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## DIVIDEND NOTICE

**MONTREAL, December 4, 2007** - At its meeting held on December 4, 2007, the Board of Directors of the Laurentian Bank of Canada (the "Bank") has declared a regular quarterly dividend of 32 cents per share on the common shares payable on February 1, 2008 to the holders on record at the close of business on January 2, 2008;

Effective January 1, 2006, the Federal Government implemented a new dividend tax regime for dividends paid by Canadian corporations to their shareholders. Certain provinces have also replicated the federal regulations governing such dividends. In accordance with this new regime, the Bank advises that all dividends declared in 2006 and 2007 were eligible dividends and that all future dividends will be eligible, unless indicated otherwise.

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