# IN THE MATTER OF THE SECURITIES LEGISLATION

OF ALBERTA, SASKATCHEWAN, MANITOBA, ONTARIO, NOVA SCOTIA, NEW BRUNSWICK, PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND, NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR, YUKON TERRITORY, NORTHWEST TERRITORIES AND NUNAVUT (THE JURISDICTIONS)

#### **AND**

## IN THE MATTER OF THE MUTUAL RELIANCE REVIEW SYSTEM FOR EXEMPTIVE RELIEF APPLICATIONS

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# IN THE MATTER OF TD ASSET MANAGEMENT INC. (THE FILER)

#### MRRS DECISION DOCUMENT

## **Background**

The local securities regulatory authority or regulator (the Decision Maker) in each of the Jurisdictions has received an application (the Application) from the Filer for a decision under the securities legislation of the Jurisdictions (the Legislation) for relief for the publicly offered mutual funds that are managed from time to time by the Filer or any of its affiliates or associates (the Funds) and broker dealers or mutual fund dealers (Distributors) who distribute securities of the Funds from the requirements in the Legislation:

- to deliver the latest prospectus and any amendment to the prospectus, and
- to be bound by an agreement of purchase and sale

(together, the "Delivery Requirement")

in respect of a purchase and sale of securities of the Funds pursuant to a pre-authorized investment plan, including employee purchase plans, capital accumulation plans, pre-authorized purchase plans or any other contract or arrangement for the purchase of a specified amount of securities on a regularly scheduled basis (an Investment Plan).

Under the Mutual Reliance Review System for Exemptive Relief Applications:

(a) the Ontario Securities Commission is the principal regulator for this Application, and

(b) this MRRS decision document evidences the decision of each Decision Maker.

## **Interpretation**

Defined terms contained in National Instrument 14-101 - Definitions have the same meaning in this decision unless they are defined in this decision.

## **Representations**

This decision is based on the following facts represented by the Filer:

- 1. The Filer is a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Toronto-Dominion Bank (TD Bank) and is registered under the Securities Act (Ontario) as an adviser in the categories of investment counsel and portfolio manager and as a limited market dealer, and under the Commodity Futures Act (Ontario) in the category of commodity trading manager.
- 2. The Filer acts as manager of the groups of mutual funds that currently consist of the Funds set out in Schedule A.
- 3. The Funds are, or will be, reporting issuers in one or more of the Jurisdictions. Securities of the Funds are, or will be, offered for sale on a continuous basis pursuant to a simplified prospectus.
- 4. Securities of each of the Funds are or will be distributed through Distributors which may or may not be affiliated with the Filer.
- 5. Each of the Funds may offer investors the opportunity to invest in the Fund on a regular or periodic basis pursuant to an Investment Plan.
- 6. Under the terms of an Investment Plan, an investor instructs a Distributor to accept additional contributions on a pre-determined frequency and/or periodic basis and to apply such contributions on each scheduled investment date to additional investments in specified Funds (which instructions may be amended from time to time). The investor authorizes a Distributor to debit a specified account or otherwise makes funds available in the amount of the additional contributions. An investor may terminate the instructions, at any time.
- 7. An investor who establishes an Investment Plan (a Participant) receives a copy of the current simplified prospectus relating to the applicable Funds at the time an Investment Plan is established, unless already provided. A Participant who switches an investment decision under the Investment Plan to Fund(s) not included when the Investment Plan was established or under a previous amendment to the Investment Plan will receive the current simplified prospectus relating to the applicable Fund(s) at the time of the amendment to the Investment Plan, unless already provided.
- 8. Pursuant to the Legislation, a Distributor not acting as agent of the purchaser, who receives an order or subscription for a security of a Fund offered in a distribution to which the Delivery

Requirement applies (assuming that this applies in the circumstances), must, unless it has previously done so, send by prepaid mail or deliver to the purchaser the latest prospectus and any amendment to the prospectus filed either before entering into an agreement of purchase and sale resulting from the order or subscription or not later than midnight on the second day, exclusive of Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, after entering into such agreement.

- 9. Pursuant to the Legislation, an agreement referred to in paragraph (8) is not binding on the purchaser if a Distributor receives notice of the intention of the purchaser not to be bound by the agreement of purchase and sale within a specified time period.
- 10. The terms of an Investment Plan are such that a Participant can terminate the instructions to the Distributor at any time prior to a scheduled investment date. Therefore, there is no agreement of purchase and sale until a scheduled investment date arrives and the instructions have not been terminated. At this point the securities are purchased.
- 11. A Distributor not acting as agent for the applicable investor is required pursuant to the Legislation to mail or deliver to a Participant who purchases securities of Funds pursuant to an Investment Plan, the current simplified prospectus of the applicable Funds at the time the investor enters into the Investment Plan, unless otherwise provided, and thereafter, any new prospectus or amendment thereto (a Renewal Prospectus) filed pursuant to the Legislation, unless otherwise provided.
- 12. There is significant cost involved in the annual printing and mailing or delivery of the Renewal Prospectus to Participants. The annual cost of production of a Renewal Prospectus is borne by the applicable Fund. In addition, mailing costs are incurred.
- 13. Securityholders of the Funds who are currently Participants will be sent a notice (the Notice) advising them:
  - (a) of the terms of the relief and that Participants will not receive any Renewal Prospectus of the applicable Funds, unless they request it;
  - (b) that they may request the Renewal Prospectus by calling a toll-free phone number or by email and the Filer will send the Renewal Prospectus to any Participant that requests it. Participants will receive with the Notice a request form (the "Request Form") under which the Participant may request, at no cost to the Participant, to receive the Renewal Prospectus;
  - (c) that the Renewal Prospectus and any amendments thereto may be found either on the SEDAR website or on the Filer's website;
  - (d) that they can subsequently request the current Renewal Prospectus and any amendments thereto by contacting the applicable Distributor or the Filer and the Filer will provide a toll-free telephone number for contacting it for this purpose;

- (e) that they will not have a right to withdraw (a Withdrawal Right) from an agreement of purchase and sale in respect of or purchase pursuant to an Investment Plan, but that they will have a right (a Misrepresentation Right) of action for damage or rescission in the event the Renewal Prospectus contains a misrepresentation, whether or not they request the Renewal Prospectus; and
- (f) that they will continue to have the right to terminate the Investment Plan at any time before a scheduled investment date.
- 14. Future investors who choose to become Participants and invest in any Funds in respect of which the relief hereby sought applies will be advised:
  - (a) in the documents they receive in respect of their participation in the Investment Plan or in the simplified prospectus of the applicable Funds (in the section of the prospectus that describes the Investment Plan) of the terms of the relief and that Participants will not receive a Renewal Prospectus unless they request it at the time they decide to enrol in the Investment Plan or subsequently request it from the applicable Distributor or the Filer;
  - (b) that a Renewal Prospectus and any amendments thereto may be found either on the SEDAR website or on the Filer's website;
  - (c) that they will not have a Withdrawal Right in respect of purchases pursuant to an Investment Plan, other than in respect of the initial purchase and sale, but they will have a Misrepresentation Right, whether or not they request the Renewal Prospectus; and
  - (d) that they will have the right to terminate the Investment Plan at any time before a scheduled investment date.
- 15. Participants will also be advised annually in writing (in an account statement sent by the Distributor or otherwise) how they can request the current Renewal Prospectus and any amendments thereto and that they have a Misrepresentation Right.

#### Decision

Each of the Decision Makers is satisfied that the test contained in the Legislation that provides the Decision Maker with the jurisdiction to make the Decision has been met.

The decision of the Decision Makers under the Legislation is that:

1. the Funds and the Distributors are not required to comply with the Delivery Requirement provided that in respect of purchases and sales of securities of the Funds to Participants who purchase the securities pursuant to an Investment Plan which is in existence on the date of this decision:

- (a) Participants who are current securityholders of the Funds are sent the Notice described in paragraph 13 above containing the information described in paragraph 13 above, together with the Request Form referred to in paragraph 13 above;
- (b) under the terms of the Investment Plan, a Participant can terminate participation in the Investment Plan at any time prior to a schedule investment date;
- (c) Participants are advised annually in writing (in an account statement sent by the Distributor or otherwise) how they can request the current Renewal Prospectus and any amendments thereto and that they have a Misrepresentation Right; and
- (d) the Misrepresentation Right in the Legislation of a Jurisdiction is maintained in respect of a Participant whether or not a Renewal Prospectus is requested or received;
- 2. the Funds and the Distributors are not required, after the date of the applicable next Renewal Prospectus, to comply with the Delivery Requirement in respect of purchases and sales of securities of the Funds to Participants who purchase the securities pursuant to an Investment Plan which is established after the date of this decision, provided that:
  - (a) Participants are advised, in the simplified prospectus of the applicable Funds or in the documents they receive in respect of their participation in the Investment Plan, of the information described in paragraph 14 above;
  - (b) Under the terms of the Investment Plan, a Participant can terminate participation in the Investment Plan at any time prior to a scheduled investment date;
  - (c) Participants are advised annually in writing (in an account statement sent by the Distributor or otherwise) how they can request the current Renewal Prospectus and any amendments thereto and that they have a Misrepresentation Right; and
  - (d) The Misrepresentation Right in the Legislation of a Jurisdiction is maintained in respect of a Participant whether or not a Renewal Prospectus is requested or received; and
- 3. this Decision, as it relates to the jurisdiction of a Decision Maker, will terminate one year after the publication in final form of any legislation or rule dealing with the Delivery Requirement.

"Paul Moore" "H. Lorne Morphy"

### LIST OF FUNDS

#### TD MUTUAL FUNDS

- TD Canadian T-Bill Fund
- TD Canadian Money Market Fund
- TD Premium Money Market Fund
- TD U.S. Money Market Fund
- TD Short Term Bond Fund
- TD Mortgage Fund
- TD Canadian Bond Fund
- TD Real Return Bond Fund
- TD Global RSP Bond Fund
- TD High Yield Income Fund
- TD Monthly Income Fund
- TD Balanced Fund
- TD Balanced Income Fund
- TD Balanced Growth Fund
- TD Global Asset Allocation Fund
- TD Income Advantage Portfolio
- TD Dividend Income Fund
- TD Dividend Growth Fund
- TD Canadian Blue Chip Equity Fund
- TD Canadian Equity Fund
- TD Canadian Value Fund
- TD Canadian Small-Cap Equity Fund
- TD U.S. Blue Chip Equity Fund
- TD U.S. Blue Chip Equity RSP Fund
- TD U.S. Equity Fund
- TD AmeriGrowth RSP Fund
- TD U.S. Large Cap Value Fund
- TD U.S. Mid-Cap Growth Fund
- TD U.S. Small-Cap Equity Fund
- TD U.S. Equity Advantage Portfolio
- TD Global Select Fund
- TD Global Select RSP Fund
- TD International Equity Fund
- TD International Growth Fund
- TD European Growth Fund
- TD European Growth RSP Fund
- TD Japanese Growth Fund
- TD Asian Growth Fund
- TD AsiaGrowth RSP Fund
- TD Emerging Markets Fund
- TD Emerging Markets RSP Fund
- TD Latin American Growth Fund

- TD Resource Fund
- TD Energy Fund
- TD Precious Metals Fund
- TD Entertainment & Communications Fund
- TD Entertainment & Communications RSP Fund
- TD Science & Technology Fund
- TD Science & Technology RSP Fund
- TD Health Sciences Fund
- TD Health Sciences RSP Fund
- TD Canadian Government Bond Index Fund
- TD Canadian Bond Index Fund
- TD Balanced Index Fund
- TD Canadian Index Fund
- TD Dow Jones Industrial Average Index Fund
- TD U.S. Index Fund
- TD U.S. RSP Index Fund
- TD Nasdaq RSP Index Fund
- TD International Index Fund
- TD International RSP Index Fund
- TD European Index Fund
- TD Japanese Index Fund

## TD MANAGED ASSETS PROGRAM PORTFOLIOS

- TD Managed Income Portfolio
- TD Managed Income & Moderate Growth Portfolio
- TD Managed Balanced Growth Portfolio
- TD Managed Aggressive Growth Portfolio
- TD Managed Maximum Equity Growth Portfolio
- TD Managed Income RSP Portfolio
- TD Managed Income & Moderate Growth RSP Portfolio
- TD Managed Balanced Growth RSP Portfolio
- TD Managed Aggressive Growth RSP Portfolio
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- TD Managed Index Maximum Equity Growth RSP Portfolio

## **EMERALD FUNDS**

- Emerald Canadian Short Term Investment Fund
- Emerald Canadian Bond Index Fund
- Emerald Global Government Bond Index Fund
- Emerald Balanced Fund
- Emerald Canadian Equity Index Fund
- Emerald U.S. Market Index Fund
- Emerald International Equity Index Fund