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## **AIMCo Announces New Appointment to Board of Directors**

**Edmonton, Alberta (September 15, 2015)** – Alberta Investment Management Corporation (AIMCo) is pleased to announce the appointment of Helen M. Kearns to its Board of Directors. The official appointment follows the signing of the Order in Council on September 15, 2015.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, AIMCo Chair, Mac Van Wielingen states, "We are extremely pleased with the Province's decision on the recent appointment of Ms. Kearns to the AIMCo Board of Directors. Ms. Kearns brings extensive investment experience to the Board, coupled with meaningful insight into AIMCo's clients and their unique needs. I, and my colleagues, look forward to welcoming Helen, and to working together in pursuit of AIMCo's vision, *Enriching the lives of Albertans by building prosperity, security, and opportunity across generations.*"

AIMCo is also pleased to share the re-appointment of Mr. Harold A. Roozen to the Board of Directors.

## **Biographical Notes**

**Helen M. Kearns** is the President & CEO of Bell Kearns & Associates Ltd. and has been a leader in capital markets in Canada for more than 30 years.

Prior to joining Bell Kearns, Ms. Kearns was President of NASDAQ Canada (2001-2004) and an officer of NASDAQ, the world's largest electronic market by trading volume. Previously, Ms. Kearns launched her own institutional investment firm, Kearns Capital Limited. Ms. Kearns got her start in the investment business as an institutional equity salesperson at Richardson Greenshields of Canada Limited, where she won positions of increasing responsibility until becoming Head of Institutional Sales and Trading and a member of the Executive Committee.

Ms. Kearns served two terms as a Governor of the Toronto Stock Exchange (1993-1999) where she actively participated in a strategic review process that resulted in the consolidation of Canada's capital markets and demutualization of the Toronto Stock Exchange.

In 2005, Ms. Kearns was appointed to the Board of the Ontario Teachers' Pension Plan, one of the most respected pension plans in the world. Additionally, she has been honoured for business leadership by The John Molson School of Business and the Montreal Board of Trade, as well as receiving the Women on the Move Award for entrepreneurs.

## **About Alberta Investment Management Corporation (AIMCo)**

AIMCo is one of Canada's largest and most diversified institutional investment managers. AIMCo was established on January 1, 2008 with a mandate to provide superior long-term investment results for its clients. AIMCo operates independently from the Government of Alberta and invests globally on behalf of 27 pension, endowment and government funds in the Province of Alberta, including the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund. For more information about AIMCo, visit www.aimco.alberta.ca.

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