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**A LAURENTIAN BANK MANAGER MAKES THE LIST
OF CANADA'S MOST INFLUENTIAL WOMEN**

Montreal, December 21, 2007 – Laurentian Bank is happy to announce that Ms. Dana Ades-Landy, Senior Vice-President, National Accounts, Commercial Banking was added to the prestigious list of *Canada's Most Powerful Women: Top 100*, an initiative of the *Women's Executive Network (WXN)*. Ms. Ades-Landy's commitment and major responsibilities within the Canadian organization earned her a place in the Professional category classification. She is the first among the Bank's employees to receive this mark of recognition. As one of the 100 most powerful women in Canada, Ms. Ades-Landy was the honoured guest at a ceremony held recently in Toronto.

"On behalf of Laurentian Bank employees and managers, I wish to extend our warmest congratulations to Dana," declared Réjean Robitaille, President and Chief Executive Officer of Laurentian Bank. This award pays tribute to a person whose commitment, dedication and skills exemplify the values put forward by the Bank. Dana is a high-calibre manager whose contribution to our organization is invaluable, and we are proud to see that the community of businesswomen has chosen to recognize her as one of the most influential people in our sector of activity.

Ms. Ades-Landy holds an MBA from Concordia University and joined Laurentian Bank in 2006. She started her career at a banking institution where she worked for ten years in the business services department. She subsequently, joined another bank where, for nearly a decade, she managed a highly specialized department dedicated to business turnaround across the country. She then held the position of Senior Vice-President, Transaction Advisory Services with a large audit and taxation services firm.

About Laurentian Bank

Laurentian Bank of Canada is a banking institution operating across Canada and offering diversified financial services to its clients. 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 close to \$18 billion in balance sheet assets and more than \$15 billion in assets under administration. Founded in 1846, the Bank employs close to 3,300 people.

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