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IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR EQUITY AND INDEX DERIVATIVES TRADERS

MODIFICATION TO THE CLOSING TIME OF THE MARKETS ON DECEMBER 24, 2003 AND DECEMBER 24, 2004

Be advised that the equity option, equity index futures and options markets will close at the regular time of 400 p.m. for equity options and 4:15 p.m. (Montréal time) for index futures and options on Wednesday, December 24, 2003 and Friday, December 24, 2004.

The decision to remain open for a full trading session has been made in order to co-ordinate the trading hours of Bourse de Montréal Inc. with the Toronto Stock Exchange. Wednesday, December 24, 2003 and Friday, December 24, 2004 are the last trading dates with clearing settlements in 2003 and 2004 for the underlying securities.

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