

Capital & Credit Merchant Bank Limited UNAUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE THIRD QUARTER

- Ended SEPTEMBER 30, 2008



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The Directors of Capital & Credit Merchant Bank Limited (CCMB) are pleased to present the unaudited results for the third quarter ended September 30, 2008.

The Bank generated Net Profit after Tax for the quarter of \$72.15 million, an increase of 190.75% over the \$24.82 million for the comparative quarter of 2007 bringing the Year to date Profit to \$260.84 million, an increase of 19.61% compared to the \$218.08 million reported for the corresponding period in 2007. The improved result was earned primarily from Net Interest Income; Foreign Exchange Trading and Dividend Income.

REVENUE

The Bank continues to benefit from its renewed strategy to increase sustainable income, with greater emphasis on higher interest bearing banking activities. For the nine months, the Bank benefited from improved margins resulting in a 140.79% growth in Net Interest Income (NII) to \$628.40 million compared to \$260.98 million for 2007. For the quarter, Net Interest Income (NII) increased by 114.64% to \$223.21 million when compared to the \$103.99 million for the corresponding period in 2007.

Net Interest Income now contributes 74.89% of Total Income when compared to 40.13% for the comparative nine months of 2007. The strategy employed has resulted in a 28.89% increase in Loan Interest Income which reported \$757.48 million up from \$587.72 million in the corresponding nine months of 2007. For the quarter, the trend was similar with Loan Income growing by 19.77% to \$259.74 million up from the \$216.87 million in 2007.

Other Revenue recorded a 32.96% increase to report \$54.36 million up from \$40.88 million for the corresponding quarter in 2007. The major components contributing to the improved performance includes increased Foreign Exchange Trading, Dividend Income, Commission and Fee Income which contributed an overall 88.98% of Total Other Revenue for the quarter. For the nine months, Other Revenue totaled \$210.68 million down from \$389.35 million in 2007. This is due mainly to the shift in business model to de-emphasise the security trading activities in the Merchant Bank, as well as unfavorable market conditions being experienced both locally and internationally.

Overall Net Interest Income and Other Revenue totaled \$277.57 million, an increase of 91.59% for the quarter when compared to \$144.87 million in 2007. Income to date totaled \$839.08 million, an increase of 29.02% up from the \$650.33 million reported for the comparative nine months in 2007.

NON INTEREST EXPENSES

Non-Interest expenses to date totaled \$520.98 million up from \$384.35 million reported in 2007. The major components are increased Staff Costs, Loan Loss Expenses and Depreciation charges on the new T24 Core Banking system. Cost management remains a critical focus for the Bank as we continue to monitor; streamline and consolidate work flows and processes.

EARNINGS PER STOCK UNIT

Earnings per Stock (EPS) Unit reported a year to date increase of 20.60%, moving to 41 cents when compared to 34 cents for the similar period in 2007. For the quarter EPS amounted to 11 cents compared to 4 cents for the comparable quarter of 2007. EPS

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	Unaudited Sep-08 \$'000	Unaudited Sep-07 \$'000	Audited Dec-07 \$'000
ASSETS			· · ·
Cash resources Investment in securities	1,217,113 14,176,996	2,080,835 23,583,486	2,067,492 20,847,643
Securities purchased under resale agreements Investments in subsidiaries Investment in associates	879,029	262,011 305,406	1,073,672 305,406
Investment in associates Loans (after provision for loan losses) Intangible assets	3,282 7,165,912 254,000	3,282 6,647,350 310,079	3,282 6,404,421 304,323
Intangine assets Deferred tax assets Accounts receivable	261,537 847,758	104,058 154,108	29,041 398,116
Customers' liabilities under acceptances, guarantees and letters of credit as per contra	776,097	779,886	354,989
Property, plant and equipment	68,614	51,477	49,634
TOTAL ASSETS	25,650,338	34,281,978	31,838,019
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY			
Deposit Securities sold under repurchase agreements	9,371,031 9,470,973	6,910,596 19,431,767	7,675,437 16,267,343
Loan participation Due to other financial institutions	1,029,944 832,959	1,549,042 1,484,599	1,959,561 1,194,851
Accounts payable	270,340	166,760	148,753
Customers' liabilities under acceptances, guarantees and letters of credit as per contra	776,097	779,886	354,989
	21,751,344	30,322,650	27,600,934
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY			
Share capital Statutory reserve fund	1,732,888 408,601	1,732,888 362,678	1,732,888 408,601
Retained earnings reserve	1,515,442	1,515,442	1,515,442
Fair value reserve Loan loss reserve	(626,217) 102,076	(302,490) 62,351	(112,676) 74,611
Unappropriated profits	766,204	588,459	618,219
	3,898,994	3,959,328	4,237,085

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Approved for issue by the Board of Directors on October 17, 2008 and signed on its behalf by:

Ryland T. Campbel Chairman

Curtis A. Martin President & CEO

Unit is based on the Net Profit after Tax and the 641,159,682 stock units in issue for both the current and comparative quarters under review.

BALANCE SHEET

Total assets as at September 30, 2008 stood at \$25.65 billion compared to \$32.28 billion in 2007. The reduction in the Balance Sheet is a reflection of the Bank's strategy to de-emphasise lower yielding treasury activities whilst, focusing on expanding its retail and corporate business lines. The Treasury Portfolio, investment in securities now stands at \$14.18 billion versus \$23.58 billion in the comparative period of 2007.

As part of the strategy to invest in higher yielding assets and improve sustainable income, the Bank has focused on growing both its retail and corporate loan portfolios. Loans at September 30, after provision for Loan Losses, stood at \$7.17 billion, an increase over the prior year's \$6.65 billion. Based on the increase in the Loan Portfolio as well as International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) requirement, Loan Loss Provision at September 30, 2008 stood at \$69.56 million, representing 0.98% of gross loans, as against \$47.00 million or 0.71% of Gross Loans in 2007. Non accrual loans as at September 30, 2008 totaled \$549.26 million. The Bank is at an advance stage in resolving the major components of this portfolio and is expected to make significant recoveries in the coming quarters.

IFRS Loan Loss Provision is determined on a different basis from Regulatory requirements. The difference between the methodologies is applied to a non-distributable Loan Loss Reserve in the equity component of the Balance Sheet. At September 30, 2008, In keeping with the mandatory requirement of Bank of Jamaica on credit, year to date provision stood at \$102.07 million, compared to \$62.35 million for the same period in the previous year. The provisions are considered adequate.

The Bank continues to have a strong capital base. At September 30, 2008, total Stockholders' Equity amounted to \$3.90 billion. The Bank's capital ratio (Qualifying Capital/Balance Sheet Assets) stood at 14.65%, which is more than twice the regulatory capital benchmark of 6.00%.

The current global financial crisis will have an impact on the Jamaican economy. However, the proactive approach by the Central Bank in providing temporary lending facility to preserve stability is expected to mitigate any negative impact in the financial sector. Cognizant of these developments, the management team has been proactive in taking the necessary precautionary measures to reduce any significant impact the expected global recession might have and will continue to protect and provide guidance to its valued stakeholders.

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RYLAND T. CAMPBELL CHAIRMAN

Earnings per stock unit (cents)

On behalf of the Board of Directors

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	Unaudited 3 months Sep-08 \$'000	Unaudited 3 months Sep-07 \$'000	Unaudited 9 months Sep-08 \$'000	Unaudited 9 months Sep-07 \$'000	Audited 12 months Dec-07 \$'000
Gross Operating Revenue	625,049	616,887	1,916,611	2,131,590	2,842,700
Interest on investments Interest on loans Interest expense Net interest income	310,955 259,739 570,694 <u>347,480</u> 223,214	359,136 <u>216,871</u> 576,007 <u>472,014</u> 103,993	948,450 <u>757,482</u> 1,705,932 <u>1,077,536</u> 628,396	1,154,519 587,717 1,742,236 1,481,260 260,976	1,523,737 <u>807,006</u> 2,330,743 <u>1,951,644</u> 379,099
Commission and fee income Net gains on securities trading Foreign exchange trading and translation Dividend income Other income	12,427 4,720 19,844 16,096 <u>1,268</u> 54,355	6,879 13,294 7,798 8,752 <u>4,157</u> 40,880	29,830 68,620 52,004 57,308 <u>2,917</u> <u>210,679</u>	27,741 289,193 33,066 32,076 <u>7,278</u> <u>389,354</u>	40,727 379,383 37,082 48,033 <u>6,732</u> <u>511,957</u>
Net interest income and other revenue	277,569	<u>144,873</u>	839,075	<u>650,330</u>	891,056
NON INTEREST EXPENSES					
Staff costs Loan loss expense Depreciation and amortization Other operating expenses	83,410 5,729 24,748 75,692 189,579	58,820 3,479 <u>52,311</u> <u>114,610</u>	244,790 24,347 61,842 <u>190,001</u> 520,980	196,181 11,514 11,660 <u>165,000</u> <u>384,355</u>	270,407 12,022 32,040 <u>237,425</u> 551,894
Profit Before Taxation Taxation Profit After Taxation	87,990 15,838 72,152	30,263 5,447 24,816	318,095 57,257 260,838	265,975 47,900 218,075	339,162 33,009 306,153

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LIMITED

	Unaudited Sep-08 \$'000	Unaudited Sep-07 \$'000
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Net Profit	260,383	291,245
Adjusted for operating assets and liabilities	(498,342)	(281,378)
Net cash (used in) / provided by operating activities	(237,504)	(63,303)
CASH FLOWS USED IN INVESTING ACTIVITIES	5,632,639	1,132,397
CASH FLOWS PROVIDED BY FINANCING ACTIVITIES	(6,392,285)	(249,229)
INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(997,150)	819,865
OPENING CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	1,447,441	627,576
CLOSING CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	450,291	1,447,441



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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2008								
	Share Capital \$'000	Statutory Reserve Fund \$'000	Capital Reserve \$'000	Retained Earnings \$'000	Fair value Reserve \$'000	Loan loss Un Reserve \$'000	appropriated Profits \$'000	Total \$'000
Balance at December 31, 2006	1,732,888	-	362,678	1,515,442	(98,716)	39,741	392,859	3,944,892
Unrealised gains on available for sale investments net of taxes not recognised in profit and loss account	-		-	-	(203,774)	-	-	(203,774)
Net profit for the period	-	-		-	-	-	218,210	218,210
Transfer to loan loss reserve						22,610	(22,610)	
Balance at September 30, 2007	1,732,888	<u> </u>	362,678	1,515,442	(302,490)	62,351	588,459	3,959,328
Balance at December 31, 2007	1,732,888		408,601	1,515,442	(112,676)	74,611	618,319	4,237,184
Net profit for the period	-	-	-	-	-	-	260,838	260,838
Transfer to loan loss reserve	-	-	-	-	-	27,465	(27,465)	-
Unrealised gain on available for sale investments net of taxes not recognised in profit and loss account	-	-	-	-	(513,541)	-	-	(513,541)
Redeemable Preference Shares							(85,488)	(85,488)
Balance at September 30, 2008	1,732,888		408,601	1,515,442	(626,217)	102,076	766,204	3,898,994

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
AS AT SEPTEMBER 30, 2008

BASIS OF PREPARATION

These consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with and comply with standards issued by the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) and have been prepared under the historical cost convention as modified by the revaluation of available for sale investment securities, investment securities held for trading and all derivative contracts.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with IFRS requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgment in the process of applying the Group's accounting policies. Although these estimates are based on management's best knowledge of current events and actions, actual results could differ from those estimates.

This report is made in Jamaican dollars.

All other accounting policies remain in effect as per our 2007 audited report. For further information on these accounting policies, please refer to our website: www.capital-credit.com

