

## HEMPSANA Announces Acceptance of Application for Management Cease Trade Order

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TORONTO, May 04, 2023 -- Hempsana Holdings Ltd. (the "**Company**" or "**Hempsana**") (CSE: HMPS) today announced that, further to its news release dated April 21, 2023, the British Columbia Securities Commission (the "**BCSC**"), as the Company's Principal Regulator, has granted the Company's application for a management cease trade order (the "**MCTO**") pursuant to National Policy 12-203 - *Management Cease Trade Orders* ("**NP 12-203**") on May 3, 2023.

The Company applied for the MCTO voluntarily due to a delay in the filing of its audited financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2022 and the management's discussion and analysis and related Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer certificates for this period (collectively, the "**Required Filings**") before the filing deadline of May 1, 2023 (the "**Filing Deadline**").

The MCTO restricts all trading in the securities of Hempsana by the Company's CEO and CFO and remains in effect until the Company files the Required Filings and the Executive Director of the BCSC revokes the MCTO.

The Company applied for the MCTO as an alternative to the imposition by the BCSC of a full cease trade order. The MCTO order prevents the officers and/or directors named in the order from trading in Hempsana's securities but does not affect the ability of other shareholders, including the public, to trade the Company's securities.

As previously announced, the delay in filing the Required Filings is a consequence of this recent change of auditors. In December 2022, the Company learned that its former auditors would be increasing its fees significantly and required payment terms beyond the financial ability of the Issuer. Despite undertaking a search for a new auditor, the limited number of available auditing firms available to service cannabis clients posed a challenge. As a result of the short time period to the filing deadline, the Issuer and its current auditor, require more time to complete the Required Filings.

The Company anticipates that it will file the Required Filings on or before June 1, 2023, to remedy the default. The Company confirms that it intends to satisfy the provisions of the alternative information guidelines under NP 12-203 by issuing bi-weekly default status reports in the form of news releases for so long as the filing of the Required Filings remains outstanding.

### About Hempsana Holdings Ltd.

The Company's business involves the manufacturing of major and minor cannabinoid derivatives and producing cannabis extracts for use in finished products and other infused consumables. Hempsana's Health Canada Standard Processing Licensed, and EU-GMP compliant facility provides the Company access to wholesale and retail channels in Canada and internationally. Hempsana currently offers a wide range of product formats, including cannabis concentrates, diamonds, tablets, topicals, tinctures, salves, infused pre-rolls, and hemp-based CBD products that are all manufactured and distributed by Hempsana.

### **Additional Information**

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