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CARLOS LEITAO, CHIEF ECONOMIST AT LAURENTIAN BANK SECURITIES, TO BE A PANELIST AT THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE OF EASTERN MONTRÉAL'S CONFERENCE

Montréal, January 25, 2011 – Laurentian Bank is pleased to announce that Mr. Carlos Leitao, Chief Economist at Laurentian Bank Securities, will participate in a conference being organized by the Chamber of Commerce of Eastern Montréal. The event will be held tomorrow, January 26, at the Metropolitan Golf Club located at 9555 du Golf Boulevard in Anjou.

Starting at 11:30 a.m., Mr. Leitao will be addressing a group of 250 guests made up primarily of businesspeople from the region. Presented jointly with two other economists from Québec financial institutions, the talk will focus on the economic and financial outlook for 2011.

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 simplicity and proximity, the Bank serves individual consumers and small and medium-sized businesses. The Bank also offers its products to a wide network of independent financial intermediaries through B2B Trust, as well as full-service brokerage solutions through Laurentian Bank Securities.

Laurentian Bank is well established in the Province of Quebec, operating the third-largest retail branch network. Elsewhere throughout Canada, it operates in specific market segments where it holds an enviable position. Laurentian Bank of Canada has more than \$23 billion in balance sheet assets and more than \$15 billion in assets under administration. Founded in 1846, the Bank employs more than 3,600 people.

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