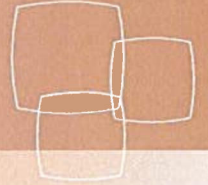




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#### Alberta Man Arrested for Breach of Consent Agreement

The Competition Bureau announced today that Matthew Hovila, of Edmonton, Alberta, Director of Strategic Ecomm Inc. and MSH Investments Inc., was arrested on January 15, 2011, in relation to the operation of an alleged online job opportunities scam at [www.oilcareer.com](http://www.oilcareer.com). The scam involved making representations with respect to finding employment in the oil and gas industry. Mr. Hovila faces criminal charges regarding the making of materially false or misleading representations, the contravention of a registered consent agreement, possession of property obtained by crime, and laundering the proceeds of crime.

Mr. Hovila and his company, Strategic Ecomm Inc., previously signed a consent agreement in 2006 regarding the same Web site and paid a \$100,000 administrative monetary penalty. This Consent Agreement was registered with the Competition Tribunal on February 22, 2006. Consent agreements that are registered with the Competition Tribunal have the same force and effect as a court order.

The Competition Bureau has been investigating this matter as part of its broader monitoring program regarding compliance with court orders, including registered consent agreements.

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