



Citation: 2022 BCSECCOM 324

Cease Trade Order

Empower Clinics Inc. (the Issuer)

Under the securities legislation of British Columbia and Ontario (Legislation)

Background

- ¶ 1 This is the order of the regulator of the British Columbia Securities Commission (the Principal Regulator) and evidences the decision of the regulator or securities regulatory authority in Ontario (each a Decision Maker).
- ¶ 2 The Issuer has not filed the following periodic disclosure required by the Legislation:
1. annual audited financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2021,
 2. interim financial report for the period ended March 31, 2022,
 3. management's discussion and analysis for the periods ended December 31, 2021 and March 31, 2022,
 4. certification of annual and interim filings for the periods ended December 31, 2021 and March 31, 2022.
- ¶ 3 As a result of this order, if the Issuer is a reporting issuer in a jurisdiction in which Multilateral Instrument 11-103 *Failure-to-File Cease Trade Orders in Multiple Jurisdictions* applies, a person or company must not trade in or purchase a security of the Issuer in that jurisdiction, except in accordance with the conditions that are contained in this order, if any, for so long as this order remains in effect.
- ¶ 4 Further, this order takes automatic effect in each jurisdiction of Canada that has a statutory reciprocal order provision, subject to the terms of the local securities legislation.

Interpretation

- ¶ 5 Terms defined in the Legislation, National Instrument 14-101 *Definitions* and National Policy 11-207 *Failure-to-File Cease Trade Orders and Revocations in Multiple Jurisdictions* have the same meaning if used in this order, unless otherwise defined.



Order

- ¶ 6 Each of the Decision Makers is satisfied that the decision concerning the cease trade meets the test set out in the Legislation to make this decision.
- ¶ 7 It is ordered under the Legislation that trading cease in respect of each security of the Issuer.
- ¶ 8 Despite this order, a beneficial securityholder of the Issuer who is not, and was not at the date of this order, an insider or control person of the Issuer, may sell securities of the Issuer acquired before the date of this order if both of the following apply:
1. the sale is made through a “foreign organized regulated market”, as defined in section 1.1 of the Universal Market Integrity Rules of the Investment Industry Regulatory Organization of Canada; and
 2. the sale is made through an investment dealer registered in a jurisdiction of Canada in accordance with applicable securities legislation.
- ¶ 9 August 3, 2022

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Corporate Disclosure