

## Securities and Exchange Commission

## § 249.240f

### § 249.220f Form 20-F, registration of securities of foreign private issuers pursuant to section 12(b) or (g) and annual and transition reports pursuant to sections 13 and 15(d).

(a) Any foreign private issuer may use this form as a registration statement under section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") or as an annual or transition report filed under section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Exchange Act.

(b) An annual report on this form shall be filed within six months after the end of the fiscal year covered by such report.

(c) A transition report on this form shall be filed in accordance with the requirements set forth in §240.13a-10 or §240.15d-10 applicable when the issuer changes its fiscal year end.

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### § 249.240f Form 40-F, for registration of securities of certain Canadian issuers pursuant to section 12(b) or (g) and for reports pursuant to section 15(d) and Rule 15d-4 (§ 240.15d-4 of this chapter).

(a) Form 40-F may be used to file reports with the Commission pursuant to section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") and Rule 15d-4 (17 CFR 240.15d-4) thereunder by registrants that are subject to the reporting requirements of that section solely by reason of their having filed a registration statement on Form F-7, F-8, F-9, F-10 or F-80 under the Securities Act of 1933 (the "Securities Act").

NOTE: No reporting obligation arises under section 15(d) of the Securities Act from the registration of securities on Form F-7, F-8 or F-80 if the issuer, at the time of filing such Form, is exempt from the requirements of section 12(g) of the Exchange Act pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b). See Rule 12h-4 under the Exchange Act.

(b) Form 40-F may be used to register securities with the Commission pursuant to section 12(b) or 12(g) of the Ex-

change Act, to file reports with the Commission pursuant to section 13(a) of the Exchange Act and Rule 13a-3 (17 CFR 240.13a-3) thereunder, and to file reports with the Commission pursuant to section 15(d) of the Exchange Act if:

(1) The registrant is incorporated or organized under the laws of Canada or any Canadian province or territory;

(2) The registrant is a foreign private issuer or a crown corporation;

(3) The registrant has been subject to the periodic reporting requirements of any securities commission or equivalent regulatory authority in Canada for a period of at least 12 calendar months immediately preceding the filing of this Form and is currently in compliance with such obligations; and

(4) The aggregate market value of the public float of the registrant's outstanding equity shares is \$75 million or more; *provided, however*, no market value threshold need be satisfied in connection with non-convertible securities eligible for registration on Form F-9 (§239.39 of this chapter).

#### Instructions

1. For purposes of this Form, "foreign private issuer" shall be construed in accordance with Rule 405 under the Securities Act.

2. For purposes of this Form, the term "crown corporation" shall mean a corporation all of whose common shares or comparable equity is owned directly or indirectly by the Government of Canada or a Province or Territory of Canada.

3. For purposes of this Form, the "public float" of specified securities shall mean only such securities held by persons other than affiliates of the issuer.

4. For the purposes of this Form, an "affiliate" of a person is anyone who beneficially owns directly or indirectly, or exercises control or direction over, more than 10 percent of the outstanding equity shares of such person. The determination of a person's affiliates shall be made as of the end of such person's most recently completed fiscal year.

5. For purposes of this Form, "equity shares" shall mean common shares, non-voting equity shares and subordinate or restricted voting equity shares, but shall not include preferred shares.

6. For purposes of this Form, the market value of outstanding equity shares (whether or not held by affiliates) shall be computed by use of the price at which the shares were last sold, or the average of the bid and asked prices of such shares, in the principal market for such shares as of a date within 60 days