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Welcome and Introduction to the OSC SME Institute



Objectives

Our goal is to:

- Help SMEs navigate the regulatory waters
- Demystify disclosure requirements so companies can focus on building their business
- Reduce SMEs' cost of compliance so that this money can be better spent on strategic initiatives
- Provide an opportunity for informal dialogue with OSC staff





Evolution of Insider Reporting

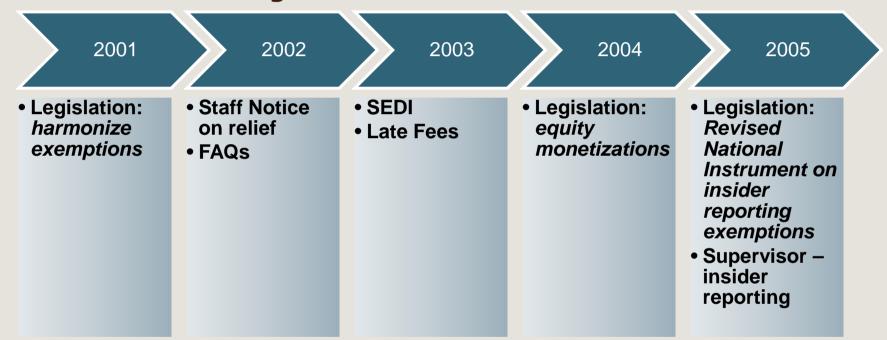


Why Focus on Insider Reporting?



Legislative History

Evolution of oversight in this area



Legislative History (cont'd)



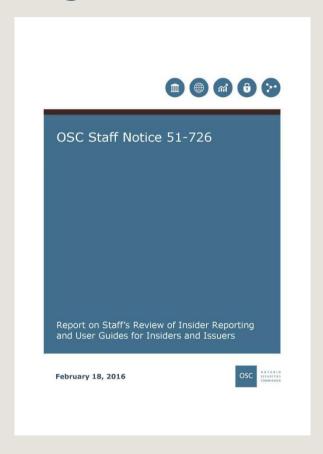


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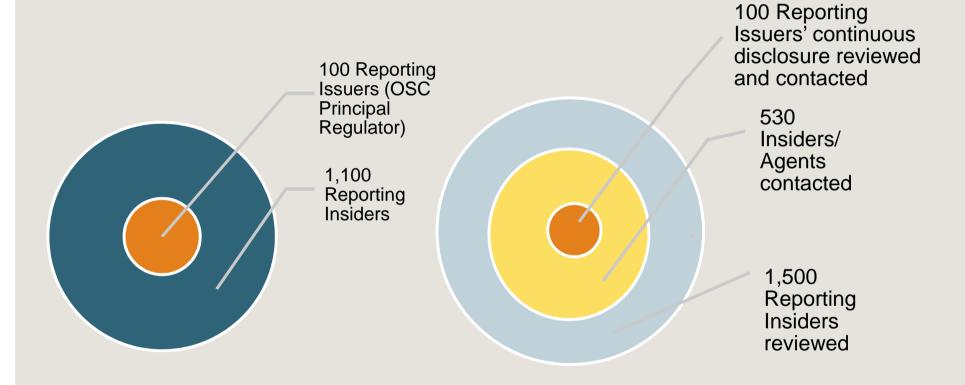
OSC Review of Insider Reporting

 OSC published <u>OSC Staff Notice</u> 51-726 Report on Staff's Review of Insider Reporting and User <u>Guide for Insiders and Issuers</u> (OSN 51-726) on February 18, 2016





Scope of our Review



Summary of Review Findings

- Two main findings:
 - Improvement in the quality of insider reporting is necessary across all issuers
 - Improvement of insider trading policies

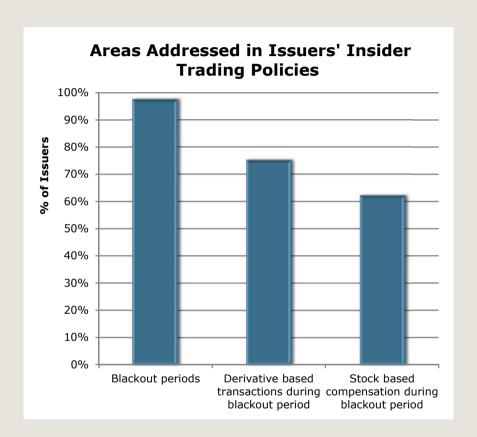
Summary of Review Findings (cont'd)

- Improvement in Quality of Insider Reporting
 - Material insider reporting deficiencies were found in approximately 15% of reporting insiders reviewed resulting in approximately 200 reporting insiders making remedial filings to address deficiencies
 - At least one insider in approximately 70% of the issuers reviewed was required to make a remedial filing to address a material deficiency
 - At least one insider in approximately 45% of issuers reviewed filed inaccurate insider reports on SEDI (with one or more non-material deficiencies) which resulted in approximately 150 reporting insiders making correctional filings



Summary of Review Findings (cont'd)

- Improvement of insider trading policies is recommended
 - Most policies provided for "blackout periods" around regularly scheduled earnings announcements
 - Some policies did not restrict derivative-based transactions or the grant of stock options or similar forms of stock-based compensation during blackout periods





Common Material Filing Errors

Common errors:

- Missing reporting insider profiles
- Balance discrepancies in SEDI filings vs. continuous disclosure records of issuer

Common reasons:

- Unfamiliarity with definition of "reporting insider"
- Failure to file reports for acquisitions under a normal course issuer bid (NCIB)
- Late reporting due to issuer delays
- Reliance on third parties



Common Non-Material Deficiencies

- Examples of non-material deficiencies:
 - Inaccurate transaction codes used
 - Inaccurate transaction dates reported
 - Inaccurate reporting with respect to type of ownership (direct, indirect or control or direction)
 - Not reporting the name of the registered holder



Other Common Findings

- Examples of other findings from OSC review:
 - Unfamiliarity with requirement to update insider profiles and issuer profile supplements on SEDI
 - Use of incorrect security designations by issuers
 - Limited use of issuer grant reports by issuers
 - Lack of internal processes to reconcile insider reports on SEDI with issuers' continuous disclosure records on SEDAR



Overview of Insider Reporting Requirements



Legislative Framework

- <u>National Instrument 55-104 Insider Reporting Requirements</u> and Exemptions (**NI 55-104**)
 - Sets out reporting requirements and available exemptions
- National Instrument 55-102 System for Electronic Disclosure by Insiders (SEDI) (NI 55-102)
 - Sets out the process for filing insider reports on www.sedi.ca
- National Policy 51-201 Disclosure Standards (NP 51-201)
 - provides guidance on "best disclosure" practices for issuers
 - includes a provision on insider trading policies and blackout periods
- <u>Securities Act</u> (Ontario)



Other Guidance

- <u>Canadian Securities Administrators Staff Notice 55-315</u> <u>Frequently Asked Questions about National Instrument 55-</u> <u>104 Insider Reporting Requirements and Exemptions</u>
- <u>Canadian Securities Administrators Staff Notice 55-316</u>
 <u>Questions and Answers on Insider Reporting and the System</u>
 <u>for Electronic Disclosure by Insiders (SEDI)</u>
- OSN 51-726
 - Includes examples and user guides



Who Needs to Report?

- Generally "reporting insider" means:
 - the CEO, CFO, COO or director of the reporting issuer, of a significant shareholder of the reporting issuer or of a major subsidiary of the reporting issuer;
 - a significant shareholder of the reporting issuer (i.e. 10% or more securityholder);
 - a management company providing significant services (includes every director, CEO, CFO, COO and every significant shareholder);
 - the reporting issuer itself (i.e. NCIB)
 - any other insider that has access to material facts or material changes before such information is generally disclosed, and directly or indirectly has the ability to exercise significant power or influence over the business, operations, capital or development of the reporting issuer
 - See NI 55-104, s. 1(1) for full definition



Who Needs to Report?

- A "SEDI issuer" means:
 - a reporting issuer, other than a mutual fund, that is required to comply with National Instrument 13-101 System for Electronic Document Analysis and Retrieval (SEDAR)
 - See NI 55-102, s. 1(1)



Who Needs to Report - Exemptions

- Do you have an exemption?
 - Automatic securities purchase plans (NI 55-104, Part 5)
 - Certain issuer grants (NI 55-104, Part 6)
 - Acquisitions of options and related financial instruments in respect of a compensation arrangement
 - NCIB and certain publicly disclosed transactions (NI 55-104, Part 7)
 - Certain issuer events (NI 55-104, Part 8)
 - Nil report (NI 55-104, s. 9.4)



What Needs to be Reported?

- Any acquisition or disposition of a security of a reporting issuer held by a reporting insider of that issuer
- Includes:
 - Equity such as common shares, preferred shares, etc.
 - Grants and exercises of stock options
 - Grants and exercises of restricted share awards (RSAs), performance share awards (PSAs) or deferred share awards (DSAs)
 - Derivatives of the issuer
 - Other related financial instruments
 - Debt instruments including convertible debentures and promissory notes, etc.
- Third party derivatives (e.g. equity monetizations)



Where are Insider Reports Filed?

• www.sedi.ca





When are Reports Required to be Filed?

- Issuers must file an issuer profile supplement within 3 business days of becoming a SEDI issuer (NI 55-102, s. 2.3)
- Reporting insiders must file an initial insider report within <u>10</u> calendar days of becoming a reporting insider (NI 55-104, s. 3.2)
- Subsequent insider reports reflecting changes in holdings must be filed within <u>5 calendar days</u> (NI 55-104, s. 3.3)



How to Report?

- Issuers and reporting insiders (or their agents) need to register as a "user"
 - Issuer
 - Insider
 - Agent
- Once registered, users can log on and perform activities related to the type of user they are:
 - Issuers/agents can set up issuer profile supplements or amend existing profiles
 - Issuers/agents can file issuer grant reports and issuer event reports
 - Insiders/agents can set up insider profiles or amend existing profiles
 - Insiders/agents can file insider reports





SEDI Demonstration



How to Report - SEDI Demonstration

- How to file the following transactions on SEDI:
 - Issuer/agent amends an issuer profile supplement
 - Issuer/agent files an issuer grant report for options granted
 - Insider/agent files insider report for grant of stock options
 - Insider/agent files insider report for exercise of stock options
 - Insider/agent files insider report for disposition of common shares on the public market
 - Insider/agent files insider report for expiry of stock options

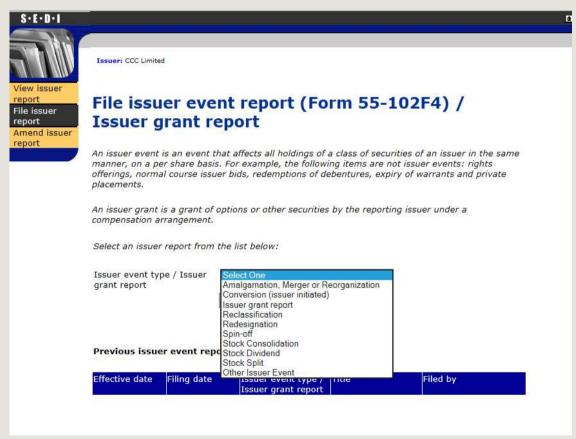


Issuer/agent amends an issuer profile supplement

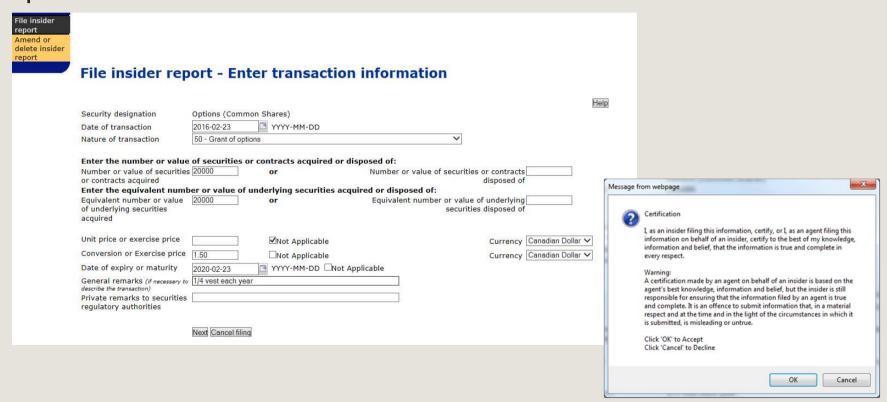




Issuer/agent files an issuer grant report for options granted

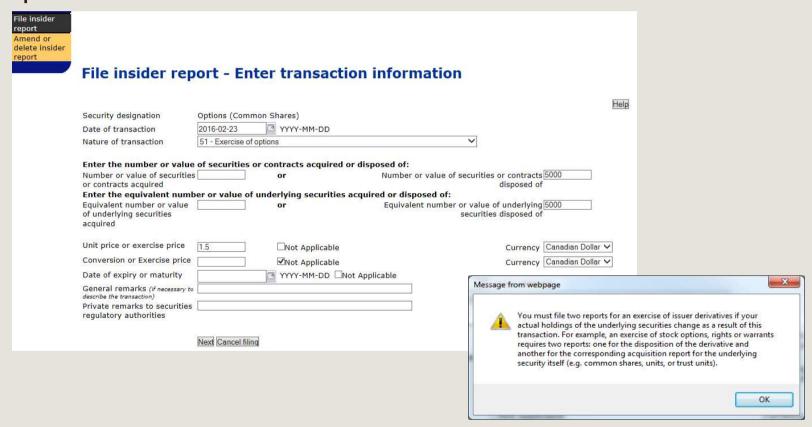


Insider/agent files insider report for grant of stock options





Insider/agent files insider report for exercise of stock options



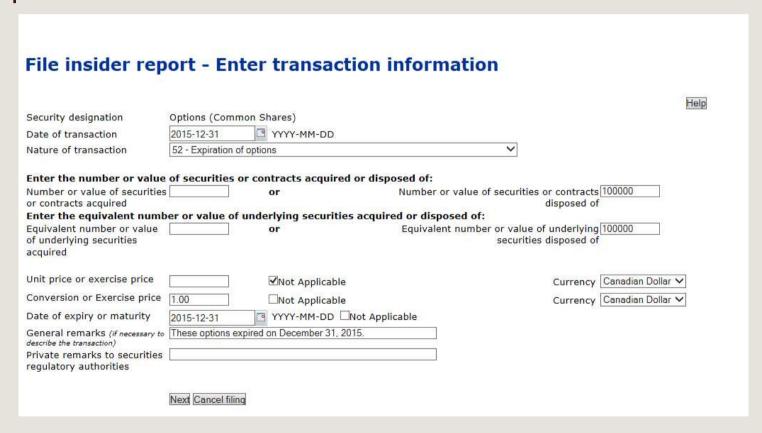


 Insider/agent files insider report for disposition of common shares on the public market





Insider/agent files insider report for expiry of stock options







Contact Information



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General		
Inquiries and Contact Centre	For general transaction/filing questions (e.g. how to file an exercise of an option) Email: inquiries@osc.gov.on.ca Phone: 416-593-8314 or 1-877-785-1555	
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