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Canaccord's capital is represented by common shareholders' equity and, therefore, management uses return on average common equity ("ROE") as a performance measure.

Assets under administration ("AUA") and assets under management ("AUM") are non-GAAP measures of client assets that are common to the wealth management aspects of the private client services industry. AUA is the market value of client assets administered by Canaccord from which Canaccord earns commissions or fees. This measure includes funds held in client accounts as well as the aggregate market value of long and short security positions. Canaccord's method of calculating AUA may differ from the methods used by other companies and therefore may not be comparable to other companies. Management uses this measure to assess operational performance of the Private Client Services business segment. AUM includes all assets managed on a discretionary basis under our programs generally described as or known as the Alliance Program and Private Investment Management. Services provided include the selection of investments and the provision of investment advice. AUM is also administered by Canaccord and is included in AUA.

Financial statement items which exclude significant items are non-GAAP measures. Significant items include the ABCP fair value adjustment, additional accrual for client relief programs, fair value adjustment of ABCP purchased by the Company under a client relief program, impairment of CAI and Enermarket goodwill and intangibles and restructuring costs.



Strategic Rationale



A gold standard independent investment bank – client-focused and values-driven

Leading independent equity research

Material cost synergies combined with excellent revenue enhancement opportunities

Combines a powerhouse in equities with a market leader in M&A

Minimal overlap in client relationships

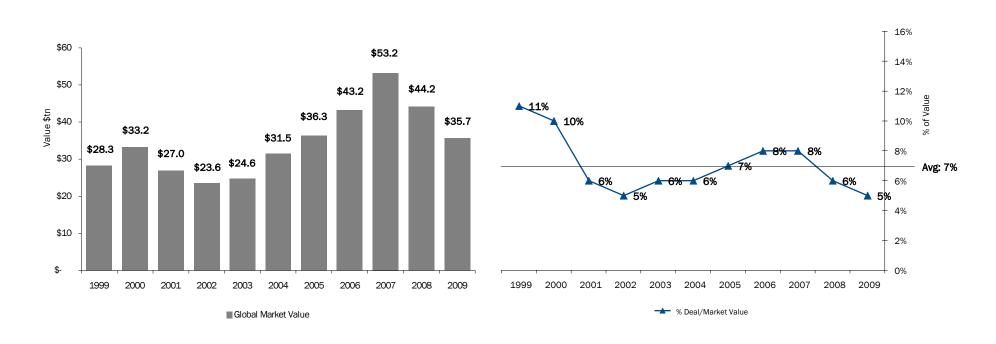
Attractive acquisition price: Transaction immediately and highly accretive



Strategic Rationale - The Global M&A Cycle

- M&A cycle currently at low point, with slow growth economy driving an acceleration
 of advisory business over the near to longer term
- Counter-cyclical investment in M&A capacity, adding complementary advisory DNA to our transactional expertise

ANNOUNCED M&A VOLUME AS % OF MARKET VALUE BELOW HISTORIC AVERAGE



Strategic Rationale – Seizing the Opportunity

- Creation of Canaccord Genuity capitalizes on secular trends and macro themes, including:
 - Client demand for full-service independent dealers
 - Scarcity of independent advice for clients, bias of bank offerings
 - Opportunity for global mid to large cap leadership in our focus sectors
 - Regulatory uncertainty
 - Potential issues: Glass-Steagall 2, forced divestitures within financial services firms, the end of tied selling
 - Stabilizing market activity supports re-balancing the relative priority of maximizing revenue and controlling costs
- Canaccord Genuity's growth strategy positions us as a full-service competitor

Introducing CANACCORD Genuity

- Both companies have experienced significant success, and combining forces positions Canaccord Genuity for its next level of growth
- Gold standard
 - 1. World-class advisory and transaction capabilities in our focus sectors
 - 2. Proven global distribution in equities
 - 3. Highly-regarded, actionable research
 - 4. Independent, client focused, entrepreneurial culture
- Continued expansion of our business to service the entire client life cycle
- Global team capitalizing on shared strengths and complementary differences while maintaining client-focused, values-driven independent culture
- Solidifying Canadian market position as a foundation for continued and future growth in the US, UK and Asia



Comprehensive Platform Serves Entire Client Life-cycle

 Canaccord Genuity can provide world-class comprehensive services across the growth life-cycle to our clients, who previously chose one firm for equity underwriting and another for advisory services





Shared Strengths

	CANACCORD ADAMS	GENUITY	CANACCORD GENUITY ADVANTAGE
Client-focused culture	✓	✓	Committed to excellence in client service throughout the entire client lifecycle
Independent perspective	✓	✓	Credible advice free of conflicts experienced with banks
Idea-driven research	✓	✓	Top ranked independent analysts with deep knowledge of our focus sectors
Proven trading expertise	✓	√	Execution capability in small/mid and large cap names on seven exchanges
Strong Canadian operations	✓	√	Solidifies leading Canadian market position as a foundation for global growth
Global operations	✓	✓	Ability to source and execute transactions from US, UK and Canada, combined with cross-border advisory business
Growth strategy	✓	✓	All business units committed to collective growth
Shareholder mentality	✓	✓	Producer owned, led and driven firm



Complementary Differences

	CANACCORD ADAMS	GENUITY	CANACCORD GENUITY ADVANTAGE
Underwriting powerhouse	\checkmark		Leveraging proven global
Gold standard advisory capability		✓	distribution network
Leading independent restructuring firm		✓	Providing comprehensive services to corporate clients as they grow
Extensive Wealth Management operations in Canada	√		Broad reach of retail distribution network
Global energy expertise	\checkmark		Continued commitment to focus
Diversified specialization, including financials		✓	sectors, with deeper relationships and expertise
Small to mid cap client base	✓		Strong relationships and deep
Large cap client base		✓	expertise across the market cap spectrum



Minimal Overlap in Clients and Revenue

- Advisory Distinct M&A practices with Canaccord and Genuity combining a small-to-mid and large cap focus
- Equity Underwriting In calendar 2009,
 Canaccord and Genuity shared lead-manager responsibility in only 2 transactions
- Sales Three shared institutional clients in the top 10 relationships at each firm; strong mix of long-only and idea-oriented relationships
- Trading Genuity focus on TSX 60 complements Canaccord's natural resource and small-to-midcap expertise
- Research Creation of the leading independent research team, with Genuity coverage of Financials, Transportation and other Diversifieds with Canaccord's Natural Resources and Technology focus

		M&A LEAGUE TABLES	- CANADIAN INDEPENDENTS ⁽¹⁾	
	#	Firm	Value (\$B)	# Deals
	1	Combined Company	\$37.1	99
$I \vdash$	1	Genuity	25.9	66
ч	2	GMP Securities	19.6	67
Ц	3	Canaccord Adams	11.2	33
	4	FirstEnergy Capital	10.2	33
	5	Cormark	2.8	22
		EQUITY LEAGUE TABLES	5 - CANADIAN INDEPENDENTS	2)
	#	Firm	Value (\$M)	# Deals
	1	Combined Company	\$2,541	101
	1	GMP Securities	2,063	53

Combination Increases Market Share and Reputational Franchise³

1.487

1,161

1.054

401

90

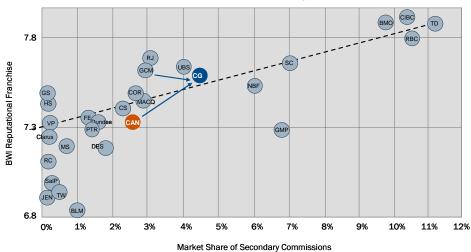
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Canaccord Adams

Cormark Securities

Genuity

Peters & Co.



1. Source: Bloomberg, for all major transactions from 1/1/07 to 1/9/10

2. Source: Bloomberg, for the year ended 12/31/09; represents equity transactions acting as bookrunner

3. Source: Institutional Equity Research, Sales and Trading Performance in Canada 2009 Report, Canaccord Genuity



Proposed Transaction Terms and Valuation

- Canaccord will acquire 100% of Genuity in exchange for:
 - \$30 mm cash plus post-closing adjustment for net working capital
 - 26,500,000 Canaccord shares
- Values Genuity at \$285.9 million at current Canaccord share trading price
- All Genuity partners will be required to escrow <u>all</u> of the Canaccord shares received to be released over five years. Employment agreements with 3-5 year non-solicitation, non-competition clauses are in place for 10 key partners and all other material equity partners.
- Genuity's partnership group will have the right to nominate two directors for up to five years

TRANSACTION VALUATION				
Cash at Closing Est. Working Capital Adj. (1)			30.0 28.0	
CF Shares	26,500,000 @	\$8.60	227.9	
Purchase Price			285.9	
		Genuity	Implied	
		Metric	Multiple	
$P/E^{(2)}$	FY2010	\$21.4	13.4 x	
P/Revs	12 mos. ended 1/31/10	100.6	2.8 x	
P/Book	Est. Closing Book Value	30.0	9.5 x	

^{1.} A working capital adjustment amount will be paid to the vendors subsequent to closing.



^{2.} Assumes 33% tax rate on Genuity earnings and estimated 2010 bonus payments.

Canaccord Genuity Economics

 Transaction is materially accretive across multiple periods, including the challenging environment of the early part of 2009

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	Trailing 12 Months ⁽¹⁾			Trailing Six Months ⁽¹⁾				
(All figures in C\$ millions, except per share amounts)	Canaccord	Genuity	Adj. ⁽²⁾	Pro Forma	Canaccord	Genuity	Adj. ⁽³⁾	Pro Forma
Total Revenue	\$541.4	\$100.6		\$642.0	\$296.9	\$61.4		\$358.3
Incentive Compensation	271.3	50.6	(\$2.2)	319.8	157.8	31.9	(\$0.4)	189.3
Salaries and Benefits	57.0	1.5	(1.0)	58.5	28.9	0.8	(0.5)	29.2
Total Compensation Expenses (4)	328.4	52.1	(3.2)	377.3	186.8	32.6	(0.9)	218.5
Total Non-Compensation Expenses	148.9	14.9	(6.2)	157.6	75.1	7.8	(3.1)	79.7
Depreciation & Intangible Amortization ⁽⁵⁾	7.9	1.5	4.0	13.4	3.8	0.7	2.0	6.5
EBIT	56.3	32.1	5.4	93.8	31.3	20.3	2.0	53.6
Net Interest Expense	3.3	0.2	0.7	4.2	1.1	0.3	0.3	1.8
Other Expense / (Income)	0.1	0.0		0.1	0.0	(1.4)		(1.4)
Pre-Tax Income	52.9	31.9	4.7	89.5	30.2	21.4	1.7	53.2
Taxes ⁽⁶⁾	18.2	10.5	1.6	30.3	8.3	7.0	0.6	15.9
GAAP Net Income	\$34.6	\$21.4	\$3.2	\$59.2	\$21.9	\$14.3	\$1.1	\$37.3
Cash Net Income	\$39.9	\$22.4	\$5.8	\$68.1	\$24.4	\$14.8	\$2.5	\$41.7
Avg. FD Shares Outstanding	55.4		26.5	81.9	55.8		26.5	82.3
Cash EPS	\$0.72			\$0.83	\$0.44			\$0.51
Per Share Accretion				\$0.11				\$0.07
Percent Accretion				15.5%				15.8%

^{1.} Period ended December 31, 2009 for Canaccord and January 31, 2010 (unaudited combined) for Genuity.



^{2.} Assumes identified cost synergies as shown and forgone interest income on cash component of transaction consideration at 1%.

^{3.} Equal to one half of full year adjustments from table at left.

^{4.} Genuity compensation expense pro-forma for market adjusted compensation ratio of 50% of incentive based revenue.

^{5.} Transaction related amortization assumed at \$20 million over five-year life.

^{6.} Tax rate for Genuity assumed at 33%.

Pro Forma

 Pro forma this transaction, new Canaccord multiple to book value and earnings is significantly lower than its direct comparable GMP

IMPLIED VALUATION				
	Canaccord	Implied	Pro Forma	GMP
	At-Market	Genuity ⁽¹⁾	At-Market ⁽²⁾	Current ⁽³⁾
Canaccord Share Price	\$8.60		\$8.60	
Implied Fully-Diluted Enterprise Value Implied Fully-Diluted Equity Value	502.1	285.9	730.0	988.3
	492.5	285.9	720.4	970.8
Price /Trailing Cash EPS or Earnings	11.9x	12.8 x	10.4x	18.2 x \$0.73
Trailing Cash EPS or Earnings (\$mm)	\$0.72	\$22.40	\$0.83	
EV /Trailing Revenue Trailing Revenue	0.9x	2.8x	1.1 x	2.9 x
	\$541.4	\$100.6	\$642.0	\$344.6
Price / Book	1.2x	9.5x	1.0 x	3.0 x
Book Value ⁽⁴⁾	\$400.7	\$30.0	\$686.6	\$325.5
Price / Tangible Book	1.2x	9.5x	1.7 x	4.3 x
Tangible Book Value ⁽⁴⁾	\$400.7	\$30.0	\$428.8	\$227.8

^{1.} FYE January 31, 2010 (unaudited combined)

^{4.} Book value for Genuity reflects expected book value on closing; pro-forma book value includes Canaccord book value of \$400.7 million and acquired equity and goodwill totaling \$285.9 million; tangible book value includes Canaccord book value plus acquired equity of \$30.0 million



^{2.} Combines Canaccord 12 months ended December 31, 2009 and Genuity FYE January 31, 2010

^{3.} Excludes depreciation & amortization, assuming a 40.5% effective tax rate

Synergies

- All cost synergies are demonstrable and quantifiable
- Accretion/dilution excludes projected revenue synergies, which are expected to be material even net of cannibalization/anti-synergies

HEADCOUNT	Approximately \$2.2 million
BACK OFFICE	Approximately \$1 million
NON-COMPENSATION EXPENSES ⁽¹⁾	Approximately \$6.2 million

Strong Rationale for the Combination

EQUITY UNDERWRITING	Canaccord's distribution platform, through its global sales and trading operation and wealth management business, can be leveraged by Genuity's corporate client base to provide seamless financing options.
ADVISORY	Genuity's advisory and restructuring expertise will provide Canaccord's clients with access to a highly specialized and dedicated service, as well as board level access to large-cap clients.
SALES AND TRADING	Limited overlap in both account base and traded names creates an opportunity to strengthen existing business and further leverage the combined investment banking and research platforms.
RESEARCH	Research-led platform will help Genuity improve its ability to capitalize on banking relationships. Overlap in certain coverage areas provides for synergies while maintaining the high-quality coverage each firm provides in focus areas.
GEOGRAPHY	Genuity's Canadian focus provides a strong complement to Canaccord's global reach. Solidifying Canadian market position will support continued expansion in other markets.

Canaccord Genuity will be the gold standard independent investment bank

– a client-focused and values-driven firm





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