

# Investor Presentation

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# **Forward Looking Statements**

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By their nature, forward-looking statements require us to make assumptions and are subject to inherent risks and uncertainties. There is significant risk that predictions, forecasts, conclusions or projections will not prove to be accurate, that our assumptions may not be correct and that actual results may differ materially from such predictions, forecasts, conclusions or projections. We caustion readers of this document not to place undue reliance on our forward-looking statements as a number of factors could cause actual future results, conditions, actions or events to differ materially from the travers expredictions, estimates or intentions expressed in the forward-looking statements.

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We caution that the foregoing list is not exhaustive of all possible factors. Other factors could adversely affect our results. Der more information, please see the discussion on pages 28 and 29 of BMIO'S 2007 Annual Report, which could inside in detail cartain key factors that may affect BMIO's 2007 Annual Report, which could lines in detail cartain key factors that may affect BMIO's future results. When relying on forward-looking statements to make decisions with respect to 18 of Montreal, investors and others should carefully consider these factors, as well as other uncertainties and potential event, and the inherent uncertainty of forward-looking statement, whether written or oral, that may be made, from the line, by the organization or on its behalf information contained in this document is presented for the purpose of assisting our shareholders in understanding our financial position as at and for the periods ended on the dates presented and unretained incriticing and other took has appropriate for other purposes.

Assumptions about the level of asset sales, expected asset sale prices and risk of default of the underlying assets of the structured investment vehicles were material factors we considered when establishing our expectations regarding the structured investment vehicles discussed in the Q3 Report to Shareholders including the amount to be drawn under the BMO liquidity facilities. Key assumptions included that assets would continue to be sold with a view for educing the size of the structured investment vehicles, under various asset for its escenarios.

Assumptions about the level of defaults and losses on defaults were material factors we considered when establishing our expectation of the future performance of the transactions that Aper Trust has entered into. Key assumptions included that the level of defaults and losses on defaults would be consistent with historical experience. Material factors which were taken into account when establishing our expectations of the future risk of credit losses in Apex Trust as discussed in the Q3 Report to Shareholders included industry diversification in the portfolio, initial credit quality by portfolio and the first-loss protection incorporated into the structure.

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In establishing our expectations regarding the timing of completion of the integration of the Wisconsin acquisitions and associated costs discussed in the Q3 Report to Shareholders, we assumed that the integration would be completed in accordance with the current project plan and in line with current cost estimates.

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In establishing our fourth quarter expectations for specific provisions for credit losses and for gross impaired loans, we assumed that the credit environment would remain consistent with current conditions, and that our credit exposures would perform in a manner consistent with the expectations we have developed through the ongoing assessment of our exposures.

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## **Other Reporting Matters**

#### CAUTION REGARDING NON-GAAP MEASURES

Bank of Montreal uses both GAAP and non-GAAP measures to assess performance. Securities regulators require that companies caution readers that earnings and other measures adjusted to a basis other than GAAP do not have standardized meanings under GAAP and are unlikely to be comparable to similar measures used by other companies.

Reconciliations of GAAP to non-GAAP measures as well as the rationale for their use can be found in Bank of Montreal's Quarterly Report to Shareholders, MD&A and in its Annual Report to Shareholders all of which are available on our website at www.bmo.com/investorrelations.

Non-GAAP results or measures include revenue, taxes and cash operating leverage results and measures that use Taxable Equivalent Basis (teb) amounts, cash-based profitability and cash operating leverage measures, Net Economic Profit and results and measures that exclude items that are not considered reflective of ongoing operations. Results stated on a basis that excludes commodities losses, charges for certain trading and valuation adjustments, changes in the general allowance and restructuring charges are non-GAAP measures. Bank of Montreal also provides supplemental information on combined business segments to facilitate comparisons to peers.

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# Discipline in Credit Risk Management is a Source of Competitive Strength

Specific PCL as a % of Average Net Loans and Acceptances (including Reverse Repos)

	ВМО	Canadian Competitors*
YTD Q3 08	0.46	0.31
F2007	0.15	0.24
16 Year Average	0.33	0.54

\*BMO's Canadian competitors include: BNS, CM, NA, RY, TD Competitor average excludes the impact of TD's sectoral provisions



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### **Economic Outlook**



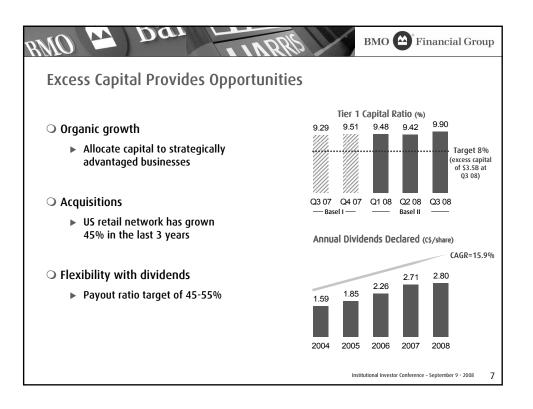
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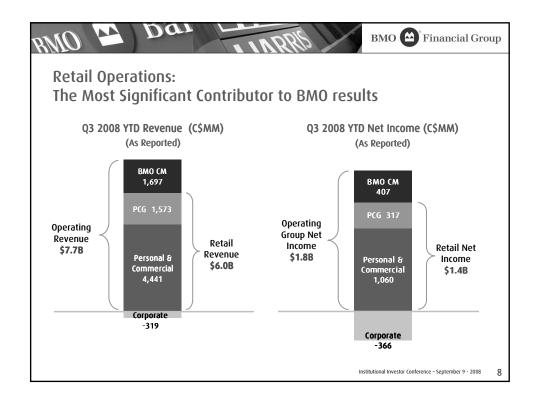
- O Weakness in 2008 due to strong Canadian dollar and slumping U.S. demand. Low interest rates and high commodity prices expected to provide support to domestic demand although expected to moderate.
- O Resource-producing provinces expected to again lead nation's expansion.
- O Housing market expected to cool further due to declining affordability, dampening growth in mortgages.
- Business investment anticipated to moderate amid uncertain economic climate.
- Interest rates expected to likely stay low this year.
- Weaker trade balance expected to weigh on the Canadian dollar.

#### **United States**

- O U.S economy expected to stall in the second half of 2008 as the housing downturn progresses and consumers retrench spending, before recovering modestly in 2009.
- O Residential mortgage growth expected to continue to slow amid tightening credit
- O The Fed is expected to remain on hold for the rest of the year.

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