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RRSP SEASON: LAURENTIAN BANK EXTENDS ITS BUSINESS HOURS

Montreal, February 20, 2007 – To enable its clients to make their RRSP contributions before the March 1st deadline, Laurentian Bank's branches are extending their business hours.

Since February 14 through Thursday, March 1, 2007, financial advisors at the 158 branches of Laurentian Bank will welcome customers, wishing to contribute to their RRSPs, during the following business hours:

Monday to Friday (from Wednesday February 14 to March 1 st inclusively)	until 8:00 PM
Saturday (February 17 and 24)	9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Moreover, the Bank offers two other alternative ways to contribute to a RRSP: clients can invest online via Internet *BLCDirect* or call at 514 252-1846 (in Montreal) or 1 866 252-1846 (elsewhere), Monday to Friday, from 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM.

About Laurentian Bank

Laurentian Bank of Canada, is a Quebec banking institution operating across Canada dedicated to meeting the financial needs of its clients through the excellence of its service, its simplicity and its proximity. The Bank serves individual consumers, small and medium-sized businesses as well as, through B2B Trust, independent financial advisors. It also provides full-service brokerage solutions through the Laurentian Bank Securities subsidiary. Laurentian Bank is well established in the Province of Quebec, operating the third largest retail branch network and is a performing player in specific market segments elsewhere in the country. Laurentian Bank of Canada has over \$17 billion in balance sheet assets and close to \$15 billion in assets under administration. Founded in 1846, the Bank employs more than 3,200 people. Its common shares are listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange (TSX: LB). For more information, please visit www.laurentianbank.ca.

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