

June 7, 2020

**Re: Request for Exemption – Order 07-2020 – EDMONTON OILERS HOCKEY CLUB – NHL HOCKEY PRACTICES AND TRAINING TO BE HELD IN EDMONTON, ALBERTA COMMENCING JUNE 8, 2020**

Pursuant to the recommendations of the Chief Medical Officer of Health for Alberta a public health emergency was declared in the Province of Alberta on March 16, 2020 pursuant to s. 52.1 of the *Public Health Act* of Alberta.

Further to that declaration of a public health emergency the Chief Medical Officer of Health (CMOH), pursuant to her authority under s. 29(2.1) of the *Public Health Act*, made CMOH Order 07-2020 (the Order) identifying steps to prohibit persons from attending any location for any time period and subject to any conditions, any activity that could transmit an infectious agent as well as any other steps to lessen the impact of a public health emergency. A copy of the Order is attached for your reference.

Pursuant to Section 13 of the Order the CMOH may, notwithstanding anything else in the Order, exempt in writing persons or classes of persons from the Order on whatever terms are appropriate.

The Office of CMOH has received requests asking that persons who are participating or facilitating practices for the National Hockey League's (NHL) Edmonton Oilers to be held in the City of Edmonton as commencing June 8, 2020 be exempt from all or a portion of the Order.

Pursuant to Section 13 of the Order I am satisfied that an exemption be granted from the Order upon the following conditions:

- I. The exemption from the Order is limited to the following persons:
  - a. Employees, contractors, medical personnel, or executives of the Edmonton Oilers that are engaged in hockey practices, training, or facilitating these activities for the purpose of playing NHL hockey games at the exempted facilities;
  - b. Persons whose presence is necessary for the purpose of broadcasting the practices or training activities of the Edmonton Oilers at the exempted facilities;
  - c. Persons whose presence is necessary to operate or maintain the exempted facilities where the practices or training of the Edmonton Oilers are occurring; and
  - d. Persons who do not fall into paragraph I (a), (b), (c) who are employees, contractors, or executives of the NHL or another NHL team whose presence is customary or necessary at practices or training held for NHL hockey teams.

- II. The above noted persons are exempt from Section 3(a) of the Order in the City of Edmonton where the persons identified in paragraph I are training, practicing, or broadcasting in relation to NHL hockey games.
- III. For the hockey players of the Edmonton Oilers they will comply with the NHL's Return to Play guidelines while on the premises where they are engaged in practicing or training for the playing of NHL hockey games.

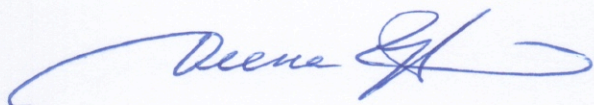
Although the persons/activities identified above are exempt per Section 13 of the Order as specified your organization should continue to promote appropriate hygiene, social distancing, and other measures identified by public health authorities to protect these persons and other Albertans from further transmission of COVID-19.

The exemption may be terminated or modified by the CMOH in writing without notice and for any reason as determined by the CMOH.

This exemption comes into effect on June 8, 2020.

We trust this is satisfactory.

Yours sincerely,



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Enclosure