



Montréal Exchange – Press Release

NEW EQUITY OPTION CLASSES

MONTREAL, August 2, 2005 – The Montréal Exchange announces the listing of five new equity option classes, at the opening of trading on Tuesday, August 2, 2005.

New equity option classes

**Alimentation Couche Tard Inc.
Ipsco Inc.
Petrokazakhstan Inc.
Rona Inc.
Western Oil Sands Inc.**

Symbols

**ATD
IPS
PKZ
RON
WTO**

The contract specifications for these options are available on the Exchange's web site at www.m-x.ca.

New equity option classes are added periodically to the Montréal Exchange listing based mainly on investors and Approved Participants' interest as well as the companies stocks' liquidity on the market.

About the Montréal Exchange

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