

Financial Advisory

Crocus Investment Fund

March 31, 2016 Quarterly Report

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1.0 Background

On June 28, 2005, pursuant to an application made by the Manitoba Securities Commission ("MSC") under Section 27 of The Securities Act, the Court of Queen's Bench of Manitoba (the "Court") made an Order (the "Receiving Order") appointing Deloitte Restructuring Inc. (formerly Deloitte & Touche Inc., hereafter referred to as "Deloitte" or the "Receiver") as Receiver and Manager of the Crocus Investment Fund ("Crocus" or the "Fund"). The Receiving Order appointed Deloitte as Receiver over all of Crocus' current and future assets, undertakings and properties and granted the Receiver powers to carry out its duties as outlined in the Receiving Order.

The purpose of this Report is to report on the activities of the Receiver as well as to provide an update on the financial position of the Fund. The Report will cover the Receiver's operations and activities since the December 31, 2015 Quarterly Report.

2.0 Activities of the Receiver

The following summarizes the major activities of the Receiver since December 31, 2015:

- Preparing the December 31, 2015 and March 31, 2016 Quarterly Reports;
- Administering the interim distributions of funds as outlined in the Court Orders of September 4, 2009, December 12, 2011, and October 14, 2014;
- Preparing for an interim passing of accounts;
- Corresponding with numerous shareholders, brokers, dealers and intermediaries regarding the distributions and status of the Fund;
- Corresponding with, and reporting to, the bare trustee for the Fund;
- Supervising and directing agents retained by the Receiver;
- Ongoing monitoring of the remaining investee companies and discussions with various stakeholders of the investees with respect to possible courses of action regarding Crocus' investment in the investees;
- Fulfilling the duties of Crocus as General Partner of the Manitoba Science & Technology Fund ("MS&T");
- Preparing and filing annual corporate tax returns;
- Preparing and distributing tax slips to shareholders; and
- Corresponding with the Receiver's counsel with respect to certain litigation with one of the investees.

3.0 Operations

The ongoing activities related to Crocus consist of investment monitoring, financial reporting, shareholder services and tax reporting. The Receiver no longer employs any former employees of Crocus but has sub-contracted certain information technology and back office services.

4.0 Financial position

Financial information for Crocus has been prepared by the Receiver for the second fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2016, and is attached as Appendix 1.

The following summarizes the financial position of the Fund:

- Investments in cash and cash equivalents of approximately \$1.8 million. This excludes funds held in trust for shareholders relating to prior distributions.
- Net carrying value of the remaining Crocus portfolio of investees of approximately \$5.2 million. The portfolio valuation is primarily carried at the June 28, 2005 value which was derived from the external valuations completed after Crocus ceased trading in December 2004.

5.0 Portfolio

5.1 **Background**

As at June 28, 2005, there were 46 individual investee companies in the Crocus portfolio with a gross carrying value of approximately \$64.1 million.

Cumulatively to March 31, 2016, 40 of the 46 investments within the Crocus portfolio have been realized upon or are considered closed.

In summary, since its appointment, the Receiver has realized proceeds of approximately \$60.8 million for investments with a June 28, 2005 book value of approximately \$59.3 million, representing a recovery of approximately 103%. Crocus' carrying value for these investments, when it ceased trading in December 2004, was approximately \$95.1 million, which would represent a recovery of approximately 64%. In addition, since its appointment, the Receiver has eliminated exposure on approximately \$2.3 million in guarantees that had been reserved by Crocus.

5.2 **Status**

The status of the remaining investments is as follows:

Novra Technologies Inc. ("Novra")

Novra is an investment held by the Fund representing both equity and debt obligations due to Crocus. The Receiver and the investee have entered into a long term agreement for the repayment of the indebtedness.

Manitoba Science & Technology Fund, Diamedica Inc., Genesys Ventures Inc., and ST Partnership

Crocus is an investor in MS&T which is a limited partnership holding several science and technology investments. Crocus is the sole owner of the General Partner and the limited partners gave the General Partner a mandate to wind down the partnership. Crocus and MS&T's holdings include Diamedica Inc., Genesys Ventures Inc. and ST Partnership. There are numerous interrelationships amongst these entities. In some cases, the ability to negotiate divestitures of MS&T's science and technology investments is limited given that certain of the companies are publicly traded with limited market liquidity. As a result, the timing of a complete disposition is unknown.

Canad Corporation Ltd. ("Canad")

- On June 19, 2014, the Receiver caused Crocus to commence proceedings against Leon Norman Ledohowski ("Leo"), LRC Holding Corporation Inc., and Canad Corporation Ltd. ("Canad") as Respondents in a Court of Queen's Bench filing. In its Notice of Application, Crocus sought various forms of relief including declarations that Leo had exercised his powers as a director of Canad, and that Canad had conducted its business and affairs in a manner that was oppressive of, or unfairly prejudicial to, or which unfairly disregarded, the interests of Crocus as a shareholder of Canad. The Notice of Application also sought an Order that Canad be liquidated and dissolved and that the proceeds from such liquidation be distributed to the shareholders of Canad. The Notice of Application was supported by an Affidavit sworn by Steven P. Peleck (the "Peleck Affidavit"), in his capacity as Senior Vice-President of the Receiver. Counsel for Canad filed a motion seeking an order expunging certain parts of the Peleck Affidavit. The motion was heard on May 27, 2015 and, during submissions before Madam Justice Pfeutzner, it was agreed that the Notice of Application and Affidavit would be expunged with leave to file amended documents.
- On July 17, 2015, an Amended Notice of Application was filed seeking various forms of relief including declarations that Leo had exercised his powers as a director of Canad and that Canad had conducted its business and affairs in a manner that was oppressive of, or unfairly prejudicial to, or which unfairly disregarded, the interest of Crocus as a shareholder of Canada. The Amended Notice of Application also sought an Order that Canad be liquidated and dissolved and that the proceeds from such liquidation be distributed to the shareholders of Canad. No affidavit evidence has yet been filed on behalf of the Respondents. Cross-examinations on affidavits which were originally scheduled for March 2016 have been rescheduled to May 2016 at the request of the Respondents.

6.0 Commitments and contingencies

The only remaining known contingency relates to an indemnity provided by Crocus to an investee company. This indemnity does not create a requirement for Crocus to fund the investee but does potentially alter the rights of Crocus and other shareholders of the investee.

7.0 Share value

The estimated net asset value of the Class A and Class I shares (the "Share Value") as at March 31, 2016 was \$0.49 per share, as detailed in Appendix 1. As noted in previous reports, the Receiver emphasizes that the Share Value is an accounting book value partially based on the June 28, 2005 carrying value of the investment portfolio.

Future events will determine the ultimate realizable value of the portfolio. Such matters may have a material effect on the Share Value which is ultimately available for distribution to Crocus shareholders. The future events identified to date include:

- Possible further increases/reductions in the value of the portfolio as a result of ongoing investee performance;
- The length of time it takes to realize on the portfolio;
- Professional costs incurred by the Receiver and its counsel as a result of current and future negotiations and litigation;
- Any additional guarantees or indemnities granted by Crocus which have not yet been identified; and/or
- All other costs of monitoring the portfolio and realizing on the assets.

The Receiver will continue to provide updates on the Share Value in future Quarterly Reports.

8.0 Interim distributions

8.1 First interim distribution

On September 4, 2009, the Court issued an Order authorizing a rateable interim distribution of approximately \$54.7 million to the Class A and Class I shareholders. Concurrent with the distribution, the Receiver also began distributing the net proceeds of the Class Actions settlements. Class A and Class I shareholders received \$3.83 per share from the approved distribution plus their portion of the Class Actions settlements.

As at March 31, 2016, the Receiver had paid out approximately \$53.2 million, or approximately 97%, of the first interim distribution, however, there remains approximately \$1.5 million in unclaimed distributions.

8.2 Second interim distribution

On December 12, 2011, the Court issued an Order authorizing a second interim distribution of approximately \$9.0 million to the Class A and Class I shareholders.

Mailings for the distribution took place in January 2012. As at March 31, 2016, the Receiver had paid out approximately \$8.3 million, or 92%, of the second interim distribution, however, there remains approximately \$0.7 million in unclaimed distributions.

8.3 Third interim distribution

On October 14, 2014, the Court issued an Order authorizing a third interim distribution of \$0.60 to the Class A and Class I shareholders. This distribution also included the remaining Class Actions proceeds of approximately \$0.7 million.

Mailings for the distribution took place in October and November 2014. As at March 31, 2016, the Receiver had paid out approximately \$7.6 million, or 88%, of the third interim distribution, however, there remains approximately \$1.0 million in unclaimed distributions.

8.4 **Future distribution**

The majority of the Crocus assets have been realized upon with net proceeds of approximately \$72.3 million being approved by the Court for distribution to the Crocus shareholders. In addition, shareholders have been paid their portions of the Class Actions settlements and the Class Actions have been finalized.

As noted above, the Receiver currently has approximately \$1.8 million of cash and cash equivalents available to fund shareholder services operations and to continue to realize on the remaining six (6) investments. Given the illiquidity of the remaining investments, as well as the ongoing litigation with Canad, the Receiver is of the view that any future distribution will be based on the settlement or outcome of the Canad litigation. Accordingly, the Receiver is unable to determine when, or if, any future distributions will take place.

9.0 Shareholder communication

The Receiver has continued to post Court Orders, Receiver's Reports, Quarterly Reports, media statements and shareholder letters on its website at www.deloitte.com/ca/crocusfund.

10.0 General

A Statement of Receipts and Disbursements for the period from June 28, 2005 to March 31, 2016 is attached as Appendix 2.

The Receiver will continue to keep the Court apprised of ongoing developments with the next Quarterly Report to be filed in mid-July 2016.

Respectfully submitted this 18th day of April, 2016.

DELOITTE RESTRUCTURING INC., in its capacity as Receiver and Manager of Crocus Investment Fund and not in its personal capacity.

Per: **Brent Warga**

Senior Vice-President

Appendix 1 – Crocus financial information as at March 31, 2016

Crocus Investment Fund Consolidated Statement of Net Assets As at March 31, 2016 (unaudited)

ASSETS	Ma	arch 31, 2016
Cash and equivalents	\$	1,759,911
Cash in Trust - Interim Distributions		3,440,612
Investments in Manitoba businesses		5,191,999
		10,392,522
Accounts receivable		32,076
		10,424,598
LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities		13,773
Due to Shareholders - Interim Distributions		3,440,612
NET ASSETS	\$	6,970,213
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Share capital	\$	188,014,669
Deferred selling costs adjustment	•	(9,134,637)
Interim Distributions - Class "A" shares		(71,951,299)
Interim Distributions - Class "I" shares		(349,770)
Interim Distributions - Class "L" shares		(200)
Deficit		(99,608,550)
	\$	6,970,213
NET ASSET VALUE PER SHARE		
Net assets	\$	6,970,213
Balance attributed to the Class "A" Common and Series Two Class "I" Special Shares	\$	6,970,213
Number of issued Class "A" Common Shares		14,220,000
Number of issued Series Two Class "I" Special Shares		69,126
		14,289,126
NET ASSET VALUE PER CLASS "A" COMMON SHARE and		
SERIES TWO CLASS "I" SPECIAL SHARE	\$	0.49

Crocus Investment Fund Consolidated Statement of Investment Portfolio As at March 31, 2016 (unaudited)

INVESTMENTS IN MANITOBA BUSINESSES

Canad Corporation of Canada Inc.

Diamedica Inc.

Genesys Venture Inc.

Manitoba Science & Technology Fund

Novra Technologies Inc.

ST Partnership

INVESTMENTS IN MANITOBA BUSINESSES

\$

5,191,999

Appendix 2 – Statement of receipts and disbursements to March 31, 2016

	June 28, 2005 to March 31, 2012		April 1, 2012 to March 31, 2016			<u>Total</u>
Receipts						
Cash and Short Term Investments on Hand	\$	23,363,012	\$	-	\$	23,363,012
Contract Back Office Services		518,463		-		518,463
Dividends-Portfolio		657,483		-		657,483
Income Tax Refund		283,503		236,693		520,196
Insurance Claim and Premium Refund		20,662		-		20,662
Interest-Portfolio		1,640,835		288,930		1,929,765
Interest-Short Term Investments		7,376,492		350,743		7,727,235
Investment Principal Repayments		2,890,163		291,859		3,182,022
Management Fees		1,118,517		176,526		1,295,043
Proceeds on Disposal of Investments		52,442,430		4,698,337		57,140,767
Rent/Sub-Lease		1,804,884		866,664		2,671,548
Sundry		297,476		4,200		301,676
Pre-Receivership Accounts Receivable		1,247,463		.,200		1,247,463
·				604.046		
Class Action Settlements		6,812,978		681,946	-	7,494,924
Total Receipts	\$	100,474,361	\$	7,595,898	\$	108,070,259
Disbursements						
Advances to Investees	\$	265,132	\$	-	\$	265,132
Capital Tax		200,257		-		200,257
Computer, Telephone and Office Expense		719,488		136,813		856,301
Consulting Fees		359,150		-		359,150
Employee Pension		442,922		-		442,922
Insurance		141,608		25,955		167,563
Investee Guarantee and Indemnification		1,344,677				1,344,677
Investment Expenses		218,497		4,636		223,133
Legal Fees		2,038,338		253,900		2,292,238
Disbursements		55,735		8,943		64,678
Taxes		261,922		32,185		294,107
Legal Fees - Indemnification		651,982		76,423		728,405
Disbursements		11,216		1,769		12,985
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Taxes		50,057		9,254		59,311
Payroll & Benefits		1,735,550		-		1,735,550
Receiver and Manager Fees		7,130,967		1,673,380		8,804,347
Taxes		407,821		83,733		491,554
Rent		2,899,455		1,418,248		4,317,703
Settlements		579,116		196,875		775,991
Shareholder Services		1,317,222		847,245		2,164,467
Pre-Receivership Payables and Accruals		914,385		-		914,385
Total Disbursements		21,745,497		4,769,359		26,514,856
Excess of Receipts over Disbursements prior to:		78,728,864		2,826,539		81,555,403
Interim Distributions - Class "A" Shares		59,850,522		8,931,581		68,782,103
Interim Distributions - Class "I" & "L" Shares		308,494		41,476		349,970
Class Action Settlements		6,537,507		685,300		7,222,807
Excess of Receipts over Disbursements	\$	12,032,341	\$	(6,831,818)	\$	5,200,523
Represented by:						
Short Term Investments and Bonds					\$	1,759,911
Cash in Trust - Interim Distributions					•	3,440,612
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					\$	5,200,523

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