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**LAURENTIAN BANK SIGNS PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT WITH MCAFEE TO  
STRENGTHEN THE SECURITY OF ONLINE BANKING SERVICES**

**Montreal, September 14, 2007** – The Laurentian Bank announced the signing of an agreement with McAfee, a leader in the design and sale of security software, to strengthen the security of its customers' online banking transactions and personal information.

Under this partnership with McAfee, Bank employees and personal banking customers subscribing to the Laurentian Bank's *LBCDirect* online access services will enjoy a 30% rebate on McAfee security products in order to secure, protect and optimize their computers. This offer applies to the online versions of *McAfee Internet Security Suite* and *McAfee Virus Scan Plus*.

Fraudulent e-mails, identity theft and viruses are increasingly present on the Internet. At the same time as the promotion, in order to proactively build customer awareness regarding various security issues, Laurentian Bank is offering some 30 tips developed by McAfee to help customers better protect their identity and facilitate their online banking transactions. These tips, available on the Bank's Web site, cover viruses, as well as spam, spyware, firewalls and cyber gangs.

"When financial operations are involved, especially electronic transactions, your personal information is essential to your security and it is in your interest to protect it," affirms Luc Bernard, Executive Vice-President, Retail and SME Financial Services. "It pays to be vigilant when you use your contact information, a PIN, password or any other security code, and McAfee's tips in this regard will ensure that your transactions are secure."

For more information about this service, available since August 27, 2007, visit the Laurentian Bank Web site at [www.laurentianbank.ca/security](http://www.laurentianbank.ca/security).

**About Laurentian Bank**

Laurentian Bank of Canada is a Quebec banking institution that operates across Canada and is dedicated to meeting its clients' financial needs through excellence in service, as well as through its simplicity and proximity. The Bank serves individual consumers and small and medium-sized businesses, as well as financial advisors through B2B Trust. It also provides full-service brokerage solutions through its Laurentian Bank Securities subsidiary. Laurentian Bank is well established in the Province of Quebec, operating the third largest retail branch network and is also a performing player in specific market segments elsewhere in the country. Laurentian Bank of Canada has over \$18 billion in balance sheet assets and over \$15 billion in assets under administration. Founded in 1846, the Bank employs 3,400 people. Its common shares are listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange (TSX: LB). For more information, please visit [www.laurentianbank.ca](http://www.laurentianbank.ca).

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