

Scotia Capital Co-CEO to Address CIBC World Markets Conference

TORONTO, Sept. 16 /CNW/ - Steve McDonald, Group Head, Global Corporate and Investment Banking, and Co-Chief Executive Officer, Scotia Capital, will be participating in a question-and-answer session at the CIBC World Markets 8th Annual Eastern Institutional Investor Conference on Wednesday, September 23, 2009, in Montreal. Mr. McDonald is scheduled to participate from 10:35 a.m. to 11:05 a.m. EDT. Interested parties may listen to Mr. McDonald's presentation live on the Investor Relations Web page at www.scotiabank.com. An archived version of the audio Webcast will be available on the website.

Scotia Capital is the wholesale banking arm of the Scotiabank Group, offering a wide variety of products to corporate, government and institutional clients. Scotia Capital provides full-service coverage across the NAFTA region, and also serves selected niche markets globally through two divisions, Global Capital Markets and Global Corporate and Investment Banking. Scotia Capital has 28 offices and more than 300 relationship managers organized around industry specialties.

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