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**IN THE MATTER OF THE SECURITIES ACT
R.S.O. 1990, CHAPTER S.5 AS AMENDED**

AND

IN THE MATTER OF

PacWest Ventures Ltd.

Receipt for Preliminary Prospectus dated **February 9th, 2000** relating to the securities of the above Issuer(s) is hereby issued pursuant to Section 55 of the Act.

This preliminary mutual reliance review system decision document evidences that preliminary receipts of the regulators in each of **British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba and Ontario** have been issued.

DATED at Toronto this **10th** day of **February, 2000**.

"Kathryn Sodec "

Kathryn Sodec
DIRECTOR, Corporate Finance

Note:

The issuance of this receipt is not to be construed as meaning that the adequacy of the preliminary prospectus and supporting material has been established. These are being reviewed by the Corporate Finance Staff and initial comments will be furnished to you by letter as soon as possible.

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