

Press release

LAURENTIAN BANK EXTENDS ITS BUSINESS HOURS FOR THE RRSP PERIOD

Montréal, February 9, 2010 – Laurentian Bank announces that it will be extending its branch business hours from February 11 to March 1 in order to enable its clients to contribute to their RRSPs prior to the March 1 deadline.

The Bank's branch advisors will be pleased to welcome clients for their RRSP contributions during the following hours*:

Monday Through Friday (February 11 to March 1 inclusively)	Until 8:00 p.m.
Saturdays (February 13, 20 and 27)	9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

For clients who prefer, the Bank is offering two other RRSP contribution options:

- contributing online at www.laurentianbank.ca
- contributing by telephone at 1 866 252-REER, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

About Laurentian Bank

Laurentian Bank of Canada is a banking institution operating across Canada and offering its clients diversified financial services. Differentiating 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 \$22 billion in balance sheet assets and more than \$14 billion in assets under administration. Founded in 1846, the Bank employs more than 3,500 people.

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^{*} Schedules may vary by branch. Specific branch business hours may be obtained by calling 1 866 252-REER.