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RESPONDING MOTION RECORD (Motion to Lift the Stay by St. Clair Pennyfeather)

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AFFIDAVIT OF MARIA KONYUKHOVA (Sworn March 21, 2012 re Motion to Lift the Stay)

I, Maria Konyukhova, of the City of Toronto, in the Province of Ontario, MAKE OATH AND SAY:

- I am an associate with Stikeman Elliott LLP, counsel to the applicants Timminco Limited ("Timminco") and Bécancour Silicon Inc. ("BSI" and, together with Timminco, the "Timminco Entities" or the "Applicants") in their proceedings under the Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36, as amended (the "CCAA") and as such have knowledge of the matters to which I hereinafter depose, except where otherwise stated. To the extent that I am advised by counsel to Timminco in the Class Action, defined below, Timminco does not waive any privileges as a result of what is deposed herein.
- 2. This affidavit is sworn in response to a motion brought by St. Clair Pennyfeather, the Plaintiff in the action *Pennyfeather v. Timminco Limited, et al.*, Court File No. CV-09-378701-00CP (the "Class Action"), seeking an order, *inter alia*, lifting the stay of proceedings as provided by the Initial Order (as defined below), permitting Mr. Pennyfeather to continue the Class Action against Timminco and other defendants (collectively, the "Defendants"), and for certain ancillary relief.

3. The Timminco Entities are prepared to consent to a partial lifting of the stay of proceedings to allow Mr. Pennyfeather to proceed with the SCC Leave Application (defined below). The Timminco Entities oppose Mr. Pennyfeather's request to lift the stay with respect to the Class Action generally as significant management time may be required to assist counsel in dealing with certain steps in the Class Action. Any requirement for significant management time to be directed to the Class Action will detract from management's ability to pursue the Timminco Entities' restructuring efforts, including the ongoing sales process designed to maximize value for the benefit of all stakeholders.

BACKGROUND

- 4. The Timminco Entities were granted protection from their creditors under the CCAA pursuant to the Initial Order of the Ontario Superior Court of Justice dated January 3, 2012 (the "Initial Order"). FTI Consulting Canada Inc. was appointed as monitor of the Timminco Entities (the "Monitor") in the CCAA proceedings. A copy of the Initial Order is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and is available, together with all other filings in the CCAA proceedings, on the Monitor's website at: http://cfcanada.fticonsulting.com/timminco.
- 5. The Initial Order granted a stay of proceedings up to and including February 2, 2012, or such later date as this Court may order (the "Stay Period"). By Order dated January 27, 2012, Justice Morawetz extended the Stay Period to and including April 30, 2012.

STATUS OF CCAA PROCEEDINGS

6. Since the commencement of the CCAA proceedings, in addition to continuing operating their business as a going concern, the Timminco Entities, and their management, have expended significant time and efforts:

- (a) communicating and dealing with their various stakeholders, suppliers, and employees;
- (b) soliciting offers for and negotiating the terms of a DIP facility that should provide adequate funding of the Timminco Entities' operations until June, 2012;
- (c) negotiating the terms of a "stalking horse" agreement of purchase and sale and bidding procedures which will govern the Timminco Entities' sales process relating to solicitation of one or more superior bid(s) for the assets of BSI; and
- (d) undertaking various other restructuring and value preservation tasks.
- 7. It is currently anticipated that the "stalking horse" sales process which was approved by the Court on March 9, 2012 will continue into June 2012 and require intensive time commitments from management of the Timminco Entities to, among other things, respond to potential bidders' due diligence requests, negotiate competing agreement(s) of purchase and sale, run an auction, satisfy conditions to closing of the successful bidder's agreement of purchase and sale, including obtaining consents to assignment of contracts, and attend to closing the transaction contemplated by the agreement(s) of purchase and sale.
- 8. In addition to the sales process, the Timminco Entities' management time and efforts need to be focused on responding to various stakeholder and other issues which arise in the course of their CCAA proceeding.

REQUEST FOR LIFTING OF THE STAY

9. In the Class Action, Mr. Pennyfeather asserts various common law causes of action against the Defendants for alleged misrepresentations in Timminco's public disclosures from March 17, 2008 to November 11, 2008. In the Statement of Claim, the

Plaintiff also mentioned an intention to obtain leave to commence an action asserting a cause of action under Part XXIII.1 of the Ontario Securities Act, but leave has not yet been obtained.

- 10. On February 16, 2012, the Court of Appeal for Ontario released a decision in the Class Action. The Defendants had appealed a lower court decision which found that the limitation period for the Plaintiff to commence an action under Part XXIII.1 of the Securities Act was suspended on the issuance of a Statement of Claim in May 2009, which mentioned an intention to seek leave to commence an action under Part XXIII.1. In its decision, the Court of Appeal granted the appeal and found that the limitation period to commence an action under Part XXIII.1 was not suspended but in fact continues to run until leave is obtained and a Statement of Claim asserting the Part XXIII.1 action is issued. Section 138.14 of the Securities Act provides that the Statement of Claim asserting such a statutory claim must be issued within three years of the alleged misrepresentation. Over three years have passed since any misrepresentation alleged by the Plaintiff in the Class Action and leave has not been obtained.
- 11. Mr. Pennyfeather is seeking an order lifting the stay of proceedings as provided by the Initial Order to permit Mr. Pennyfeather to continue the Class Action against Timminco and the other Defendants.
- 12. In her affidavit sworn in support of this motion, Victoria Paris of Kim Orr LLP, counsel for the Plaintiff, advised that Mr. Pennyfeather intends to seek leave to appeal the Court of Appeal decision to the Supreme Court of Canada (the "SCC Leave Application"). She further states that no decision is expected from the Supreme Court of Canada on the Leave Application until near the end of 2012. I am advised by Mr. D'Silva that responding to the SCC Leave Application will not require a significant amount of involvement by Timminco management.
- 13. At paragraph 17 of his factum, the Plaintiff also states that if the stay is lifted he may proceed with a motion for leave under Part XXIII.1 of the Securities Act and the

motion for certification under the *Class Proceedings Act* while the SCC Leave Application is pending, with any order being granted *nunc pro tunc* pursuant to section 12 of the *Class Proceedings Act*. I am advised by Mr. D'Silva that the preparation of responding materials for the motions for leave and certification will require extensive involvement from Timminco's executive officers, in particular Peter Kalins, who has assumed the duties and responsibilities of multiple offices of the Timminco Entities.

- 14. The Timminco Entities currently have only 10 active employees, including Peter Kalins, who is President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary, and three other executive officers. All four of Timminco's executive officers are currently preoccupied with activities relating to the CCAA proceedings, and will continue to be fully engaged in such matters for the foreseeable future.
- 15. The Defendants had previously advised that they would consent to a lifting of the stay to permit the hearing of motions to strike that they had served prior to the granting of the Initial Order, however, the Timminco Defendants do not intend to proceed with their motion to strike while the SCC Leave Application is pending.
- 16. At paragraph 19 of his factum, the Plaintiff states that "[t]here is no evidence before this Court that having the Class Action proceed concurrently with the sale process will pose any significant practical difficulty with respect to the sale." To the contrary, in addition to this affidavit, I swore an affidavit dated February 8, 2012 attesting that the motions for leave and certification will require significant time from Timminco's executive officers, in particular Mr. Kalins, which would detract from their ability to dedicate sufficient time to the CCAA proceeding and the sale process. This affidavit is attached hereto as **Exhibit "B"** and was served on Plaintiff's counsel by e-mail on February 8, 2012 and by courier on February 9, 2012. The Court did not accept filing of the Timminco Entities' responding motion record at that time because the motion to lift the stay had not been scheduled.

17. This affidavit is sworn in response to Mr. Pennyfeather's motion for the relief described in paragraph 2 hereof and for no improper purpose.

SWORN BEFORE ME at the City of Toronto, Province of Ontario, on March 21, 2012.

Commissioner for Taking Affidavits

Maria Konyukhova

Kathryn Esaw

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THIS IS EXHIBIT "A", referred to in the Affidavit of Maria Konyukhova, sworn on March 21, 2012.

Commissioner for Taking Affidavits

THE HONOURABLE MR.)	TUESDAY, THE 3RD
JUSTICE MORAWETZ)	DAY OF JANUARY, 2012

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INITIAL ORDER

THIS APPLICATION, made by Timminco Limited ("Timminco") and Bécancour Silicon Inc. ("BSI" and, together with Timminco, the "Timminco Entities"), pursuant to the *Companies* 'Creditors Arrangement Act, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36, as amended (the "CCAA") was heard this day at 330 University Avenue, Toronto, Ontario.

ON READING the affidavit of Peter A.M. Kalins sworn January 2, 2012 and the Exhibits attached thereto (the "Kalins Affidavit"), and on being advised that Investissement Québec ("IQ") was given notice of this application, and on hearing the submissions of counsel for the Timminco Entities and FTI Consulting Canada Inc. and on reading the consent of FTI Consulting Canada Inc. to act as the Monitor (the "Monitor"),

SERVICE

1. THIS COURT ORDERS that the time for service of the Notice of Application and the Application Record is hereby abridged and validated so that this Application is properly returnable today and hereby dispenses with further service thereof.

APPLICATION

2. THIS COURT ORDERS AND DECLARES that the Timminco Entities are companies to which the CCAA applies.

PLAN OF ARRANGEMENT

3. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that one or both of the Timminco Entities shall have the authority to file and may, subject to further order of this Court, file with this Court a plan or plans of compromise or arrangement (hereinafter referred to as the "**Plan**").

POSSESSION OF PROPERTY AND OPERATIONS

- 4. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Timminco Entities shall remain in possession and control of their current and future assets, undertakings and properties of every nature and kind whatsoever, and wherever situate including all proceeds thereof (the "Property"). Subject to further Order of this Court, the Timminco Entities shall continue to carry on business in a manner consistent with the preservation of their business (the "Business") and Property. The Timminco Entities shall be authorized and empowered to continue to retain and employ the employees, consultants, agents, experts, accountants, counsel and such other persons (collectively, the "Assistants") currently retained or employed by them, with liberty to retain such further Assistants as they deem reasonably necessary or desirable in the ordinary course of business or for the carrying out of the terms of this Order.
- 5. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Timminco Entities shall be entitled to continue to utilize the central cash management system currently in place as described in the

Kalins Affidavit or replace it with another substantially similar central cash management system (the "Cash Management System") and that any present or future bank providing the Cash Management System shall not be under any obligation whatsoever to inquire into the propriety, validity or legality of any transfer, payment, collection or other action taken under the Cash Management System, or as to the use or application by the Timminco Entities of funds transferred, paid, collected or otherwise dealt with in the Cash Management System, shall be entitled to provide the Cash Management System without any liability in respect thereof to any Person (as hereinafter defined) other than the Timminco Entities, pursuant to the terms of the documentation applicable to the Cash Management System, and shall be, in its capacity as provider of the Cash Management System, an unaffected creditor under the Plan with regard to any claims or expenses it may suffer or incur in connection with the provision of the Cash Management System.

- 6. THIS COURT ORDERS that, notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, the Timminco Entities are authorized and empowered to continue to negotiate discounts on their invoices with customers in exchange for early payment at discount rates consistent with rates previously provided by the Timminco Entities of as approved by the Monitor or the Court and is authorized and empowered to continue to accept such discounted amounts in full satisfaction of the associated gross amount owing by such customer.
- 7. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Timminco Entities shall be entitled but not required to pay the following expenses whether incurred prior to or after this Order:
 - a) all outstanding and future wages, salaries, employee and pension benefits, vacation pay and expenses, and similar amounts owed to any Assistants, payable on or after the date of this Order, in each case incurred in the ordinary course of business and consistent with existing compensation policies and arrangements; and

- b) the fees and disbursements of any Assistants retained or employed by the Timminco Entities in respect of these proceedings, at their standard rates and charges.
- 8. THIS COURT ORDERS that, except as otherwise provided to the contrary herein, the Timminco Entities shall be entitled but not required to pay all reasonable expenses incurred by the Timminco Entities in carrying on the Business in the ordinary course after this Order, and in carrying out the provisions of this Order, which expenses shall include, without limitation:
 - a) all expenses and capital expenditures reasonably necessary for the preservation of the Property or the Business including, without limitation, payments on account of insurance (including directors and officers insurance), maintenance and security services; and
 - b) payment for goods or services actually supplied to the Timminco Entities following the date of this Order.
- 9. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Timminco Entities shall remit, in accordance with legal requirements, or pay:
 - a) any statutory deemed trust amounts in favour of the Crown in right of Canada or of any Province thereof or any other taxation authority which are required to be deducted from employees' wages, including, without limitation, amounts in respect of (i) employment insurance, (ii) Canada Pension Plan, (iii) Québec Pension Plan, and (iv) income taxes;
 - all goods and services or other applicable sales taxes (collectively, "Sales

 Taxes") required to be remitted by the Timminco Entities in connection
 with the sale of goods and services by the Timminco Entities, but only
 where such Sales Taxes are accrued or collected after the date of this
 Order, or where such Sales Taxes were accrued or collected prior to the

- date of this Order but not required to be remitted until on or after the date of this Order, and
- c) any amount payable to the Crown in right of Canada or of any Province thereof or any political subdivision thereof or any other taxation authority in respect of municipal realty, municipal business or other taxes, assessments or levies of any nature or kind which are entitled at law to be paid in priority to claims of secured creditors and which are attributable to or in respect of the carrying on of the Business by the Timminco Entities.
- 10. THIS COURT ORDERS that until a real property lease or a lease with respect to use of a portable structure is assigned, disclaimed or resiliated in accordance with the CCAA, the Timminco Entities shall pay all amounts constituting rent or payable as rent under real property leases or a lease with respect to use of portable structure (including, for greater certainty, common area maintenance charges, utilities and realty taxes and any other amounts payable to the landlord under the lease) or as otherwise may be negotiated between the Timminco Entities and the landlord from time to time ("Rent"), for the period commencing from and including the date of this Order, twice-monthly in equal payments on the first and fifteenth day of each month, in advance (but not in arrears). On the date of the first of such payments, any Rent relating to the period commencing from and including the date of this Order shall also be paid.
- 11. THIS COURT ORDERS that, except as specifically permitted herein, the Timminco Entities are hereby directed, until further Order of this Court: (a) to make no payments of principal, interest thereon or otherwise on account of amounts owing by the Timminco Entities to any of their creditors as of this date; (b) to grant no security interests, trust, liens, charges or encumbrances upon or in respect of any of their Property; and (c) to not grant credit or incur liabilities except in the ordinary course of the Business.

- 12. THIS COURT ORDERS that Québec Silicon Limited Partnership ("QSLP") and Québec Silicon General Partner Inc. ("QSGP") shall provide access to the Timminco Entities or permit the Timminco Entities to make, retain and take away copies of books, documents, securities, contracts, orders, corporate and accounting records, and any other papers, records and information of any kind related to the business or affairs of QSLP, and any computer programs, computer tapes, computer disks, or other data storage media containing any such information (the foregoing, collectively, the "QSLP Records") and grant to the Timminco Entities unfettered access to and use of accounting, computer, software and physical facilities relating thereto, provided however that nothing in this paragraph 12 or in paragraph 13 of this Order shall require the delivery of QSLP Records, or the granting of access to QSLP Records, which may not be disclosed or provided to the Timminco Entities due to privilege attaching to solicitor-client communication or due to statutory provisions prohibiting such disclosure.
- 13. THIS COURT ORDERS that QSLP and QSGP shall provide access to the Timminco Entities or permit the Timminco Entities to make, retain and take away copies of books, documents, securities, contracts, orders, corporate and accounting records, and any other papers, records and information of any kind related to the business or affairs of BSI, and any computer programs, computer tapes, computer disks, or other data storage media containing any such information (the foregoing, collectively, the "BSI Records") and grant to the Timminco Entities unfettered access to and use of accounting, computer, software and physical facilities relating thereto, provided however that nothing in this paragraph 13 or in paragraph 12 of this Order shall require the delivery of BSI Records, or the granting of access to BSI Records, which may not be disclosed or provided to the Timminco Entities due to privilege attaching to solicitor-client communication or due to statutory provisions prohibiting such disclosure.
- 14. THIS COURT ORDERS that if any QSLP Records or BSI Records are stored or otherwise contained on a computer or other electronic system of information storage,

whether by independent service provider or otherwise, all individuals, firms, corporations, or any other entities in possession or control of such QSLP Records or BSI Records shall forthwith give unfettered access to the Timminco Entities for the purpose of allowing the Timminco Entities to recover and fully copy all of the information contained therein whether by way of printing the information onto paper or making copies of computer disks or such other manner of retrieving and copying the information as the Timminco Entities deem expedient, and shall not alter, erase or destroy any QSLP Records or BSI Records without the prior written consent of the Timminco Entities. Further, for the purposes of this paragraph, all Persons shall provide the Timminco Entities with all such assistance in gaining immediate access to the information in the records as the Timminco Entities may require including providing the Timminco Entities with instructions on the use of any computer or other system and providing the Timminco Entities with any and all access codes, account names and account numbers that may be required to gain access to the information.

RESTRUCTURING

- 15. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Timminco Entities shall, subject to such requirements as are imposed by the CCAA, have the right to:
 - a) permanently or temporarily cease, downsize or shut down any of its business or operations and to dispose of redundant or non-material assets not exceeding \$100,000 in any one transaction or \$1,000,000 in the aggregate,
 - b) terminate the employment of such of its employees or Assistants or temporarily lay off such of its employees or Assistants as it deems appropriate, and
 - pursue all avenues of refinancing of their Business or Property, in whole
 or part, subject to prior approval of this Court being obtained before any
 material refinancing,

- d) all of the foregoing to permit the Timminco Entities to proceed with an orderly restructuring of the Business (the "Restructuring").
- 16. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Timminco Entities shall provide each of the relevant landlords with notice of the Timminco Entities' intention to remove any fixtures from any leased premises at least seven (7) days prior to the date of the intended removal. The relevant landlord shall be entitled to have a representative present in the leased premises to observe such removal and, if the landlord disputes the Timminco Entities' entitlement to remove any such fixture under the provisions of the lease, such fixture shall remain on the premises and shall be dealt with as agreed between any applicable secured creditors, such landlord and the Timminco Entities, or by further Order of this Court upon application by the Timminco Entities on at least two (2) days' notice to such landlord and any such secured creditors. If the Timminco Entities disclaim or resiliate the lease governing such leased premises in accordance with Section 32 of the CCAA, it shall not be required to pay Rent under such lease pending resolution of any such dispute (other than Rent payable for the notice period provided for in Section 32(5) of the CCAA), and the disclaimer or resiliation of the lease shall be without prejudice to the Timminco Entities' claim to the fixtures in dispute.
- 17. THIS COURT ORDERS that if a notice of disclaimer or resiliation is delivered pursuant to Section 32 of the CCAA, then (a) during the notice period prior to the effective time of the disclaimer or resiliation, the landlord may show the affected leased premises to prospective tenants during normal business hours, on giving the Timminco Entities and the Monitor 24 hours' prior written notice, and (b) at the effective time of the disclaimer or resiliation, the relevant landlord shall be entitled to take possession of any such leased premises without waiver of or prejudice to any claims or rights such landlord may have against the Timminco Entities in respect of such lease or leased premises and such landlord shall be entitled to notify the Timminco Entities of the basis on which it is taking possession and to gain possession of and re-lease such leased premises to any third party or parties on such terms as such landlord considers

advisable, provided that nothing herein shall relieve such landlord of its obligation to mitigate any damages claimed in connection therewith.

NO PROCEEDINGS AGAINST THE TIMMINCO ENTITIES OR THE PROPERTY

18. THIS COURT ORDERS that until and including February 2, 2012, or such later date as this Court may order (the "Stay Period"), no proceeding or enforcement process in any court or tribunal (each, a "Proceeding") shall be commenced or continued against or in respect of the Timminco Entities or the Monitor, or affecting the Business or the Property, except with the written consent of the Timminco Entities and the Monitor, or with leave of this Court, and any and all Proceedings currently under way against or in respect of the Timminco Entities or affecting the Business or the Property are hereby stayed and suspended pending further Order of this Court.

NO EXERCISE OF RIGHTS OR REMEDIES

- 19. THIS COURT ORDERS that during the Stay Period, all rights and remedies of any individual, firm, corporation, governmental body or agency, or any other entities (all of the foregoing, collectively being "Persons" and each being a "Person") against or in respect of the Timminco Entities or the Monitor, or affecting the Business or the Property, are hereby stayed and suspended except with the written consent of the Timminco Entities and the Monitor, or leave of this Court, provided that nothing in this Order shall (a) empower the Timminco Entities to carry on any business which the Timminco Entities are not lawfully entitled to carry on, (b) affect such investigations, actions, suits or proceedings by a regulatory body as are permitted by Section 11.1 of the CCAA, (c) prevent the filing of any registration to preserve or perfect a security interest, or (d) prevent the registration of a claim for lien.
- 20. THIS COURT ORDERS that, without limiting anything contained in paragraphs 19 and 21 hereof, any and all rights, remedies, modifications of existing rights and events deemed to occur pursuant to the QSLP Agreements (as defined in the paragraph 23 of the Kalins Affidavit) upon or as a result of (a) an Act of Insolvency (as

that term is used in the Kalins Affidavit) occurring with respect to BSI, (b) any default or non-performance by the Timminco Entities, (c) the making or filing of these proceedings, or (d) any allegation, admission or evidence in these proceedings, are hereby stayed and suspended except with the written consent of the Timminco Entities and the Monitor, or leave of this Court. Without limiting the foregoing, the operation of any provision of any QSLP Agreement that purports to (y) effect or cause a cessation of any rights of the Timminco Entities, or (z) to accelerate, terminate, discontinue, alter, interfere with, repudiate, cancel, suspend or modify such agreement or arrangement as a result of any default or non-performance by or the insolvency of the Timminco Entities, the making or filing of these proceedings, or any allegation, admission or evidence in these proceedings, is hereby stayed and restrained and any steps or actions purported to be taken by any counterparty to any of the QSLP Agreements and any event that is deemed to have occurred in respect of the QSLP Agreements shall be null and void and of no effect.

NO INTERFERENCE WITH RIGHTS

21. THIS COURT ORDERS that during the Stay Period, no Person having oral or written agreements with the Timminco Entities shall discontinue, fail to honour, alter, interfere with, repudiate, terminate or cease to perform or provide any right, renewal right, contract, agreement, licence, permit or access right in favour of or held by the Timminco Entities, including without limitation, access rights held by BSI with respect to the Quebec Silicon Real Property and the Becancour Properties (as these terms are defined in the Kalins Affidavit), except with the written consent of the Timminco Entities and the Monitor, or leave of this Court.

CONTINUATION OF SUPPLY

22. THIS COURT ORDERS that during the Stay Period, all Persons, including QSLP and QSGP, having oral or written agreements with the Timminco Entities or statutory or regulatory mandates for the supply of goods and/or services, including without limitation all computer software, communication and other data services,

centralized banking services, payroll services, insurance, transportation services, utility, customs clearing or other services to the Business or the Timminco Entities, are hereby restrained until further Order of this Court from discontinuing, altering, interfering with or terminating the supply of such goods or services as may be required by the Timminco Entities, and that the Timminco Entities shall be entitled to the continued use of its current premises, telephone numbers, facsimile numbers, internet addresses and domain names, provided in each case that the normal prices or charges for all such goods or services received after the date of this Order are paid by the Timminco Entities in accordance with normal payment practices of the Timminco Entities or such other practices as may be agreed upon by the supplier or service provider and each of the Timminco Entities and the Monitor, or as may be ordered by this Court.

NON-DEROGATION OF RIGHTS

23. THIS COURT ORDERS that, notwithstanding anything else in this Order, no Person shall be prohibited from requiring immediate payment for goods, services, use of leased or licensed property or other valuable consideration provided on or after the date of this Order, nor shall any Person be under any obligation on or after the date of this Order to advance or re-advance any monies or otherwise extend any credit to the Timminco Entities. Nothing in this Order shall derogate from the rights conferred and obligations imposed by the CCAA.

PROCEEDINGS AGAINST DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

24. THIS COURT ORDERS that during the Stay Period, and except as permitted by subsection 11.03(2) of the CCAA, no Proceeding may be commenced or continued against any of the former, current or future directors or officers of the Timminco Entities with respect to any claim against the directors or officers that arose before the date hereof and that relates to any obligations of the Timminco Entities whereby the directors or officers are alleged under any law to be liable in their capacity as directors or officers for the payment or performance of such obligations, until a compromise or

arrangement in respect of the Timminco Entities, if one is filed, is sanctioned by this Court or is refused by the creditors of the Timminco Entities or this Court.

25. THIS COURT ORDERS that during the Stay Period, and except as permitted by subsection 11.03(2) of the CCAA, no Proceeding may be commenced or continued against any of the former, current or future directors of QSGP serving as BSI's nominated or appointed representatives on the Board of Directors of QSGP or any of the former, current or future officers of the Timminco Entities also serving as officers of QSGP (collectively, the "QSGP/BSI Directors") with respect to any claim against the QSGP/BSI Directors that arose before the date hereof and that relates to any obligations of QSGP or QSLP whereby the QSGP/BSI Directors are alleged under any law to be liable in their capacity as directors or officers of QSGP for the payment or performance of such obligations, until a compromise or arrangement in respect of the Timminco Entities, if one is filed, is sanctioned by this Court or is refused by the creditors of the Timminco Entities or this Court.

DIRECTORS' AND OFFICERS' INDEMNIFICATION AND CHARGE

- 26. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Timminco Entities shall indemnify their directors and officers against obligations and liabilities that they may incur as directors or officers of the Timminco Entities after the commencement of the within proceedings, except to the extent that, with respect to any officer or director, the obligation or liability was incurred as a result of the director's or officer's gross negligence or wilful misconduct.
- 27. THIS COURT ORDERS that the directors and officers of the Timminco Entities shall be entitled to the benefit of and are hereby granted a charge (the "D&O Charge") on the Property, which charge shall not exceed an aggregate amount of \$400,000, as security for the indemnity provided in paragraph 26 of this Order. The D&O Charge shall have the priority set out in paragraphs 38 and 40 herein.

28. THIS COURT ORDERS that, notwithstanding any language in any applicable insurance policy to the contrary, (a) no insurer shall be entitled to be subrogated to or claim the benefit of the D&O Charge, and (b) the Timminco Entities' directors and officers shall only be entitled to the benefit of the D&O Charge to the extent that they do not have coverage under any directors' and officers' insurance policy, or to the extent that such coverage is insufficient to pay amounts indemnified in accordance with paragraph 26 of this Order.

APPOINTMENT OF MONITOR

- 29. THIS COURT ORDERS that FTI Consulting Canada Inc. is hereby appointed pursuant to the CCAA as the Monitor, an officer of this Court, to monitor the business and financial affairs of the Timminco Entities with the powers and obligations set out in the CCAA or set forth herein and that the Timminco Entities and their shareholders, officers, directors, and Assistants shall advise the Monitor of all material steps taken by the Timminco Entities pursuant to this Order, and shall co-operate fully with the Monitor in the exercise of its powers and discharge of its obligations and provide the Monitor with the assistance that is necessary to enable the Monitor to adequately carry out the Monitor's functions.
- 30. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Monitor, in addition to its prescribed rights and obligations under the CCAA, is hereby directed and empowered to:
 - (a) monitor the Timminco Entities' receipts and disbursements;
 - (b) report to this Court at such times and intervals as the Monitor may deem appropriate with respect to matters relating to the Property, the Business, and such other matters as may be relevant to the proceedings herein;
 - (c) advise the Timminco Entities in the development of the Plan and any amendments to the Plan;

- (d) assist the Timminco Entities, to the extent required by the Timminco Entities, with the holding and administering of creditors' or shareholders' meetings for voting on the Plan;
- (e) have full and complete access to the Property, including the premises, books, records, data, including data in electronic form, and other financial documents of the Timminco Entities, to the extent that is necessary to adequately assess the Timminco Entities' business and financial affairs or to perform its duties arising under this Order;
- (f) be at liberty to engage independent legal counsel or such other persons as the Monitor deems necessary or advisable respecting the exercise of its powers and performance of its obligations under this Order;
- (g) hold and administer funds in connection with arrangements made among the Timminco Entities, any counter-parties, and the Monitor, or by Order of this Court; and
- (h) perform such other duties as are required by this Order or by this Court from time to time.
- 31. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Monitor shall not take possession of the Property and shall take no part whatsoever in the management or supervision of the management of the Business and shall not, by fulfilling its obligations hereunder, be deemed to have taken or maintained possession or control of the Business or Property, or any part thereof.
- 32. THIS COURT ORDERS that nothing herein contained shall require the Monitor to occupy or to take control, care, charge, possession or management (separately and/or collectively, "Possession") of any of the Property that might be environmentally contaminated, might be a pollutant or a contaminant, or might cause or contribute to a spill, discharge, release or deposit of a substance contrary to any federal, provincial or

other law respecting the protection, conservation, enhancement, remediation or rehabilitation of the environment or relating to the disposal of waste or other contamination including, without limitation, the Canadian Environmental Protection Act, the Civil Code of Québec, the Québec Environment Quality Act, the Ontario Mining Act, the Ontario Environmental Protection Act, the Ontario Water Resources Act, or the Ontario Occupational Health and Safety Act and regulations thereunder (the "Environmental Legislation"), provided however that nothing herein shall exempt the Monitor from any duty to report or make disclosure imposed by applicable Environmental Legislation. The Monitor shall not, as a result of this Order or anything done in pursuance of the Monitor's duties and powers under this Order, be deemed to be in Possession of any of the Property within the meaning of any Environmental Legislation, unless it is actually in possession.

- 33. THIS COURT ORDERS that that the Monitor shall provide any creditor of the Timminco Entities with information provided by the Timminco Entities in response to reasonable requests for information made in writing by such creditor addressed to the Monitor. The Monitor shall not have any responsibility or liability with respect to the information disseminated by it pursuant to this paragraph. In the case of information that the Monitor has been advised by the Timminco Entities is confidential, the Monitor shall not provide such information to creditors unless otherwise directed by this Court or on such terms as the Monitor and the Timminco Entities may agree.
- 34. THIS COURT ORDERS that, in addition to the rights and protections afforded the Monitor under the CCAA or as an officer of this Court, the Monitor shall incur no liability or obligation as a result of its appointment or the carrying out of the provisions of this Order, save and except for any gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part. Nothing in this Order shall derogate from the protections afforded the Monitor by the CCAA or any applicable legislation.
- 35. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Monitor, counsel to the Monitor and counsel to the Timminco Entities shall be paid their reasonable fees and disbursements, in each

case at their standard rates and charges, by the Timminco Entities as part of the costs of these proceedings. The Timminco Entities are hereby authorized and directed to pay the accounts of the Monitor, counsel for the Monitor and counsel for the Timminco Entities on a weekly basis and, in addition, the Timminco Entities are hereby authorized and directed to pay to the Monitor, counsel to the Monitor, and counsel to the Timminco Entities, retainers in the amounts of \$75,000, \$30,000 and \$100,000, respectively, to be held by them as security for payment of their respective fees and disbursements outstanding from time to time.

- 36. THIS COURT ORDERS that at the request of the Timminco Entities, any party of interest, or this Court, the Monitor and its legal counsel shall pass their accounts from time to time, and for this purpose the accounts of the Monitor and its legal counsel are hereby referred to a judge of the Commercial List of the Ontario Superior Court of Justice.
- 37. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Monitor, counsel to the Monitor, if any, and the Timminco Entities' counsel shall be entitled to the benefit of and are hereby granted a charge (the "Administration Charge") on the Property, which charge shall not exceed an aggregate amount of \$1 million, as security for their professional fees and disbursements incurred at the standard rates and charges of the Monitor and such counsel, both before and after the making of this Order in respect of these proceedings. The Administration Charge shall have the priority set out in paragraphs 38 and 40 hereof.

VALIDITY AND PRIORITY OF CHARGES CREATED BY THIS ORDER

38. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the priorities of the Administration Charge and the D&O Charge (collectively, the "Charges"), as among them, shall be as follows:

First - the Administration Charge (to the maximum amount of \$500,000);

Second - the D&O Charge (to the maximum amount of \$400,000); and

- Third the Administration Charge (to the maximum amount of \$500,000) ranking behind all Encumbrances (as defined below) pending return of the Comeback Motion (as defined below).
- 39. THIS COURT ORDERS that the filing, registration or perfection of the Charges shall not be required, and that the Charges shall be valid and enforceable for all purposes, including as against any right, title or interest filed, registered, recorded or perfected subsequent to the Charges coming into existence, notwithstanding any such failure to file, register, record or perfect.
- 40. THIS COURT ORDERS that, the Charges shall constitute a charge on the Property and the D&O Charge and the Administration Charge to a maximum amount of \$500,000 shall rank ahead in priority to the existing security interests of IQ, but behind all other security interests, trusts, liens, charges and encumbrances, claims of secured creditors, statutory or otherwise, including any deemed trust created under the Ontario *Pension Benefits Act* or the Quebec *Supplemental Pension Plans Act* (collectively, the "Encumbrances") in favour of any Persons that have not been served with notice of this application. The Applicants and the beneficiaries of the Charges shall be entitled to seek priority ahead of the Encumbrances on notice to those parties likely to be affected by such priority (it being the intention of the Timminco Entities to seek priority for the Charges ahead of all such Encumbrances at the Comeback Motion.
- 41. THIS COURT ORDERS that except as otherwise expressly provided for herein, or as may be approved by this Court, the Timminco Entities shall not grant any Encumbrances over any Property that rank in priority to, or *pari passu* with, any of the Charges unless the Timminco Entities also obtain the prior written consent of the Monitor and the beneficiaries of the D&O Charge and the Administration Charge, or further Order of this Court.
- 42. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Charges shall not be rendered invalid or unenforceable and the rights and remedies of the chargees entitled to the benefit of the

Charges (collectively, the "Chargees") shall not otherwise be limited or impaired in any way by (a) the pendency of these proceedings and the declarations of insolvency made herein; (b) any application(s) for bankruptcy order(s) issued pursuant to BIA, or any bankruptcy order made pursuant to such applications; (c) the filing of any assignments for the general benefit of creditors made pursuant to the BIA; (d) the provisions of any federal or provincial statutes; or (e) any negative covenants, prohibitions or other similar provisions with respect to borrowings, incurring debt or the creation of Encumbrances, contained in any existing loan documents, lease, sublease, offer to lease or other agreement (collectively, an "Agreement") which binds the Timminco Entities, and notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in any Agreement:

- (a) the creation of the Charges shall not create or be deemed to constitute a breach by the Timminco Entities of any Agreement to which it is a party;
- (b) none of the Chargees shall have any liability to any Person whatsoever as a result of any breach of any Agreement caused by or resulting from the creation of the Charges; and
- (c) the payments made by the Timminco Entities pursuant to this Order and the granting of the Charges, do not and will not constitute preferences, fraudulent conveyances, transfers at undervalue, oppressive conduct, or other challengeable or voidable transactions under any applicable law.
- 43. THIS COURT ORDERS that any Charge created by this Order over leases of real property in Canada shall only be a Charge in the Timminco Entities' interest in such real property leases.

SERVICE AND NOTICE

44. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Monitor shall (a) without delay, publish in *The Globe and Mail*, National Edition, and *La Presse*, in French, once a week for two weeks a notice containing the information prescribed under the CCAA, and (b) within five

business days after the date of this Order (i) make this Order publicly available in the manner prescribed under the CCAA, (ii) send, in the prescribed manner, a notice to every known creditor who has a claim against the Timminco Entities of more than \$1,000, and (iii) prepare a list showing the names and addresses of those creditors and the estimated amounts of those claims, and make it publicly available in the prescribed manner, all in accordance with Section 23(1)(a) of the CCAA and the regulations made thereunder, provided that the Monitor shall not make the names and addresses of individuals who are creditors publicly available.

- 45. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Timminco Entities and the Monitor be at liberty to serve this Order, any other materials and orders in these proceedings, any notices or other correspondence, by forwarding true copies thereof by prepaid ordinary mail, courier, personal delivery or electronic transmission to the Timminco Entities' creditors or other interested parties at their respective addresses as last shown on the records of the Timminco Entities and that any such service or notice by courier, personal delivery or electronic transmission shall be deemed to be received on the next business day following the date of forwarding thereof, or if sent by ordinary mail, on the third business day after mailing.
- 46. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Timminco Entities, the Monitor, and any party who has filed a Notice of Appearance may serve any court materials in these proceedings by e-mailing a PDF or other electronic copy of such materials to counsels' email addresses as recorded on the Service List from time to time, and the Monitor may all such materials on its website at post copy any http://cfcanada.fticonsulting.com/timminco.
- 47. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Timminco Entities are authorized to their court materials with respect to the comeback motion expected to be heard the week of 12 January 20, 2012 (the "Comeback Motion") by forwarding a copy of this Order and any additional materials to be filed with respect to the Comeback Motion by electronic transmission, where available, or by courier to the parties likely to be affected by the

relief to be sought on the Comeback Motion at such parties' respective addresses as last shown on the records of the Timminco Entities as soon as practicable. The Timminco Entities shall serve the beneficiaries of the BSI Non-Union Pension Plan, the BSI Union Pension Plan and the Haley Pension Plan by serving in the manner described above the pension plan committees for the BSI Non-Union Pension Plan and the BSI Union Pension Plan, Financial Services Commission of Ontario, and the Régie Des Rentes Du Ouébec.

GENERAL

- 48. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Timminco Entities or the Monitor may from time to time apply to this Court for advice and directions in the discharge of its powers and duties hereunder.
- 49. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that nothing in this Order shall prevent the Monitor from acting as an interim receiver, a receiver, a receiver and manager, or a trustee in bankruptcy of the Timminco Entities, the Business or the Property.
- 50. THIS COURT HEREBY REQUESTS the aid and recognition of any court, tribunal, regulatory or administrative body having jurisdiction in Canada or in the United States, to give effect to this Order and to assist the Timminco Entities, the Monitor and their respective agents in carrying out the terms of this Order. All courts, tribunals, regulatory and administrative bodies are hereby respectfully requested to make such orders and to provide such assistance to the Timminco Entities and to the Monitor, as an officer of this Court, as may be necessary or desirable to give effect to this Order, to grant representative status to the Monitor in any foreign proceeding, or to assist the Timminco Entities and the Monitor and their respective agents in carrying out the terms of this Order.
- 51. THIS COURT ORDERS that each of the Timminco Entities and the Monitor be at liberty and is hereby authorized and empowered to apply to any court, tribunal, regulatory or administrative body, wherever located, for the recognition of this Order

and for assistance in carrying out the terms of this Order, and that the Monitor is authorized and empowered to act as a representative in respect of the within proceedings for the purpose of having these proceedings recognized in a jurisdiction outside Canada.

- 52. THIS COURT ORDERS that any interested party (including the Timminco Entities and the Monitor) may apply to this Court to vary or amend this Order on not less than seven (7) days' notice to any other party or parties likely to be affected by the order sought or upon such other notice, if any, as this Court may order.
- 53. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that this Order and all of its provisions are effective as of 12:01 a.m. Eastern Standard/Daylight Time on the date of this Order.

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(Applicants)

ONTARIO SUPERIOR COURT OF JUSTICE COMMERCIAL LIST

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INITIAL ORDER

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THIS IS EXHIBIT "B", referred to in the Affidavit of Maria Konyukhova, sworn on March 21, 2012.

Commissioner for Taking Affidavits

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES' CREDITORS ARRANGEMENT ACT, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36, AS AMENDED

AND IN THE MATTER OF A PLAN OF COMPROMISE OR ARRANGEMENT OF TIMMINCO LIMITED AND BÉCANCOUR SILICON INC.

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AFFIDAVIT OF MARIA KONYUKHOVA (Sworn February 8, 2012 re Motion to Lift the Stay by St. Clair Pennyfeather)

I, Maria Konyukhova, of the City of Toronto, in the Province of Ontario, MAKE OATH AND SAY:

- 1. I am an associate with Stikeman Elliott LLP, counsel to the Applicants Timminco Limited ("Timminco") and Bécancour Silicon Inc. ("BSI" and, together with Timminco, the "Timminco Entities" or the "Applicants") in their proceedings under the Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36, as amended (the "CCAA") and as such have knowledge of the matters to which I hereinafter depose, except where otherwise stated. To the extent that I am advised by counsel to Timminco in the Class Action, defined below, Timminco does not waive any privileges as a result of what is deposed herein.
- 2. This affidavit is sworn in response to a motion brought by St. Clair Pennyfeather, the Plaintiff in the *Pennyfeather v. Timminco Limited, et al.* action, Court File No. CV-09-378701-00CP (the "Class Action") seeking an order, *inter alia*, lifting the stay of proceedings as provided by the Initial Order (as defined below), permitting Mr. Pennyfeather to continue the Class Action against Timminco and other defendants (collectively, the "Defendants"), and for certain ancillary relief.

3. The Timminco Entities are prepared to consent to a partial lifting of the stay of proceedings to allow the next step in the Class Action, the Motion to Strike (as defined below), to proceed as scheduled. The Timminco Entities oppose Mr. Pennyfeather's request to lift the stay with respect to subsequent steps in the Class Action as significant management time will be required to assist counsel in preparing for same which will detract from management's ability to guide the Timminco Entities through their restructuring efforts, including a sales process with respect to their assets designed to maximize value for the benefit of all stakeholders.

BACKGROUND

- 4. The Timminco Entities were granted protection from their creditors under the CCAA pursuant to the Initial Order of the Ontario Superior Court of Justice dated January 3, 2012 (the "Initial Order"). FTI Consulting Canada Inc. was appointed as monitor of the Timminco Entities (the "Monitor") in the CCAA proceedings. A copy of the Initial Order is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and is available, together with all other filings in the CCAA proceedings, on the Monitor's website (the "Monitor's Website") at: http://cfcanada.fticonsulting.com/timminco.
- 5. The Initial Order granted a stay of proceedings up to and including February 2, 2012, or such later date as this Court may order (the "Stay Period"). By Order dated January 27, 2012, Justice Morawetz extended the stay of proceedings granted under the Initial Order to and including April 30, 2012.

STATUS OF CCAA PROCEEDINGS

- 6. Since the commencement of the CCAA proceedings, in addition to continuing operating their business as a going concern, the Timminco Entities, and their management, have expended significant time and efforts:
 - (a) communicating and dealing with their various stakeholders, suppliers,
 and employees;

- (b) soliciting offers for and negotiating the terms of a DIP facility that (if approved) should provide adequate funding of the Timminco Entities operations until June 1, 2012;
- (c) negotiating the terms of a "stalking horse" agreement of purchase and sale and bidding procedures which would govern the Timminco Entities' sales process relating to solicitation of one or more superior bid(s) for their assets; and
- (d) undertaking various other restructuring and value preservation tasks.
- 7. It is currently anticipated that the sales process (with or without a "stalking horse" agreement) will continue into June 2012 and require intensive time commitments from management of the Timminco Entities to, among other things, complete the negotiation of the "stalking horse" agreement and bidding procedures, respond to potential bidders' due diligence requests, negotiate competing agreement(s) of purchase and sale, run an auction, satisfy conditions to the agreement(s) of purchase and sale, including obtaining consents to assignment of contracts, and attend to closing the transaction(s) contemplated by the agreement(s) of purchase and sale.
- 8. In addition to the sales process, the Timminco Entities' management time and efforts need to be focused on responding to various stakeholder and other issues which arise in the course of their CCAA proceeding.

REQUEST FOR LIFTING OF THE STAY

- 9. Mr. Pennyfeather is seeking an order lifting the stay of proceedings as provided by the Initial Order and permitting Mr. Pennyfeather to continue the Class Action against Timminco and the other Defendants.
- 10. I am advised by Alan D'Silva, a partner with Stikeman Elliott LLP with carriage of representing Timminco in the Class Action, and verily believe that the next step in

the Class Action is the hearing of the Defendants' motion to strike the Statement of Claim (the "Motion to Strike") tentatively scheduled for March 20 and 21, 2012. I am further advised by Mr. D'Silva and verily believe that the hearing of this motion and preparation for same will not require any involvement of the Timminco Entities' management.

- 11. I am further advised by Mr. D'Silva and verily believe that after the Motion to Strike the next step in the Class Action will be the plaintiff's motion for leave to commence a claim under Part XXIII.1 of the Securities Act and certification under the Class Proceedings Act, 1992. I am advised by Mr. D'Silva and verily believe that certain members of the Timminco Entities' management, in particular its President and General Counsel, Peter Kalins, will be required to spend a considerable amount of time assisting counsel in the preparation of responding materials, the review of any reply materials and other steps in advance of the hearing of this motion.
- 12. The Timminco Entities currently have only 10 active employees, including Mr. Kalins and three other executive officers. All four of Timminco's executive officers are currently preoccupied with activities relating to the CCAA proceedings, and will continue to be fully engaged in such matters for the foreseeable future.
- 13. Any requirement for the involvement of the Timminco Entities' management in the Class Action will fall mostly, Mr. D'Silva advises, on Mr. Kalins, who has assumed the duties and responsibilities of multiple offices of the Timminco Entities, i.e., the President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary.
- 14. This affidavit is sworn in response to Mr. Pennyfeather's motion for the relief described in paragraph 2 hereof and for no improper purpose.

SWORN BEFORE ME at the City of Toronto, Province of Ontario, on February 8, 2012.

Commissioner for Taking Affidavits

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