



RRSP SEASON: LAURENTIAN BANK EXTENDS ITS BUSINESS HOURS

Montreal, February 11, 2009 – To enable its clients to make their RRSP contributions before the March 2 deadline, Laurentian Bank's branches are extending their business hours.

From February 12 through March 2, 2009, financial advisors at the 156 branches of Laurentian Bank will welcome customers, wishing to contribute to their RRSP, during the following business hours*:

Monday to Friday (from February 12 to March 2 inclusively)	until 8:00 PM
Saturday (February 14, 21 and 28)	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 1 866 522-6688 Monday to Friday, from 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM.

* For more information about your branch, call 1 866 522-6688.

About Laurentian Bank

Laurentian Bank of Canada is a banking institution operating across Canada and offering its clients diversified financial services. Distinguishing itself through excellence in service, as well as through its accessibility, the Bank serves individual consumers and small and medium-sized businesses. The Bank offers its products to a wide network of independent financial advisors through B2B Trust, as well as full-service brokerage solutions through Laurentian Bank Securities.

With 156 branches and 342 automated banking machines, Laurentian Bank of Canada is well established in the Province of Quebec, operating the third-largest branch network. Elsewhere throughout Canada, it operates in specific market segments where it holds an enviable position. Laurentian Bank of Canada has more than \$19 billion in balance sheet assets. Founded in 1846, the Bank employs nearly 3,400 people.

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