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September 19, 2002

IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR FUTURES TRADERS

**EARLY CLOSING FOR INTEREST RATE FUTURES
ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2002**

Bourse de Montréal Inc. has approved an early closing (1:00 pm Montréal time) on Friday, October 11, 2002 for the Three-Month Canadian Bankers' Acceptance Futures (BAX), the Thirty Day Overnight Repo Rate Futures (ONX) and the Ten and Five-Year Government of Canada Bond Futures (CGB & CGF).

The decision to close early is an exceptional one and has been made in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday in Canada and Columbus Day in the United States, and in order to coordinate the early closing of Canadian cash markets.

For additional information, please contact Richard Bourbonnière, Vice-President, Market Operations, 1-888-693-6366 or (514) 871-3548.

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