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## HSBC BANK CANADA PUBLISHES ANNUAL PUBLIC ACCOUNTABILITY STATEMENT

HSBC Bank Canada, its subsidiaries and affiliates have published their eighth annual Public Accountability Statement entitled, *HSBC Bank Canada in the Community 2009*. The document is available online at [hsbc.ca](http://hsbc.ca).

Lindsay Gordon, President and Chief Executive Officer of HSBC Bank Canada, said: “At HSBC Bank Canada we recognize that vibrant neighbourhoods are critical to our future success as a bank; that is why we continue to invest in the communities in which we have a presence both through our charitable giving and our employee volunteerism. We focus the majority of our charitable donations on education and the environment – the fundamental building blocks for the development of a strong and prosperous society. In this annual publication, *HSBC Bank Canada in the Community*, we are pleased to share the positive impact some of the many organizations we support are making within their communities.”

*HSBC Bank Canada in the Community 2009* includes information on the bank’s charitable donations and sponsorships that support educational, environmental and community organizations, and its commitment to its employees and customers.

Printed copies of this publication are also available at any branch of HSBC Bank Canada.

HSBC Bank Canada, a subsidiary of HSBC Holdings plc, has more than 260 offices, including over 140 bank branches, and is the leading international bank in Canada. With around 8,000 offices in 88 countries and territories and assets of US\$2,364 billion at 31 December 2009, the HSBC Group is one of the world’s largest banking and financial services organizations.

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