



LAURENTIAN BANK
OF CANADA

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INVITATION TO THE ANNUAL MEETING OF LAURENTIAN BANK OF CANADA

Montreal, March 15, 2005 – Laurentian Bank will hold its Annual Meeting of Shareholders in Montreal, Quebec, on March 16, 2005. The Annual Meeting will take place at the Windsor Hotel, 1170 Peel Street, at 9:00 a.m.

Journalists are welcome to attend the Annual Meeting as observers. However, as in previous years, **no television, photo or video recording equipment will be allowed, except for a five-minute period prior to the Annual Meeting for the media representatives wishing to take pictures. Camera operators and photographers will be asked to leave once the Annual Meeting proceedings begin.**

Media representatives are invited to a press conference that will follow immediately after the Annual Meeting and will be held at around 11:15 a.m. on March 16, 2005 in the Windsor Hall. Other interested media representatives can access the press conference via telephone at 1-877-783-7566. The press conference will be led by Mr. Raymond McManus, President and Chief Executive Officer of Laurentian Bank of Canada.

**WHAT: Annual Meeting of Shareholders of
Laurentian Bank of Canada**

WHEN: Wednesday, March 16, 2005 at 9:00 a.m.

**WHERE: Windsor Hotel
1170 Peel Street
Montreal, Quebec**

ROOM: Windsor Hall

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