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Laurentian Bank decreases its prime rate to 5.25%

Montréal, March 4, 2008 – Laurentian Bank of Canada announces that it will decrease its prime lending rate by 50 points from 5.75% to 5.25% effective Wednesday March 5, 2008.

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