

Press release FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

DIVIDEND NOTICE

Montreal, September 5, 2008 – At its meeting held on September 5, 2008, the Board of Directors of the Laurentian Bank of Canada (the "Bank") declared a regular quarterly dividend of 34 cents per share on the common shares payable on November 1, 2008 to the holders on record at the close of business on October 1, 2008.

For the year 2008, all dividends declared will be eligible dividends, unless otherwise indicated. The dividend on the common shares declared on September 5, 2008, is an eligible dividend for income tax legislation purposes.

-30-

Information:

Gladys Caron

Vice-President, Public Affairs, Communications and Investor Relations Office: (514) 284-4500, extension 7511

Cellular: (514) 893-3963

gladys.caron@banquelaurentienne.ca