BRIDGEMARK GROUP SECURITIES LITIGATION NOTICE OF CLASS CERTIFICATION & CONSULTANT SETTLEMENTS CLAIMS PROCESS

READ THIS NOTICE CAREFULLY AS IT MAY AFFECT YOUR LEGAL RIGHTS. YOU MAY NEED TO TAKE PROMPT ACTION.

IMPORTANT DEADLINES:

Opt-Out Deadline (for people who wish to exclude themselves from the Class Action and the Settlements): **February 12, 2026**

Claims Bar Deadline (for people who wish to remain in the Class Action and claim compensation under the Settlements): February 12, 2026

THIS NOTICE is directed to anyone who purchased securities of any of the following public companies (the "Issuers") within the listed dates:

Issuer	Symbol(s)/CUSIP/ISIN	Dates
Kootenay Zinc Corp. ¹ ("Kootenay")	CSE: PKB; OTC: PKBF; FRA: KYH; CUSIP: 07470L; ISIN: CA70470T2092	30/01/2018 to 26/11/2018
Affinor Growers Inc. ("Affinor")	CSE: AFI; OTC: RSSFF; FRA: 1AFO CUSIP: 00830Q306; ISIN: CA00830Q3061	05/03/2018 to 26/11/2018
Green 2 Blue Energy Corp. ² ("Green Corp.")	CSE: GTOO; OTC: GTGED; FRA: B40 CUSIP: 40054T; ISIN: CA40054T1075	12/04/2018 to 26/11/2018
Beleave Inc. ("Beleave")	CSE: BE (delisted); OTC: BLEVF; CUSIP: 077561108; ISIN: CA 0775611084	24/04/2018 to 26/11/2018
Marapharm Ventures Inc. ³ ("Marapharm")	CSE: FIOR (delisted); OTC: FIORF; CUSIP: 31811L107; ISIN: CA31811L1076	17/05/2018 to 26/11/2018
Cryptobloc Technologies Corp.4 ("Cryptobloc")	CSE: KAS; OTC: CRYBF; FRA: EVB CUSIP: 26806J109; ISIN: CA26806J1093	18/05/2018 to 26/11/2018
BLOK Technologies Inc. ("BLOK")	CSE: BLK (delisted); OTC: BLPFF; FRA: 2AD CUSIP: 09370Q105; ISIN: CA09370Q1054	01/06/2018 to 26/11/2018
PreveCeutical Medical Inc. ("PreveCeutical")	CSE: PREV; OTC: PRVCF; FRA: 18H CUSIP: 74141E104; ISIN: CA74141E1043	09/04/2018 to 26/11/2018
Speakeasy Cannabis Club Ltd. ("Speakeasy")	CSE: EASY (delisted); FRA: 39H CUSIP: 84730M102; ISIN: CA84730M1023	29/06/2018 to 26/11/2018
New Point Exploration Corp. ⁵ ("New Point")	CSE: BFG; OTC: BFGFF; FRA: YW5 CUSIP: 37452L108; ISIN: CA37452L1085	25/07/2018 to 26/11/2018

¹ Later called Peakbirch Logic Inc., now called Peakbirch Commerce Inc.

² Later called G2 Technologies Corp., now called G2 Energy Corp.

³ Later called Liht Cannabis Corp., now called Fiore Cannabis Ltd.

⁴ Later called Cryptoblox Technologies Inc., now called Dynamite Blockchain Corp.

⁵ Later called KOPR Point Ventures Inc., Bam Bam Resources Corp., Majuba Hill Copper Corp., and now Giant Mining Corp.

On July 2, 2024, the B.C. Supreme Court certified a class action in *Tietz & Loewen v. BridgeMark Financial Corp. et al*, S.C.B.C. No. S 197731 (the "Court" and the "Action"). The Action was commenced on July 11, 2019.

What the Class Action is About

The Action arises from private placements in securities carried out between February 2018 and August 2018 in the ten Issuers. The Action alleges that the private placements were part of a fraudulent investment scheme, in which the Issuers entered into consulting agreements with the subscribers to the private placements and their designated associates as a condition of the subscribers' participation in the private placements, which subscribers and their associates are referred to in the Action as "**Purported Consultants**". It is alleged that these consulting agreements with the Purported Consultants were a sham and a pretext to both facilitate the issuance of unrestricted, free-trading shares under a prospectus exemption and reduce the effective cost of those shares, with no consulting services ever being provided.

It is alleged that these agreements required the payment of lump sum consulting fees, which were paid by the Issuers contemporaneously with the closing of the private placements, and effectively reduced the cost of the free-trading shares acquired by the subscribing Purported Consultants. The Action alleges that the subscribing Purported Consultants quickly sold most of their shares into the market, or short sold the Issuers' shares and used the private placement allocations to cover the short positions, at prices which were substantially below the price they had purportedly paid to acquire the shares and below the prevailing market prices for the Issuers' shares at the time. The Action alleges that the subscribing Purported Consultants earned a substantial profit from the sales of those shares, having regard to the lump sum consulting fees paid as part of the private placements.

The Action also alleges that, as part of the scheme, the Issuers made misrepresentations to the market in the disclosure documents they released concerning the private placements. It is alleged that the Issuers represented that the private placements were cash-for-securities prospectus exempt distributions under which the companies raised significant financing, when, in fact, the actual substance of the private placements left each company with cash proceeds from its private placement that were substantially less than the amount the company represented to the public it had received.

The Defendants dispute the claims asserted against them.

Class Certification

The Action was certified as a class proceeding against five of the ten Issuer Defendants: BLOK, Cryptobloc, Green Corp., Marapharm, New Point, and their named officers and directors. As referenced below, settlements were previously reached with four of the ten Issuer Defendants, Kootenay, Affinor, Beleave and PreveCeutical, and their named officers and directors (collectively, the "Issuer Settlements"). The Action is not proceeding against Speakeasy or its named officer and directors because the Action against these defendants was stayed at an early stage by Speakeasy's insolvency.

The Action was also certified against various Purported Consultants and the principals of corporate Purported Consultants. A list of these Defendants against which the Action has been certified and is ongoing is attached to this Notice as Schedule A. As referenced below, settlements have been reached with some of the other Purported Consultants and their principals (collectively, the "Consultant Settlements").

The certified Class includes all persons, except excluded persons, who acquired securities in the following nine Issuers during the following specified periods (the "Class Periods") and held some or all those securities on November 26, 2018:

- Kootenay between January 30, 2018 and November 26, 2018;
- Affinor between March 5, 2018 and November 26, 2018;
- Green Corp. between April 12, 2018 and November 26, 2018;
- Beleave between April 24, 2018 and November 26, 2018;
- Marapharm between May 17, 2018 and November 26, 2018;

- Cryptobloc between May 18, 2018 and November 26, 2018;
- BLOK between June 1, 2018 and November 26, 2018;
- PreveCeutical between April 9, 2018 and November 26, 2018; and
- New Point between July 25, 2018 and November 26, 2018.

The Class is divided into two sub-classes: (a) the CSE Sub-Class (purchasers through a Canadian stock exchange or alternative trading system) and (b) the Foreign Sub-Class (purchasers through a non-Canadian stock exchange or over-the-counter market). Representative Plaintiffs Michael Tietz, Duane Loewen, Robin Lee, Mike Dotto, Grant Greenwood, Malcolm Runkee, Americo Morlani, Greg Lomnes, and Stacy Dionne were appointed for the Foreign Sub-Class, with all except Robin Lee also appointed for the CSE Sub-Class.

The claims include: (a) unlawful conspiracy to defraud through deceptive private placements under s. 380 of the *Criminal Code* and s. 57 of the *Securities Act* (RSBC 1996, c. 48); (b) fraudulent and negligent misrepresentation; and (c) secondary market liability under s. 140.3 of the *Securities Act* (CSE Sub-Class only).

The Court ruled that Foreign Sub-Class members cannot assert secondary market misrepresentation claims under s. 140.3, and that persons who acquired securities in one or more of the Issuers during the applicable Class Period but sold all of those securities before November 26, 2018, referred to as "early sellers", are excluded from the certified Class. The Representative Plaintiffs appealed these rulings on July 25, 2024; the appeal was heard on January 21, 2025, and a decision is pending.

The certified Class excludes Defendants, their affiliates, officers, directors, employees, family members, controlled entities, persons who entered consulting agreements with Issuers during the specified periods and, under the Court's ruling referred to above, all early sellers. As stated above, the Representative Plaintiffs have appealed the exclusion of early sellers from the certified Class. If that appeal is successful, early sellers will be included in the certified Class.

However, this Notice applies to and is important to early sellers because they are included in the class of persons eligible to claim compensation under the Consultant Settlements. Similarly, although purchasers of securities in Speakeasy Cannabis Club in the period specified above are not included in the certified Class, this Notice also applies to and is important to them because they also are eligible to claim compensation under some of the Consultant Settlements, as detailed below.

How do I participate in the Action?

If you purchased securities in one or more of the nine Issuers during the applicable Class Period for that Issuer, you are automatically included in the certified Class. You do not need to take any further action to participate in the Action. However, you will need to take steps to claim compensation under the Consultant Settlements, as detailed below.

You must opt out if you do not want to be bound by the Action and do not want to be eligible for compensation under any settlement or judgment award. To opt out of the Action and the Consultant Settlements discussed below, notify Class Counsel in writing at mm@hbmlaw.com by February 12, 2026, providing: (a) a statement of the Class Member's (or authorized representative's) intent to opt out; (b) the Issuer in which shares were purchased; (c) the number of shares held at the start and end of the applicable Class Period (see above for dates); (d) the number of shares bought and sold during the applicable Class Period; (e) the number of shares sold after November 26, 2018, up to the opt-out request date; (f) contact details, including name, address, phone number, and email; and (g) any additional information required by the Court. Class Counsel may request supporting documents, such as trade confirmations or brokerage statements, to verify trading activity.

Early sellers who do not want to participate in the Action, should the Court of Appeal rule that they should

not have been excluded from the Action, must opt out of the Consultant Settlements. Early sellers who do not opt out of the Consultant Settlements will not be given a further right to opt out of the Action, should they become part of the certified Class as a result of the Court of Appeal's decision.

What are the financial consequences?

Judgment on the common issues, whether favourable or not, will bind all class members who do not opt out of the proceeding. If the class obtains recovery against the Defendants, then you may be entitled to share in the recovery. If you opt out of the Action, you do not have this right.

If the Action is not successful on the common issues, no class member will be responsible for legal fees or costs. The Representative Plaintiffs have entered into a contingency fee agreement with class counsel for the legal work on the common issues. Class counsel will be paid only if the Action is successful. The Court must approve the amount to be paid to Class counsel for legal fees and disbursements.

Under Class counsel's Retainer Agreement, previously approved by the Court, class counsel's fee will be a maximum of 35% of the total amounts recovered under any judgments, orders or settlements. To date, Class counsel has sought and obtained 30% of the total amounts recovered under the settlements discussed below. After payment of all claims that Class members may make, if funds remain, Class counsel may ask the Court to award them additional fees such that the total fees paid to Class Counsel are 35% of the total amount recovered.

Previous Issuer Settlements

As stated above, settlements were previously reached with four Issuer defendants and their named officers and directors, and the Court has approved these settlements and the process for distributing the settlement amounts. Details about these settlements with <u>Beleave</u>, <u>PreveCeutical</u>, <u>Affinor</u>, and <u>Kootenay</u>, including the Orders approving the settlements and their respective Settlement Administration Plans, are available at the respective links above.

The deadlines for making claims under these settlements have expired. However, Class members who purchased securities in one or more of these Issuers during the applicable period, and who did not claim the applicable Issuer settlement, may claim in respect of those securities under the Consultant Settlements, as referenced below.

Consultant Settlements

On May 15, 2024, the Court approved settlements with Purported Consultant Defendants, Anthony Jackson, BridgeMark Financial Corp., Jackson & Company Professional Corp., Albert Kenneth Tollstam, Tollstam & Company Chartered Accountants, Ryan Peter Venier, Altitude Marketing Corp., Tara Haddad, Saiya Capital Corporation, Abeir Haddad, and Tryton Financial Corp., **providing C\$1,750,000 in settlement funds**.

On November 6, 2024, the Court approved settlements with Purported Consultant Defendants, Tavistock Capital Corp., Robert Lawrence, Jason Christopher Shull, Platinum Capital Corp., and 658111 B.C. Ltd. (the "Tavistock/Lawrence and Shull/Platinum Settlements"), providing \$220,500 in settlement funds.

On February 20, 2025, the Court approved a settlement with Purported Consultant Defendants, Justin Edgar Liu, Lukor Capital Corp., Asiatic Management Consultants Ltd. (Nev.), Asiatic Management Consultants Ltd. (B.C.), Yari Alexander Nieken, David Greenway, and 1113300 B.C. Ltd., **providing \$1,880,000 in settlement funds**.

The Consultant Settlements resolve disputed claims without admitting liability or wrongdoing by the Settling Defendants, who deny the allegations. The Consultant Settlements also require the Settling Defendants to cooperate in the ongoing Action.

Approval of the Consultant Settlements and class certification to give effect to them

Concurrent with approving the Consultant Settlements as fair, reasonable and in the best interests of the settlement classes, the Court certified the Action as a class proceeding against those Settling Defendants. The settlement classes under the Consultant Settlements include all persons who acquired securities in an Issuer listed in the Table at the top of this Notice during the specified period, except excluded persons. However, the Tavistock/Lawrence and Shull/Platinum settlement classes do not include purchasers of Speakeasy.

Note that each of the settlement classes includes early sellers who are excluded from the certified Class, subject to the pending decision from the Court of Appeal on their exclusion, and early sellers are eligible to claim under the Consultant Settlements.

Members of the certified class are members of the settlement classes under the Consultant Settlements. They will continue to have claims in the Action as members of the certified Class against the non-settling defendants. This includes Purported Consultant Defendants who participated in the private placements at issue in the Action, those involved in the subsequent sale of private placement shares, and those who entered or arranged the consulting agreements with an issuer as part of its private placement transaction.

Consultants Settlement Administration Plan

The Court approved the Consultants Settlement Administration Plan for distributing settlement funds to Class Members on October 15, 2025. All settlement Class members are eligible to claim and receive compensation for any shares purchased in an Issuer set out in the Table at the top of this Notice during the applicable Class Period for that Issuer, except that class members who have already made claims in an Issuer Settlement cannot make claims under the Consultant Settlements in respect of that Issuer, as detailed below.

The Consultants Settlement Administration Plan distributes the Net Consultants Settlement Fund proportionately to Authorized Claimants based on their Notional Entitlements, adjusted for any Issuer Settlement Payment (as defined in the Plan). Notional Entitlements are calculated as the difference between an Authorized Claimant's acquisition cost and either their actual disposition proceeds or a deemed disposition price, based on the issuer's CSE trading price over the ten trading days following the Class Period or, if applicable, the next ten consecutive trading days when the issuer's shares were tradable on the CSE.

Class Members are encouraged to review the Consultants Settlement Administration Plan at www.bridgemarkconsultantsclaims.com.

Copies of Important Documents

Copies of select Court documents, including the Court's Orders, the Consultants Settlement agreements, and the Consultants Settlement Administration Plan, may be found on the websites www.bridgemarkconsultantsclaims.com and www.bridgemarkclassaction.com.

How to Make a Claim in the Consultant Settlements

To be entitled to compensation under the Consultant Settlements, you must file a claim at www.bridgemarkconsultantsclaims.com before **February 12, 2026**.

Claimants under the Issuers Settlements

Class members who made claims under the Beleave, Affinor, PreveCeutical or Kootenay settlements are ineligible to claim under the Consultant Settlements in relation to securities in that Issuer. However, these class members are eligible to claim compensation for the securities they acquired in other Issuers during applicable Class Periods.

For example, a Class member who claimed part of the Beleave settlement is ineligible to claim in the

Consultant Settlements in respect of shares acquired in Beleave during the relevant Class Period, whether or not the Class member's claim in the Beleave settlement was allowed or rejected. However, this Class member is eligible to claim under the Consultant Settlements in respect of shares purchased in Cryptobloc during the applicable Class period.

Class members who made a claim under the PreveCeutical settlement and whose claims were allowed will automatically be deemed to have been claimed in the Consultant Settlements for the difference between their Notional Entitlement under the PreveCeutical settlement and the amount paid or payable under that settlement. No other claims in respect of PreveCeutical securities may be made by Class Members who claimed under the PreveCeutical settlement.

Class members who purchased shares in Beleave, Affinor, Kootenay or PreveCeutical but did not make a claim under the respective Issuer Settlement are eligible to claim in respect of those shares. For example, a Class member who acquired shares in Affinor but did not claim under the Affinor settlement is eligible to claim in respect of those shares in the Consultant Settlements.

Excluding Yourself from the Consultant Settlements and the Action

Class Members who do not wish to participate in or be bound by the Consultant Settlements may opt out of those Settlements and the Class Action by notifying Class Counsel in writing, no later than **February 12.2026**, to mm@hbmlaw.com, that they wish to opt out of the Consultant Settlements and the Class Action. Opt-out notifications must include all the information set out on page 3 of this notice.

Publication of this notice was authorized by the Supreme Court of British Columbia

PLEASE DO NOT CONTACT THE COURT WITH INQUIRIES ABOUT THE ACTION OR THE SETTLEMENT.

All inquiries should be directed to Class Counsel at pb@hbmlaw.com.

Schedule A: Certification Defendants

- 1. "**Defendant Issuers**": BLOK Technologies Inc., Cryptobloc Technologies Corp., Green 2 Blue Energy Corp., Marapharm Ventures Inc. and New Point Exploration Corp.
- "Issuer Officers and Directors": David Alexander, Brian Biles, Bryn Gardener-Evans, Jamse Hyland, Glenn Little, Kenneth Clifford Phillippe, Slawomir Smulewicz, Neil William Stevenson-Moore, and Michael Young
- 3. "Purported Consultants": 1053345 B.C. Ltd., 10X Capital, 1140258 B.C. Ltd., 1153307 B.C. Ltd., 727 Capital, Asahi Capital Corp., Bertho Holdings Ltd., Detona Capital Corp., Natasha Jon Emami, Escher Invest SA, Saman Eskarandi, Essos Corporate Services Inc., Simran Singh Gill, Haight-Ashbury Media Consultants Ltd., Hunton Advisory Ltd., International Canyon Holding Ltd., Jarman Capital Inc., JCN Capital Corp., Kendl Capital Limited, Keir Paul Macpherson, Northwest Marketing and Management Inc., Cameron Robert Paddock, Rockshore Advisors Ltd., Sway Capital Corp., Danilen Villanueva and Viral Stocks Inc.
- 4. "Purported Consultants Officers and Directors": Robert Abenante, Arlene Victoria Alexander, Jatinder Singh Bal, John Bevilacqua, Robert William Boswell, David Raymond Duggan, Scott Jason Jarman, Ali Babu Mawji, Cameron Robert Paddock, Ashkan Shahrokhi, Wilson Su, Von Rowell Torres, Denise Trainor, Russell Grant Van Skiver, Danilen Villanueva and Randy White.