

Thank you for your letter to Chamber President, Valerie Payn, asking for our views on the issue of security regulations in Canada.

For your information, the Halifax Chamber of Commerce is a best practice, business advocacy organization that works on behalf of its diverse membership of 2000 businesses.

We urge the panel to consider moving to single regulator administering and enforcing only one set of Canadian securities laws and regulations.

Our ability to attract capital is critical to our global competitiveness. Canadian companies must be able to access the financing they need to grow, innovate, prosper and create jobs. We need a securities regulatory structure that is effective, efficient, transparent and attractive for investors and issuers.

We look forward to hearing the outcome from the panel's work.

Sincerely,

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