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DIVIDEND NOTICE

MONTREAL, August 26, 2004 - At its meeting held on August 26, 2004, the Board of Directors of the Laurentian Bank of Canada has declared the following dividends:

- a regular quarterly dividend of 29 cents per share on the common shares payable on November 1, 2004 to the holders on record at the close of business on October 1, 2004;
- a dividend of \$0.375 on the preferred shares Series 9, payable on September 15, 2004 to shareholders of record at the close of business on September 9, 2004; and
- a dividend of \$0.328125 on the preferred shares Series 10, payable on September 15, 2004 to shareholders of record at the close of business on September 9, 2004.

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