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Laurentian Bank decreases its prime rate to 2.50%

Montréal, March 3, 2009 – Laurentian Bank of Canada announces that it will decrease its prime lending rate by 50 points from 3.00% to 2.50% effective Wednesday March 4, 2009.

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