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**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, DC 20549

**FORM F-10**  
**REGISTRATION STATEMENT**

*UNDER*

*THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933*

**The Toronto-Dominion Bank**

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Canada  
(Province or other jurisdiction of)

6029  
(Primary Standard Industrial

13-5640479  
(I.R.S. Employer

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incorporation or organization)

Classification Code Number)  
Toronto Dominion Bank Tower

Identification No.)

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Toronto, Ontario M5K 1A2, Canada

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(Address and telephone number of Registrant's principal executive offices)

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**Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to the public: From time to time after the effective date of this Registration Statement.**

**Province of Ontario, Canada**

**(Principal jurisdiction regulating this offering)**

It is proposed that this filing shall become effective (check appropriate box below):

- A.  upon filing with the Commission, pursuant to Rule 467(a) (if in connection with an offering being made contemporaneously in the United States and Canada).
- B.  at some future date (check appropriate box below)
  - 1.  pursuant to Rule 467(b) on \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ (designate a time not sooner than seven calendar days after filing).
  - 2.  pursuant to Rule 467(b) on November 19, 2012 at 12:00 p.m. (designate a time seven calendar days or sooner after filing) because the securities regulatory authority in the review jurisdiction has issued a receipt or notification of clearance on November 16, 2012.
  - 3.  pursuant to Rule 467(b) as soon as practicable after notification of the Commission by the Registrant or the Canadian securities regulatory authority of the review jurisdiction that a receipt or notification of clearance has been issued with respect hereto.
  - 4.  after the filing of the next amendment to this Form (if preliminary material is being filed).

If any of the securities being registered on this form are to be offered on a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to the home jurisdiction's shelf prospectus offering procedures, check the following box.

**CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE**

Title of each class of securities to be registered	Amount to be registered <sup>(1)(2)</sup>	Proposed maximum aggregate offering price <sup>(3)</sup>	Amount of registration fee <sup>(4)</sup>
Debt Securities (subordinated indebtedness)			
Common Shares			
Class A First Preferred Shares			
Warrants			
Subscription Receipts			
<b>Total</b>	\$5,000,000,000	\$5,000,000,000	\$682,000

- (1) There is being registered hereunder an indeterminate number of securities of The Toronto-Dominion Bank (the Registrant) as from time to time may be issued at prices determined at the time of issuance. This Registration Statement also covers such indeterminate amount of securities of the Registrant as may be issued upon exercise, conversion or exchange of any securities that provide for such issuance. Separate consideration may not be received for these securities.
- (2) This Registration Statement also covers an undeterminable amount of the registered securities that may be reoffered and resold on an ongoing basis after their initial sale in market-making transactions by affiliates of the Registrant.
- (3)

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Estimated solely for the purpose of determining the registration fee. In no event will the aggregate offering price of all securities issued from time to time pursuant to this Registration Statement exceed U.S.\$5,000,000,000, or the equivalent thereof in one or more foreign currencies.

- (4) Pursuant to Rule 457(p) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the Securities Act ), the Registrant hereby offsets the registration fee required to be paid in connection with this Registration Statement by (i) U.S.\$160,000 previously paid by the Registrant in connection with U.S.\$5,000,000,000 of unissued securities registered by the Registrant under Registration Statement No. 333-170153, initially filed with the Commission on October 26, 2010, and (ii) U.S.\$36,000 previously paid by the Registrant in connection with U.S.\$5,000,000,000 of unissued securities registered by the Registrant under Registration Statement No. 333-153735, initially filed with the Commission on September 30, 2008, such that the net registration fee paid in connection with this Registration Statement is U.S.\$486,000.

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**PART I**

**INFORMATION TO BE DELIVERED TO OFFEREES OR PURCHASERS**

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New Issue

November 16, 2012

**Short Form Base Shelf Prospectus****The Toronto-Dominion Bank***(a Canadian chartered bank)***U.S. \$5,000,000,000****Debt Securities (subordinated indebtedness)****Common Shares****Class A First Preferred Shares****Warrants to Purchase Preferred Shares****Subscription Receipts**

The Toronto-Dominion Bank (the *Bank*) may from time to time offer and issue the following securities: (i) unsecured debt securities (*Debt Securities*); (ii) common shares (*Common Shares*); (iii) Class A First Preferred Shares (*Preferred Shares*); (iv) warrants to purchase Preferred Shares (*Warrants*); and (v) subscription receipts (*Subscription Receipts*) or any combination thereof. The Debt Securities, Common Shares, Preferred Shares, Warrants and Subscription Receipts (collectively, the *Securities*) offered hereby may be offered separately or together, in amounts, at prices and on terms to be set forth in an accompanying shelf prospectus supplement (a *Prospectus Supplement*). All shelf information omitted from this short form base shelf prospectus (the *Prospectus*) will be contained in one or more Prospectus Supplements that will be delivered to purchasers together with this Prospectus. The Bank may sell up to U.S. \$5,000,000,000 in aggregate initial offering price of Securities (or the U.S. dollar equivalent thereof if any of the Securities are denominated in a foreign currency or currency unit) during the 25 month period that this Prospectus, including any amendments thereto, remains valid. All currency amounts in this Prospectus are stated in Canadian dollars, unless otherwise indicated.

The specific terms of the Securities in respect of which this Prospectus is being delivered will be set forth in the applicable Prospectus Supplement and may include, where applicable: (i) in the case of Debt Securities, the specific designation, aggregate principal amount, the currency or the currency unit for which the Debt Securities may be purchased, maturity, interest provisions, authorized denominations, offering price, any terms for redemption at the option of the Bank or the holder, any exchange or conversion terms and any other specific terms; (ii) in the case of Common Shares, the number of shares and offering price; (iii) in the case of Preferred Shares, the designation of the particular series, aggregate gross proceeds, the number of shares offered, the issue price, the dividend rate, the dividend payment dates, any terms for redemption at the option of the Bank or the holder, any exchange or conversion terms and any other specific terms; (iv) in the case of Warrants, the designation, number and terms of the Preferred Shares purchasable upon exercise of the Warrants, any procedures that will result in the adjustment of these numbers, the exercise price, dates and periods of exercise, the currency in which the Warrants are issued and any other specific terms; and (v) in the case of Subscription Receipts, the number of Subscription Receipts being offered, the issue price, the procedures for the exchange of the Subscription Receipts for Debt Securities, Preferred Shares or Common Shares, as the case may be, and any other specific terms.

The outstanding Common Shares are currently listed on the Toronto and New York stock exchanges and the outstanding Preferred Shares Series O, P, Q, R, S, Y, AA, AC, AE, AG, AI and AK are listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange.

This Prospectus does not qualify for issuance Debt Securities in respect of which the payment of principal and/or interest may be determined, in whole or in part, by reference to one or more underlying interests, including, for example, an equity or debt security, a statistical measure of economic or financial performance including, but not limited to, any currency, consumer price or mortgage index, or the price or value of one or more commodities, indices or other items, or

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any other item or formula, or any combination or basket of the foregoing items. For greater certainty, this Prospectus may qualify for issuance Debt Securities in respect of which the payment of principal and/or interest may be determined, in whole or in part, by reference to published rates of a central banking authority or one or more financial institutions, such as a prime rate or a bankers' acceptance rate, or to recognized market benchmark interest rates such as LIBOR.

The Securities may be sold through underwriters or dealers purchasing as principals, through agents designated by the Bank (such underwriters, dealers and agents are collectively referred to in this Prospectus as "Investment Dealers" and individually as an "Investment Dealer") or by the Bank directly pursuant to applicable statutory exemptions, from time to time. See "Plan of Distribution". Each Prospectus Supplement will identify each Investment Dealer engaged in connection with the offering and sale of those Securities to which the Prospectus Supplement relates, and will also set forth the terms of the offering of such Securities including the net proceeds to the Bank and, to the extent applicable, any fees payable to the Investment Dealers. The offerings are subject to approval of certain legal matters on behalf of the Bank by McCarthy Tétrault LLP and/or Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP, as applicable.

Warrants will not be offered for sale to any member of the public in Canada unless the Prospectus Supplement describing the specific terms of the Warrants to be offered is first approved for filing by each of the securities commissions or similar regulatory authorities in Canada where the Warrants will be offered for sale.

**The Debt Securities will be direct unsecured obligations of the Bank constituting subordinated indebtedness for the purposes of the *Bank Act* (Canada) (the "Bank Act") and will not constitute deposits that are insured under the *Canada Deposit Insurance Corporation Act* (Canada) or by the U.S. Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.**

We are permitted, under a multijurisdictional disclosure system adopted by the United States, to prepare this prospectus in accordance with the disclosure requirements of Canada. Prospective investors should be aware that such requirements are different from those of the United States. Financial statements included or incorporated herein have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS"), as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB") or Canadian generally accepted accounting principles, and are subject to Canadian auditing and auditor independence standards, and thus may not be comparable to financial statements of United States companies.

Prospective investors should be aware that the acquisition of the securities described herein may have tax consequences both in the United States and in Canada. Such consequences for investors who are resident in, or citizens of, the United States may not be described fully herein.

The enforcement by investors of civil liabilities under the United States federal securities laws may be affected adversely by the fact that we are organized under the laws of Canada, that most of our officers and directors, and some of the underwriters or experts named in this prospectus, may be residents of Canada and that all or a substantial portion of our assets and the assets of said persons may be located outside the United States.

**THESE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN APPROVED OR DISAPPROVED BY THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION (THE "SEC") OR ANY STATE SECURITIES REGULATOR NOR HAS THE SEC OR ANY STATE SECURITIES REGULATOR PASSED UPON THE ACCURACY OR ADEQUACY OF THIS PROSPECTUS. ANY REPRESENTATION TO THE CONTRARY IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE.**

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<b>FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS</b>	

This Prospectus, including those documents incorporated by reference, may contain forward-looking statements. All such statements are made pursuant to the safe harbour provisions of, and are intended to be forward-looking statements under, applicable Canadian and U.S. securities legislation, including the U.S. Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, statements made in the Bank's 2012 Third Quarter Management's Discussion & Analysis (the **Q3 MD&A**) under the Business Outlook section for each business segment, in the Performance Summary and in other statements regarding the Bank's objectives and priorities for 2012 and beyond and strategies to achieve them, and the Bank's anticipated financial performance. Forward-looking statements are typically identified by words such as will, should, believe, expect, anticipate, intend, estimate, plan, may and could.

By their very nature, these statements require the Bank to make assumptions and are subject to inherent risks and uncertainties, general and specific. Especially in light of the uncertainty related to the financial, economic, political and regulatory environments, such risks and uncertainties many of which are beyond the Bank's control and the effects of which can be difficult to predict may cause actual results to differ materially from the expectations expressed in the forward-looking statements. Risk factors that could cause such differences include: credit, market (including equity, commodity, foreign exchange, and interest rate), liquidity, operational (including technology), reputational, insurance, strategic, regulatory, legal, environmental, and other risks, all of which are discussed in the Management's Discussion & Analysis in the Bank's 2011 annual report (the **Annual MD&A**). Additional risk factors include the impact of recent U.S. legislative developments, as discussed under Significant Events in 2011 in the Financial Results Overview section of the Annual MD&A, as updated in the Q3 MD&A; changes to and new interpretations of capital and liquidity guidelines and reporting instructions; increased funding costs for credit due to market illiquidity and competition for funding; the failure of third parties to comply with their obligations to the Bank or its affiliates relating to the care and control of information; and the overall difficult litigation environment, including in the United States. The preceding list is not exhaustive of all possible risk factors and other factors could also adversely affect the Bank's results. For more

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detailed information, see the Risk Factors and Management section of the Annual MD&A. All such factors should be considered carefully, as well as other uncertainties and potential events, and the inherent uncertainty of forward-looking statements, when making decisions with respect to the Bank undue reliance should not be placed on the Bank's forward-looking statements. Material economic assumptions underlying the forward-looking statements contained in this document are set out in the Annual MD&A under the headings Economic Summary and Outlook, as updated in the Q3 MD&A; for each business segment, Business Outlook and Focus for 2012, as updated in the Q3 MD&A under the headings Business Outlook; and for the corporate segment under the heading Outlook as further updated in subsequently filed quarterly reports to shareholders.

Any forward-looking statements contained in this Prospectus represent the views of management only as of the date of this Prospectus and are presented for the purpose of assisting the Bank's security holders in understanding the Bank's financial position, objectives and priorities and anticipated financial performance as at and for the periods ended on the dates presented, and may not be appropriate for other purposes. The Bank does not undertake to update any forward-looking statements, whether written or oral, that may be made from time to time by or on its behalf, except as required under applicable securities legislation. See Risk Factors.

### **DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE**

The following documents with respect to the Bank, filed with the various securities commissions or similar authorities in each of the provinces and territories of Canada, are specifically incorporated by reference in and form an integral part of this Prospectus:

- (a) the Management Proxy Circular dated as of January 26, 2012;
- (b) the Annual Information Form dated November 30, 2011;
- (c) the consolidated audited financial statements for the fiscal year ended October 31, 2011 with comparative consolidated financial statements for the fiscal year ended October 31, 2010, together with the auditors' report thereon and the Annual MD&A as contained in the Bank's Annual Report to Shareholders for the year ended October 31, 2011; and
- (d) the Bank's Third Quarter Report to Shareholders for the three and nine months ended July 31, 2012, which includes comparative consolidated interim financial statements (unaudited) and the Q3 MD&A.

Any documents of the type referred to above, and any material change reports (excluding confidential material change reports) or business acquisition reports, all as filed by the Bank with the various securities commissions or similar authorities in Canada pursuant to the requirements of applicable securities legislation after the date of this Prospectus and prior to the termination of the offering of Securities under any Prospectus Supplement, shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference into this Prospectus. In addition, any similar documents filed on Form 6-K or Form 40-F by the Bank with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC), after the date of this Prospectus and prior to the termination of the offering of Securities under any Prospectus Supplement, shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference into this Prospectus, if and to the extent expressly provided in such reports on Form 6-K or Form 40-F.

Updated earnings coverage ratios, as required, will be filed quarterly with the applicable securities commissions or similar authorities in Canada, either as Prospectus Supplements or as exhibits to the Bank's unaudited interim and audited annual financial statements, and will be deemed to be incorporated by reference into this Prospectus. Where the Bank updates its disclosure of earnings coverage ratios by Prospectus Supplement, the Prospectus Supplement filed with the applicable securities commissions or similar authorities that contains the most recent updated disclosure of earnings coverage ratios will be delivered to all subsequent purchasers of Securities together with this Prospectus.

Any statement contained in this Prospectus or in a document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for the purposes of this Prospectus to the extent that a statement contained herein or in any other subsequently filed document which also is or is deemed to be incorporated by reference herein modifies or supersedes such statement. The modifying or superseding statement need not state that it has



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modified or superseded a prior statement or include any other information set forth in the document that it modifies or supersedes. The making of a modifying or superseding statement is not to be deemed an admission for any purposes that the modified or superseded statement, when made, constituted a misrepresentation, an untrue statement of a material fact or an omission to state a material fact that is required to be stated or that is necessary to make a statement not misleading in light of the circumstances in which it was made. Any statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this Prospectus. Copies of the documents incorporated by reference herein may be obtained on request without charge from the Corporate Secretary, The Toronto-Dominion Bank, Toronto-Dominion Centre, Toronto, Ontario, M5K 1A2 (telephone: (416) 308-6963), or electronically at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com).

A Prospectus Supplement containing the specific terms of an offering of Securities will be delivered to purchasers of such Securities together with this Prospectus and will be deemed to be incorporated into this Prospectus as of the date of the Prospectus Supplement solely for the purposes of the offering of the Securities covered by that Prospectus Supplement unless otherwise expressly provided therein.

Upon a new Management Proxy Circular, Annual Information Form or new annual financial statements, together with the auditors' report thereon and management's discussion and analysis contained therein, being filed by the Bank with the applicable securities regulatory authorities during the currency of this Prospectus, the previous Annual Information Form, Management Proxy Circular, or annual financial statements and all interim financial statements, material change reports, and information circulars filed prior to the commencement of the Bank's financial year in which the new Management Proxy Circular, Annual Information Form or annual financial statements are filed shall be deemed no longer to be incorporated into this Prospectus for purposes of future offers and sales of Securities hereunder.

**AVAILABLE INFORMATION FOR U.S. PURCHASERS**

In addition to the continuous disclosure obligations under the securities laws of the provinces and territories of Canada, the Bank is subject to the informational reporting requirements of the U.S. *Securities Exchange Act of 1934*, as amended, and in accordance therewith files reports and other information with the SEC. Such reports and other information filed by the Bank may be inspected and copied at the public reference facilities maintained by the SEC at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549. Prospective investors may call the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 for further information regarding the public reference facilities. The SEC also maintains a website, at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov), that contains reports and other information filed by the Bank with the SEC. The Bank's Common Shares are listed on the New York Stock Exchange and reports and other information concerning the Bank may be inspected at the offices of the New York Stock Exchange, 20 Broad Street, New York, NY 10005.

The Bank is filing with the SEC a registration statement on Form F-10 under the U.S. *Securities Act of 1933*, as amended, with respect to the Securities. This Prospectus does not contain all of the information set forth in the registration statement, certain parts of which are omitted in accordance with the rules and regulations of the SEC. For further information with respect to the Bank and the Securities, reference is made to the registration statement and the exhibits thereto, which will be publicly available as described in the preceding paragraph.

**THE TORONTO-DOMINION BANK**

**General**

The Bank is a Canadian chartered bank subject to the provisions of the *Bank Act (Canada)* and was formed on February 1, 1955 through the amalgamation of The Bank of Toronto (established in 1855) and The Dominion Bank (established in 1869). The Bank and its subsidiaries are collectively known as TD Bank Group (TD). TD is the sixth largest bank in North America by branches and serves approximately 22 million customers in four key businesses operating in a number of locations in key financial centres around the globe: Canadian Personal and Commercial Banking, including TD Canada Trust and TD Auto Finance Canada; Wealth and Insurance, including TD Waterhouse, an investment in TD Ameritrade, and TD Insurance; U.S. Personal and Commercial Banking, including TD Bank, America's Most Convenient Bank, and TD Auto Finance U.S.; and Wholesale Banking, including TD Securities. TD also ranks among the world's leading online financial services firms, with approximately 8 million online customers. TD had \$806 billion in assets on July 31, 2012. The Bank trades under the symbol TD on the Toronto and New York Stock Exchanges.

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The Bank's head office and registered office are located in the Toronto Dominion Bank Tower, Toronto-Dominion Centre, Toronto, Ontario, M5K 1A2.

Additional information regarding the Bank is incorporated by reference into this Prospectus. See Documents Incorporated by Reference .

### **RECENT DEVELOPMENTS**

On October 23, 2012, the Bank announced an agreement with Target Corporation ( Target ) under which the Bank will acquire Target's existing U.S. Visa and private label card portfolio, with a current gross outstanding balance of US\$5.9 billion. In addition, the two companies have entered into a seven-year program agreement under which the Bank will become the exclusive issuer of Target-branded Visa and private label consumer credit cards to Target's U.S. customers.

Subject to the receipt of regulatory approvals and satisfaction of other customary closing conditions, this transaction is expected to close in the first half of calendar 2013.

### **CHANGES TO CAPITAL OF THE BANK**

On November 1, 2012, the Bank redeemed all of its outstanding \$2.5 billion 5.382% subordinated debentures due November 1, 2017, at a redemption price of 100 per cent of the principal amount.

### **DESCRIPTION OF THE DEBT SECURITIES**

The following is a summary of the material attributes and characteristics of the subordinated indebtedness of the Bank evidenced by the Debt Securities, which does not purport to be complete. Reference is made to the Trust Indenture referred to below for the full text of such attributes and characteristics. A copy of the Trust Indenture may be obtained on request from the Corporate Secretary, The Toronto-Dominion Bank, Toronto-Dominion Centre, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, M5K 1A2 (telephone: (416) 308-6963) and is also available electronically at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com).

#### **General**

The Debt Securities will be issued as one or more series of debentures pursuant to the provisions of a trust indenture dated as of November 1, 2005 between the Bank and Computershare Trust Company of Canada as trustee (the Trustee ), as supplemented from time to time (including by supplemental indentures to be entered into with respect to each offering of Debt Securities) (collectively, the Trust Indenture ). The aggregate principal amount of debentures (including the Debt Securities) that may be issued under the Trust Indenture is unlimited. In addition, the Bank may offer Debt Securities by way of another trust indenture, the terms of which would be described in the Prospectus Supplement relating to such offering of Debt Securities.

#### **Status and Subordination**

The Debt Securities will be direct unsecured obligations of the Bank, constituting subordinated indebtedness for the purposes of the Bank Act, ranking at least equally with other subordinated indebtedness of the Bank from time to time issued and outstanding. In the event of the insolvency or winding-up of the Bank, the indebtedness evidenced by debentures issued by the Bank, including the Debt Securities, will be subordinate in right of payment to the prior payment in full of the deposit liabilities of the Bank and all other liabilities of the Bank except liabilities which by their terms rank in right of payment equally with or subordinate to indebtedness evidenced by such debentures.

**The Debt Securities will not constitute deposits that are insured under the *Canada Deposit Insurance Corporation Act (Canada)* or by the U.S. Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.**

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### **Specific Variable Terms**

The specific variable terms of any offering of Debt Securities (including, where applicable and without limitation, the aggregate principal amount of the Debt Securities being offered, the currency or currency unit, the issue and delivery date, the maturity date, the issue price, the interest rate (either fixed or floating and, if floating, the manner of calculation thereof), the interest payment date(s), any redemption, conversion, exchange, sinking fund or repurchase provisions, the name of any Investment Dealer involved in the distribution of the Debt Securities, the compensation payable to any Investment Dealer, the method of distribution, the form (either global book-entry form, certificated form or uncertificated form) and the proceeds to the Bank) will be set forth in the Prospectus Supplement that will accompany this Prospectus. The Bank reserves the right to set forth in a Prospectus Supplement specific variable terms of any offering of Debt Securities which are not within the options and parameters set forth in this Prospectus.

### **Covenant**

The Trust Indenture provides that the Bank will not create, issue or incur any indebtedness subordinate in right of payment to the deposit liabilities of the Bank which, in the event of the insolvency or winding-up of the Bank, would rank prior in right of payment to the Debt Securities.

### **Events of Default**

The Trust Indenture provides that an event of default in respect of the Debt Securities will occur only if the Bank becomes insolvent or bankrupt or resolves to wind-up or liquidate or is ordered wound-up or liquidated. If an event of default has occurred and is continuing, the Trustee may, in its discretion and shall upon the request of holders of not less than one-quarter of the principal amount of a series of Debt Securities then outstanding under the Trust Indenture, declare the principal of and interest on all outstanding Debt Securities of such series to be immediately due and payable. There will be no right of acceleration in the case of a default in the payment of interest or a default in the performance of any other covenant of the Bank in the Trust Indenture, although a legal action could be brought to enforce such covenant.

### **Form**

Unless otherwise specified in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, each offering of Debt Securities will be issued in book-entry only form. See Book-Entry Only Securities .

### **Modification**

The Trust Indenture and the rights of the holders of debentures issued pursuant to the Trust Indenture, including the Debt Securities, may in certain circumstances be modified, if authorized by extraordinary resolution. For that purpose, among others, the Trust Indenture contains provisions making extraordinary resolutions binding upon all holders of debentures. Extraordinary resolution is defined, in effect, as a resolution passed at a meeting of holders of the debentures by the favourable votes of the holders of not less than 66-2/3% of the principal amount of debentures voted on the resolution at such meeting at which a quorum, as specified in the Trust Indenture, is present, or as a resolution contained in one or more instruments in writing signed by the holders of not less than 66-2/3% of the principal amount of the then outstanding debentures. Provision is made in the Trust Indenture for additional approval by the same percentage of the holders of a series of debentures if the rights of the holders of such series are affected in a manner or to an extent substantially different from those of other series. The Bank may also offer Debt Securities by way of another trust indenture, the terms of which would be described in the Prospectus Supplement relating to such offering of Debt Securities.

### **Holders Rights**

Rights of a holder of a Debt Security represented by a global certificate or an uncertificated Security in book-entry form, including voting rights, must be exercised through a CDS Participant or DTC Participant (each as defined below) in accordance with the rules and procedures of CDS or DTC (each as defined below), as applicable. See Book-Entry Only Securities .

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### **Additional Subordinated Indebtedness**

The Trust Indenture does not contain any restriction on the aggregate amount of subordinated indebtedness which may be issued thereunder.

### **Governing Law**

The Trust Indenture and the Debt Securities shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the Province of Ontario and the laws of Canada applicable therein. The Bank may also offer Debt Securities by way of another trust indenture, the terms of which would be described in the Prospectus Supplement relating to such offering of Debt Securities.

## **DESCRIPTION OF COMMON SHARES**

The authorized common share capital of the Bank consists of an unlimited number of Common Shares without nominal or par value, of which 911,669,643 were outstanding as at July 31, 2012. The holders of Common Shares are entitled to vote at all meetings of the shareholders of the Bank except meetings at which only holders of a specified class or series of shares are entitled to vote. The holders of Common Shares are entitled to receive dividends as and when declared by the Board of Directors of the Bank, subject to the preference of the holders of the preferred shares (including the Preferred Shares) of the Bank. After payment to the holders of the preferred shares of the Bank of the amount or amounts to which they may be entitled, and after payment of all outstanding debts, the holders of Common Shares shall be entitled to receive the remaining property of the Bank upon the liquidation, dissolution or winding-up thereof.

## **DESCRIPTION OF PREFERRED SHARES**

The following describes certain general terms and provisions of the Preferred Shares. The particular terms and provisions of a series of Preferred Shares offered by a Prospectus Supplement, and the extent to which the general terms and provisions described below may apply thereto, will be described in such Prospectus Supplement.

### **Issuable in Series**

The Preferred Shares may be issued from time to time, in one or more series, with such rights, privileges, restrictions and conditions as the Board of Directors of the Bank may determine. Currently, there are 17,000,000 Preferred Shares, Series O, 10,000,000 Preferred Shares, Series P, 8,000,000 Preferred Shares, Series Q, 10,000,000 Preferred Shares, Series R, 10,000,000 Preferred Shares, Series S, 10,000,000 Preferred Shares, Series Y, 10,000,000 Preferred Shares, Series AA, 8,800,000 Preferred Shares, Series AC, 12,000,000 Preferred Shares, Series AE, 15,000,000 Preferred Shares, Series AG, 11,000,000 Preferred Shares, Series AI and 14,000,000 Preferred Shares, Series AK outstanding.

### **Priority**

The Preferred Shares rank prior to the Common Shares and to any other shares of the Bank ranking junior to the Preferred Shares with respect to the payment of dividends and the distribution of assets in the event of the liquidation, dissolution or winding-up of the Bank. Each series of Preferred Shares ranks on a parity with every other series of Preferred Shares.

### **Restriction**

Pursuant to the Bank Act, the Bank may not, without the approval of the holders of the Preferred Shares, create any class of shares ranking prior to or on a parity with the Preferred Shares.

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### **Amendment of Class Provisions**

Approval of amendments to the provisions of the Preferred Shares as a class may be given in writing by the holders of all the outstanding Preferred Shares or by a resolution carried by an affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of the votes cast at a meeting at which the holders of a majority of the then outstanding Preferred Shares are present or represented by proxy or, if no quorum is present at such meeting, at an adjourned meeting at which the shareholders then present or represented by proxy may transact the business for which the meeting was originally called.

### **Priority on Liquidation, Dissolution or Winding-up**

In the event of the liquidation, dissolution or winding-up of the Bank, before any amounts shall be paid to or any assets distributed among the holders of the Common Shares or shares of any other class of the Bank ranking junior to the Preferred Shares, the holder of a Preferred Share of a series shall be entitled to receive to the extent provided for with respect to such Preferred Shares by the conditions attaching to such series: (i) an amount equal to the amount paid up thereon; (ii) such premium, if any, as has been provided for with respect to the Preferred Shares of such series; and (iii) all unpaid cumulative dividends, if any, on such Preferred Shares and, in the case of non-cumulative Preferred Shares, all declared and unpaid non-cumulative dividends. After payment to the holders of the Preferred Shares of the amounts so payable to them, they shall not be entitled to share in any further distribution of the property or assets of the Bank. Each series of Preferred Shares ranks on a parity with every other series of Preferred Shares.

### **Voting Rights**

There are no voting rights attaching to the Preferred Shares except to the extent provided in any series or by the Bank Act.

### **Creation and Issue of Additional Shares**

The Bank may not, without the prior approval of the holders of the Preferred Shares, create or issue (i) any shares ranking in priority to or on a parity with the Preferred Shares; or (ii) any additional series of Preferred Shares unless at the date of such creation or issuance all cumulative dividends and any declared and unpaid non-cumulative dividends shall have been paid or set apart for payment in respect of each series of Preferred Shares then issued and outstanding.

## **DESCRIPTION OF WARRANTS**

The following describes certain general terms and provisions that will apply to the Warrants. The particular terms and provisions of Warrants offered by a Prospectus Supplement, and the extent to which the general terms and provisions described below apply to such Warrants, will be described in such Prospectus Supplement.

Warrants may be offered separately or together with Preferred Shares. Each series of Warrants will be issued under a separate indenture (each, a Warrant Indenture ) in each case between the Bank and a trustee determined by the Bank. The statements below relating to any Warrant Indenture and the Warrants to be issued thereunder are summaries of certain anticipated provisions thereof, are not complete and are subject to, and qualified by reference to all provisions of the applicable Warrant Indenture. The applicable Prospectus Supplement will include details of the Warrant Indenture with respect to the Warrants being offered. Reference is made to the applicable Prospectus Supplement which will accompany this Prospectus for the terms and other information with respect to the offering of Warrants being offered thereby.

### **Preferred Share Warrants**

The particular terms and provisions of each issue of Warrants providing for the issuance of Preferred Shares on exercise of Warrants will be described in the related Prospectus Supplement and may include the designation, number and terms of the Preferred Shares purchasable upon exercise of the Warrants, any procedures that will result in the adjustment of these numbers, the exercise price, dates and periods of exercise, the currency in which the Warrants are issued and any other specific terms of the Warrants.

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**DESCRIPTION OF SUBSCRIPTION RECEIPTS**

The following describes certain general terms and provisions that will apply to the Subscription Receipts. The particular terms and provisions of Subscription Receipts offered by a Prospectus Supplement, and the extent to which the general terms and provisions described below apply to such Subscription Receipts, will be described in such Prospectus Supplement.

Subscription Receipts may be offered separately or together with Debt Securities, Preferred Shares or Common Shares, as the case may be, and may be exchanged by the holders thereof for Debt Securities, Preferred Shares or Common Shares upon the satisfaction of certain conditions. Subscription Receipts will be issued under a subscription receipt agreement between the Bank and an escrow agent. The statements below relating to any subscription receipt agreement and the Subscription Receipts to be issued thereunder are summaries of certain anticipated provisions thereof, are not complete and are subject to, and qualified by reference to all provisions of the applicable Subscription Receipts. The applicable Prospectus Supplement will include details of the subscription receipt agreement with respect to the Subscription Receipts being offered. Reference is made to the applicable Prospectus Supplement which will accompany this Prospectus for the terms and other information with respect to the offering of Subscription Receipts being offered thereby.

**Subscription Receipts**

The particular terms and provisions of each issue of Subscription Receipts providing for the issuance of Debt Securities, Preferred Shares or Common Shares on the exchange of Subscription Receipts will be described in the related Prospectus Supplement and may include the number of Subscription Receipts and the price at which they will be issued and whether the price is payable in instalments, any conditions to the exchange of Subscription Receipts into Debt Securities, Preferred Shares or Common Shares, as the case may be, and the consequences of such conditions not being satisfied, the procedures for the exchange of the Subscription Receipts into Debt Securities, Preferred Shares or Common Shares, as the case may be, the number of Debt Securities, Preferred Shares or Common Shares, as the case may be, that may be exchanged upon exercise of each Subscription Receipt, the dates or periods during which the Subscription Receipts may be exchanged into Debt Securities, Preferred Shares or Common Shares, as the case may be, whether such Subscription Receipts will be listed on any securities exchange, and any other rights, privileges, restrictions and conditions attaching to the Subscription Receipts.

Prior to the exchange of their Subscription Receipts, holders of Subscription Receipts will not have any of the rights of holders of the securities subject to the Subscription Receipts.

**BOOK-ENTRY ONLY SECURITIES**

**CDS Clearing and Depository Services Inc.**

Securities issued in book-entry only form must be purchased, transferred or redeemed through participants ( CDS Participants ) in the depository service of CDS Clearing and Depository Services Inc. or a successor or its nominee (collectively, CDS ), except that Securities issued in the United States generally must be purchased, transferred or redeemed through participants ( DTC Participants ) in the depository service of The Depository Trust Company or a successor or its nominee (collectively, DTC ), as described below. Each of the Investment Dealers named in an accompanying Prospectus Supplement offering securities in book-entry only form will be a CDS Participant. On the closing of a book-entry only offering, the Bank will cause a global certificate or certificates representing the aggregate number of Securities subscribed for under such offering to be delivered to, and registered in the name of, CDS or will cause the Securities to be issued or authenticated in uncertificated format, as applicable. Except as described below, no purchaser of Securities will be entitled to a certificate or other instrument from the Bank or CDS evidencing that purchaser's ownership thereof, and no purchaser will be shown on the records maintained by CDS except through a book-entry account of a CDS Participant acting on behalf of such purchaser. Each purchaser of Securities will receive a customer confirmation of purchase from the Investment Dealer from which the Securities are purchased in accordance with the practices and procedures of that Investment Dealer. The practices of Investment Dealers may vary, but generally customer confirmations are issued promptly after execution of a customer order. Reference in this Prospectus to a holder of Securities means, unless the context otherwise requires, the owner of the beneficial interest in the Securities.

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CDS will be responsible for establishing and maintaining book-entry accounts for CDS Participants having interests in the Securities. If (i) the book-entry only system ceases to exist, (ii) the Bank determines that CDS is no longer willing or able to discharge properly its responsibilities as depository with respect to the Securities and the Bank is unable to locate a qualified successor, or (iii) the Bank at its option elects, or is required by applicable law or the rules of any securities exchange, to withdraw the Securities from the book-entry only system, then physical certificates representing the Securities will be issued to holders thereof or their nominees.

### ***Transfer, Conversion and Redemption of Securities***

Transfers of ownership, conversions or redemptions of Securities will be effected only through records maintained by CDS for such Securities with respect to interests of CDS Participants and on the records of CDS Participants with respect to interests of persons other than CDS Participants. Holders of Securities who are not CDS Participants, but who desire to purchase, sell or otherwise transfer ownership of or other interests in the Securities, may do so only through CDS Participants. The ability of a holder to pledge Securities or otherwise take action with respect to such holder's interest in Securities (other than through a CDS Participant) may be limited due to the lack of a physical certificate.

### ***Payments and Deliveries***

The Bank will make, or cause to be made, payments of principal, redemption price, if any, dividends and interest, as applicable, on Securities to CDS as the registered holder of the Securities and the Bank understands that the payment will be forwarded by CDS to CDS Participants in accordance with the customary practices and procedures of CDS. As long as CDS is the registered owner of the Securities, CDS will be considered the sole owner of the Securities for the purposes of receiving notices or payments on the Securities. As long as the Securities are held in the CDS book-entry only system, the responsibility and liability of the Bank in respect of the Securities is limited to making payments of principal, redemption price, if any, dividends and interest, as applicable, on the Securities to CDS, as registered holder of the Securities. The Bank expects that CDS, upon receipt of any payment in respect of Securities, will credit CDS Participants' accounts in amounts proportionate to their respective interests in the principal amount of such Securities as shown on the records of CDS in accordance with the customary practices and procedures of CDS. The Bank also expects that payments by CDS Participants to the owners of beneficial interests in Securities held through such CDS Participants will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, and will be the responsibility of such CDS Participants. The rules governing CDS provide that it acts as the agent and depository for the CDS Participants. As a result, CDS Participants must look solely to CDS, and persons other than CDS Participants having an interest in Securities must look solely to CDS Participants, for payments or deliveries made by or on behalf of the Bank to CDS in respect of such Securities.

Each beneficial owner must rely on the procedures of CDS and, if such beneficial owner is not a CDS Participant, on the procedures of the CDS Participant through which such beneficial owner owns its interest, to exercise any rights with respect to the Securities. The Bank understands that under existing policies of CDS and industry practices, if the Bank requests any action of a beneficial owner or if a beneficial owner desires to give any notice or take any action which a registered holder is entitled to give or take with respect to the Securities, CDS would authorize the CDS Participant acting on behalf of the beneficial owner to give such notice or to take such action, in accordance with the procedures established by CDS or agreed to from time to time by the Bank, any Trustee and CDS. Any beneficial owner that is not a CDS Participant must rely on the contractual arrangement it has directly, or indirectly through its financial intermediary, with its CDS Participant to give such notice or take such action.

None of the Bank, the Investment Dealers, the Trustee or any other trustee (in the case of Debt Securities) will assume liability or responsibility for (i) any aspect of the records relating to the beneficial ownership of the Securities held by CDS or the payments or deliveries relating thereto, (ii) maintaining, supervising or reviewing any records relating to the Securities, or (iii) any advice or representation made by or with respect to CDS relating to the rules governing CDS or any action to be taken by CDS or at the direction of CDS Participants.

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**The Depository Trust Company**

On the closing of a book-entry only offering made in the United States, the Bank will cause a global certificate or certificates representing the aggregate number of Securities subscribed for under such offering to be delivered to, and registered in the name of, DTC or will cause the Securities to be issued or authenticated in uncertificated format, as applicable. Purchasers of such Securities may only hold interests in the global certificates or uncertificated Securities through DTC if they are DTC Participants. Purchasers may also hold interests through a securities intermediary banks, brokerage houses and other institutions that maintain securities accounts for customers that has an account with DTC. DTC will maintain accounts showing the Security holdings of its DTC Participants, and these DTC Participants will in turn maintain accounts showing the Security holdings of their customers. Some of these customers may themselves be intermediaries holding Securities for their customers. Thus, each beneficial owner of a book-entry Security will hold that Security indirectly through a hierarchy of intermediaries, with DTC at the top and the beneficial owner's own securities intermediary at the bottom.

The Securities of each beneficial owner of a book-entry Security will be evidenced solely by entries on the books of the beneficial owner's securities intermediary. The actual purchaser of the Securities will generally not be entitled to have the Securities represented by the global certificate or uncertificated Securities registered in its name and will not be considered the record holder. In most cases, a beneficial owner will also not be able to obtain a paper certificate evidencing the holder's ownership of Securities. Accordingly, you must rely on the procedures of DTC and the DTC participant through which you own your interest to exercise any rights of a holder under the global Security. The book-entry system for holding securities eliminates the need for physical movement of certificates and is the system through which most publicly-traded securities are held in the United States. However, the laws of some jurisdictions require some purchasers of securities to take physical delivery of their securities in definitive form. These laws may impair the ability to transfer book-entry interests in the Securities.

The Bank will make payments on Securities represented by a global certificate or uncertificated Security to DTC as the registered owner and holder of the global certificate or uncertificated Security representing those Securities. DTC has advised the Bank that upon receipt of any payment on a global certificate or uncertificated Security, DTC will immediately credit accounts of DTC participants with payments in amounts proportionate to their respective beneficial interests in that Security, as shown in the records of DTC. Standing instructions and customary practices will govern payments by DTC participants to owners of beneficial interests in a global certificate or uncertificated Security held through those DTC participants, as is now the case with Securities held for the accounts of customers in bearer form or registered in street name. Those payments will be the sole responsibility of those DTC participants, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements in effect from time to time.

None of the Bank, the trustees or any respective agents will have any responsibility or liability for any aspect of the records of DTC or any DTC participant relating to, or payments made on account of, beneficial interests in a global certificate or uncertificated Security or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing any of the records of DTC or any DTC participant relating to those beneficial interests.

A beneficial owner of book-entry Securities represented by a global certificate or uncertificated Security held by DTC will have its Securities exchanged for definitive Securities only if: (i) the book-entry only system ceases to exist in the United States, (ii) the Bank determines that DTC is no longer willing or able to discharge properly its responsibilities as depository with respect to the Securities and the Bank is unable to locate a qualified successor in the United States, or (iii) the Bank at its option elects, or is required by applicable law or the rules of the SEC, to withdraw the Securities from the book-entry only system in the United States.

Unless otherwise specified in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, any global certificate or uncertificated Security that is exchangeable as described in the preceding paragraph will be exchangeable in whole for definitive Securities in registered form, with the same terms and of an equal aggregate principal amount. Definitive Securities will be registered in the name or names of the person or persons specified by DTC in a written instruction to the registrar of the Securities. DTC may base its written instruction upon directions it receives from DTC Participants.

In this Prospectus, for book-entry Securities held through DTC, references to actions taken by Security holders will mean actions taken by DTC upon instructions from DTC Participants, and references to payments and notices of redemption to Security holders will mean payments and notices of redemption to DTC as the registered holder of the Securities for distribution to DTC Participants in accordance with DTC's procedures.

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DTC is a limited purpose trust company organized under the laws of the State of New York, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a clearing corporation within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code and a clearing agency registered under section 17A of the U.S. Securities Exchange Act of 1934. The rules applicable to DTC and the DTC Participants are on file with the SEC.

The Bank will not have any responsibility or liability for any aspect of the records relating to, or payments made on account of, beneficial ownership interests in the book-entry Securities held through DTC or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing any records relating to the beneficial ownership interests held through DTC.

### **BANK ACT RESTRICTIONS AND RESTRICTIONS ON PAYMENT OF DIVIDENDS**

The Bank Act contains restrictions on the issue, transfer, acquisition, beneficial ownership and voting of all shares of a chartered bank. For example, no person shall be a major shareholder of a bank if the bank has equity of \$8 billion or more (which would include the Bank). A person is a major shareholder of a bank where: (i) the aggregate of shares of any class of voting shares beneficially owned by that person, by entities controlled by that person and by any person associated or acting jointly or in concert with that person is more than 20% of that class of voting shares; or (ii) the aggregate of shares of any class of non-voting shares beneficially owned by that person, by entities controlled by that person and by any person associated or acting jointly or in concert with that person is more than 30% of that class of non-voting shares. No person shall have a significant interest in any class of shares of a bank, including the Bank, unless the person first receives the approval of the Minister of Finance (Canada). For purposes of the Bank Act, a person has a significant interest in a class of shares of a Canadian chartered bank where the aggregate of any shares of the class beneficially owned by that person, by entities controlled by that person and by any person associated or acting jointly or in concert with that person exceeds 10% of all of the outstanding shares of that class of shares of such bank. Purchasers of Securities (and CDS Participants) may be required to furnish declarations relating to ownership (and ownership by clients of such CDS Participants) in a form prescribed by the Bank.

The Bank Act also prohibits the registration of a transfer or issue of any share of the Bank to, and the exercise, in person or by proxy, of any voting rights attached to any share of the Bank that is beneficially owned by, Her Majesty in right of Canada or of a province or any agent or agency of Her Majesty in either of those rights, or to the government of a foreign country or any political subdivision, agent or agency of any of them.

Under the Bank Act, the Bank cannot redeem or purchase any of its shares, including the Preferred Shares, unless the consent of the Superintendent of Financial Institutions (Canada) (the Superintendent) has been obtained. In addition, the Bank Act prohibits a payment to purchase or redeem any shares or the declaration of a dividend if there are reasonable grounds for believing that the Bank is, or the payment would cause the Bank to be, in contravention of the capital adequacy and liquidity regulations of the Bank Act or directions of the Superintendent.

The Bank is also restricted from paying certain dividends in the event that TD Capital Trust II, TD Capital Trust III or TD Capital Trust IV (each a subsidiary of the Bank) fails to pay semi-annual distributions or interest in cash, as applicable, in full to holders of TD Capital Trust II Securities, TD Capital Trust III Securities, or TD Capital Trust IV Notes, respectively, when required pursuant to the terms of the respective securities. In addition, the ability to pay dividends on the Common Shares without the approval of the holders of the outstanding Preferred Shares is restricted unless all dividends on the Preferred Shares have been declared and paid or set apart for payment.

### **EARNINGS COVERAGE**

The following earnings coverage ratios do not reflect the issuance of any Securities under this Prospectus.

The Bank's dividend requirements on all its outstanding preferred shares amounted to \$233.3 million for the twelve months ended October 31, 2011 and \$227.6 million for the twelve months ended July 31, 2012. The Bank's interest

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requirements on all subordinated notes and debentures and liabilities for preferred shares and capital trust securities, after adjustment for new issues and retirement, amounted to \$955.7 million for the twelve months ended October 31, 2011 and \$945.4 million for the twelve months ended July 31, 2012. The Bank's reported net income, before interest on subordinated debt and liabilities for preferred shares and capital trust securities and income taxes was \$7,914 million for the twelve months ended October 31, 2011 and \$8,257 million for the twelve months ended July 31, 2012, which was 8.3 and 8.7 times its aggregate dividend and interest requirements for the respective period.

On an adjusted basis, the Bank's net income before interest on subordinated debt and liabilities for preferred shares and capital trust securities and income taxes for the twelve months ended October 31, 2011 was \$8,426 million and \$8,950 million for the twelve months ended July 31, 2012, which was 8.8 and 9.5 times its aggregate dividend and interest requirements for the respective period.

The Bank's financial results for the twelve months ended October 31, 2011 are prepared in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles and the Bank's financial results for the twelve months ended July 31, 2012 are prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (collectively "GAAP"). The Bank refers to results prepared in accordance with GAAP as "reported" results. The Bank also utilizes non-GAAP financial measures referred to as "adjusted" results to assess each of its businesses and to measure overall Bank performance. To arrive at adjusted results, the Bank removes "items of note", net of income taxes, from reported results. The items of note relate to items which management does not believe are indicative of underlying business performance. The Bank believes that adjusted results provide the reader with a better understanding of how management views the Bank's performance. As explained, adjusted results are different from reported results determined in accordance with GAAP. Adjusted results, items of note, and related terms are not defined terms under GAAP, and, therefore, may not be comparable to similar terms used by other issuers. Please see the "Financial Results Overview - How the Bank Reports" section of the Bank's Annual MD&A and the "How We Performed" section of the Bank's Q3 MD&A for a reconciliation between the Bank's reported and adjusted results.

**PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION**

The Bank may sell Securities to or through underwriters or dealers purchasing as principal, and also may sell Securities to one or more purchasers directly or through agents. Securities may be sold from time to time in one or more transactions at a fixed price or prices which may be changed, at market prices prevailing at the time of sale, at prices related to such prevailing market prices or at prices to be negotiated with purchasers.

A Prospectus Supplement will set forth the terms of any offering of Securities, including the name or names of any Investment Dealers, the initial public offering price, the proceeds to the Bank, any underwriting discount or commission to be paid to any Investment Dealers and any discounts, concessions or commissions allowed or re-allowed or paid by any Investment Dealers to other investment dealers.

The Securities may be sold directly by the Bank at such prices and upon such terms as agreed to by the Bank and the purchaser or through agents designated by the Bank from time to time. Any agent involved in the offering and sale of the Securities in respect of which this Prospectus is delivered will be named, and any commissions payable by the Bank to such agent will be set forth, in the applicable Prospectus Supplement. Unless otherwise indicated in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, any agent is acting on a best efforts basis for the period of its appointment.

If underwriters are used in the sale, the Securities will be acquired by the underwriters for their own account and may be resold from time to time in one or more transactions, including negotiated transactions, at a fixed public offering price or at varying prices determined at the time of sale, at market prices prevailing at the time of sale or at prices related to such prevailing market prices. The obligations of the underwriters to purchase such Securities will be subject to certain conditions precedent, and the underwriters will be obligated to purchase all the Securities offered by the Prospectus Supplement if any of such Securities are purchased.

Any public offering price and any discounts or concessions allowed or re-allowed or paid to Investment Dealers may be changed from time to time. The Bank may agree to pay the Investment Dealers a commission for various services relating to the issue and sale of any Securities offered hereby. Any such commission will be paid out of the general

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corporate funds of the Bank. Investment Dealers who participate in the distribution of the Securities may be entitled under agreements to be entered into with the Bank to indemnification by the Bank against certain liabilities, including liabilities under securities legislation, or to contribution with respect to payments which such Investment Dealers may be required to make in respect thereof.

In connection with any offering of the Securities (unless otherwise specified in a Prospectus Supplement), the Investment Dealers may over-allot or effect transactions which stabilize or maintain the market price of the Securities offered at a higher level than that which might exist in the open market. These transactions may be commenced, interrupted or discontinued at any time.

This Prospectus and related Prospectus Supplement may be used by direct or indirect wholly-owned subsidiaries of the Bank in connection with offers and sales related to secondary market transactions in the Securities in the United States. Those subsidiaries may act as principal or agent in those transactions. Secondary market sales will be made at prices related to prevailing market prices at the time of sale.

**PRIOR SALES**

The following chart summarizes the issuances by the Bank of Common Shares and securities convertible or exercisable into Common Shares for the period from November 1, 2011 through October 31, 2012:

<b>Date of Issuance</b>	<b>Description of Transaction /Securities Issued</b>	<b>Number of Securities Issued</b>	<b>Issue Price per Common Share</b>
December 12, 2011	Grant of Stock Options	1,924,600	73.27(*)