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## **VALIANT TRUST COMPANY OPENS TORONTO OFFICE**

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April 16, 2008, Toronto, Ontario – Valiant Trust Company (Valiant) today announced the opening of a new Toronto office. Valiant’s customers and their shareholders are now served through offices in Calgary, Vancouver, Edmonton and Toronto.

The new Toronto office is located at Suite 2950, 130 King Street West (The Exchange Tower) and is co-located with the premises of Valiant’s strategic partner Kingsdale Shareholder Services.

Valiant Trust Company is also pleased to announce the appointment of Amanda de Freitas as Director, Client Services, who will lead Valiant’s Ontario operations. Amanda brings 20 years of industry experience to the position.

“I am very pleased to welcome Amanda to Valiant in her capacity as our senior officer in Ontario” said Matt Colpitts, General Manager of Valiant Trust Company. “Amanda’s vast experience and client focused approach fit perfectly with Valiant’s reputation for getting things done.”

### **About Valiant Trust**

Valiant Trust Company is a federal trust company providing Corporate Trust, Stock Transfer, and Employee Incentive Plan services to public and private companies. Valiant is a wholly owned subsidiary of Canadian Western Bank, which is listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the trading symbol “CWB”. For more information visit [www.valianttrust.com](http://www.valianttrust.com).

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