AGREEMENT 2021-01 CONCERNANT THE PROGRAM REGARDING BANDAGES AND COMPRESSION GARMENTS USED TO TREAT LYMPHEDEMA

BETWEEN

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES, for and on behalf of the Government of Québec, whose business offices are located at 1075, chemin Sainte-Foy, Édifice Catherine-De Longpré, Québec (Québec), G1S 2M1, represented by Ms. Dominique Savoie, Deputy Minister;

hereinafter, the "Minister"

AND

THE RÉGIE DE L'ASSURANCE MALADIE DU QUÉBEC, a legal person established under the Québec Health Insurance Act (CQLR, chapter R-5), having its headquarters at 1125, Grande Allée Ouest, Québec (Québec), G1S 1E7, represented by Marco Thibault, president and chief executive officer, duly authorized for the purposes hereof;

hereinafter the "Board"

WHEREAS, under Order in Council 1195-2018 dated 15 August 2018, the Government of Québec entrusted the Board with the Program Regarding Bandages and Compression Garments Used to Treat Lymphedema;

WHEREAS, under section 15 of that program, the Minister and the Board may review the program and agree on any amendment, by written agreement, insofar as the amendments respect the program's financial framework and direction;

WHEREAS the Minister and the Board have observed that certain costs provided in schedules I and II of the Program Regarding Bandages and Compression Garments Used to Treat Lymphedema contain errors and must be corrected.

CONSEQUENTLY, THE PARTIES AGREE TO THE FOLLOWING:

1. Section 16 of the Program Regarding Bandages and Compression Garments Used to Treat Lymphedema is amended by replacing the words "according to the methods to which they may agree upon" with the words "upon presentation of invoices".

2. Section 19 of that program is amended by replacing the first sentence with the following sentence:

"The Board shall provide to the Minister, at his or her request, reports on the amounts reimbursed within the scope of this program.".

3. Schedule I to that program is amended by replacing the costs set out for the following garments, which take into account the indexation of costs at 1 January of each year as provided in section 14 of that program:

Elastic compression garments – Ready made	
Knee-high stocking, open toe (pair)	\$102.66
Knee-high stocking, closed toe (pair)	\$102.66
Thigh-high stocking, open toe (pair)	\$134.24
Thigh-high stocking, closed toe (pair)	\$134.24
Elastic compression garments – Custom made	
Knee-high stocking, open toe (pair)	\$173.72
Knee-high stocking, closed toe (pair)	\$173.72
Thigh-high stocking, open toe (pair)	\$221.10
Thigh-high stocking, closed toe (pair)	\$221.10

with the following:

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	Knee-high stocking, open toe (pair)	\$51.33	
	Knee-high stocking, closed toe (pair)	\$51.33	
	Thigh-high stocking, open toe (pair)	\$67.12	
	Thigh-high stocking, closed toe (pair)	\$67.12	
	Elastic compression garments – Custom made		
	Knee-high stocking, open toe (pair)	\$165.83	
	Knee-high stocking, closed toe (pair)	\$165.83	
	Thigh-high stocking, open toe (pair)	\$217.16	
	Thigh-high stocking, closed toe (pair)	\$217.16	

4. Schedule II to that program is amended by replacing the costs set out for the following garments, which take into account the indexation of costs at 1 January of each year as provided in section 14 of that program:

Elastic compression garments- Ready made	
Knee-high stocking, open toe (pair)	\$136.88
Knee-high stocking, closed toe (pair)	\$136.88
Thigh-high stocking, open toe (pair)	\$178.98
Thigh-high stocking, closed toe (pair)	\$178.98
Elastic compression garments – Custom made	
Knee-high stocking, open toe (pair)	\$231.63
Knee-high stocking, closed toe (pair)	\$231.63
Thigh-high stocking, open toe (pair)	\$294.80
Thigh-high stocking, closed toe (pair)	\$294.80

with the following:

Elastic compression garments- Ready made	
Knee-high stocking, open toe (pair)	\$68.44
Knee-high stocking, closed toe (pair)	\$68.44
Thigh-high stocking, open toe (pair)	\$89.49
Thigh-high stocking, closed toe (pair)	\$89.49
Elastic compression garments – Custom made	
Knee-high stocking, open toe (pair)	\$221.12
Knee-high stocking, closed toe (pair)	\$221.12
Thigh-high stocking, open toe (pair)	\$289.56
Thigh-high stocking, closed toe (pair)	\$289.56

5. This agreement comes into effect on the last date of signature of the agreement by one of the parties. However, the amendments set out in sections 3 and 4 have been in effect since 22 August 2018.

6. Signatures

The parties acknowledge having read and agreed to each and every clause of this agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have signed this agreement, in duplicate, at the location and on the dates indicated below.

FOR THE MINISTÈRE DE LA SANTÉ ET DES SERVICES SOCIAUX:

At Québec,

on <u>December 22,</u> 2021

Dominique Savoie

Dominique Savoie Deputy Minister of Health and Social Services

FOR THE RÉGIE DE L'ASSURANCE MALADIE DU QUÉBEC:

At Québec,

on ______ 2021

Marco Thibault President and Chief Executive Officer