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LAURENTIAN BANK PRESIDENT AND CEO RÉJEAN ROBITAILLE TO PARTICIPATE IN NATIONAL BANK FINANCIAL CANADIAN FINANCIAL SERVICES CONFERENCE

Montreal, March 26, 2009 – Laurentian Bank of Canada is pleased to announce that its President and Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Réjean Robitaille, will be taking part in the annual Canadian Financial Services Conference organized by National Bank Financial. Mr. Robitaille will deliver his presentation at 11:00 a.m. this coming March 31 at Centre Mont Royal, located at 2200 Mansfield Street in Montreal.

During the course of his address, Mr. Robitaille will be reviewing Laurentian Bank's principal strengths and recent results. In addition, he will focus on the Bank's objectives and strategies to meet the challenges of the current economic context.

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 348 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 more than 3,400 people.

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