

**QUEBEC SUPERIOR COURT CASES NUMBER:**

500-06-000096-998 (Springfield), 500-06-000123-014 (Windsor Park), 500-06-000142-014 (Mont Blanc), 500-06-000230-041 (Autumn Ridge), 500-06-000231-049 (Vantage Point)

**NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF SETTLEMENT IN THE MATTER OF THE DPM SECURITIES INC. LIMITED PARTNERSHIP CLASS ACTION LITIGATION**

**PLEASE READ THIS NOTICE CAREFULLY. IT MAY AFFECT YOUR LEGAL RIGHTS.**

**TO:** All natural persons who while they were resident in Quebec, purchased investment units in the **Springfield Properties I Limited Partnership, the Dallas Autumn Ridge I Limited Partnership, the Mont Blanc Apartments (Issuer) Limited Partnership, the Vantage Point Apartments (Issuer) Limited Partnership, and the Windsor Park Apartments (Issuer) Limited Partnership (hereinafter the Five Limited Partnerships) from DPM Securities Inc. or DPM Financial Planning Group Inc.**

**I. THE PURPOSE OF THIS NOTICE**

Class proceedings lawsuits have been initiated in Quebec against DPM Securities Inc., DPM Financial Planning Group Inc., Assante Corporation, Assante Advisory Services Inc. United Financial Corporation and CI Investments Inc. (collectively the “**Settling Defendants**”), as well as Springfield Properties I Limited Partnership, Springfield Properties Services Limited, Dallas Autumn Ridge I Limited Partnership, Dallas Autumn Ridge Services Inc., Mont Blanc Apartments (Issuer) Limited Partnership, Mont Blanc Apartments (Issuer) Management Inc., Vantage Point Apartments (Issuer) Limited Partnership, Vantage Point Apartments (Issuer) Management Inc. Windsor Park Apartments (Issuer) Limited Partnership and Windsor Park Apartments (Issuer) Management in Quebec (the “**Non-Settling Defendants**”) in which it is alleged that the Defendants improperly sold investment units in the Five Limited Partnerships (collectively the “Proceedings”).

A settlement has been reached with the Settling Defendants and has been approved by the Court. The Settling Defendants have agreed, in exchange for a full release of claims against them relating to the Proceedings, to pay **Cdn \$12.9 million** into a settlement fund (the “**Settlement Amount**”). The Settling Defendants do not admit liability. The settlement is a compromise of disputed claims.

Natural Persons resident in Quebec who purchased investment units in any of the Five Limited Partnerships from DPM Securities Inc. or DPM Financial Planning Group Inc., except the Settling Defendants, the Non-Settling Defendants, or their respective directors,

officers, subsidiaries or affiliates, are entitled to make a claim for compensation pursuant to the Master Plan of Distribution, described below.

## **II. MASTER PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION**

Under the terms of the Master Plan of Distribution, the total Settlement Amount, plus interest and less deductions for class counsel fees and disbursements, notice and administration costs, will be allocated to the settlement class.

The Settlement Amount will be used to directly compensate Settlement Class Members who purchased investment units in the Five Limited Partnerships in Quebec from the Settling Defendants under the terms of the Master Plan of Distribution.

A complete copy of the Master Plan of Distribution is available at [www.trudeljohnston.com](http://www.trudeljohnston.com).

## **III. HOW TO MAKE A CLAIM**

If you are a Settlement Class Member, in order to make a claim for compensation pursuant to the Master Plan of Distribution, you must complete a claim form, provide the supporting documentation described therein, and send the completed form to the Claims Administrator. A claim form may be obtained at [www.trudeljohnston.com](http://www.trudeljohnston.com) or directly from the Claims Administrator at the following address:

COLLECTIVA SERVICES EN RECOURS COLLECTIFS INC.  
285, Place d'Youville, bureau 9  
Montreal, (Qc)  
H2Y 2A4  
Tel: 514-287-1000 or 1-800-287-8587; Fax: 514-287-1617  
WEB Site: [www.collectiva.ca](http://www.collectiva.ca)  
e-mail address: [info@collectiva.ca](mailto:info@collectiva.ca)

**Claims must be sent no later than June 28, 2010.**

## **IV. CLASS COUNSEL**

The law firm of TRUDEL & JOHNSTON represents individuals and corporations of 50 or less employees who are class members in Quebec. Class Counsel can be reached at 750, Côte de la Place d'Armes, Suite 90, Montréal, Québec H2Y 2X8; (514) 871-8385 ; [info@trudeljohnston.com](mailto:info@trudeljohnston.com).

## **V. QUESTIONS ABOUT THE SETTLEMENT**

If you would like a copy of the settlement agreement or have questions, please call Class Counsel. This notice contains only a summary of the settlement and class members are

encouraged to review the entire settlement agreement. A copy of the settlement agreement can be obtained free of charge at [info@trudeljohnston.com](mailto:info@trudeljohnston.com). A copy of the settlement agreement can also be mailed to you if you request one.

**INQUIRIES SHOULD NOT BE DIRECTED TO THE COURT.**

## **VI. INTERPRETATION**

This notice contains a summary of some of the terms of the settlement. If there is a conflict between the provisions of this notice and the settlement agreement, including the appendices to the settlement agreement, the terms of the settlement agreement shall prevail.

**THIS NOTICE HAS BEEN AUTHORIZED BY THE SUPERIOR COURT OF QUEBEC**