## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA Before the SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

Administrative Proceedings Rulings Release No. 5132 / October 4, 2017

Administrative Proceeding File No. 3-18095

In the Matter of

AV Therapeutics, Inc., Balqon Corporation, Empress Mining Inc. (f/k/a Penola, Inc.), and Passport Potash, Inc.

Order to Show Cause as to Passport Potash, Inc.

The deadline for Respondent Passport Potash, Inc., to file its answer to the order instituting this proceeding (OIP) was October 3, 2017. AV Therapeutics, Inc., Admin. Proc. Rulings Release No. 5105, 2017 SEC LEXIS 3048 (ALJ Sept. 27, 2017). To date, it has not filed an answer or otherwise defended this proceeding.

Accordingly, I ORDER Passport Potash to SHOW CAUSE by October 16, 2017, why the registrations of its securities should not be revoked by default due to its failure to file an answer or otherwise defend this proceeding. If it fails to respond to this order, it shall be deemed in default, the proceeding will be determined against it, and the registration of its securities will be revoked. *See* OIP at 3; 17 C.F.R. §§ 201.155(a)(2), .220(f).

Cameron Elliot Administrative Law Judge