

Dear Mr. Agerup:

Please find attached our completed Delcaration of Interest in reference to the Distribution of Liquor Project # SATP-301.

If any additional information is required, please feel free to contact us.

Sincerely,
Peggy Spiliadis
Sales & Administrative Assistant
Metro Supply Chain Group
1401 Creditstone Road
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Email: pspiliadis@metroscg.com



May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2012

#### PROCUREMENT SERVICES

c/o Reception Desk 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, 563 Superior Street Victoria, British Columbia V8V 1T7

Attn: Pelle Agerup, Senior Director

RE: APPENDIX A - Declaration of Interest (SATP-301)

Dear Mr. Agerup:

On behalf of Metro Supply Chain Group for which Centric Retail Logistics Inc., is a parent company, please find attached our completed Declaration of Interest. Upon review of the attached document, please feel free to contact us should you have any questions. I can be contacted via email at pspiliadis@metroscg.com or via phone at 647-226-0391.

With regard to page 6 and the Corporate Seal, we do not have a Corporate Seal to administer to this document.

Sincerely,

Metro Supply Chain Group

Peggy Śpiliadis

Sales & Administrative Assistant

c. Martin Graham, President

Metro Supply Chain Group



# Appendix A Declaration of Interest

Number: SATP-301

This Declaration of Interest and Acceptance of Terms of Reference ("Declaration") is intended to confirm which Proponents are interested in participating in the Distribution of Liquor Project, Negotiated Request for Proposals Number SATP-301 and to direct those Proponents to execute the Declaration required as a precondition to submitting a proposal.

Interested Proponents are invited to respond to this Declaration by submitting the form attached to this Appendix A entitled "Declaration of Interest and of Acceptance of Terms of Reference" as further directed in this Appendix A.

Proponents should deliver executed Declarations to the Province in accordance with section 2.1(xiv) of this Declaration.

#### DISTRIBUTION OF LIQUOR PROJECT - NEGOTIATED REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS SATP-301

#### DECLARATION OF INTEREST AND ACCEPTANCE OF TERMS OF REFERENCE

("Declaration")

WHEREAS [legal name] CENTRIC RETAIL DOGINICS NC ("Proponent") seeks to declare its intention to respond to the forthcoming Distribution of Liquor Project Procurement Negotiated Request for Proposals ("the NRFP");

AND WHEREAS such terms shall form an integral part of the NRFP process;

AND WHEREAS in connection with the NRFP process (including but not limited to the Province's virtual documents room) the Proponent, its contractors and the individual persons designated on Schedule A1 (Designated Persons) to this Declaration (the "Designated Persons") have received, could receive or will receive access to certain Confidential Information;

**NOW THEREFORE** the Proponent hereby declares as follows:

#### 1. Definitions

When used in this Declaration, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

"BC Bid" means the Province's Internet tendering notification and electronic bidding system;

"Confidential Information" means any technical, business, financial, personal, employee, operational, scientific, research, or other information or data in whatsoever form or media, whether in writing, electronic form or communicated orally or visually, whether or not marked or indicated as being confidential information and including, without limitation, any proprietary software or business processes or plans, cost or price information, strategies, technology architecture, reports, agenda, meeting minutes, products and services, and technology or operational know-how of the Province, the Ministry or the LDB, but for greater certainty excludes information that: (i) at the time of disclosure is in the public domain; (ii) after disclosure is published or otherwise becomes part of the public domain through no fault of the Proponent; (iii) was in the possession of the Proponent at the time of disclosure to them, and was not the subject of a pre-existing confidentiality obligation; or (iv) was independently developed by the Proponent without the use of any of the Confidential Information and separate and apart from the NRFP process.

"Conflict of Interest" means that, in relation to the NRFP process, the Proponent has an unfair advantage or engages in conduct, directly or indirectly, that may give it an unfair advantage, including but not limited to: (i) having or having access to Confidential Information of the Province, the Ministry or the LDB in the preparation of its proposal that is not available to other Proponents; (ii) communicating with any person with a view to influencing preferred treatment in the NRFP process (including but not limited to the lobbying of decision makers involved in

the NRFP process); or (iii) engaging in conduct that compromises or could be seen to compromise the integrity of the NRFP process or render that process non-competitive. For greater certainty, incumbency shall not, in itself, constitute an unfair advantage.

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"Ministry" means the Ministry of Energy and Mines.

"Province" means Her Majesty the Queen in Right of the Province of British Columbia as represented by the Minister of Labour, Citizens' Services and Open Government, who is conducting the DLP procurement on behalf of the the Ministry and the LDB.

#### 2. NRFP Process Terms of Reference

#### 2.1 Process Rules

The Proponent hereby acknowledges and agrees that:

- (i) It is interested in participating in the forthcoming NRFP and seeks to obtain further information with respect to the specific services identified as Schedule A to this Declaration solely for the good faith purpose of considering whether and how to respond to the NRFP. The Province reserves the right at any time to seek further information from a Proponent with respect to its status or intent as a Proponent, and to disqualify a Proponent who it deems in its sole discretion has participated in the NRFP for an improper purpose or in bad faith.
- (ii) The NRFP process is not intended to create and shall not create a formal legally binding bidding process and shall instead be governed by the law applicable to direct commercial negotiations. For greater certainty and without limitation: (a) the NRFP shall not give rise to any "Contract A" based tendering law duties or any other legal obligations arising out of any process contract or collateral contract; and (b) neither the Proponent nor the Province shall have the right to make any claims against the other with respect to the award of a contract, failure to award a contract or failure to honour a proposal or any other claims based on a breach of "Contract A" or other tendering law duties or obligations.

- (iii) The NRFP process is intended to identify prospective suppliers for the purposes of negotiating potential agreements. No legal relationship or obligation regarding the procurement of any good or service shall be created between the Proponent and the Province by the NRFP process until the successful negotiation and execution of a written agreement for the acquisition of such goods or services.
- (iv) While the pricing information provided in proposals will be non-binding prior to the execution of a written agreement, such information will be assessed during the evaluation of proposals and ranking of the Proponent. Any inaccurate, misleading or incomplete information, including withdrawn or altered pricing, could adversely impact any such evaluation, ranking or contract award.
- (v) The Province may disqualify the Proponent or rescind a contract subsequently entered if the Proponent's proposal contains misrepresentations or any other inaccurate, misleading or incomplete information.
- (vi) When evaluating proposals, the Province may request further information from the Proponent or third parties in order to verify, clarify or supplement the information provided in the Proponent's proposal. The Province may revisit and re-evaluate the Proponent's proposal or ranking on the basis of any such information.
- (vii) The Province will be under no obligation to disqualify or reject a proposal or Proponent that fails to comply with a stated rule or requirement and may allow the Proponent to rectify deficiencies in its proposal at any stage during the NRFP process.
- (viii) The Proponent and the Province will bear their own costs associated with or incurred though the NRFP process, including any costs arising out of or incurred in:

   (a) the preparation and issuance of the NRFP;
   (b) the preparation and submission of a proposal;
   and
   (c) the conduct of evaluations, interviews, demonstrations, discussions, negotiations or any other activities related to the NRFP process.
- (ix) The Province's evaluation may include information provided by the Proponent's references and may also consider the Proponent's past performance on previous contracts with the Province and such other reference checks as the Province deems appropriate.
- (x) Engaging in any Conflict of Interest activity or breaching the confidentiality provisions of this Declaration may result in the Proponent's disqualification from the NRFP process at the Province's sole discretion.
- (xi) The Proponent may not at any time directly or indirectly communicate with the media in relation to the NRFP or any contract awarded pursuant to the NRFP without first obtaining the written permission of the Province.
- (xii) The Province shall not return the proposal or any accompanying documentation submitted by the Proponent unless that proposal is formally withdrawn by the Proponent prior to the proposal submission deadline.

- (xiii) The Province may amend or cancel the NRFP process or any stage, portion, component or element thereof without liability at any time.
- (xiv) This Declaration must be executed and delivered by the Proponent by signing a copy of this Declaration (including a photocopy or faxed copy) and delivering the signed copy to the Province by facsimile at (250) 387-7309, or by delivering by courier or hand the originally signed Declaration to the Province at the following location:

Procurement Services c/o Reception Desk, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, 563 Superior Street, Victoria, BC V8V 1T7

Contact Person: Pelle Agerup, Senior Director

These provisions are included for greater certainty and are not intended to limit or otherwise fetter or inhibit the Province in conducting the contemplated procurement process.

#### 2.2 Confidentiality

The Proponent hereby acknowledges and agrees that:

- (i) The Province may make public the name of the Proponent.
- (ii) All Confidential Information provided by or obtained from the Province in any form in connection with the NRFP process either before or after the issuance of the NRFP:
   (a) is the sole property of the Province and must be treated as confidential;
   (b) is not to be used for any purpose other than those contemplated under the NRFP and the performance of any subsequent contract;
   (c) must not be disclosed without prior written authorization from the Province; and
   (d) shall be returned by the Proponent to the Province immediately upon the request of the Province.
- (iii) The Confidential Information is the confidential, proprietary and trade secret information of the Province and the unauthorized use or disclosure of the Confidential Information could cause irreparable harm and significant injury to the Province for which the Province would have no adequate remedy at law. Therefore, the Province will have the right, in addition to any other rights the Province may have at law or in equity, to seek immediate injunctive relief enjoining any breach or potential breach of this Declaration by the Proponent.
- (iv) Each Designated Person has been shown and has read a copy of this Declaration, as indicated by the initials of each Designated Person on the attached Schedule A1. The Proponent agrees to cause the Designated Persons to comply with the provisions of this Declaration, and the provisions of the NRFP dealing with the treatment of Confidential Information, including Appendix J to the NRFP entitled "VDR Guidelines and VDR Documentation". Any failure of the Designated Persons to comply with the foregoing provisions will be deemed to be a failure of the

Proponent and the Proponent will be liable to the Province in respect thereof.

- (v) In order to obtain certain background information relevant to the NRFP and to the preparation of proposals, the Proponent may be required to enter into additional non-disclosure arrangements, including non-disclosure arrangements with thirdparties. The execution of such non-disclosure arrangements may form a further condition to obtaining relevant background information and to submitting a proposal.
- (vi) Information provided by the Proponent in a proposal or otherwise through the NRFP process, even if it is identified as being supplied in confidence, may be disclosed where required by law or if required by order of a court or tribunal.
- (vii) The Province is subject to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act ("FOIPPA") and may be required to disclose Proponent information in their custody or control. Disclosure pursuant to a FOIPPA request is subject to the application of that statute, including the exception and third party notification provisions. For Information on FOIPPA see <a href="http://www.cio.gov.bc.ca/">http://www.cio.gov.bc.ca/</a>
- (viii) The Proponent will obtain written consents for any personal information contained in its proposal prior to submitting any such information to the Province, and will produce such written consents to the Province upon request.
- (ix) The Province may disclose, on a confidential basis, the information contained in the Proponent's proposal or otherwise provided to the Province through the NRFP process, to the Province's advisers retained for the purpose of evaluating or participating in the evaluation of this proposal.
- (x) This Declaration will not prevent the Proponent from disclosing Confidential Information required to be disclosed by law or by order of a court or tribunal so long as the Proponent provides the Province with prompt written notice of such requirement and takes steps sufficient to allow the Province an opportunity to object to such disclosure. Any such disclosure will only be to the extent legally required and not for any other purpose.

Executed under the seal shown below with the intent that such execution take effect as a deed.

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by its duly auth	orized (epresentative(s): /
Per:	1/ Vialou
Print Name:	MARTINS GRAHAM
Title:	C.E.O



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#### SCHEDULE A1 - DESIGNATED PERSONS

	NAME	INITIALS
	,	(For the purpose of acknowledging that the Designated Person has read and understands the restrictions contained in the Declaration)
1.	Name CHAIS JARVIS THE VICE PRESIDENT	Date Designated: 3-MAY-2012
2.	Name: CALVIN POON Title: SENIOR MANAGER	
3.	Name GLENN WENSH Title VICE PRESIDENT	Date Designated: 3-MAY-2012
4.	Name: GLENN ROSS TITLE: TECHNICAL SOLUTIONS	Date Designated: 3-MAY-2012
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#### SCHEDULE A2 - REGISTRATION FORM

TO: The Province

2.

FROM: Name of Proponent

RE: Distribution of Liquor Project

#### PROPONENT INFORMATION

1.	The full legal	name of the	Proponent is
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CENTRIC RETAIL LOGISTICS INC
(PARENT COMPANY METRO SUPPLY CHAIN GROUP INC) Any other relevant name under which the Proponent carries on business is:

3. The jurisdiction under which the Proponent is governed is:

QUEBEC, CANADA

4. The name, address, telephone, facsimile number, e-mail address and BCeID of the contact person for the Proponent is:

CHRIS JARVIS
METRO SUPPLY CHAIN CROUP INC
1401 CREDITSTONE ROAD
CONCORD
CONTARIO LAK ANT
Phone: 647 278 3313
BCelD:
Frank: 905 738 5227

5. Proposals should be submitted by a single legal entity that will act as the prime Proponent and main contact to the Province in respect of the NRFP process and for the purposes of performing any awarded Master Agreement. For greater certainty, Proposals should not be submitted by Joint ventures. Please state whether the Proponent is a sole proprietorship, a corporation, a partnership, an incorporated consortium or a consortium that is a partnership or other legally recognized entity:

CORPORATION

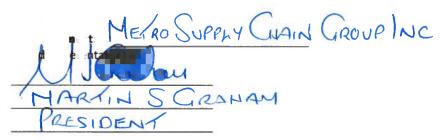


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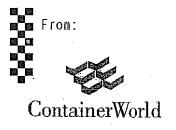
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# ContainerWorld Forwarding Services Inc. 16133 Blundell Road Richmond, B.C. V6W 0A3

Tel: (604) 276-1300 Fax: (604) 276-1301

: Procurement Services

Date: May 1, 2012

From : ContainerWorld Forwarding Services

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Please find enclosed our Declaration of Interest to participate in the Distribution of Liquor Project.

If you do not receive all pages please contact the undersigned.

Thank you,

Wendy Hoppe Office Manager

ContainerWorld Forwarding Services Inc.

Email: whoppe@containerworld.com

Tel: 604-276-1304



# Appendix A Declaration of Interest

Number: SATP-301

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# DISTRIBUTION OF LIQUOR PROJECT - NEGOTIATED REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS SATP-301

### DECLARATION OF INTEREST AND ACCEPTANCE OF TERMS OF REFERENCE

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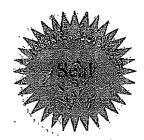
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Executed under the seal shown below with the intent that such execution take effect as a deed.

CORPORATE PE	ROPONENT:	ContainerWorld Forwarding
Print legal nam	e of Proponent:	Services Inc.
by its duly auth	orized representati	ve(s):
Per:	Bolover	mes_
Print Name:	Mr. Dennis Chrism	as
Title:	President	



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#### **SCHEDULE A1 - DESIGNATED PERSONS**

**NAME** 

**INITIALS** 

(For the purpose of acknowledging that the Designated Person has read and understands the restrictions contained in the Declaration)

1. Name Title

Mr. Brian Chipman

General Manager

Date Designated: May 1, 2012

2. Name: Title:

Mr. Gary Combrink

Director, Finance

Date Designated: May 1, 2012

3. Name

Mr. Peter Ilich

Title:

Director, Warehouse Administration & Risk Management

Date Designated: May 1, 2012

4. Name:

Ms. Harjeet Kaur

Title:

<u>Director, Human Resources</u> Date Designated: <u>May 1, 2012</u> - 7 -

#### **SCHEDULE A1 - DESIGNATED PERSONS**

NAME INITIALS

(For the purpose of acknowledging that the Designated Person has read and understands the restrictions contained in the Declaration)

1. Name
Title

Mr. Brian Chipman
General Manager

Date Designated : May 1, 2012

2. Name: Mr. Gary Combrink
Title: Director, Finance

Date Designated: May 1, 2012

3. Name Mr. Peter Ilich T.

Title: Director, Warehouse Administration & Risk Management

Date Designated: May 1, 2012

4. Name: <u>Ms. Harjeet Kaur</u>

Title: <u>Director, Human Resources</u>

Date Designated: May 1, 2012

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#### **SCHEDULE A2 – REGISTRATION FORM**

TO

: The Province

FROM

: Name of Proponent

RE

: Distribution of Liquor Project

#### **PROPONENT INFORMATION**

1. The full legal name of the Proponent is:

ContainerWorld Forwarding Services Inc.

2. Any other relevant name under which the Proponent carries on business is:

ContainerWorld

3. The jurisdiction under which the Proponent is governed is:

British Columbia, Canada

4. The name, address, telephone, facsimile number, e-mail address and BCeID of the contact person for the Proponent is:

Mr. Brian Chipman

16133 Blundell Road, Richmond, B.C. V6W 0A3

Fax: 604-276-1301

Email: bchipman@containerworld.com

BCeID:

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5. Proposals should be submitted by a single legal entity that will act as the prime Proponent and main contact to the Province in respect of the NRFP process and for the purposes of performing any awarded Master Agreement. For greater certainty, Proposals should not be submitted by joint ventures. Please state whether the Proponent is a sole proprietorship, a corporation, a partnership, an incorporated consortium or a consortium that is a partnership or other legally recognized entity:

Corporation



### ContainerWorld Forwarding Services Inc. 16133 Blundell Road Richmond, B.C. V6W 0A3 Tel: (604) 276-1300 Fax: (604) 276-1301

To

: Procurement Services

Date: May 7, 2012

From : ContainerWorld Forwarding Services

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Please find enclosed an addition to our Schedule A1 - Designated Persons. We have also enclosed our original Schedule A1 with initials.

If you require any additional information please contact the undersigned.

Thank you,

Wendy Hoppe Office Manager ContainerWorld Forwarding Services Inc. Email: whoppe@containerworld.com Tel: 604-276-1304

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# **SCHEDULE A1 - DESIGNATED PERSONS**

	NAME	INITIALS
	,	(For the purpose of acknowledging that the Designated Person has read and understands the restrictions contained in the Declaration)
1.	Name Title	Aaron Chrismas  Director, Information Technology  Date Designated: May 7, 2012
2.	Name : Title :	Dan Miles Director, Warehouse Operations Date Designated: May 7, 2012
3,	Name Title	Dennis Chrismas President Date Designated: May 7, 2012
4.	Name : Title :	Date Designated :

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#### **SCHEDULE A1 - DESIGNATED PERSONS**

NAME <u>INITIALS</u>

(For the purpose of acknowledging that the Designated Person has read and understands the restrictions contained in the Declaration)

1. Name Mr. Brian Chipman General Manager

Date Designated: May 1, 2012

2. Name: Mr. Gary Combrink
Title: Director, Finance

Date Designated: May 1, 2012

3. Name Mr. Peter Ilich 9%

Title: Director, Warehouse Administration & Risk Management

Date Designated: May 1, 2012

4. Name: Ms. Harjeet Kaur

Title: <u>Director, Human Resources</u>

Date Designated: May 1, 2012





To:	Pelle Agerup, Senior Director	From:	Dimex Liquor Distribution Corp	
	Ministry of Labour, Citizens' Services and			
	Open Government			
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Please	see attached signed Declaration Of Interest fo	or the DLP	process.	
Please	e call me if you have any questions.	•		
Regard	ds,			•

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# DISTRIBUTION OF LIQUOR PROJECT - NEGOTIATED REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS SATP-301 DECLARATION OF INTEREST AND ACCEPTANCE OF TERMS OF REFERENCE

#### ("Declaration")

WHEREAS [legal name] <u>Dimex Liquor Distribution</u> ("Proponent") seeks to declare its intention to respond to the forthcoming Distribution of Liquor Project Procurement Negotiated Request for Proposals ("the NRFP");

AND WHEREAS such terms shall form an integral part of the NRFP process;

AND WHEREAS in connection with the NRFP process (including but not limited to the Province's virtual documents room) the Proponent, its contractors and the individual persons designated on Schedule A1 (Designated Persons) to this Declaration (the "Designated Persons") have received, could receive or will receive access to certain Confidential Information;

NOW THEREFORE the Proponent hereby declares as follows:

#### 1. Definitions

When used in this Declaration, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

"BC Bid" means the Province's Internet tendering notification and electronic bidding system;

"Confidential information" means any technical, business, financial, personal, employee, operational, scientific, research, or other information or data in whatsoever form or media, whether in writing, electronic form or communicated orally or visually, whether or not marked or indicated as being confidential information and including, without limitation, any proprietary software or business processes or plans, cost or price information, strategies, technology architecture, reports, agenda, meeting minutes, products and services, and technology or operational know-how of the Province, the Ministry or the LDB, but for greater certainty excludes information that: (i) at the time of disclosure is in the public domain; (ii) after disclosure is published or otherwise becomes part of the public domain through no fault of the Proponent; (iii) was in the possession of the Proponent at the time of disclosure to them, and was not the subject of a pre-existing confidentiality obligation; or (iv) was independently developed by the Proponent without the use of any of the Confidential Information and separate and apart from the NRFP process.

"Conflict of Interest" means that, in relation to the NRFP process, the Proponent has an unfair advantage or engages in conduct, directly or indirectly, that may give it an unfair advantage, including but not limited to: (i) having or having access to Confidential Information of the Province, the Ministry or the LDB in the preparation of its proposal that is not available to other Proponents; (ii) communicating with any person with a view to influencing preferred treatment in the NRFP process (including but not limited to the lobbying of decision makers involved in

the NRFP process); or (iii) engaging in conduct that compromises or could be seen to compromise the integrity of the NRFP process or render that process non-competitive. For greater certainty, incumbency shall not, in itself, constitute an unfair advantage.

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"Ministry" means the Ministry of Energy and Mines.

"Province" means Her Majesty the Queen in Right of the Province of British Columbia as represented by the Minister of Labour, Citizens' Services and Open Government, who is conducting the DLP procurement on behalf of the the Ministry and the LDB.

#### 2. NRFP Process Terms of Reference

#### 2.1 Process Rules

The Proponent hereby acknowledges and agrees that:

- (i) It is interested in participating in the forthcoming NRFP and seeks to obtain further information with respect to the specific services identified as Schedule A to this Declaration solely for the good faith purpose of considering whether and how to respond to the NRFP. The Province reserves the right at any time to seek further information from a Proponent with respect to its status or intent as a Proponent, and to disqualify a Proponent who it deems in its sole discretion has participated in the NRFP for an improper purpose or in bad faith.
- (ii) The NRFP process is not intended to create and shall not create a formal legally binding bidding process and shall instead be governed by the law applicable to direct commercial negotiations. For greater certainty and without limitation: (a) the NRFP shall not give rise to any "Contract A" based tendering law duties or any other legal obligations arising out of any process contract or collateral contract; and (b) neither the Proponent nor the Province shall have the right to make any claims against the other with respect to the award of a contract, failure to award a contract or failure to honour a proposal or any other claims based on a breach of "Contract A" or other tendering law duties or obligations.

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- (iii) The NRFP process is intended to identify prospective suppliers for the purposes of negotiating potential agreements. No legal relationship or obligation regarding the procurement of any good or service shall be created between the Proponent and the Province by the NRFP process until the successful negotiation and execution of a written agreement for the acquisition of such goods or services.
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- (v) The Province may disqualify the Proponent or rescind a contract subsequently entered if the Proponent's proposal contains misrepresentations or any other inaccurate, misleading or incomplete information.
- (vi) When evaluating proposals, the Province may request further information from the Proponent or third parties in order to verify, clarify or supplement the information provided in the Proponent's proposal. The Province may revisit and re-evaluate the Proponent's proposal or ranking on the basis of any such information.
- (vii) The Province will be under no obligation to disqualify or reject a proposal or Proponent that fails to comply with a stated rule or requirement and may allow the Proponent to rectify deficiencies in its proposal at any stage during the NRFP process.
- (viii) The Proponent and the Province will bear their own costs associated with or incurred though the NRFP process, including any costs arising out of or incurred in: (a) the preparation and issuance of the NRFP; (b) the preparation and submission of a proposal; and (c) the conduct of evaluations, interviews, demonstrations, discussions, negotiations or any other activities related to the NRFP process.
- (ix) The Province's evaluation may include information provided by the Proponent's references and may also consider the Proponent's past performance on previous contracts with the Province and such other reference checks as the Province deems appropriate.
- (x) Engaging in any Conflict of Interest activity or breaching the confidentiality provisions of this Declaration may result in the Proponent's disqualification from the NRFP process at the Province's sole discretion.
- (xi) The Proponent may not at any time directly or indirectly communicate with the media in relation to the NRFP or any contract awarded pursuant to the NRFP without first obtaining the written permission of the Province.
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- (xiii) The Province may amend or cancel the NRFP process or any stage, portion, component or element thereof without liability at any time.
- (xiv) This Declaration must be executed and delivered by the Proponent by signing a copy of this Declaration (including a photocopy or faxed copy) and delivering the signed copy to the Province by facsimile at (250) 387-7309, or by delivering by courier or hand the originally signed Declaration to the Province at the following location:

Procurement Services c/o Reception Desk, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, 563 Superior Street, Victoria, BC V8V 1T7

Contact Person: Pelle Agerup, Senior Director

These provisions are included for greater certainty and are not intended to limit or otherwise fetter or inhibit the Province in conducting the contemplated procurement process.

#### 2.2 Confidentiality

The Proponent hereby acknowledges and agrees that:

- (i) The Province may make public the name of the Proponent.
- (ii) All Confidential Information provided by or obtained from the Province in any form in connection with the NRFP process either before or after the issuance of the NRFP: (a) is the sole property of the Province and must be treated as confidential; (b) is not to be used for any purpose other than those contemplated under the NRFP and the performance of any subsequent contract; (c) must not be disclosed without prior written authorization from the Province; and (d) shall be returned by the Proponent to the Province immediately upon the request of the Province.
- (iii) The Confidential Information is the confidential, proprletary and trade secret information of the Province and the unauthorized use or disclosure of the Confidential Information could cause irreparable harm and significant injury to the Province for which the Province would have no adequate remedy at law. Therefore, the Province will have the right, in addition to any other rights the Province may have at law or in equity, to seek immediate injunctive relief enjoining any breach or potential breach of this Declaration by the Proponent.
- (iv) Each Designated Person has been shown and has read a copy of this Declaration, as indicated by the initials of each Designated Person on the attached Schedule A1. The Proponent agrees to cause the Designated Persons to comply with the provisions of this Declaration, and the provisions of the NRFP dealing with the treatment of Confidential Information, including Appendix J to the NRFP entitled "VDR Guidelines and VDR Documentation". Any failure of the Designated Persons to comply with the foregoing provisions will be deemed to be a failure of the

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Proponent and the Proponent will be liable to the Province in respect thereof.

- (v) In order to obtain certain background information relevant to the NRFP and to the preparation of proposals, the Proponent may be required to enter into additional non-disclosure arrangements, including non-disclosure arrangements with third-parties. The execution of such non-disclosure arrangements may form a further condition to obtaining relevant background information and to submitting a proposal.
- (vi) Information provided by the Proponent in a proposal or otherwise through the NRFP process, even if it is identified as being supplied in confidence, may be disclosed where required by law or if required by order of a court or tribunal.
- (vii) The Province is subject to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act ("FOIPPA") and may be required to disclose Proponent information in their custody or control. Disclosure pursuant to a FOIPPA request is subject to the application of that statute, including the exception and third party notification provisions. For information on FOIPPA see <a href="http://www.cio.gov.bc.ca/">http://www.cio.gov.bc.ca/</a>
- (viii) The Proponent will obtain written consents for any personal information contained in its proposal prior to submitting any such information to the Province, and will produce such written consents to the Province upon request.
- (ix) The Province may disclose, on a confidential basis, the information contained in the Proponent's proposal or otherwise provided to the Province through the NRFP process, to the Province's advisers retained for the purpose of evaluating or participating in the evaluation of this proposal.
- (x) This Declaration will not prevent the Proponent from disclosing Confidential Information required to be disclosed by law or by order of a court or tribunal so long as the Proponent provides the Province with prompt written notice of such requirement and takes steps sufficient to allow the Province an opportunity to object to such disclosure. Any such disclosure will only be to the extent legally required and not for any other purpose.

Executed under the seal shown below with the intent that such execution take effect as a deed.

CORPORATE	PROPONENT:
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Print legal name of Proponent: Dimux Liquor Distribution (orp by its duly authorized representative(s):

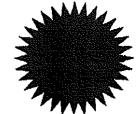
Per:

Print Name:

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Title:

DIRECTOR



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#### **SCHEDULE A1 - DESIGNATED PERSONS**

	<u>NAME</u>	INITIALS
		(For the purpose of acknowledging that the Designated Person has read and understands the restrictions contained in the Declaration)
1.	Name Sumbter S. DH Title: DIRECTOR	Date Designated: WAY-03, 2012
2.	Name : Title :	
	,	Date Designated:
3.	Name Title	Date Designated :
4.	Name : Title :	
	7 1610 1	Date Designated :

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#### SCHEDULE A2 - REGISTRATION FORM

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The Province

FROM

: Name of Proponent

RE

: Distribution of Liquor Project

### **PROPONENT INFORMATION**

1. The full legal name of the Proponent is:

Dimex Liquor Distribution Comp

2. Any other relevant name under which the Proponent carries on business is:

Dimex Group

3. The jurisdiction under which the Proponent is governed is:

British Columbia

4. The name, address, telephone, facsimile number, e-mail address and BCeID of the contact person for the Proponent is:

Sundhir Dhillon, 180 East 50th Ave, Vancouver, BC, VSX 1A3,
Tel= 604-367-1431 Fax = 1866-3110974, Email = Sunny@dimexgroup.com

BCeID:

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5. Proposals should be submitted by a single legal entity that will act as the prime Proponent and main contact to the Province in respect of the NRFP process and for the purposes of performing any awarded Master Agreement. For greater certainty, Proposals should not be submitted by joint ventures. Please state whether the Proponent is a sole proprietorship, a corporation, a partnership, an incorporated consortium or a consortium that is a partnership or other legally recognized entity:

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# FAX

SUBJECT:

Date: May 2, 2012

To:	Pelle Agerup, Senior Director	From:	Luana Boyd
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Attached is the Appendix A signed on behalf of Exel Canada Ltd.

Appendix A Declaration of Interest No. SATP-301

Please contact Scott Lyons at Telephone: 905 366-7691, Mobile: 416 417-2537 with any questions. Thank you.

Please call if you do not receive all the pages.

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# Appendix A Declaration of Interest

Number: SATP-301

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Proponents should deliver executed Declarations to the Province in accordance with section 2.1(xiv) of this Declaration.

# DISTRIBUTION OF LIQUOR PROJECT - NEGOTIATED REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS SATP-301

#### DECLARATION OF INTEREST AND ACCEPTANCE OF TERMS OF REFERENCE

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Contact Person: Pelle Agerup, Senior Director

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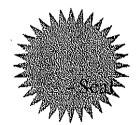
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# SCHEDULE A1 - DESIGNATED PERSONS

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>INTTIALS</u>
		(For the purpose of acknowledging that the Designated Person has read and understands the restrictions contained in the Declaration)
1.	Name Title	Scott Lyons  VP Business Development  Date Designated: May 1, 2012
2.	Name : Title :	Omer Rashid A Director, ILD Date Designated: May 1, 2012
3.	Name Title	Date Designated:
4.	Name : Title :	Date Designated:

## **SCHEDULE A2 ~ REGISTRATION FORM**

TO	: The Province
FROM	: Name of Proponent
RE	: Distribution of Liquor Project
PROP	NOITAMROANI TUBUC
1.	The full legal name of the Proponent is:
	Exel Canada Ltd.
2.	Any other relevant name under which the Proponent carries on business is:
3.	The jurisdiction under which the Proponent is governed is:
	Ontario Canada
4.	The name, address, telephone, facsimile number, e-mail address and BCeID of the contac person for the Proponent is:
	Scott Lyons 90 Matheson Blvd. West, Suite 111, Mississauga, ON, LSR 3R3 905 366-7691 (office), 905 366-7701 (fax) Scott.Lyons@exel.com S 15
S.	Proposals should be submitted by a single legal entity that will act as the prime Proponent and main contact to the Province in respect of the NRFP process and for the purposes of performing any awarded Master Agreement. For greater certainty, Proposals should not be submitted by joint ventures. Please state whether the Proponent is a sole proprietorship, a corporation, a partnership, an incorporated consortium or a consortium that is a partnership or other legally recognized entity:
	Corporation

## **SCHEDULE A1 - DESIGNATED PERSONS**

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>INITIALS</u>
		(For the purpose of acknowledging that the Designated Person has read and understands the restrictions contained in the Declaration)
	Name Title	MARShall Austra AMD  Date Designated: MAY 31/2012
2.	Name : Title :	Date Designated :
3.	Name Title	Date Designated :
4.	Name : Title :	Date Designated :



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Number: SATP-301

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#### **DISTRIBUTION OF LIQUOR PROJECT - NEGOTIATED REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS SATP-301**

#### DECLARATION OF INTEREST AND ACCEPTANCE OF TERMS OF REFERENCE

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When used in this Declaration, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

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"Confidential Information" means any technical, business, financial, personal, employee, operational, scientific, research, or other information or data in whatsoever form or media, whether in writing, electronic form or communicated orally or visually, whether or not marked or indicated as being confidential information and including, without limitation, any proprietary software or business processes or plans, cost or price information, strategies, technology architecture, reports, agenda, meeting minutes, products and services, and technology or operational know-how of the Province, the Ministry or the LDB, but for greater certainty excludes information that: (i) at the time of disclosure is in the public domain; (ii) after disclosure is published or otherwise becomes part of the public domain through no fault of the Proponent; (iii) was in the possession of the Proponent at the time of disclosure to them, and was not the subject of a pre-existing confidentiality obligation; or (iv) was independently developed by the Proponent without the use of any of the Confidential Information and separate and apart from the NRFP process.

"Conflict of Interest" means that, in relation to the NRFP process, the Proponent has an unfair advantage or engages in conduct, directly or indirectly, that may give it an unfair advantage, including but not limited to: (i) having or having access to Confidential Information of the Province, the Ministry or the LDB in the preparation of its proposal that is not available to other Proponents; (ii) communicating with any person with a view to influencing preferred treatment in the NRFP process (including but not limited to the lobbying of decision makers involved in

the NRFP process); or (iii) engaging in conduct that compromises or could be seen to compromise the integrity of the NRFP process or render that process non-competitive. For greater certainty, incumbency shall not, in itself, constitute an unfair advantage.

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"Ministry" means the Ministry of Energy and Mines.

"Province" means Her Majesty the Queen in Right of the Province of British Columbia as represented by the Minister of Labour, Citizens' Services and Open Government, who is conducting the DLP procurement on behalf of the the Ministry and the LDB.

#### 2. NRFP Process Terms of Reference

#### 2.1 Process Rules

- (i) It is interested in participating in the forthcoming NRFP and seeks to obtain further information with respect to the specific services identified as Schedule A to this Declaration solely for the good faith purpose of considering whether and how to respond to the NRFP. The Province reserves the right at any time to seek further information from a Proponent with respect to its status or intent as a Proponent, and to disqualify a Proponent who it deems in its sole discretion has participated in the NRFP for an improper purpose or in bad faith.
- (ii) The NRFP process is not intended to create and shall not create a formal legally binding bidding process and shall instead be governed by the law applicable to direct commercial negotiations. For greater certainty and without limitation: (a) the NRFP shall not give rise to any "Contract A" based tendering law duties or any other legal obligations arising out of any process contract or collateral contract; and (b) neither the Proponent nor the Province shall have the right to make any claims against the other with respect to the award of a contract, failure to award a contract or failure to honour a proposal or any other claims based on a breach of "Contract A" or other tendering law duties or obligations.

- (iii) The NRFP process is intended to identify prospective suppliers for the purposes of negotiating potential agreements. No legal relationship or obligation regarding the procurement of any good or service shall be created between the Proponent and the Province by the NRFP process until the successful negotiation and execution of a written agreement for the acquisition of such goods or services.
- (iv) While the pricing information provided in proposals will be non-binding prior to the execution of a written agreement, such information will be assessed during the evaluation of proposals and ranking of the Proponent. Any inaccurate, misleading or incomplete information, including withdrawn or altered pricing, could adversely impact any such evaluation, ranking or contract award.
- (v) The Province may disqualify the Proponent or rescind a contract subsequently entered if the Proponent's proposal contains misrepresentations or any other inaccurate, misleading or incomplete information.
- (vi) When evaluating proposals, the Province may request further information from the Proponent or third parties in order to verify, clarify or supplement the information provided in the Proponent's proposal. The Province may revisit and re-evaluate the Proponent's proposal or ranking on the basis of any such information.
- (vii) The Province will be under no obligation to disqualify or reject a proposal or Proponent that fails to comply with a stated rule or requirement and may allow the Proponent to rectify deficiencies in its proposal at any stage during the NRFP process.
- (viii) The Proponent and the Province will bear their own costs associated with or incurred though the NRFP process, including any costs arising out of or incurred in: (a) the preparation and issuance of the NRFP; (b) the preparation and submission of a proposal; and (c) the conduct of evaluations, interviews, demonstrations, discussions, negotiations or any other activities related to the NRFP process.
- (ix) The Province's evaluation may include information provided by the Proponent's references and may also consider the Proponent's past performance on previous contracts with the Province and such other reference checks as the Province deems appropriate.
- (x) Engaging in any Conflict of Interest activity or breaching the confidentiality provisions of this Declaration may result in the Proponent's disqualification from the NRFP process at the Province's sole discretion.
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- (xii) The Province shall not return the proposal or any accompanying documentation submitted by the Proponent unless that proposal is formally withdrawn by the Proponent prior to the proposal submission deadline.

- (xiii) The Province may amend or cancel the NRFP process or any stage, portion, component or element thereof without liability at any time.
- (xiv) This Declaration must be executed and delivered by the Proponent by signing a copy of this Declaration (including a photocopy or faxed copy) and delivering the signed copy to the Province by facsimile at (250) 387-7309, or by delivering by courier or hand the originally signed Declaration to the Province at the following location:

Procurement Services c/o Reception Desk, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, 563 Superior Street, Victoria, BC V8V 1T7

Contact Person: Pelle Agerup, Senior Director

These provisions are included for greater certainty and are not intended to limit or otherwise fetter or inhibit the Province in conducting the contemplated procurement process.

## 2.2 Confidentiality

- (i) The Province may make public the name of the Proponent.
- (ii) All Confidential Information provided by or obtained from the Province in any form in connection with the NRFP process either before or after the issuance of the NRFP: (a) is the sole property of the Province and must be treated as confidential; (b) is not to be used for any purpose other than those contemplated under the NRFP and the performance of any subsequent contract; (c) must not be disclosed without prior written authorization from the Province; and (d) shall be returned by the Proponent to the Province immediately upon the request of the Province.
- (iii) The Confidential Information is the confidential, proprietary and trade secret information of the Province and the unauthorized use or disclosure of the Confidential Information could cause irreparable harm and significant injury to the Province for which the Province would have no adequate remedy at law. Therefore, the Province will have the right, in addition to any other rights the Province may have at law or in equity, to seek immediate injunctive relief enjoining any breach or potential breach of this Declaration by the Proponent.
- (iv) Each Designated Person has been shown and has read a copy of this Declaration, as indicated by the initials of each Designated Person on the attached Schedule A1. The Proponent agrees to cause the Designated Persons to comply with the provisions of this Declaration, and the provisions of the NRFP dealing with the treatment of Confidential Information, including Appendix J to the NRFP entitled "VDR Guidelines and VDR Documentation". Any failure of the Designated Persons to comply with the foregoing provisions will be deemed to be a failure of the

Proponent and the Proponent will be liable to the Province in respect thereof.

- (v) In order to obtain certain background information relevant to the NRFP and to the preparation of proposals, the Proponent may be required to enter into additional non-disclosure arrangements, including non-disclosure arrangements with thirdparties. The execution of such non-disclosure arrangements may form a further condition to obtaining relevant background information and to submitting a proposal.
- (vi) Information provided by the Proponent in a proposal or otherwise through the NRFP process, even if it is identified as being supplied in confidence, may be disclosed where required by law or if required by order of a court or tribunal.
- (vii) The Province is subject to the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* ("FOIPPA") and may be required to disclose Proponent information in their custody or control. Disclosure pursuant to a FOIPPA request is subject to the application of that statute, including the exception and third party notification provisions. For information on FOIPPA see <a href="http://www.cio.gov.bc.ca/">http://www.cio.gov.bc.ca/</a>
- (viii) The Proponent will obtain written consents for any personal information contained in its proposal prior to submitting any such information to the Province, and will produce such written consents to the Province upon request.
- (ix) The Province may disclose, on a confidential basis, the information contained in the Proponent's proposal or otherwise provided to the Province through the NRFP process, to the Province's advisers retained for the purpose of evaluating or participating in the evaluation of this proposal.
- (x) This Declaration will not prevent the Proponent from disclosing Confidential Information required to be disclosed by law or by order of a court or tribunal so long as the Proponent provides the Province with prompt written notice of such requirement and takes steps sufficient to allow the Province an opportunity to object to such disclosure. Any such disclosure will only be to the extent legally required and not for any other purpose.

Executed under the seal shown below with the intent that such execution take effect as a deed.

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Per:	<u>um</u>	_	
Print Name:	Porter Yang	<b>_</b>	<b>3</b>
Title:	President		The same

## **SCHEDULE A1 - DESIGNATED PERSONS**

<u>NAME</u>	INITIALS
	(For the purpose of acknowledging that the Designated Person has read and understands the restrictions contained in the Declaration)
Name Title	Porter Yang President  Date Designated: Nov, 2004
Name : Title :	Geoff Millman Vice President  Date Designated: Nov 2004
Name Title	James Xu CEO
	Date Designated: Nov 2004
Name : Title :	Date Designated :
	Name : Name Title: Name Title Name Title

## **SCHEDULE A2 – REGISTRATION FORM**

: The Province

FROM: GL Distribution LTD.

TO

	: Distribution of Liquor Project
<b>(</b> 0)	PONENT INFORMATION
	The full legal name of the Proponent is:
	GL Distribution LTD.
	Any other relevant name under which the Proponent carries on business is:
	The jurisdiction under which the Proponent is governed is:
	Richmond, BC
	The name, address, telephone, facsimile number, e-mail address and BCID of the contact personant the Proponent is:
	The name, address, telephone, facsimile number, e-mail address and BCID of the contact person
	The name, address, telephone, facsimile number, e-mail address and BCID of the contact personant the Proponent is:  Geoff Millman Vice President
	The name, address, telephone, facsimile number, e-mail address and BCID of the contact personant for the Proponent is:  Geoff Millman Vice President 604-278-1551
	The name, address, telephone, facsimile number, e-mail address and BCID of the contact personant for the Proponent is:  Geoff Millman Vice President  604-278-1551  F 604-278-1559

main contact to the Province in respect of the NRFP process and for the purposes of performing any awarded Master Agreement. For greater certainty, Proposals should not be submitted by

joint ventures. Please state whether the Proponent is a sole proprietorship, a corporation, a partnership, an incorporated consortium or a consortium that is a partnership or other legally recognized entity:

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Limited Company			



# Appendix A Declaration of Interest

Number: SATP-301

This Declaration of Interest and Acceptance of Terms of Reference ("Declaration") is intended to confirm which Proponents are interested in participating in the Distribution of Liquor Project, Negotiated Request for Proposals Number SATP-301 and to direct those Proponents to execute the Declaration required as a precondition to submitting a proposal.

Interested Proponents are invited to respond to this Declaration by submitting the form attached to this Appendix A entitled "Declaration of Interest and of Acceptance of Terms of Reference" as further directed in this Appendix A.

Proponents should deliver executed Declarations to the Province in accordance with section 2.1(xiv) of this Declaration.

#### DISTRIBUTION OF LIQUOR PROJECT - NEGOTIATED REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS SATP-301

#### **DECLARATION OF INTEREST AND ACCEPTANCE OF TERMS OF REFERENCE**

("Declaration")

WHEREAS [legal name] HILLEBEAND WESTLINK INC ("Proponent") seeks to declare its intention to respond to the forthcoming Distribution of Liquor Project Procurement Negotiated Request for Proposals ("the NRFP");

**AND WHEREAS** such terms shall form an integral part of the NRFP process;

**AND WHEREAS** in connection with the NRFP process (including but not limited to the Province's virtual documents room) the Proponent, its contractors and the individual persons designated on Schedule A1 (Designated Persons) to this Declaration (the "Designated Persons") have received, could receive or will receive access to certain Confidential Information;

**NOW THEREFORE** the Proponent hereby declares as follows:

#### 1. Definitions

When used in this Declaration, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

"BC Bid" means the Province's Internet tendering notification and electronic bidding system;

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#### 2.1 Process Rules

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   (b) the preparation and submission of a proposal;
   and
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Contact Person: Pelle Agerup, Senior Director

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Executed under the seal shown below with the intent that such execution take effect as a deed.

CORPORATE PROPONENT: Print legal name of Proponent: by its duly authorized representation			WESTLINK INC
Per:			
Print Name:	THOMAS	BARFOED	
Title:	GENERAL	MUNHGER	

## **SCHEDULE A1 - DESIGNATED PERSONS**

	NAME	INITIALS
		(For the purpose of acknowledging that the Designated Person has read and understands the restrictions contained in the Declaration)
1.	Name Title	THOMAS BARFORD / GENERAL MANAGER  Date Designated: May 10 th 2012
2.	Name : Title :	PETER ABRAHAM / BOARD MEMBER  Date Designated: MMY 10TH 2012
3.	Name Title	Date Designated :
4.	Name: Title:	Date Designated :

#### **SCHEDULE A2 – REGISTRATION FORM**

TO: The Province

FROM: Name of Proponent

RE: Distribution of Liquor Project

## **PROPONENT INFORMATION**

1. The full legal name of the Proponent is:

HILLEBRAND WESTLINK INC

2. Any other relevant name under which the Proponent carries on business is:

3. The jurisdiction under which the Proponent is governed is:

BRITISH COLUMBIA

4. The name, address, telephone, facsimile number, e-mail address and BCeID of the contact person for the Proponent is:

HILLEBRAND WESTLINK INC
16062 PORTSIDE ROAD
RICHMOND V6W 1M1, BC
604-288-2031 /FAX 604-288-1391
THOMAS BARFOED (CELL 604 614 0092/T.BARFOED @HILLEBRANDGROUP.
COMMISSIONER BARFOED (CELL 604 614 0092/T.BARFOED @HILLEBRANDGROUP.
COMMISSIONER BARFOED (CELL 604 614 0092/T.BARFOED @HILLEBRANDGROUP.
COMMISSIONER BOOKEN

5. Proposals should be submitted by a single legal entity that will act as the prime Proponent and main contact to the Province in respect of the NRFP process and for the purposes of performing any awarded Master Agreement. For greater certainty, Proposals should not be submitted by joint ventures. Please state whether the Proponent is a sole proprietorship, a corporation, a partnership, an incorporated consortium or a consortium that is a partnership or other legally recognized entity:

CORPORATION / 764422-1

# SCHEDULE A1 - DESIGNATED PERSONS

	NAME	INITIALS
		(For the purpose of acknowledging that the Designated Person has read and understands the restrictions contained in the Declaration)
1.	Name Title	THOMAS BARFORD / GENERAL MANAGERAL  Date Designated: May 10 th 2012
2.	Name : Title :	PETER ABRAHAM / BOHAD MEMBER PA) Date Designated: MMY 10TH 2012
3.	Name Title	Date Designated:
1,	Name: Title:	Date Designated:

## APPENDIX B PROPOSAL SUBMISSION FORM

Letterhead or Proponent's name and address

Date

Ministry of Labour Citizens' Services and Open Government

c/o Reception Desk

2nd Floor, 563 Superior Street, Victoria, British Columbia, V8V 1T7

Attention: Pelle Agerup

Subject:

Negotiated Request for Proposal for Proposal for the Distribution of Liquor Project Procurement No. SATP-301 including any amendments (the "NRFP")

The enclosed Proposal is submitted in response to the above-referenced NRFP. Through submission of this Proposal, we confirm that we have carefully examined the NRFP documents including the information relating to material disclosures and have a clear and comprehensive knowledge of the required services and agree to the evaluation and negotiation process as described in the NRFP and the NRFP process terms as described in the Declaration.

We represent and warrant that to the best of our knowledge all of the information contained in the Proposal is true and accurate.

We acknowledge and agree that:

- (a) the NRFP process will be governed by the Declaration;
- (b) our pricing information is submitted in the form prescribed by the NRFP;
- (c) inaccurate, misleading or incomplete information, including withdrawn or altered pricing, could adversely impact the evaluation, ranking or contract award process under the NRFP;
- (d) engaging in any Conflict of Interest activity or breaching the confidentiality provisions of the Conflict of Interest Declaration may result in our disqualification from the NRFP process;
- (e) The Province make no representation, warranty or guarantee as to the accuracy of the information contained in the NRFP, the Service Bundles or any addenda;
- (f) We have read and understand all addenda issued by the Province prior to submitting this Proposal;
- (g) any information provided in this Proposal, even if it is identified as being supplied in confidence, may be disclosed where required by law or if required by order of a court or tribunal; and



(h) the Province may disclose, on a confidential basis, the information contained in this Proposal to the Province's advisers retained for the purpose of evaluating or participating in the evaluation of this Proposal.

We acknowledge that the enclosed Schedule "A" Conflict of Interest Declaration has been prepared in accordance with the prescribed instructions.

Yours truly,

Name: THOMAS BARFOED

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Executed under the seal shown below with	the intent that such execution take effe	ct as a deed.
CORPORATE PROPONENT:  Print name of Proponent:  HILLEBIZIAN  by its duly authorized representative(s):  Per:  Print Name:  THOMUS BARFOED  Title:  GENERAL MUNICIPAL	Per: PETER ABRUHUM  Title: PRESIDENT	Seal
WHERE PROPONENT(S) IS (ARE) INDIVIDUALS: SIGNED, SEALED and DELIVERED in the presence of:	) ) ) Signature of Proponent:	
Signature	) Print name of ) Proponent:	,
Print Name	)	
Address	) )	.Mile.
	Signature of Proponent: Print name of Proponent:	
Occupation	)	

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#### Schedule "A"

## **CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION**

"Conflict of Interest" means that, in relation to the NRFP process, the Proponent has an unfair advantage or engages in conduct, directly or indirectly, that may give it an unfair advantage, including but not limited to: (i) having or having access to information in the preparation of its Proposal that is confidential to the Province and not available to other Proponents; (ii) communicating with any person with a view to influencing preferred treatment in the NRFP process (including but not limited to the lobbying of decision makers involved in the NRFP process); and (iii) engaging in conduct that compromises or could be seen to compromise the integrity of the NRFP process or render that process non-competitive.

1.1	If the box below is left blank, the Proponent will be deemed to declare that: (1) there was no Conflict of Interest in preparing its Proposal; and (2) there is no foreseeable Conflict of Interest in performing the contractual obligations contemplated in the NRFP. Otherwise, if the statement below applies, check the box.		
	The Proponent declares that there is an actual or potential Conflict of Interest relating to the preparation of its Proposal, and/or the Proponent foresees an actual or potential Conflict of Interest in performing the contractual obligations contemplated in the NRFP.		
1.2	If the Proponent declares an actual or potential Conflict of Interest by marking the kabove, the Proponent must set out below details of the actual or potential Conflict Interest:		
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## FACSIMILE TRANSMITTAL SHEET

To:	Pelle Agerup	From:	Patrick Mac Ginnis
Co:	Procurement Services-NRFP	Co:	Hopewell Distribution Services
			Inc.
Fax:	1-250-387-7309	Fax:	403-262-8878 or 905-458-6684
Pages:	8	Phone:	905-789-5701
Subject:	Declaration of Interest	Date:	May 7, 2012

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Comments:

## DISTRIBUTION OF LIQUOR PROJECT - NEGOTIATED REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS SATP-301

## DECLARATION OF INTEREST AND ACCEPTANCE OF TERMS OF REFERENCE

## ("Declaration")

WHEREAS Hopewell Distribution Serices Inc ("Proponent") seeks to declare its intention to respond to the forthcoming Distribution of Liquor Project Procurement Negotiated Request for Proposals ("the NRFP");

AND WHEREAS such terms shall form an integral part of the NRFP process;

AND WHEREAS in connection with the NRFP process (including but not limited to the Province's virtual documents room) the Proponent, its contractors and the Individual persons designated on Sphedule A1 (Designated Persons) to this Declaration (the "Designated Persons") have received, could receive or will receive access to certain Confidential Information;

NOW THEREFORE the Proponent hereby declares as follows:

## 1. Definitions

When used in this Declaration, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

"BC bid" means the Province's Internet tendering notification and electronic bidding system;

"Confidential Information" means any technical, business, financial, personal, employee, operational, scientific, research, or other information or data in whatsoever form or media, whether in writing, electronic form or communicated orally or visually, whether or not marked or indicated as being confidential information and including, without limitation, any proprietary software or business processes or plans, cost or price information, strategies, technology architecture, reports, agenda, meeting minutes, products and services, and technology or operational know-how of the Province, the Ministry or the LDB, but for greater certainty excludes information that: (i) at the time of disclosure is in the public domain; (ii) after disclosure is published or otherwise becomes part of the public domain through no fault of the Proponent; (iii) was in the possession of the Proponent at the time of disclosure to them, and was not the subject of a pre-existing confidentiality obligation; or (iv) was independently developed by the Proponent without the use of any of the Confidential information and separate and apart from the NRFP process.

"Conflict of Interest" means that, in relation to the NRFP process, the Proponent has an unfair advantage or engages in conduct, directly or indirectly, that may give it an unfair advantage, including but not limited to: (i) having or having access to Confidential Information of the Province, the Ministry or the LDB in the preparation of its proposal that is not available to other Proponents; (ii) communicating with any person with a view to influencing preferred treatment in the NRFP process (including but not limited to the lobbying of decision makers involved in

the NRFP process); or (III) engaging in conduct that compromises or could be seen to compromise the integrity of the NRFP process or render that process non-competitive. For greater certainty, incumbency shall not, in itself; constitute an unfair advantage.

"Distribution of Liquor Project" and "DLP" means the disposition of the LDB's assets and services pursuant to this NRFP, as more particularly described in the NRFP documentation posted on BC Bid.

"Distribution Services" means the warehouse and wholesale distribution services that the Selected Proponent will deliver to the LDB, as more particularly described in the NRFP documentation posted on BC Bid.

"Liquis Distribution Branch" or "LDB" means the branch of the Ministry that operates a British Columbia-wide retail/wholesale beverage alcohol business, within a mixed public-private model.

"Ministry" means the Ministry of Energy and Mines.

"Province" means Her Majesty the Queen in Right of the Province of British Columbia as represented by the Minister of Labour, Citizens' Services and Open Government, who is conducting the DLP procurement on behalf of the the Ministry and the LDB.

#### 2. NRFP Process Terms of Reference

#### 2.1 Process Rules

- (I) It is interested in participating in the forthcoming NRFP and seeks to obtain further information with respect to the specific services identified as Schedule A to this Declaration solely for the good faith purpose of considering whether and how to respond to the NRFP. The Province reserves the right at any time to seek further information from a Proponent with respect to its status or intent as a Proponent, and to disqualify a Proponent who it deems in its sole discretion has participated in the NRFP for an improper purpose or in bad faith.
- (ii) The NRFP process is not intended to create and shall not create a formal legally binding bidding process and shall instead be governed by the law applicable to direct commercial negotiations. For greater certainty and without limitation: (a) the NRFP shall not give rise to any "Contract A" based tendering law duties or any other legal obligations arising out of any process contract or collateral contract; and (b) neither the Proponent nor the Province shall have the right to make any claims against the other with respect to the award of a contract, failure to award a contract or failure to honour a proposal or any other claims based on a breach of "Contract A" or other tendering law duties or obligations.

- (III) The NRFP process is intended to identify prospective suppliers for the purposes of negotiating potential agreements. No legal relationship or obligation regarding the procurement of any good or service shall be created between the Proponent and the Province by the NRFP process until the successful negotiation and execution of a written agreement for the acquisition of such goods or services.
- (iv) While the pricing information provided in proposals will be non-binding prior to the execution of a written agreement, such information will be assessed during the evaluation of proposals and ranking of the Proponent. Any inaccurate, misleading or incomplete information, including withdrawn or altered pricing, could adversely impact any such evaluation, ranking or contract award.
- (v) The Province may disqualify the Proponent or rescind a contract subsequently entered if the Proponent's proposal contains misrepresentations or any other inaccurate, misleading or incomplete information.
- (VI) When evaluating proposals, the Province may request further information from the Proponent or third parties in order to verify, clarify or supplement the information provided in the Proponent's proposal. The Province may revisit and re-evaluate the Proponent's proposal or ranking on the basis of any such information.
- (vil) The Province will be under no obligation to disqualify or reject a proposal or Proponent that falls to comply with a stated rule or requirement and may allow the Proponent to rectify deficiencies in its proposal at any stage during the NRFP process.
- (viii) The Proponent and the Province will bear their own costs associated with or incurred though the NRFP process, including any costs arising out of or incurred in:

   (a) the preparation and issuance of the NRFP;
   (b) the preparation and submission of a proposal;
   (c) the conduct of evaluations, interviews, demonstrations, discussions, negotiations or any other activities related to the NRFP process.
- (ix) The Province's evaluation may include information provided by the Proponent's references and may also consider the Proponent's past performance on previous contracts with the Province and such other reference checks as the Province deems appropriate.
- (x) Engaging in any Conflict of Interest activity or breaching the confidentiality provisions of this Declaration may result in the Proponent's disqualification from the NRFP process at the Province's sole discretion.
- (xi) The Proponent may not at any time directly or indirectly communicate with the media in relation to the NRFP or any contract awarded pursuant to the NRFP without first obtaining the written permission of the Province.
- (xii) The Province shall not return the proposal or any accompanying documentation submitted by the Proponent unless that proposal is formally withdrawn by the Proponent prior to the proposal submission deadline.

- (xill) The Province may amend or cancel the NRFP process or any stage, portion, component or element thereof without liability at any time.
- (xiv) This Declaration must be executed and delivered by the Proponent by signing a copy of this Declaration (including a photocopy or faxed copy) and delivering the signed copy to the Province by facsimile at (250) 387-7309, or by delivering by courier or hand the originally signed Declaration to the Province at the following location:

Procurement Services c/o Reception Desk, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, 563 Superior Street, Victoria, BC V8V 177

Contact Person: Pelle Agerup, Senior Director

These provisions are included for greater certainty and are not intended to limit or otherwise fetter or inhibit the Province in conducting the contemplated procurement process.

## 2.2 Confidentiality

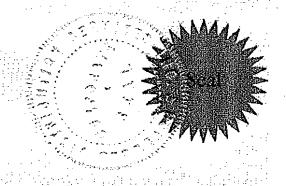
- (i) The Province may make public the name of the Proponent.
- (II) All Confidential Information provided by or obtained from the Province in any form in connection with the NRFP process either before or after the Issuance of the NRFP: (a) is the sole property of the Province and must be treated as confidential; (b) is not to be used for any purpose other than those contemplated under the NRFP and the performance of any subsequent contract; (c) must not be disclosed without prior written authorization from the Province; and (d) shall be returned by the Proponent to the Province immediately upon the request of the Province.
- (iii) The Confidential Information is the confidential, proprietary and trade secret information of the Province and the unauthorized use or disclosure of the Confidential Information could cause irreparable harm and significant injury to the Province for which the Province would have no adequate remedy at law. Therefore, the Province will have the right, in addition to any other rights the Province may have at law or in equity, to seek immediate injunctive relief enjoining any breach or potential breach of this Declaration by the Proponent.
- (iv) Each Designated Person has been shown and has read a copy of this Declaration, as Indicated by the Initials of each Designated Person on the attached Schedule A1. The Proponent agrees to cause the Designated Persons to comply with the provisions of this Declaration, and the provisions of the NRFP dealing with the treatment of Confidential Information, including Appendix J to the NRFP entitled "VDR Guidelines and VDR Documentation". Any failure of the Designated Persons to comply with the foregoing provisions will be deemed to be a failure of the

Proponent and the Proponent will be liable to the Province in respect thereof.

- (v) In order to obtain certain background information relevant to the NRFP and to the preparation of proposals, the Proponent may be required to enter into additional non-disclosure arrangements, including non-disclosure arrangements with third-parties. The execution of such non-disclosure arrangements may form a further condition to obtaining relevant background information and to submitting a proposal.
- (vi) Information provided by the Proponent in a proposal or otherwise through the NRFP process, even if it is identified as being supplied in confidence, may be disclosed where required by law or if required by order of a court or tribunal.
- (VI) The Province is subject to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act
  ("FOIPPA") and may be required to disclose Proponent Information in their custody
  or control. Disclosure pursuant to a FOIPPA request is subject to the application of
  that statute, including the exception and third party notification provisions. For
  information on FOIPPA see <a href="http://www.cio.gov.bc.ca/">http://www.cio.gov.bc.ca/</a>
- (viii) The Proponent will obtain written consents for any personal information contained in its proposal prior to submitting any such information to the Province, and will produce such written consents to the Province upon request.
- (ix) The Province may disclose, on a confidential basis, the information contained in the Proponent's proposal or otherwise provided to the Province through the NRFP process, to the Province's advisers retained for the purpose of evaluating or participating in the evaluation of this proposal.
- (x) This Declaration will not prevent the Proponent from disclosing Confidential Information required to be disclosed by law or by order of a court or tribunal so long as the Proponent provides the Province with prompt written notice of such requirement and takes steps sufficient to allow the Province an opportunity to object to such disclosure. Any such disclosure will only be to the extent legally required and not for any other purpose.

Executed under the seal shown below with the intent that such execution take effect as a deed.

	ie of Proponent:	
by its duly auti	norized representative(s):	
Per:		
Print Name:	Patrick Mac Ginnis	
Title:	President	



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# SCHEDULE A1 - DESIGNATED PERSONS

	NAME	<u>INITIALS</u>
		(For the purpose of acknowledging that the Designated Person has read and understands the restrictions contained in the Declaration)
1.	Name Title	Patrick Mac Ginnis, President
	11 <b>116</b>	Date Designated: <u>May 7th., 2012</u>
2,	Name ; Title :	Robert deRyk. Senior Vice President Ud.
		Date Designated : <u>May 7th., 2012</u>
3.	Name	Geoffrey Benic, Vice President, Retail Services
	Title	Date Designated: May 7th., 2012
4,	Name: Title:	Greg Rossi, Director of Engineering
		Date Designated: May 7th., 2012

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# SCHEDULE A2 - REGISTRATION FORM

TO : The Province

FROM: Hopewell Distribution Services Inc.

RE: Distribution of Liquor Project

## PROPONENT INFORMATION

1. The full legal name of the Proponent is:

Hopewell Distribtuion Services Inc.

2. Any other relevant name under which the Proponent carries on business is:

Hopewell Group of Companies

3. The jurisdiction under which the Proponent is governed is:

Canada

4. The name, address, telephone, facsimile number, e-mail address and BCeID of the contact person for the Proponent is:

Patrick Mac Ginnis

255 Chrysler Drive, Suite A, 255 Chrysler Drive, Brampton, ON L6S 6C8

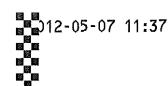
Fax: 905,458,6684

patmac@hoplog.com

BCeID:

5. Proposals should be submitted by a single legal entity that will act as the prime Proponent and main contact to the Province in respect of the NRFP process and for the purposes of performing any awarded Master Agreement. For greater certainty, Proposals should not be submitted by joint ventures. Please state whether the Proponent is a sole proprietorship, a corporation, a partnership, an incorporated consortium or a consortium that is a partnership or other legally recognized entity:

Corporation incorporated pursuant to the laws of Canada





# Appendix A Declaration of Interest

Number: SATP-301

This Declaration of Interest and Acceptance of Terms of Reference ("Declaration") is intended to confirm which Proponents are interested in participating in the Distribution of Liquor Project, Negotiated Request for Proposals Number SATP-301 and to direct those Proponents to execute the Declaration required as a precondition to submitting a proposal.

Interested Proponents are invited to respond to this Declaration by submitting the form attached to this Appendix A entitled "Declaration of Interest and of Acceptance of Terms of Reference" as further directed in this Appendix A.

Proponents should deliver executed Declarations to the Province in accordance with section 2.1(xiv) of this Declaration.

# DISTRIBUTION OF LIQUOR PROJECT - NEGOTIATED REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS SATP-301

## DECLARATION OF INTEREST AND ACCEPTANCE OF TERMS OF REFERENCE

("Declaration")

WHEREAS [legal name]	Kuehne + Nagel Ltd.	("Proponent") seeks to declare
its intention to respond to	the forthcoming Distribution of	of Liquor Project Procurement
<b>Negotiated Request for Prop</b>	sals ("the NRFP");	

AND WHEREAS such terms shall form an integral part of the NRFP process;

AND WHEREAS in connection with the NRFP process (including but not limited to the Province's virtual documents room) the Proponent, its contractors and the individual persons designated on Schedule A1 (Designated Persons) to this Declaration (the "Designated Persons") have received, could receive or will receive access to certain Confidential Information;

NOW THEREFORE the Proponent hereby declares as follows:

#### 1. Definitions

When used in this Declaration, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

"BC BId" means the Province's Internet tendering notification and electronic bidding system;

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"Conflict of Interest" means that, in relation to the NRFP process, the Proponent has an unfair advantage or engages in conduct, directly or indirectly, that may give it an unfair advantage, including but not limited to: (i) having or having access to Confidential Information of the Province, the Ministry or the LDB in the preparation of its proposal that is not available to other Proponents; (ii) communicating with any person with a view to influencing preferred treatment in the NRFP process (including but not limited to the lobbying of decision makers involved in

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"Province" means Her Majesty the Queen in Right of the Province of British Columbia as represented by the Minister of Labour, Citizens' Services and Open Government, who is conducting the DLP procurement on behalf of the the Ministry and the LDB.

#### 2. NRFP Process Terms of Reference

#### 2.1 Process Rules

- (i) It is interested in participating in the forthcoming NRFP and seeks to obtain further information with respect to the specific services identified as Schedule A to this Declaration solely for the good faith purpose of considering whether and how to respond to the NRFP. The Province reserves the right at any time to seek further information from a Proponent with respect to its status or intent as a Proponent, and to disqualify a Proponent who it deems in its sole discretion has participated in the NRFP for an improper purpose or in bad faith.
- (ii) The NRFP process is not intended to create and shall not create a formal legally binding bidding process and shall instead be governed by the law applicable to direct commercial negotiations. For greater certainty and without limitation: (a) the NRFP shall not give rise to any "Contract A" based tendering law duties or any other legal obligations arising out of any process contract or collateral contract; and (b) neither the Proponent nor the Province shall have the right to make any claims against the other with respect to the award of a contract, failure to award a contract or failure to honour a proposal or any other claims based on a breach of "Contract A" or other tendering law duties or obligations.

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- (iii) The NRFP process is intended to identify prospective suppliers for the purposes of negotiating potential agreements. No legal relationship or obligation regarding the procurement of any good or service shall be created between the Proponent and the Province by the NRFP process until the successful negotiation and execution of a written agreement for the acquisition of such goods or services.
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- (viii) The Proponent and the Province will bear their own costs associated with or incurred though the NRFP process, including any costs arising out of or incurred in: (a) the preparation and issuance of the NRFP; (b) the preparation and submission of a proposal; and (c) the conduct of evaluations, interviews, demonstrations, discussions, negotiations or any other activities related to the NRFP process.
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- (x) Engaging in any Conflict of Interest activity or breaching the confidentiality provisions of this Declaration may result in the Proponent's disqualification from the NRFP process at the Province's sole discretion.
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Contact Person: Pelle Agerup, Senior Director

These provisions are included for greater certainty and are not intended to limit or otherwise fetter or inhibit the Province in conducting the contemplated procurement process.

## 2.2 Confidentiality

- (i) The Province may make public the name of the Proponent.
- (ii) All Confidential Information provided by or obtained from the Province in any form in connection with the NRFP process either before or after the issuance of the NRFP: (a) is the sole property of the Province and must be treated as confidential; (b) is not to be used for any purpose other than those contemplated under the NRFP and the performance of any subsequent contract; (c) must not be disclosed without prior written authorization from the Province; and (d) shall be returned by the Proponent to the Province immediately upon the request of the Province.
- (iii) The Confidential Information is the confidential, proprietary and trade secret information of the Province and the unauthorized use or disclosure of the Confidential Information could cause irreparable harm and significant injury to the Province for which the Province would have no adequate remedy at law. Therefore, the Province will have the right, in addition to any other rights the Province may have at law or in equity, to seek immediate injunctive relief enjoining any breach or potential breach of this Declaration by the Proponent.
- (iv) Each Designated Person has been shown and has read a copy of this Declaration, as indicated by the initials of each Designated Person on the attached Schedule A1. The Proponent agrees to cause the Designated Persons to comply with the provisions of this Declaration, and the provisions of the NRFP dealing with the treatment of Confidential Information, including Appendix J to the NRFP entitled "VDR Guidelines and VDR Documentation". Any failure of the Designated Persons to comply with the foregoing provisions will be deemed to be a failure of the

Proponent and the Proponent will be liable to the Province in respect thereof.

- (v) In order to obtain certain background information relevant to the NRFP and to the preparation of proposals, the Proponent may be required to enter into additional non-disclosure arrangements, including non-disclosure arrangements with thirdparties. The execution of such non-disclosure arrangements may form a further condition to obtaining relevant background information and to submitting a proposal.
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- (vil) The Province is subject to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act ("FOIPPA") and may be required to disclose Proponent information in their custody or control. Disclosure pursuant to a FOIPPA request is subject to the application of that statute, including the exception and third party notification provisions. For information on FOIPPA see <a href="http://www.cio.gov.bc.ca/">http://www.cio.gov.bc.ca/</a>
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Executed under the seal shown below with the intent that such execution take effect as a deed.

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Kuehne + Nagel international Ltd.

Print legal name of Proponent: by its duly authorized representatives

Per:

Print Name:/

Jason Cunneyworth

Title:

Vice-President, Contract Logistics



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# **SCHEDULE A1 - DESIGNATED PERSONS**

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#### SCHEDULE A2 - REGISTRATION FORM

TO

The Province of British Columbia

FROM

Kuehne + Nagel Ltd.

RE

Distribution of Liquor Project

#### PROPONENT INFORMATION

1. The full legal name of the Proponent is:

Kuehne + Nagel International Ltd

2. Any other relevant name under which the Proponent carries on business is:

Kuehne + Nagel

3. The jurisdiction under which the Proponent is governed is:

Federal

4. The name, address, telephone, facsimile number, e-mail address and BCeID of the contact person for the Proponent is:

Jason Cunneyworth Kuehne → Nagel Ltd. 77 Foster Crescent Mississauga, Ontario Canada L5R 0K1

Tel; (905) 502-7776, ext. 2030

Fax: (289) 374-1000

Email:Jason.cunneyworth@kuehne-nagel.com

BCeID:

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5. Proposals should be submitted by a single legal entity that will act as the prime Proponent and main contact to the Province in respect of the NRFP process and for the purposes of performing any awarded Master Agreement. For greater certainty, Proposals should not be submitted by Joint ventures. Please state whether the Proponent is a sole proprietorship, a corporation, a partnership, an incorporated consortium or a consortium that is a partnership or other legally recognized entity:

Corporation







To:

Ministry of Energy and Mines

From:

John Ellis - Schenker of Canada

Date: May 7, 2012

Regarding:

Declaration of Interest SATP - 301

Please find attached our signed Declaration of Interest to be included in the informational meeting to be held at your offices at 3200 East Broadway on May 10 at 0900.

We would be pleased to attend.

If possible I would like to bring with me two colleagues;

Moninder Brar and Fernando Villagran

Thank you

John Ellis



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# Appendix A Declaration of Interest

Number: SATP-301

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Proponents should deliver executed Declarations to the Province in accordance with section 2.1(xiv) of this Declaration.

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# DISTRIBUTION OF LIQUOR PROJECT - NEGOTIATED REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS SATP-301 DECLARATION OF INTEREST AND ACCEPTANCE OF TERMS OF REFERENCE

("Declaration")

WHEREAS Schenker of Canada Limited ("Proponent") seeks to declare its intention to respond to the forthcoming Distribution of Liquor Project Procurement Negotiated Request for Proposals ("the NRFP");

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#### 2. NRFP Process Terms of Reference

#### 2.1 Process Rules

- (i) It is interested in participating in the forthcoming NRFP and seeks to obtain further information with respect to the specific services identified as Schedule A to this Declaration solely for the good faith purpose of considering whether and how to respond to the NRFP. The Province reserves the right at any time to seek further information from a Proponent with respect to its status or intent as a Proponent, and to disqualify a Proponent who it deems in its sole discretion has participated in the NRFP for an improper purpose or in bad faith.
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- (viii) The Proponent and the Province will bear their own costs associated with or incurred though the NRFP process, including any costs arising out of or incurred in: (a) the preparation and issuance of the NRFP; (b) the preparation and submission of a proposal; and (c) the conduct of evaluations, interviews, demonstrations, discussions, negotiations or any other activities related to the NRFP process.
- (ix) The Province's evaluation may include information provided by the Proponent's references and may also consider the Proponent's past performance on previous contracts with the Province and such other reference checks as the Province deems appropriate.
- (x) Engaging in any Conflict of Interest activity or breaching the confidentiality provisions of this Declaration may result in the Proponent's disqualification from the NRFP process at the Province's sole discretion.
- (xi) The Proponent may not at any time directly or indirectly communicate with the media in relation to the NRFP or any contract awarded pursuant to the NRFP without first obtaining the written permission of the Province.
- (xii) The Province shall not return the proposal or any accompanying documentation submitted by the Proponent unless that proposal is formally withdrawn by the Proponent prior to the proposal submission deadline.

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- (xiii) The Province may amend or cancel the NRFP process or any stage, portion, component or element thereof without liability at any time.
- (xiv) This Declaration must be executed and delivered by the Proponent by signing a copy of this Declaration (including a photocopy or faxed copy) and delivering the signed copy to the Province by facsimile at (250) 387-7309, or by delivering by courier or hand the originally signed Declaration to the Province at the following location:

Procurement Services c/o Reception Desk, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, 563 Superior Street, Victoria, BC V8V 1T7

Contact Person: Pelle Agerup, Senior Director

These provisions are included for greater certainty and are not intended to limit or otherwise fetter or inhibit the Province in conducting the contemplated procurement process.

### 2.2 Confidentiality

- (i) The Province may make public the name of the Proponent.
- (ii) All Confidential Information provided by or obtained from the Province in any form in connection with the NRFP process either before or after the issuance of the NRFP: (a) is the sole property of the Province and must be treated as confidential; (b) is not to be used for any purpose other than those contemplated under the NRFP and the performance of any subsequent contract; (c) must not be disclosed without prior written authorization from the Province; and (d) shall be returned by the Proponent to the Province immediately upon the request of the Province.
- (iii) The Confidential Information is the confidential, proprietary and trade secret information of the Province and the unauthorized use or disclosure of the Confidential Information could cause irreparable harm and significant injury to the Province for which the Province would have no adequate remedy at law. Therefore, the Province will have the right, in addition to any other rights the Province may have at law or in equity, to seek immediate injunctive relief enjoining any breach or potential breach of this Declaration by the Proponent.
- (iv) Each Designated Person has been shown and has read a copy of this Declaration, as indicated by the initials of each Designated Person on the attached Schedule A1. The Proponent agrees to cause the Designated Persons to comply with the provisions of this Declaration, and the provisions of the NRFP dealing with the treatment of Confidential Information, including Appendix J to the NRFP entitled "VDR Guidelines and VDR Documentation". Any failure of the Designated Persons to comply with the foregoing provisions will be deemed to be a failure of the

Proponent and the Proponent will be liable to the Province in respect thereof.

- (v) in order to obtain certain background information relevant to the NRFP and to the preparation of proposals, the Proponent may be required to enter into additional non-disclosure arrangements, including non-disclosure arrangements with thirdparties. The execution of such non-disclosure arrangements may form a further condition to obtaining relevant background information and to submitting a proposal.
- Information provided by the Proponent in a proposal or otherwise through the NRFP (vi) process, even if it is identified as being supplied in confidence, may be disclosed where required by law or if required by order of a court or tribunal.
- The Province is subject to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (vii) ("FOIPPA") and may be required to disclose Proponent information in their custody or control. Disclosure pursuant to a FOIPPA request is subject to the application of that statute, including the exception and third party notification provisions. For Information on FOIPPA see http://www.cio.gov.bc.ca/
- (vili) The Proponent will obtain written consents for any personal information contained in its proposal prior to submitting any such information to the Province, and will produce such written consents to the Province upon request.
- (lx) The Province may disclose, on a confidential basis, the information contained in the Proponent's proposal or otherwise provided to the Province through the NRFP process, to the Province's advisers retained for the purpose of evaluating or participating in the evaluation of this proposal.
- This Declaration will not prevent the Proponent from disclosing Confidential (x) Information required to be disclosed by law or by order of a court or tribunal so long as the Proponent provides the Province with prompt written notice of such requirement and takes steps sufficient to allow the Province an opportunity to object to such disclosure. Any such disclosure will only be to the extent legally required and not for any other purpose.

Executed under the seal shown below with the intent that such execution take effect as a deed.

CORPORATE PROPONENT:	Schenker of Canada Limtied
Print legal name of Proponent:	
by its duly authorized representat	ive(s):

Print Names James Montague

Per:

Title: Senior Vice President, Finance

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## **SCHEDULE A1 - DESIGNATED PERSONS**

NAME

INITIALS

(For the purpose of acknowledging that the Designated Person has read and understands the restrictions contained in the Declaration)

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1. Name Titte <u> John Ellis</u>

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# SCHEDULE A2 - REGISTRATION FORM

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Procurement Services

May 7, 2012

c/o Reception Desk

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Victoria, B.C. V8V 1T7

Dear Sir/Madam:

Please accept our application for Proposals SATP-301, Declaration of Interest and Acceptance of Terms of Reference.

We would appreciate confirmation and a phone number where we can follow up on this application.

Yours truly,

M. Swanson

President



# Appendix A Declaration of Interest

Number: SATP~301

This Declaration of Interest and Acceptance of Terms of Reference ("Declaration") is intended to confirm which Proponents are interested in participating in the Distribution of Liquor Project, Negotiated Request for Proposals Number SATP-301 and to direct those Proponents to execute the Declaration required as a precondition to submitting a proposal.

Interested Proponents are invited to respond to this Declaration by submitting the form attached to this Appendix A entitled "Declaration of Interest and of Acceptance of Terms of Reference" as further directed in this Appendix A.

Proponents should deliver executed Declarations to the Province in accordance with section 2.1(xiv) of this Declaration.

#### DISTRIBUTION OF LIQUOR PROJECT - NEGOTIATED REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS SATP-301

#### **DECLARATION OF INTEREST AND ACCEPTANCE OF TERMS OF REFERENCE**

("Declaration")

WHEREAS [legal name] SWANSON DISTRIBUTING ATD, ("Proponent") seeks to declare its intention to respond to the forthcoming Distribution of Liquor Project Procurement Negotiated Request for Proposals ("the NRFP");

AND WHEREAS such terms shall form an integral part of the NRFP process;

AND WHEREAS in connection with the NRFP process (including but not limited to the Province's virtual documents room) the Proponent, its contractors and the individual persons designated on Schedule A1 (Designated Persons) to this Declaration (the "Designated Persons") have received, could receive or will receive access to certain Confidential Information;

NOW THEREFORE the Proponent hereby declares as follows:

#### 1. Definitions

When used in this Declaration, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

"BC Bid" means the Province's Internet tendering notification and electronic bidding system;

"Confidential Information" means any technical, business, financial, personal, employee, operational, scientific, research, or other information or data in whatsoever form or media, whether in writing, electronic form or communicated orally or visually, whether or not marked or indicated as being confidential information and including, without limitation, any proprietary software or business processes or plans, cost or price information, strategies, technology architecture, reports, agenda, meeting minutes, products and services, and technology or operational know-how of the Province, the Ministry or the LDB, but for greater certainty excludes information that: (i) at the time of disclosure is in the public domain; (ii) after disclosure is published or otherwise becomes part of the public domain through no fault of the Proponent; (iii) was in the possession of the Proponent at the time of disclosure to them, and was not the subject of a pre-existing confidentiality obligation; or (iv) was independently developed by the Proponent without the use of any of the Confidential Information and separate and apart from the NRFP process.

"Conflict of Interest" means that, in relation to the NRFP process, the Proponent has an unfair advantage or engages in conduct, directly or indirectly, that may give it an unfair advantage, including but not limited to: (i) having or having access to Confidential Information of the Province, the Ministry or the LDB in the preparation of its proposal that is not available to other Proponents; (ii) communicating with any person with a view to influencing preferred treatment in the NRFP process (including but not limited to the lobbying of decision makers involved in

the NRFP process); or (iii) engaging in conduct that compromises or could be seen to compromise the integrity of the NRFP process or render that process non-competitive. For greater certainty, incumbency shall not, in itself, constitute an unfair advantage.

"Distribution of Liquor Project" and "DLP" means the disposition of the LDB's assets and services pursuant to this NRFP, as more particularly described in the NRFP documentation posted on BC Bid.

"Distribution Services" means the warehouse and wholesale distribution services that the Selected Proponent will deliver to the LDB, as more particularly described in the NRFP documentation posted on BC Bld.

"Liquor Distribution Branch" or "LDB" means the branch of the Ministry that operates a British Columbia-wide retail/wholesale beverage alcohol business, within a mixed public-private model.

"Ministry" means the Ministry of Energy and Mines.

"Province" means Her Majesty the Queen in Right of the Province of British Columbia as represented by the Minister of Labour, Citizens' Services and Open Government, who is conducting the DLP procurement on behalf of the the Ministry and the LDB.

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Executed under the seal shown below with the intent that such execution take effect as a deed.

CORPORATE PROPONENT:	
Print legal name of Proponent: SWANSON DISTRIBUTING LTD.	
by its duly authorized representative(s):	
Per. M. Swars.	
Print Name: H. SWANSON	3.1
Title: PRESIDENT	7,1
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# **SCHEDULE A1 - DESIGNATED PERSONS**

	<u>NAME</u>	INITIALS
	,	(For the purpose of acknowledging that the Designated Person has read and understands the restrictions contained in the Declaration)
1.	Name Title	M. SWANSON  Date Designated: MAY 7/12
2.	Name : Title :	Date Designated :
3.	Name Title	Date Designated:
4.	Name : Title :	Date Designated:

### SCHEDULE A2 - REGISTRATION FORM

TO

The Province

FROM

Name of Proponent

RE

Distribution of Liquor Project

## **PROPONENT INFORMATION**

1. The full legal name of the Proponent is:

SWANSON DISTRIBUTING LTD

2. Any other relevant name under which the Proponent carries on business is:

3. The jurisdiction under which the Proponent is governed is:

POWELL RIVER AND THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

4. The name, address, telephone, facsimile number, e-mail address and BCeID of the contact person for the Proponent is:

M. SWANSON 4763 BOWNESS AVE, POWELL RUR, B.C. VBA 354 604-485-7307 EMAIL jam. Swanson@Shaw.ca

BCeID:

5. Proposals should be submitted by a single legal entity that will act as the prime Proponent and main contact to the Province in respect of the NRFP process and for the purposes of performing any awarded Master Agreement. For greater certainty, Proposals should not be submitted by joint ventures. Please state whether the Proponent is a sole proprietorship, a corporation, a partnership, an incorporated consortium or a consortium that is a partnership or other legally recognized entity:

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