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PUBLICATION OF LAURENTIAN BANK'S RESULTS FOR THE FIRST QUARTER OF FISCAL 2006

Montréal, February 20, 2006 – Laurentian Bank will publish its financial results for the first quarter of fiscal 2006 on Tuesday, February 28, 2006.

Conference call on first quarter results

Laurentian Bank invites media representatives and the public to listen to the conference call with investors and financial analysts to be held Tuesday, February 28, 2006 at 2:00 p.m. Eastern Time. The live, listen only, toll free call-in number is 1 866 898-9626.

You can listen to the call on a delayed basis at any time from 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, February 28, 2006 until midnight, Tuesday March 7, 2006, by dialing the following playback number: 1 800 408-3053 Code 3175155 #.

The conference call can also be heard through the Investor Relations section of the Bank's Web site at www.laurentianbank.ca.

Dissemination of financial results

Information on Laurentian Bank's financial results for the first quarter of fiscal 2006 will be available, in both English and French, in the Investor Relations section of the Bank's website, approximately one hour before the start of the conference call.

About Laurentian Bank

Founded in 1846, Laurentian Bank ranks seventh among Canadian Schedule I banks, with balance sheet assets in excess of \$16 billion and close to \$14 billion in assets under administration. The Bank offers highly competitive products and superior personalized service to meet the banking and financial needs of individuals, small and medium-sized businesses and independent financial advisors. The Bank's common shares (ticker symbol: LB) are traded on the Toronto Stock Exchange. The address of the Bank's Web site is www.laurentianbank.ca.

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