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Mr. Andrew V. Burke
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Dear Sirs/Mesdames:

Re: Empire Company Limited
Sedar Project #297827
Renewal Annual Information Form

This final mutual reliance review system decision document evidences that notices of acceptance of the regulators of **British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Ontario, Quebec, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, Newfoundland** have been issued for a renewal annual information form of the above issuer dated September 7, 2000.

Yours very truly,

"Donna Gouthro"

J. William Slattery, C.A.
Deputy Director, Corporate Finance
per Donna Gouthro
Corporate Finance Officer