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LAURENTIAN BANK SECURITIES CHIEF ECONOMIST, CARLOS LEITAO, TO SPEAK AT THE CONSEIL ÉCONOMIQUE DE BEAUCE'S BREAKFAST

Montréal, December 8, 2010 – Laurentian Bank is pleased to announce that Mr. Carlos Leitao, Chief Economist with Laurentian Bank Securities, will be guest speaker at a thematic breakfast organized by the Conseil économique de Beauce at Hôtel Le Georgesville located at 300 118th Street in Saint-Georges de Beauce.

Mr. Leitao will be speaking at 7:30 a.m. tomorrow, December 9, in front of a group of 200 guests comprised primarily of local businesspeople. His presentation will be focused on the economic outlook in Québec for 2011, as well as on the situation in specific regions of the province and the various prevailing economic development issues.

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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