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PUBLIC NOTICE

Appointment of Approved Auditors

pursuant to the Securities Industry Act 2021, Act No. 46 of 2021 FSC/3/PN/024

It is hereby notified for general information that in accordance with the <u>Securities Industry Act (Commencement of Provisions) Order, 2023</u>, Section 33, Section 193, and the provisions of Parts IV, V, VIII, IX, X, XI, XII, XIII, XIV and XVI of the Securities Industry Act 2021, Act No. 46 of 2021 (the SIA) are in force as of December 15th, 2023.

Attention is being drawn to Section 76 of the SIA which stipulates that only an approved auditor may act for any person or public issuer regulated by the SIA. The SIA defines an approved auditor as an auditor recognized by the Financial Services Commission (the Commission) under Part X of the SIA.

An application for recognition as an approved auditor shall be made to the Commission using the <u>approved form</u> which can be accessed on the Commission's website. All sections of the application form must be completed. The applicant must meet the requirements set out in Section 77 and 78 of the SIA to be registered as an approved auditor.

The application form is to be submitted to the Commission via <u>securitiesregistration@belizefsc.org.bz</u>. A completed <u>payment information form</u> must also accompany the application so that the Commission can issue an invoice for the application fee.

Any questions regarding the above can directed to the following email address: securitiesregistration@belizefsc.org.bz.

FINANCIAL SERVICES COMMISSION

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