Employment Practices Coverage Section	In consideration of payment of the premium and subject to the Declarations, General Terms and Conditions, and the limitations, conditions, provisions and other terms of this coverage section, the Company agrees as follows:	
Insuring Clause	1.	The Company shall pay on behalf of the Insureds all Loss for which the Insured becomes legally obligated to pay on account of any Claim (including such Claim brought in Canada for a breach or alleged breach of any oral or written employment contract or quasi-employment contract) first made against the Insured during the Policy Period or, if exercised, during the Extended Reporting Period, for a Wrongful Act committed, attempted, or allegedly committed or attempted, by an Insured before or during the Policy Period .
Estates and Legal Representatives	2.	Subject otherwise to the General Terms and Conditions and the limitations, conditions, provisions and other terms of this coverage section, coverage shall extend to Claims for the Wrongful Acts of the Insured Persons made against the estates, heirs, legal representatives or assigns of Insured Persons who are deceased or against the legal representatives or assigns of Insured Persons who are incompetent, insolvent or bankrupt.
Defence Provisions	3.	The Company shall have the right and duty to defend any Claim covered by this coverage section. Coverage shall apply even if any of the allegations are groundless, false or fraudulent. The Company's duty to defend shall cease upon exhaustion of the Company's application Limit of Liability set forth in Item 2 of the Declarations for this coverage section. Defence Costs incurred by the Company, or by the Insured with the written consent of the Company, are part of and not in addition to the Company's applicable Limit of Liability set forth in Item 2 of the Declarations for this coverage section, and the payment by the Company of Defence Costs reduces such applicable Limit of Liability.
		The Insureds agree to provide the Company with all information, assistance and cooperation which the Company reasonably requests and agree that in the event of a Claim the Insureds will do nothing that may prejudice the Company's position or its potential or actual rights of recovery.

Defence Provisions (continued)	The Insureds agree not to settle any Claim , incur any Defence Costs or otherwise assume any contractual obligation or admit any liability with respect to any Claim without the Company's written consent, which shall not be unreasonably withheld. The Company shall not be liable for any settlement, Defence Costs , assumed obligation or admission to which it has not consented.
Extended Reporting Period	4. If the Company terminates or refuses to renew this coverage section other than for non-payment of premium, the Insureds shall have the right, upon payment of the additional premium set forth in Item 7(A) of the Declarations for this coverage section, to an extension of the coverage granted by this coverage section for the period set forth in Item 7(B) of the Declarations for this coverage section (Extended Reporting Period) following the effective date of termination or nonrenewal, but only for any Wrongful Act committed, attempted, or allegedly committed or attempted, prior to the effective date of termination or nonrenewal. This right of extension shall lapse unless written notice of such election, together with payment of the additional premium due, is received by the Company within 30 days following the Effective date of termination or nonrenewal. Any Claim made during the Extended Reporting Period shall be deemed to have been made during the immediately preceding Policy Period. If the Parent Organization terminates or declines to accept renewal, the Company may, if requested, at its sole option, grant an Extended Reporting Period. The offer of renewal terms and conditions or premiums different from those in effect prior to renewal shall not constitute refusal to renew.
Exclusions	 5. The Company shall not be liable for Loss on account of any Claim made against any Insured: (a) based upon, arising from, or in consequence of any circumstance if written notice of such circumstance has been given under any policy or coverage section of which this coverage section is a renewal or replacement and if such prior policy or coverage section affords coverage (or would afford such coverage except for the exhaustion of its limits of liability) for such Loss, in whole or in part, as a result of such notice;

Exclusions

(continued)

- (b) based upon, arising from, or in consequence of a written demand for monetary damages, suit, formal administrative or regulatory proceeding commenced by the filing of a notice of charges, formal investigative order or similar document, or arbitration proceeding pending, or order, decree or judgment entered against any **Insured** on or prior to the Pending or Prior Date set forth in Item 8 of the Declarations for this coverage section or the same or any substantially similar fact, circumstance or situation underlying or alleged therein;
- (c) for an actual or alleged violation of the responsibilities, obligations or duties imposed in the United States by the Employee Retirement Income Securities Act of 1974 (except Section 510), the Fair Labor Standards Act (except the Equal Pay Act), the National Labor Relations Act, the Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification Act, the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985, the Occupational Safety and Health Act, rules or regulations promulgated thereunder and amendments thereto or similar provisions of any federal, state or local statutory or common law of the United States. However, this exclusion shall not apply to any Claim for any retaliatory treatment of any claimant because of any claimant's actual or alleged protected lawful activity under the Fair Labor Standards Act or the Occupational Safety and Health Act;
- (d) for an actual or alleged violation of the responsibilities, obligations or duties imposed in Canada by the Pension Benefits Standards Act, 1987, the Canada Labour Code, Parts I and II, any collective bargaining agreement, rules, orders, orders in council or regulations promulgated thereunder and amendments thereto, or similar provisions of any federal, provincial, territorial or local statutory, common or civil law of Canada. However, this exclusion shall not apply to any Claim for any retaliatory treatment of any claimant because of the claimant's actual or alleged protected lawful activity under the Canada Labour Code, Part II or any similar provincial, territorial or local statute;

Exclusions

(continued)

- (e) for pay equity, including a Claim for an actual or alleged violation of the responsibilities, obligations or duties imposed in Canada by the Canadian Human Rights Act, Section 11, rules, orders, orders in council or regulations promulgated thereunder and amendments thereto, or similar provisions of any federal, provincial, territorial, or local statutory, common or civil law of Canada. However, this exclusion shall not apply to any Claim for any retaliatory treatment of any claimant because of any claimant's actual or alleged protected lawful activity under the Canadian Human Rights Act, Section 11 or any similar provicial, territorial or local statute;
- (f) for an actual or alleged violation of the responsibilities, obligations or duties imposed in any country other than Canada and the United States by statutory, common or civil laws similar to those referenced in (c), (d) and (e) above. However, this exclusion shall not apply to any Claim for any retaliatory treatment of any claimant because of any claimant's actual or alleged protected lawful activity under an occupational safety and health or pay equity statute;
- (g) for bodily injury (except mental anguish), sickness, disease or death of any person or damage to or destruction of any tangible property including loss of use thereof;
- (h) based upon, arising from, or in consequence of Pollution. However, this exclusion shall not apply to any Claim for wrongful dismissal, discharge or termination of employment of any claimant in retaliation for such claimant's actual or alleged (i) refusal to violate any federal, provincial, territorial, state or local statutory, common or civil law regarding Pollution or (ii) disclosure regarding any actual or alleged Pollution by any Insured Organization;
 - based upon, arising from, or in consequence of any deliberately fraudulent act or omission by such **Insured** if a judgment or other final adjudication adverse to the **Insured** establishes such a deliberately fraudulent act or omission;

(i)

Exclusions

(continued)

- (j) based upon, arising from, or in consequence of any actual or alleged obligation of any **Insured** pursuant to any workers' compensation, unemployment insurance, social or old age security, disability benefits or similar law. However, this exclusion shall not apply to any **Claim** for any retaliatory treatment of any claimant by any **Insured** based upon such claimant's exercise of rights pursuant to any such law;
- (k) based upon, arising from, or in consequence of (i) any actual or alleged violation of any federal, provincial, territorial or state or local statutory, common or civil law relating to securities, any rules, orders, orders in council and regulations promulgated thereunder or any amendments thereto, or (ii) any actual or alleged purchase, sale or distribution of or offer, representation or agreement relating to securities. However, this exclusion shall not apply to any Claim for any retaliatory treatment of any claimant for (i) such claimant's actual or alleged refusal to violate any such securities laws or (ii) any actual or threatened disclosure by such claimant of any actual or alleged violation of such securities laws;
- based upon, arising from, or in consequence of liability of others assumed by the **Insured** under any contract or agreement, either oral or written, except to the extent that the **Insured** would have been liable in the absence of the contract or agreement; or
- (m) for Wrongful Acts based upon, arising from, or in consequence of the Financial Impairment of the Insured Organization. However, this exclusion shall not apply to any Claim made against any Insured in the United States.

The Company shall not be liable for that part of Loss, other than **Defence Costs**:

(a)

on account of any **Claim** made against any **Insured** for an actual or alleged violation of the responsibilities, obligations or duties imposed in Canada by the Canada Labour Code, Part III, rules, orders, orders in council or regulations promulgated thereunder and any amendments thereto, or similar provisions of any federal, provincial, territorial or local statutory law of Canada.

Exclusions However, this exclusion shall not apply to any Claim for any retaliatory treatment of any claimant by any **Insured** based upon (continued) such claimant's exercise of rights pursuant to any such law, any Equal Pay Claim, or any Claim for unjust dismissal or dismissal without good and sufficient cause brought in direct reliance upon Sections 240 to 246 inclusive of the Canada Labour Code, Part III, Section 124 of the Québec Act Respecting Labour Standards or Section 71 of the Nova Scotia Labour Standards Code: which constitutes Benefits due or to become due or the (b) equivalent value of such Benefits. However, this exclusion shall not apply where such Loss is based upon a Claim for actual or alleged wrongful dismissal, discharge or termination of employment; which constitutes front pay, future damages or other future (c) economic relief or the equivalent thereof, if the Insured Organization is ordered, pursuant to a judgment or other final adjudication, but fails to reinstate the claimant as an employee; which constitutes the cost of compliance with or the satisfaction or (d) remedy of an undertaking, a direction, an order, a violation, a determination or a certificate negotiated, issued, made or committed under the Employment Equity Act or any costs associated with any accommodation or affirmative action programme required by, pursuant to or ordered under the Canadian Human Rights Act, the Americans with Disabilities Act or the Civil Rights Act of 1964, rules, orders, orders in council or regulations promulgated under and amendments to these laws, or similar provisions of any federal, provincial, territorial, state or local statutory, common or civil law; or (e) which constitutes the cost of compliance with any order for, grant of or agreement to provide injunctive or non-monetary relief. Severability of 7. With respect to the Exclusions in subsections 5 and 6 of this coverage Exclusions section, no fact pertaining to or knowledge possessed by any Insured shall be imputed to any other **Insured** to determine if coverage is available.

<i>Limit of Liability, Deductible and Coinsurance</i>	8.	For the purposes of this coverage section, all Loss arising out of the same Wrongful Act and all Interrelated Wrongful Acts of any Insured shall be deemed one Loss , regardless of the number of Claims made, claimants, or Insureds against whom such Claims are made, shall be deemed to have originated at the time a Claim is first made against any Insured alleging any such Wrongful Act or Interrelated Wrongful Acts and only the policy in effect at that time, if any shall, apply to all such Loss .
		The Company's maximum liability for each Loss shall be the Limit of Liability for each Loss set forth in Item 2(A) of the Declarations for this coverage section. The Company's maximum aggregate liability for all Loss on account of all Claims first made during the same Policy Period shall be the Limit of Liability for each Policy Period set forth in Item 2(B) of the Declarations for this coverage section.
		The Company's liability under this coverage section shall apply only to that part of each Loss which is excess of the Deductible Amount set forth in Item 4 of the Declarations for this coverage section and such Deductible Amount shall be borne by the Insured Organization uninsured and at its own risk.
		With respect to all Loss (excess of the applicable Deductible Amount) originating in any one Policy Period , the Insureds shall bear uninsured and at their own risk that percent of all such Loss specified as the Coinsurance Percent in Item 3 of the Declarations for this coverage section, and the Company's liability hereunder shall apply only to the remaining percent of all such Loss .
		Any Loss covered by this coverage section and either the Executive Liability and Indemnification or the Fiduciary Liability coverage sections of this policy (if purchased) shall be subject to the limits of liability, deductible and coinsurance percent applicable to this coverage section, not such other coverage section.
		For purposes of this subsection 8 only, the Extended Reporting Period, if exercised, shall be part of and not in addition to the immediately preceding Policy Period .
6		

Reporting and Notice	9.	The Insureds shall, as a condition precedent to exercising their rights under this coverage section, give to the Company written notice as soon as practicable of any Claim made against any of them for a Wrongful Act .
		The Insureds shall, as a condition precedent to exercising their rights under this coverage section, give to the Company such information and cooperation as it may reasonably require, including but not limited to a description of the Claim , the nature of the alleged Wrongful Act , the nature of the alleged damage, the names of claimants, and the manner in which the Insured first became aware of the Claim .
Arbitration and Allocation	10.	Any dispute, including but not limited to claims sounding in contract or tort, between the Insureds and the Company arising in connection with or relating to this coverage section shall be submitted to binding arbitration.
		The arbitration panel shall consist of one arbitrator selected by the Insureds , one arbitrator selected by the Company, and a third independent arbitrator selected by the first two arbitrators.
		If both Loss covered by this coverage section and loss not covered by this coverage section are incurred, either because a Claim against the Insured includes both covered and uncovered matters or because a Claim is made against both an Insured and others, the Insureds and the Company shall use their best efforts to agree upon a fair and proper allocation of such amount between covered Loss and uncovered loss.
Other Insurance	11.	If all or any part of Loss under this coverage section is also insured:
		(a) under any other prior or current policy, other than a policy issued by the Company, its subsidiaries, affiliates or any other member of the Chubb Group of Insurance Companies, then this coverage section shall cover such Loss , subject to its limitations, conditions, provisions and other terms, only to the extent that the amount of such Loss is in excess of the amount of payment from such other insurance, whether such other insurance is stated to be primary, contributory, excess, contingent or otherwise, unless such other insurance is written only as specific excess insurance over the Limit of Liability provided in this coverage section;

<i>Other Insurance</i> (continued)	(b) under any other policy (except another coverage section of this policy) issued by the Company, its subsidiaries, affiliates or any other member of the Chubb Group of Insurance Companies, this coverage section shall cover such Loss subject to its limitations, conditions, provisions and other terms, on a primary basis and such other policy shall be excess of the amount of payment under this coverage section.
Changes in12.Exposure	If the Insured Organization (I) acquires securities or voting rights in another organization or creates another organization, which as a result of such acquisition or creation becomes a Subsidiary , or (ii) acquires any organization by merger into or consolidation with an Insured
Acquisition or Creation of Another Organization	Organization, such organization and its Insured Persons shall be Insureds under this coverage section but only with respect to Wrongful Acts committed, attempted, or allegedly committed or attempted, after such acquisition or creation unless the Company agrees, after presentation of a complete application and all appropriate information, to provide coverage by endorsement for Wrongful Acts committed or attempted, or allegedly committed or attempted, prior to such acquisition or creation.
	If the fair value of all cash, securities, assumed indebtedness and other consideration paid by the Insured Organization for any such acquisition or creation exceeds 10% of the total assets of the Parent Organization as reflected in the Parent Organization's most recent audited consolidated financial statements, the Parent Organization shall give written notice of such acquisition or creation to the Company as soon as practicable together with such information as the Company may require and shall pay any reasonable additional premium required by the Company.
Acquisition of Parent 13. Organization by Another Organization	If (i) the Parent Organization merges into or consolidates with another organization, or (ii) another organization or person or group of organizations and/or persons acting in concert acquires securities or voting rights which result in ownership or voting control by the other organization(s) or person(s) of more than 50% of the outstanding securities representing the present right to vote for election of directors of the Parent Organization , coverage under this coverage section shall continue until termination of this coverage section, but only with respect to Claims for Wrongful Acts committed, attempted, or allegedly committed or attempted, by Insureds prior to such merger, consolidation or acquisition. The Parent Organization shall give written notice of such merger, consolidation, or acquisition as practicable, together with such information as the Company may require.

Cessation of Subsidiaries	14.	In the event an organization ceases to be a Subsidiary before or after the inception date of this coverage section, coverage with respect to such Subsidiary and its Insured Persons shall continue until termination of this coverage section, but only with respect to Claims for Wrongful Acts committed, attempted or allegedly committed or attempted prior to the date such organization ceases to be a Subsidiary .
Representations and Severability	15.	In granting coverage to any one of the Insureds , the Company has relied upon the declarations and statements in the written application for this coverage section and upon any declarations and statements in the original written application submitted to another insurer in respect of the prior coverage incepting as of the Continuity Date set forth in Item 9 of the Declarations for this coverage section. All such declarations and statements are the basis of such coverage and shall be considered as incorporated in and constituting part of this coverage section.
		Such written application(s) for coverage shall be construed as a separate application for coverage by each of the Insureds . With respect to the declarations and statements contained in such written application(s) for coverage, no statement in the application or knowledge possessed by any Insured Person shall be imputed to any other Insured Person for the purpose of determining if coverage is available. Only facts pertaining to and knowledge possessed by any past , present or future chief financial officer, President or Chairman of any Insured Organization shall be imputed to any Insured Organization shall be imputed to any Insured Organization to determine if coverage is available.
Definitions	16.	When used in this coverage section: Benefits means perquisites, fringe benefits, payments in connection with an employee benefit plan and any other payment, other than salary or wages, to or for the benefit of an employee arising out of the employment relationship. Claim means:
6		 (i) a written demand for monetary damages, (ii) a civil proceeding commenced by the service of a complaint or similar pleading, including any appeal therefrom,

Definitions

(continued)

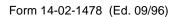
- (iii) an arbitration proceeding, or
- (iv) a formal administrative or regulatory proceeding commenced by the filing of a notice of charges, formal investigative order or similar document,

which is brought and maintained by or on behalf of any past, present or prospective employee(s) of the **Insured Organization** against any **Insured** for any **Wrongful Act** in connection with any actual or alleged wrongful dismissal, discharge or termination of employment, breach of any oral or written employment contract or quasi-employment contract, employment-related misrepresentation, violation of employment discrimination laws (including workplace or sexual harassment), wrongful failure to employ or promote, wrongful discipline, wrongful deprivation of a career-opportunity, failure to grant tenure, negligent evaluation, invasion of privacy, employment-related defamation or employment-related wrongful infliction of emotional distress.

Defence Costs means that part of **Loss** consisting of reasonable costs, charges, fees (including but not limited to attorneys' fees and experts' fees) and expenses (other than regular or overtime wages, salaries or fees of the directors, officers or employees of the **Insured Organization**) incurred in defending or investigating **Claims** and the premium for appeal, attachment or similar bonds.

Equal Pay Claim means a **Claim** for an actual or alleged differential of pay for the same work or substantially similar work, but does not include a **Claim** for pay equity.

Financial Impairment means the financial position of the Insured Organization as a debtor as that term is defined and used in Canada within the provisions of the Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act, rules, regulations, orders and orders in council promulgated thereunder and amendments thereto, and without limiting the generality of the foregoing shall occur when (i) any receiver, conservator, liquidator, trustee, sequestrator or similar official has been appointed by a federal, provincial or state court, agency or official or by a creditor to take control of, supervise, manage or liquidate the **Insured Organization**, or



(ii) a reorganization proceeding relating to the **Insured Organization** has been brought in Canada under the Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act, rules, regulations, orders or orders in council promulgated thereunder and amendments thereto, or (iii) the **Insured Organization** becomes a debtor in possession under Title 11 of the United States Code, Bankruptcy.

Insureds, either in the singular or plural, means the Insured Organization and any Insured Persons.

Insured Capacity means the position or capacity designated in Item 6 of the Declarations for this coverage section held by any **Insured Person** but shall not include any position or capacity in any organization other than the **Insured Organization**, even if the **Insured Organization** directed or requested the **Insured Person** to serve in such other position or capacity.

Insured Organization means, collectively, those organizations designated in Item 5 of the Declarations for this coverage section.

Insured Persons, either in the singular or plural, means any one or more of those persons designated in Item 6 of the Declarations for this coverage section.

Interrelated Wrongful Acts means all causally connected Wrongful Acts.

Loss means the total amount which any Insured becomes legally obligated to pay on account of each Claim and for all Claims in each Policy Period and the Extended Reporting Period, if exercised, made against them for Wrongful Acts for which coverage applies, including but not limited to, damages, judgments, settlements, costs and Defence Costs. Loss does not include (i) any amount not indemnified by the Insured Organization for which the Insured is absolved from payment by reason of any covenant, agreement or court order, (ii) the future salary or Benefits of a claimant who has been or shall be hired, promoted or reinstated to employment, whose employment has been or shall be continued or whose salary or Benefits have been increased pursuant to a settlement, order or other resolution



Definitions

(continued)

Definitions

(continued)

(iii) salary, wages and/or commissions payable to a claimant for services performed for any **Insured Organization** while employed with any **Insured Organization**, (iv) fines or penalties imposed by law or the multiple portion of any multiplied damage award, or (v) matters uninsurable under the law pursuant to which this coverage section is construed.

Pollutants means any substance located anywhere in the world exhibiting any hazardous characteristics as defined by or identified on a list of hazardous substances issued under or by the Canadian Environmental Protection Act or the United States Environmental Protection Agency or a federal, provincial, territorial, state, county, municipal or local counterpart thereof. Such substances shall include, without limitation, solids, liquids, gaseous or thermal irritants, contaminants or smoke, vapour, soot, fumes, acids, alkalis, chemicals or waste materials. **Pollutants** shall also mean any other air emission, odour, waste water, oil or oil products, infectious or medical waste, asbestos or asbestos products and any noise.

Pollution means (i) the actual, alleged or threatened discharge, release, escape or disposal of **Pollutants** into or on real or personal property, water or the atmosphere; or (ii) any direction or request that the **Insured** test for, monitor, clean up, remove, contain, treat, detoxify or **Pollutants**, or any voluntary decision to do so.

Subsidiary, either in the singular or plural, means any organization in which more than 50% of the outstanding securities or voting rights representing the present right to vote for election of directors is owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, in any combination, by one or more **Insured Organizations**.

Wrongful Acts means any error, misstatement, misleading statement, act, omission, neglect, or breach of duty committed, attempted, or allegedly committed or attempted, by an **Insured Organization** or by an **Insured Person**, individually or otherwise, in his **Insured Capacity**, or any matter claimed against an **Insured Person** solely by reason of his serving in such **Insured Capacity**.