

calendar months of reporting history with a securities commission in Canada and a market value of common stock of at least \$360 million (Canadian) and an aggregate market value of common stock held by non-affiliates of at least \$75 million (Canadian). The purpose of the information collection is to facilitate cross-border offerings by specified Canadian issuers. Approximately 25 respondents file Form F-10 annually and at approximately 25 hours per response for a total of 625 annual burden hours. It is estimated that 25% of the 625 total burden hours (156 burden hours) is prepared by the company.

Written comments are invited on: (a) Whether these proposed collections of information are necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Consideration will be given to comments and suggestions submitted in writing within 60 days of this publication.

Please direct your written comments to Kenneth A. Fogash, Acting Associate Executive Director/CIO, Office of Information Technology, Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, NW Washington, DC 20549.

Dated: February 6, 2003.

**Margaret H. McFarland,**

*Deputy Secretary.*

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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

### Issuer Delisting; Notice of Application To Withdraw from Listing and Registration on the American Stock Exchange LLC (Kinross Gold Corporation, Common Stock, No Par Value) File No. 1-13382

February 10, 2003.

Kinross Gold Corporation, a Providence of Ontario corporation ("Issuer"), has filed an application with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission"), pursuant to section 12(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act")<sup>1</sup> and Rule

12d2-2(d) thereunder,<sup>2</sup> to withdraw its Common Stock, no par value ("Security"), from listing and registration on the American Stock Exchange LLC ("Amex" or "Exchange").

The Issuer stated in its application that it has met the requirements of Amex Rule 18 by complying with all applicable laws in the Province of Ontario, Canada, in which it is incorporated, and with the Amex's rules governing an issuer's voluntary withdrawal of a security from listing and registration.

The Issuer states that it is in the process of merging with TVX Gold Inc. and Echo Bay Mines, Ltd. As a result of this transaction, the Company seeks to voluntarily withdraw its Security from listing and registration with the Amex. The Issuer represents that the merger transaction became effective on January 31, 2003 and that its Security began trading on the New York Stock Exchange, Inc. on February 3, 2003.

The Issuer's application relates solely to the withdrawal of the Securities from listing on the Amex and from registration under section 12(b) of the Act<sup>3</sup> shall not affect its obligation to be registered under section 12(g) of the Act.<sup>4</sup>

Any interested person may, on or before March 5, 2003, submit by letter to the Secretary of the Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, NW., Washington, DC 20549-0609, facts bearing upon whether the application has been made in accordance with the rules of the Amex and what terms, if any, should be imposed by the Commission for the protection of investors. The Commission, based on the information submitted to it, will issue an order granting the application after the date mentioned above, unless the Commission determines to order a hearing on the matter.

For the Commission, by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.<sup>5</sup>

**Jonathan G. Katz,**

*Secretary.*

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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 35-27648]

### Filings Under the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, as Amended ("Act")

February 7, 2003.

Notice is hereby given that the following filing(s) has/have been made with the Commission pursuant to provisions of the Act and rules promulgated under the Act. All interested persons are referred to the application(s) and/or declaration(s) for complete statements of the proposed transaction(s) summarized below. The application(s) and/or declaration(s) and any amendment(s) is/are available for public inspection through the Commission's Branch of Public Reference.

Interested persons wishing to comment or request a hearing on the application(s) and/or declaration(s) should submit their views in writing by March 4, 2003, to the Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, Washington, DC 20549-0609, and serve a copy on the relevant applicant(s) and/or declarant(s) at the address(es) specified below. Proof of service (by affidavit or, in the case of an attorney at law, by certificate) should be filed with the request. Any request for hearing should identify specifically the issues of facts or law that are disputed. A person who so requests will be notified of any hearing, if ordered, and will receive a copy of any notice or order issued in the matter. After March 4, 2003, the application(s) and/or declaration(s), as filed or as amended, may be granted and/or permitted to become effective.

#### NorthWestern Corporation (70-10053)

NorthWestern Corporation ("NorthWestern" or "Applicant"), 125 South Dakota Avenue, Sioux Falls, South Dakota 57104, a "holding company" and "public-utility company" within the meanings of sections 2(a)(7) and 2(a)(5) of the Act, respectively, has filed an application ("Application") under section 3(a)(3) of the Act.

NorthWestern is engaged in various utility and nonutility operations.<sup>1</sup> The

<sup>1</sup> Applicant states that, through subsidiaries, NorthWestern: locates for utilities underground lines, wires, and pipes; provides unregulated energy related products and services to industrial, institutional, and commercial clients; provides energy management consulting services; sells energy management systems; finances energy management investments; operates energy delivery facilities; provides integrated communication and data solutions to small and medium-sized

<sup>2</sup> 17 CFR 240.12d2-2(d).

<sup>3</sup> 15 U.S.C. 781(b).

<sup>4</sup> 15 U.S.C. 781(g).

<sup>5</sup> 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(1).

<sup>1</sup> 15 U.S.C. 781(d).

NorthWestern Public Service division ("NPS") of NorthWestern holds ownership interests in the following electric utility assets: a 23.4% share of Big Stone Generating Plant, located near Big Stone City, South Dakota; a ten percent share of Coyote I Electric Generating Station, located near Beulah, North Dakota; and an 8.7% share of Neal Electric Generating Unit No. 4, located near Sioux City, Iowa. These facilities are operated by their other co-owners, and their output is dispatched by the MidContinent Area Power Pool. NorthWestern uses this plant to provide retail electric service to 108 communities in South Dakota, with a combined total population of 98,400 people. The company states that it also engages in limited wholesale electricity sales.

The NPS also holds nonexclusive municipal franchises to provide natural gas service in fifty-seven South Dakota and four Nebraska communities. Under these franchises, NorthWestern provides gas distribution services to approximately 81,000 customers.<sup>2</sup>

Applicant states that the South Dakota Public Utility Commission regulates its electric and gas utility operations, and its Nebraska gas distribution activities are regulated by the four Nebraska municipalities in which it operates.

By purchase and sale agreement dated September 29, 2000 ("Agreement"), NorthWestern agreed to acquire ("Acquisition") the gas, electric, and certain nonutility operations of Montana Power Company ("MPC"). Under the Agreement, MPC would transfer certain assets to a new limited liability company subsidiary, Montana Power LLC ("LLC"), and NorthWestern would acquire all of the membership interests of the LLC. The assets that MPC would transfer to the LLC include the following: (1) Milltown Dam, a three megawatt capacity hydroelectric facility; (2) its leasehold interest in Colstrip Unit 4, an electric generating plant located in Montana that is operated by a third-party; (3) certain electric transmission and distribution lines; (4) 2,000 miles of natural gas pipeline; and (5) three underground propane distribution systems that service the town of Townsend, the Big Sky Ski Resort, and the Anaconda Job Corps. MPC used

businesses; provides air conditioning, heating, duct-cleaning, and plumbing services; supplies, markets, and distributes propane, other natural gas liquids, crude oil, and natural gas to other resellers and end-users; markets electricity at market rates; and holds "non-material," passive investments in nonutility businesses related to those described above.

<sup>2</sup> Applicant states that approximately half of these customers are located in South Dakota, and the other half is located in Nebraska.

these assets to provide retail electric service to approximately 288,000 customers located in Montana and Wyoming,<sup>3</sup> retail gas service to approximately 151,000 retail customers in Montana, and propane distribution service to the town of Townsend, the Big Sky Ski Resort, and the Anaconda Job Corps.

On February 14, 2002, NorthWestern filed the Application and, on February 25, 2002, NorthWestern acquired the LLC. By acquiring the LLC, Applicant became a "holding company" within the meaning of the Act. Applicant requests an order from the Commission granting the company an exemption from registration under section 3(a)(3) of the Act.

For the Commission, by the Division of Investment Management, pursuant to delegated authority.

**Margaret H. McFarland,**

*Deputy Secretary.*

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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

### Issuer Delisting; Notice of Application to Withdraw From Listing and Registration on the American Stock Exchange LLC (Star Struck, Ltd., Common Stock, \$1.00 par value) File No. 1-08912

February 10, 2003.

Star Struck, Ltd., a Delaware corporation ("Issuer"), has filed an application with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission"), pursuant to section 12(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act")<sup>1</sup> and Rule 12d2-2(d) thereunder,<sup>2</sup> to withdraw its Common Stock, \$1.00 par value ("Security"), from listing and registration on the American Stock Exchange LLC ("Amex" or "Exchange").

The Issuer stated in its application that it has met the requirements of Amex Rule 18 by complying with all applicable laws in State of Delaware, in which it is incorporated, and with the Amex's rules governing an issuer's voluntary withdrawal of a security from listing and registration.

The Board of Directors ("Board") of the Issuer unanimously approved a resolution on November 1, 2002 to withdraw the Issuer's Security from

<sup>3</sup> Applicant states that the only electric service provided in Wyoming consisted of MPC's service of customers within Yellowstone National Park, which is located in both Montana and Wyoming.

<sup>1</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78l(d).

<sup>2</sup> 17 CFR 240.12d2-2(d).

listing on the Amex. The Board took such action at the advice of counsel since the Issuer had fewer than 500 shareholders of record and total assets not exceeding \$10,000,000 on the last day of each of the three most recent fiscal years and, by delisting its Security from the Amex, the Issuer could eliminate significant anticipated costs, including fees and expenses relating to the Amex's annual listing charges. In addition, the Board has considered the effect on the Issuer and on its shareholders of delisting and has determined that the benefit of delisting substantially outweighs any adverse effect on the Issuer or on its shareholders. The Issuer states that it is currently seeking a market maker for the Security.

The Issuer's application relates solely to the withdrawal of the Security from listing on the Amex and from registration under section 12(b) of the Act<sup>3</sup> shall not affect its obligation to be registered under section 12(g) of the Act.<sup>4</sup>

Any interested person may, on or before March 5, 2003, submit by letter to the Secretary of the Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, NW., Washington, DC 20549-0609, facts bearing upon whether the application has been made in accordance with the rules of the Amex and what terms, if any, should be imposed by the Commission for the protection of investors. The Commission, based on the information submitted to it, will issue an order granting the application after the date mentioned above, unless the Commission determines to order a hearing on the matter.

For the Commission, by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.<sup>5</sup>

**Jonathan G. Katz,**

*Secretary.*

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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. IC-25930; File No. 812-12865]

### TCW Premier Funds, et al.

February 10, 2003.

**AGENCY:** The Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC" or "Commission").

**ACTION:** Notice of Application for an Order of Exemption under Section 6(c) of the Investment Company Act of 1940,

<sup>3</sup> 15 U.S.C. 781(b).

<sup>4</sup> 15 U.S.C. 781(g).

<sup>5</sup> 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(1).