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**DIVIDEND NOTICE**

MONTREAL, December 9, 2005 - At its meeting held on December 9, 2005, the Board of Directors of the Laurentian Bank of Canada has declared a regular quarterly dividend of 29 cents per share on the common shares payable on February 1, 2006 to the holders on record at the close of business on January 4, 2006.

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