay, or such amounts as may be determined in a Proceeding before a court or tribunal of competent jurisdiction.

### **LIMITATION ON ENVIRONMENTAL LIABILITIES**

15. THIS COURT ORDERS that nothing herein contained shall require the Receiver to occupy or to take control, care, charge, possession or management (separately and/or collectively, "Possession") of any of the Property that might be environmentally contaminated, might be a pollutant or a contaminant, or might cause or contribute to a spill, discharge, release or deposit of a substance contrary to any federal, provincial or other law respecting the protection, conservation, enhancement, remediation or rehabilitation of the environment or relating to the disposal of waste or other contamination and regulations thereunder (the "Environmental Legislation"), provided however that nothing herein shall exempt the Receiver from any duty to report or make disclosure imposed by applicable Environmental Legislation. The Receiver shall not, as a result of this Order or anything done in pursuance of the Receiver's duties and powers under this Order, be deemed to be in Possession of any of the Property within the meaning of any Environmental Legislation, unless it is actually in possession.

### **LIMITATION ON THE RECEIVER'S LIABILITY**

16. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Receiver shall incur no liability or obligation as a result of its appointment or the carrying out the provisions of this Order, save and except for any gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part. Nothing in this Order shall derogate from the protections afforded the Receiver by any other applicable legislation.

### **RECEIVER'S ACCOUNTS**

17. THIS COURT ORDERS that any expenditure or liability which shall properly be made or incurred by the Receiver, including the fees of the Receiver and the fees and disbursements of its legal counsel, incurred at the standard rates and charges of the Receiver and its counsel, shall be allowed to it in passing its accounts and shall form a first charge on the Property in priority to all security interests, trusts, liens, charges and encumbrances, statutory or otherwise, in favour of any Person (the "Receiver's Charge").

18. THIS COURT ORDERS the Receiver and its legal counsel shall pass its accounts from time to time, and for this purpose the accounts of the Receiver and its legal counsel are hereby referred to a judge of this Honourable Court.

19. THIS COURT ORDERS that prior to the passing of its accounts, the Receiver shall be at liberty from time to time to apply reasonable amounts, out of the monies in its hands, against its fees and disbursements, including legal fees and disbursements, incurred at the normal rates and charges of the Receiver or its counsel, and such amounts shall constitute advances against its remuneration and disbursements when and as approved by this Court.

#### **FUNDING OF THE RECEIVERSHIP**

20. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Receiver be at liberty and it is hereby empowered to borrow by way of a revolving credit or otherwise, such monies from time to time as it may consider necessary or desirable, provided that the outstanding principal amount does not exceed \$1,000,000 (or such greater amount as this Court may by further Order authorize) at any time, at such rate or rates of interest as it deems advisable for such period or periods of time as it may arrange, for the purpose of funding the exercise of the powers and duties conferred upon the Receiver by this Order, including interim expenditures. The whole of the Property shall be and is hereby charged by way of a fixed and specific charge (the "Receiver's Borrowings Charge") as security for the payment of the monies borrowed, together with interest and charges thereon, in priority to all security interests, trusts, liens, charges and encumbrances, statutory or otherwise, in favour of any Person, but subordinate in priority to the Receiver's Charge .

21. THIS COURT ORDERS that neither the Receiver's Borrowings Charge nor any other security granted by the Receiver in connection with its borrowings under this Order shall be enforced without leave of this Court.

22. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Receiver is at liberty and authorized to issue certificates substantially in the form annexed as Schedule "A" hereto (the "Receiver's Certificates") for any amount borrowed by it pursuant to this Order.

23. THIS COURT ORDERS that the monies from time to time borrowed by the Receiver pursuant to this Order or any further order of this Court and any and all Receiver's Certificates evidencing the same or any part thereof shall rank on a *pari passu* basis, unless otherwise agreed to by the holders of any prior issued Receiver's Certificates.

### **SERVICE**

24. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Receiver is directed to serve notice of its appointment as Receiver by placing advertisements regarding such appointment substantially in the form attached as Schedule "B" hereto in at least one (1) local newspaper and one (1) Canadian daily newspaper with national distribution.

25. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Receiver shall use reasonable efforts to serve notice of its appointment as Receiver within 21 days hereof, by forwarding by ordinary mail <sup>or e-mail,</sup> a copy of a notice substantially in the form attached as Schedule "B" hereto, to the shareholders of the Respondent at the addresses as last indicated in the records of the Respondent.

26. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Receiver is directed to serve notice of its appointment as Receiver within 21 days hereof by forwarding by ordinary mail a copy of this Order to all creditors who have registered a security interest against the assets of Respondent in the Personal Property Registry of Manitoba.

### **GENERAL**

27. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Receiver may from time to time apply to this Court for advice and directions in the discharge of its powers and duties hereunder.

28. THIS COURT ORDERS that nothing in this Order shall prevent the Receiver from acting as a trustee in bankruptcy of the Respondent.

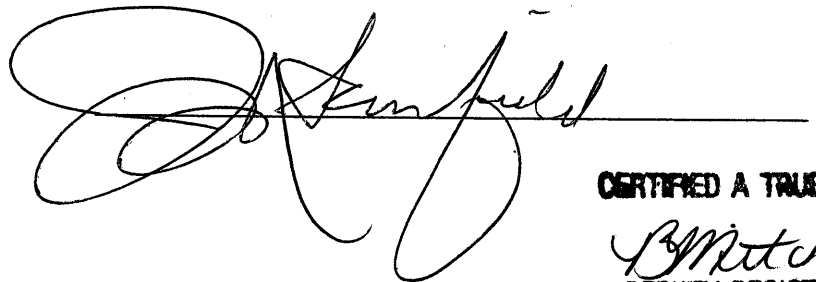
29. THIS COURT HEREBY REQUESTS the aid and recognition of any court, tribunal, regulatory or administrative body having jurisdiction in Canada or in the United States to give effect to this Order and to assist the Receiver and its agents in carrying out the terms of this Order. All courts, tribunals, regulatory and administrative bodies are hereby respectfully requested to make such orders and to provide such assistance to the Receiver, as an officer of this Court, as may be necessary or desirable to give effect to this Order or to assist the Receiver and its agents in carrying out the terms of this Order.

30. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Receiver be at liberty and is hereby authorized and empowered to apply to any court, tribunal, regulatory or administrative body, wherever located, for the recognition of this Order and for assistance in carrying out the terms of this Order.

31. THIS COURT ORDERS that any interested party may apply to this Court to vary or amend this Order on not less than seven (7) days' notice to the Receiver and to any other party likely to be affected by the order sought or upon such other notice, if any, as this Court may order.

32. THIS COURT DIRECTS that given the appearance before this Court by the Manitoba Federation of Labour, a hearing shall be held on WEDNES day, the 13<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2005, <sup>OR SOONER BY CONSENT</sup> or such further date set by this Honourable Court, to continue the appointment of the Receiver.

SIGNED this 28<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2005, at 1:50 p.m.



CERTIFIED A TRUE COPY

*J. Mitchell*  
DEPUTY REGISTRAR

**SCHEDULE "A"**

**RECEIVER CERTIFICATE**

CERTIFICATE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

AMOUNT \$ \_\_\_\_\_

1. THIS IS TO CERTIFY that Deloitte & Touche, Inc., the receiver and manager (the "Receiver") of all of the assets, undertakings and properties of Crocus Investment Fund appointed by Order of the Manitoba Court of Queen's Bench (the "Court") dated the \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2005 (the "Order") made in an action having Court file number CI \_\_\_\_\_, has received as such Receiver from the holder of this certificate (the "Lender") the principal sum of \$ \_\_\_\_\_, being part of the total principal sum of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ which the Receiver is authorized to borrow under and pursuant to the Order.

2. The principal sum evidenced by this certificate is payable on demand by the Lender with interest thereon calculated and compounded no more frequently than monthly not in advance after the date hereof at a notional rate per annum equal to the rate of \_\_\_\_\_ per cent above the prime commercial lending rate of Bank of \_\_\_\_\_ from time to time.

3. Such principal sum with interest thereon is, by the terms of the Order, together with the principal sums and interest thereon of all other certificates issued by the Receiver pursuant to the Order or to any further order of the Court, a charge upon the whole of the Property (as defined in the Order), in priority to the security interests of any other person, but subject to the priority of the charges set out in the Order, and the right of the Receiver to indemnify itself out of such Property in respect of its remuneration and expenses.

4. All sums payable in respect of principal and interest under this certificate are payable at the main office of the Lender at \_\_\_\_\_ [address of Lender].

5. Until all liability in respect of this certificate has been terminated, no certificates creating charges ranking or purporting to rank in priority to this

certificate shall be issued by the Receiver to any person other than the holder of this certificate without the prior written consent of the holder of this certificate.

6. The charge securing this certificate shall operate so as to permit the Receiver to deal with the Property (as defined in the Order) as authorized by the Order and as authorized by any further or other order of the Court.

7. The Receiver does not undertake, and it is not under any personal liability, to pay any sum in respect of which it may issue certificates under the terms of the Order.

DATED the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2005.

Deloitte & Touche, Inc., solely in its capacity  
as Receiver of the Property (as defined in  
the Order), and not in its personal capacity

Per: \_\_\_\_\_

Name:

Title:

SCHEDULE "B"

**NOTICE**

in respect of

**CROCUS INVESTMENT FUND (the "Respondent")**

Please be advised that pursuant to the Order of the Honourable Mr. Justice J.M. Scurfield of the Court of Queen's Bench dated June 28, 2005 in Court File No. \_\_\_\_\_ (the "Order"), Deloitte & Touche, Inc. has been appointed as receiver and manager (the "Receiver") of all of the Respondents' assets, undertakings and properties. The appointment of the Receiver was made under Section 27 of the *Manitoba Securities Act*.

A copy of the Order and other information regarding the Receiver's appointment are available online at [www.\\_\\_\\_\\_\\_](http://www._____). The Receiver has established a helpline available at \_\_\_\_\_.