

AGNICO-EAGLE MINES LIMITED

DIVIDEND REINVESTMENT AND SHARE PURCHASE PLAN

Introduction

This dividend reinvestment plan (the "**Plan**") is being offered to the registered or beneficial holders (the "**Shareholders**") of common shares ("**Common Shares**") of Agnico-Eagle Mines Limited (the "**Corporation**") who reside in Canada or the United States (or as otherwise set out below under "Eligible Participants") as an alternative to the receipt of regular cash dividends. Under the Plan, Shareholders can automatically reinvest cash dividends paid on their Common Shares in additional Common Shares at 95% of the Average Market Price (as defined below) and invest optional cash payments in additional Common Shares at 100% of the Average Market Price. Optional cash payments can be made in a minimum amount of US\$100 and a maximum amount of US\$20,000 per fiscal year, or the Canadian dollar equivalents of such sums, as set out below under "Optional Cash Purchases".

Full investment of cash dividends is possible under the Plan because the Plan permits fractions of Common Shares as well as whole Common Shares to be purchased and held for Plan participants. In addition, dividends in respect of whole and fractional Common Shares held in the Plan will be automatically reinvested in further Common Shares. Common Shares issued under the Plan will be issued directly from the treasury of the Corporation.

No Commissions or Administrative Costs

No brokerage commissions are payable in connection with the purchase of Common Shares under the Plan and all administrative costs will be borne by the Corporation.

Use of Proceeds

Proceeds received by the Corporation upon the purchase of new Common Shares under the Plan will form part of the working capital of the Corporation and will be used for general corporate purposes.

Administration

Computershare Trust Company of Canada (the "**Agent**") has been retained to act as the Agent for the participants under the Plan pursuant to an agreement which may be terminated by the Corporation or the Agent at any time. The Corporation will promptly pay over to the Agent, on behalf of the participants in the Plan, all cash dividends due on their Common Shares and the Agent will purchase new Common Shares for the participants directly from the treasury of the Corporation on the dividend payment date. New Common Shares purchased under the Plan will be registered in the name of the Agent, or its nominee, as Agent for the participants in the Plan.

Eligible Participants

Except as otherwise provided below, any registered holder of Common Shares who is a resident of Canada or the United States is eligible to join in the Plan at any time. Beneficial owners of Common Shares whose Common Shares are not registered in their own names may participate in the Plan only (1) by transferring such Common Shares into their own name or into a specific segregated registered account such as a numbered account with a bank, trust company or broker, or (2) if such Common Shares are held through The Canadian Depository for Securities or The Depository Trust Company (collectively, the "**Depositories**" or, individually, a "**Depository**"), by enrolling in the Plan through a participant in either such Depository (a "**Depository Participant**").

Beneficial owners of Common Shares whose Common Shares are held in a numbered nominee account with a bank, trust company or broker may arrange to enrol such account in the Plan. If a beneficial owner holds Common Shares in more than one such account, or in such an account or accounts as well as in such owner's own name, such Common Shares may be dealt with separately with respect to the Plan. For example, an owner can elect to participate in the Plan in respect of the Common Shares held in one account but not in respect of those held in another. Furthermore, if beneficial owners of Common Shares hold such shares through the facilities of a Depository, they can arrange to treat each of their Common Shares separately with respect to the Plan. For example, such beneficial owners can choose to participate in the Plan in respect of some of the Common Shares but not in respect of others.

Shareholders resident outside Canada and the United States may participate in the Plan unless prohibited by the law of the country in which they reside. Cash dividends to be reinvested for shareholders resident outside Canada will be reduced by the amount of the applicable Canadian withholding tax as described below under "Summary of Principal Canadian Federal Income Tax Considerations".

Enrolment

General

Shareholders may join the Plan by completing the Authorization Form attached to the Plan, sign it and return it to the Agent within the applicable deadlines set out below. Additional Forms may be obtained from the Agent at any time upon written request addressed to the Agent.

The Authorization Form directs the Corporation to forward to the Agent all of the participating Shareholder's cash dividends received on the Common Shares and directs the Agent to invest such dividends in the purchase of new Common Shares on behalf of the shareholder. If a beneficial owner holds Common Shares in, for example, more than one brokerage account, and wishes to participate in the Plan in respect of Common Shares in all such accounts, a separate Authorization Form must be completed and returned to the Agent by the registered holder of the Common Shares in respect of each such account.

Depository Participants

Beneficial owners of Common Shares whose Common Shares are held through a Depository may enrol through the Depository Participant that currently holds their Common Shares, provided they do so in sufficient time for notice to be provided to the Agent within the applicable deadlines set out below.

Effective Date of Participation

Following receipt by the Agent of a properly completed Authorization Form, participation in the Plan becomes effective on the next record date for any dividend declared on the Common Shares **provided that the Authorization Form is received not less than five business days before such record date**. Dividend record dates are normally on or about the 15th day of January after each year in which the Corporation declares a dividend.

Ongoing Enrolment

Once a Shareholder has enrolled in the Plan, participation continues automatically unless terminated in accordance with the terms of the Plan. However, participants are advised that Common Shares acquired outside of the Plan may not be automatically enrolled in the Plan. Participants should contact the Agent or the Depository Participant, if applicable, to confirm which of the Common Shares owned by them are enrolled in the Plan.

Optional Cash Purchases

If participants in the Plan choose to participate in the optional cash payment feature of the Plan, they must confirm on the Authorization Form that not more than US\$20,000 (or the Canadian dollar equivalent of such sum) in the aggregate per fiscal year is being paid by, or on behalf of, any registered or beneficial owner in respect of the optional investment of cash under the Plan. Any determination of an equivalent amount will be based on the noon rate of exchange reported by the Agent's principal banker as of such date, calculated on the date of bank deposit by the Agent.

There is no obligation on a participant to make optional cash payments nor to make all such payments in the same amount. The aggregate number of Common Shares which may be purchased by all participants in any fiscal year of the Corporation under the optional cash payments may not exceed two percent of the outstanding Common Shares at the beginning of the fiscal year. If necessary, available Common Shares will be allocated by the Agent on a *pro rata* basis to avoid exceeding this limit.

Optional cash payments may be made when enrolling in the Plan by enclosing a cheque or money order (in United States or Canadian currency), made payable to the Agent or, where applicable, to the Depository Participant, with the completed Authorization Form. Thereafter, optional cash payments may be made by using the Cash Payment Form enclosed with each statement of account sent to participants and enclosing a cheque or money order in the amount of the purchase. Optional cash payments will be used to purchase Common Shares on the applicable dividend payment date. For any given year, optional cash payments must be received by the Agent not less than five business days before the dividend record date. Optional cash payments received by the Agent on or after this date will be returned to the participant. No

interest will be paid to participants on any funds held for investment pursuant to the Plan. A participant may cancel an optional cash payment by written notice received by the Agent on or before the third business day preceding the dividend payment date.

Payments received in United States currency will be converted to Canadian currency at the noon rate of exchange of the principal banker of the Agent on the date of bank deposit by the Agent. Payment in currencies other than Canadian or United States dollars are not acceptable.

Price and Valuation of New Common Shares

The price at which the Agent will purchase new Common Shares from the Corporation on the dividend payment dates with cash dividends on Common Shares will be 95% of the weighted average of the trading prices for a board lot of Common Shares on The Toronto Stock Exchange (the "**Exchange**") for a period of 20 trading days on which at least a board lot was traded immediately preceding a dividend payment date (the "**Average Market Price**").

The price at which the Agent will purchase new Common Shares from the Corporation on the dividend payment dates with eligible funds other than cash dividends on Common Shares will be 100% of the Average Market Price.

There will be no brokerage commission on the purchase of new Common Shares under the Plan as the Common Shares will be purchased directly from the Corporation.

Participants' Accounts and Statements

The Agent will maintain a separate account for each participant. Where a participating beneficial owner holds his or her Common Shares through a Depository, the Agent will maintain an account for and in the name of the Depository and the appropriate Depository Participant will provide each such participating beneficial owner with confirmation of his or her purchase of Common Shares through the Plan.

On each dividend payment date, the Corporation will advise the Agent of the prices for the new Common Shares to be purchased (whether by way of dividend reinvestment or optional cash purchase) by the Agent on behalf of the participants and the number of new Common Shares to be issued. Each participant's account will be credited by the Agent with that number of Common Shares purchased for the participant, including fractions computed to four decimal places, which is equal to the cash dividends or optional cash payment to be invested for each participant divided by the applicable purchase price for such Common Shares (as set out above under "Price and Valuation of New Common Shares"). In like fashion, the accounts of each participating beneficial owner of Common Shares will be credited with that number of Common Shares purchased on their behalf through the facilities of the relevant Depository and Depository Participant.

As soon as practicable following each dividend payment date, the Agent (or, where appropriate, the relevant Depository Participant) will send statements of account to participants setting out the number of whole and fractional Common Shares acquired by reinvestment of cash dividends and, where applicable, by optional purchases ("**Plan Shares**").

These statements are a participant's only record of the cost of each purchase of Plan Shares, and accordingly, should be retained by such participant for income tax purposes. In addition, each participant will receive annually the appropriate tax information for reporting dividend income.

Generally, Plan Shares will be registered in the name of the Agent or its nominee and held by the Agent for a participant under the Plan. For participants holding Plan Shares through a Depository, such Plan Shares will be registered in the name of the relevant Depository and held for the benefit of its participant under the Plan. No share certificates will be issued for Plan Shares acquired under the Plan. Plan Shares may not be sold, transferred, pledged or otherwise disposed of by the participant while such Plan Shares remain in the Plan. A participant who wishes to sell, transfer, pledge or dispose of any Plan Shares must withdraw them from the Plan by instructing the Agent to issue, in the name of the participant, a share certificate representing such Plan Shares.

A participant may, at any time upon written request to the Agent, have share certificates issued and registered in the participant's name for any number of whole Plan Shares owned by such participant without terminating participation in the Plan. Otherwise, share certificates will not be issued to participants for Plan Shares. No certificate for a fraction of a Plan Share will be issued.

Termination of Participation

General

A participant may terminate participation in the Plan at any time by written notice to the Agent (or, where appropriate, to a Depository Participant, as set out below). The Agent will then settle the participant's account by issuing a share certificate for the number of whole Plan Shares standing to the credit of the participant and by purchasing for cash any fraction of a Plan Share. The amount of the payment for any such fraction will be based on the last price paid by the Agent for such new Common Shares purchased out of cash dividends to be reinvested or out of the optional cash investment, where applicable. If the notice is received by the Agent after a dividend record date but prior to a dividend payment date, termination and settlement of the participant's account will not take place until after the dividend payment date.

Participation in the Plan will also be terminated upon receipt by the Agent of written notice of the death of a participant. Certificates for Plan Shares will be issued in the name of the deceased participant and/or in the name of the estate of the deceased participant, as appropriate, and the Agent will send such certificates and cash payment for any fraction of a Plan Share to the representative of the deceased participant.

Upon termination of participation, a participant may request that all Plan Shares held for the participant's account be sold. Such sale will be made by the Agent, through a registered dealer or stockbroker designated by the Agent, as soon as practicable following receipt by the Agent of instructions to do so. The proceeds of such sale, less brokerage commissions and transfer taxes, if any, will be paid to the participant by the Agent. Plan Shares sold pursuant to such a request may be commingled with Plan Shares of other participants, in which case the proceeds to each participant will be based upon the average sale price of all Plan Shares so

commingled. With respect to any fraction of a Plan Share, the Agent will purchase such fraction for cash at a price determined in the same manner as in the case of whole Plan Shares sold for the participant.

All payments of cash under the Plan will be made in either Canadian or United States currency. Unless a participant requests otherwise in writing, the Agent will make payments in Canadian currency where the participant has a Canadian mailing address and in United States currency where the participant has a non-Canadian mailing address, in each case as such address is shown on the records of the Agent.

Depository Participants

Where participants hold their Common Shares or Plan Shares through a Depository Participant and Depository, any notice or actions to be delivered to or performed by the Agent in this section must be delivered to or performed by the relevant Depository Participant. For greater certainty, if notice or termination is not received by the relevant Depository at least five business days before a dividend record date, termination will not occur until after the next dividend record date and after investment has been completed.

Rights Offerings, Stock Splits and Stock Dividends

In the event that the Corporation makes available to its Shareholders rights to subscribe for additional shares or other securities, rights certificates will be issued to participants for their whole Plan Shares. No such rights will be made available in respect of fractions of Plan Shares. Instead, the Agent will sell any rights relating to such fractions at a time and price determined by the Agent and participants will be paid their proportionate interests in the proceeds of such sale.

Any Common Shares distributed pursuant to a stock dividend or a stock split on Plan Shares will be retained by the Agent and credited proportionately to the accounts of participants.

In the event of a change, reclassification or conversion of the Common Shares into other shares or securities or of any further change, reclassification or conversion of such other shares or securities, into other shares or securities, the Plan will continue to apply to the shares or securities resulting from that event and references herein to the Common Shares and to Plan Shares will be deemed to be references to the shares or securities resulting from that event.

Voting of Plan Shares

Whole Plan Shares held on the record date for a vote of Shareholders may be voted in the same manner as the participant's Common Shares of record may be voted, either in person or by proxy.

Responsibilities of the Corporation and the Agent

Neither the Corporation nor the Agent is liable for any act, or for any good faith omission to act, including, without limitation, for liability:

- (a) arising out of a failure to terminate a participant's account upon such participant's death prior to receipt of notice in writing of such death; or
- (b) relating to the prices at which Common Shares are purchased for the participant's account and the times at which such purchases are made.

PARTICIPANTS SHOULD RECOGNIZE THAT NEITHER THE CORPORATION NOR THE AGENT CAN ASSURE A GAIN OR PROTECT AGAINST LOSS AS A RESULT OF THEIR HOLDING PLAN SHARES.

Amendment, Suspension or Termination of the Plan

The Corporation reserves the right to amend, suspend or terminate the Plan at any time. The Corporation will send written notice to the participants of any material amendment, suspension or termination. Any amendment of the Plan which materially affects the rights of participants in the Plan will be subject to the prior approval of the Exchange. If the Plan is terminated, the Agent will remit to participants certificates registered in their name for whole Plan Shares, together with the proceeds from the sale of any fractions of Plan Shares. If the Plan is suspended, subsequent dividends on Plan Shares will be paid in cash as will the amount of any optional cash payments which are not invested as of the effective date of such suspension.

Effective Date

The Plan is effective for dividends payable after June 30, 1999.

Notices

All notices required to be given to participants under the Plan will be mailed to participants at the address shown on the records of the Agent.

Written communications to the Agent should be addressed to:

Computershare Trust Company of Canada
100 University Avenue, 9th Floor
Toronto, Ontario M5J 2Y1

Attention: Dividend Reinvestment Services
Facsimile No.: 416.263.9394

CANADIAN FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSIDERATIONS

Summary of Principal Canadian Federal Income Tax Considerations

The following is a general summary of the principal Canadian federal income tax considerations generally applicable to participants in the Plan. It is assumed for the purposes of this summary that the participant deals at arm's length and is not affiliated with the Corporation and holds Common Shares as capital property. Generally, Common Shares are considered to be capital property to a holder unless the holder is a trader or dealer in securities, has acquired the Common Shares as part of an adventure in the nature of trade or holds the Common Shares otherwise than for investment purposes. Certain participants resident in Canada whose Common

Shares might not otherwise qualify as capital property may, in certain circumstances, make an irrevocable election in accordance with subsection 39(4) of the *Income Tax Act* (Canada) (the "**Tax Act**") to have their Common Shares and every "Canadian security" (as defined in the Tax Act) owned by such participant in the taxation year of the election and in all subsequent taxation years deemed to be capital property.

This summary is based on the current provisions of the Tax Act, the regulations thereunder (the "**Regulations**"), all specific proposals to amend the Tax Act or the Regulations publicly announced by the Minister of Finance (Canada) prior to the date hereof and the current published administrative practices of the Canada Customs and Revenue Agency (the "**CCRA**"). This summary does not otherwise take into account or anticipate any changes in law, whether by judicial, administrative or legislative decision or action, nor does it take into account provincial, territorial or foreign income tax legislation or considerations, which may differ from those described. This summary is not exhaustive of all possible Canadian federal income tax consequences that may affect a participant in the Plan.

This summary is of a general nature only and is not intended to be, nor should it be construed to be, legal or tax advice to any particular participant, and no representation with respect to the Canadian federal income tax consequences to any particular participant is made. Consequently, prospective participants are advised to consult their own tax advisors with respect to their particular circumstances.

The Tax Act contains provisions (the "**mark-to-market rules**") relating to securities held by certain "financial institutions" (as defined in the Tax Act). This summary does not take into account these mark-to-market rules and any participants that are "financial institutions" for the purposes of these rules should consult their own tax advisors.

Residents of Canada

The following summary is generally applicable to a participant who, at all relevant times for purposes of the Tax Act, is, or is deemed to be, resident in Canada.

A participant will be subject to tax under the Tax Act on all dividends paid on Common Shares (whether such shares are held of record by the participant or held of record by the Agent for the account of the participant pursuant to the Plan) which are reinvested in Common Shares under the Plan in the same manner as the participant would have been if such dividends had been received directly by the participant.

The cost for tax purposes to a participant of Common Shares purchased on the reinvestment of dividends or with optional cash payments made by the participant to the Agent will be the Canadian dollar equivalent of the price paid by the Agent for the Common Shares. The cost of such Common Shares will be averaged with the adjusted cost base of all other Common Shares held by the participant at the time such Common Shares are acquired for purposes of subsequently computing the adjusted cost base of each Common Share owned by the participant.

On a disposition or deemed disposition of a Common Share, whether by the participant directly or by the Agent on behalf of the participant, the participant will realize a

capital gain (or capital loss) equal to the amount by which the participant's proceeds of disposition, net of any reasonable costs of disposition, are greater than (or less than) the participant's adjusted cost base of the Common Share. Proceeds of disposition will not include an amount that is otherwise required to be included in the participant's income. The payment of cash in respect of any fraction of a Common Share on termination of participation in the Plan will constitute a disposition of such fraction of a Common Share for proceeds of disposition equal to the cash payment.

One-half of any capital gains (or capital losses) realized by a participant will be required to be included in computing the participant's income as a taxable capital gain (or allowable capital loss). An allowable capital loss will be deductible against a taxable capital gain realized in the year or in any of the three years preceding the year or any year following the year to the extent and under the circumstances described in the Tax Act. Capital gains realized by an individual may be subject to alternative minimum tax. A "Canadian-controlled private corporation" (as defined in the Tax Act) may be liable to pay an additional 6 2/3% refundable tax on certain investment income, including taxable capital gains.

Under specific rules in the Tax Act, any capital loss realized by a corporation on the disposition of a Common Share may be reduced by the amount of certain dividends which were received or were deemed to have been received on such share. Similar rules may apply where a corporation is a member of a partnership or a beneficiary of a trust that disposes of such shares or where a trust or partnership of which a corporation is a beneficiary or member is a member of a partnership or beneficiary of a trust that disposes of such shares. Participants should consult their own tax advisors for specific advice regarding the application of the relevant "stop-loss" provisions in the Tax Act.

Non-Residents of Canada

The following summary is generally applicable to a participant who, for purposes of the Tax Act and any applicable income tax treaty, is not resident, nor is deemed to be resident, in Canada, and who does not use or hold and is not deemed to use or hold Common Shares in connection with carrying on business in Canada. Special rules which are not discussed in this summary may apply to a non-resident participant that is an insurer for whom Common Shares are "designated insurance property" under the Tax Act.

Dividends paid or credited or deemed to be paid or credited on Common Shares to a non-resident of Canada (whether such shares are held of record by the non-resident or of record by the Agent for the account of the non-resident pursuant to the Plan) are generally subject to Canadian withholding tax, whether or not such dividends are reinvested under the terms of the Plan. Under the Tax Act, the rate of withholding tax is 25% of the gross amount of such dividends, which rate may be subject to reduction under the provisions of an applicable tax treaty. Under the terms of the *Canada-United States Income Tax Convention, 1980*, as amended (the "**U.S. Treaty**"), the rate of non-resident withholding tax is generally reduced to 15% in the case of dividends paid or credited or deemed to be paid or credited to a resident of the United States who is the beneficial owner of such dividends. Dividends to be reinvested in Common Shares under the Plan for non-resident participants will be reduced by the amount of any applicable Canadian withholding tax.

A non-resident participant will not be subject to tax under the Tax Act on any capital gain realized on a disposition of Common Shares unless those Common Shares constitute "taxable Canadian property" and are not "treaty-protected property" to the participant for purposes of the Tax Act.

Provided the Common Shares are listed on a prescribed stock exchange for the purposes of the Tax Act, a Common Share generally will not be taxable Canadian property to a non-resident participant unless, at any time during the five-year period immediately preceding the disposition, the participant, persons with whom the participant did not deal at arm's length, or the participant together with such persons, owned (or had an interest in or an option in respect of) 25% or more of the issued shares of any class or series of shares of the Corporation. A Common Share may also be taxable Canadian property where the participant elected to have such Common Share treated as taxable Canadian property upon ceasing to be a resident of Canada, and in certain other circumstances.

Taxable Canadian property will be treaty-protected property where the gain from the disposition of such property would, because of an applicable Canadian income tax treaty, be exempt from tax under the Tax Act. In any other case, such property will not be "treaty-protected property". Under certain treaties, such as the U.S. Treaty, a gain on Common Shares will not be exempt from tax under the Tax Act (and, hence, Common Shares will not be treaty-protected property) if at the time of the disposition of the Common Shares their value derives principally from real estate in Canada, including rights to explore or exploit mineral deposits in Canada.

A non-resident participant's capital gain (or capital loss) and taxable capital gain (or allowable capital loss) in respect of Common Shares that constitute taxable Canadian property which is not treaty-protected property will generally be computed in the manner described above under "Residents of Canada". If the Common Shares constitute taxable Canadian property which is not treaty-protected property, the tax consequences as described above under "Residents of Canada" will generally apply. Non-residents who dispose of taxable Canadian property are required to file a Canadian income tax return for the year of disposition, including where the property is treaty-protected property. **Non-resident participants whose Common Shares may be taxable Canadian property should consult their own tax advisors for advice having regard to their particular circumstances.**

UNITED STATES FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSIDERATIONS

The following is a summary of certain United States federal income tax considerations generally applicable to certain participants who reinvest cash dividends and/or invest optional cash payments in additional Common Shares under the Plan. The summary is based upon the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "**Code**"), existing and proposed regulations promulgated thereunder, and judicial and administrative interpretations. These United States federal income tax considerations apply only to a person or entity whose functional currency (as defined in Section 985 of the Code) is the United States dollar and who, for United States federal income tax purposes, is either (i) a citizen or resident of the United States, (ii) a corporation, partnership or other entity created or organized in or under the laws of the United States or of any political subdivision thereof, (iii) an estate the income of which is subject to

United States federal income taxation regardless of its source or (iv) a trust the administration of which is subject to the primary supervision of a United States court if one or more United States persons have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust. This summary does not address all aspects of the United States federal income tax laws that may be relevant to participants subject to special treatment under the United States federal income tax laws (including insurance companies, tax-exempt organizations, regulated investment companies, financial institutions, broker-dealers or owners of 10% or more in terms of vote or value of the stock of the Corporation).

A participant who reinvests cash dividends in additional Common Shares will be treated for United States federal income tax purposes as having received a taxable dividend in an amount equal to the fair market value of the Common Shares acquired with reinvested dividends pursuant to the Plan plus the amount of any Canadian income tax withheld therefrom. The fair market value of the Common Shares so acquired will be equal to 100% of the average of the high and low sale prices of Common Shares on the dividend payment date, which amount may be higher or lower than the Average Market Price used to determine the number of Common Shares acquired under the Plan. The amount of any such dividend will not be eligible for the dividends received deduction generally available to corporate shareholders. Subject to certain limitations, US participants who are subject to federal income tax will be entitled to a credit or deduction for Canadian income taxes withheld from any such dividends.

The purchase of Common Shares with optional cash payment should not result in taxable dividends for United States federal income tax purposes, although it is possible that the Internal Revenue Service may treat participants as having received taxable dividends upon the purchase of stock with an optional cash investment, if the fair market value of the stock (determined under the method described in the preceding paragraph) exceeds the Average Market Price.

The tax basis per share for Common Shares purchased with reinvested dividends will be equal to the fair market value per share on the dividend payment date. The tax basis per share for Common Shares purchased with optional cash payments generally will be equal to a participant's purchase price per share. A participant's holding period for Common Shares purchased with dividends will begin on the day following the dividend payment date; the holding period for Common Shares purchased with optional cash payments will begin on the day following the purchase date.

PARTICIPANTS GENERALLY WILL RECOGNIZE A TAXABLE GAIN OR LOSS WHEN THEY SELL OR EXCHANGE COMMON SHARES AND WHEN THEY RECEIVE CASH PAYMENTS FOR FRACTIONAL SHARES CREDITED TO THEIR ACCOUNTS UPON WITHDRAWAL FROM OR TERMINATION OF THE PLAN OR OTHERWISE. THE AMOUNT OF SUCH GAIN OR LOSS WILL BE THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE AMOUNT A PARTICIPANT RECEIVES FOR HIS OR HER COMMON SHARES OR FRACTION THEREOF AND THE ADJUSTED TAX BASIS THEREFOR. THE GAIN OR LOSS WILL BE A CAPITAL GAIN OR LOSS IF THE SHARES CONSTITUTE A CAPITAL ASSET OF THE PARTICIPANT AND WILL BE A LONG-TERM CAPITAL GAIN OR LOSS IF THE HOLDING PERIOD FOR SUCH COMMON SHARES EXCEEDS ONE YEAR.