

COMPANY OVERVIEW

McLeod Young Weir Limited, established in 1921, is one of Canada's leading investment firms. As a fully integrated firm, McLeod provides its clients with a complete range of domestic and international investment banking, brokerage, trading and financial advisory services. With approximately 1,200 full-time employees, McLeod has 31 offices across Canada, and offices in New York, London and Zurich. Its head office is in Toronto.

EXPERIENCE

On behalf of corporations and governments, McLeod acts as a managing underwriter or fiscal agent in the formation and placement of capital in the Canadian, United States and European markets. The corporate and government finance departments also serve the firm's clients in areas such as:

- Business valuations
- Project financing
- Mergers and acquisitions
- Computerized financial analysis
- Expert financial testimony

McLeod believes it is recognized by major investment banking firms as having made significant progress in corporate finance in recent years. In particular, McLeod has become recognized as a leader in Canada in the introduction to the marketplace of innovative financing schemes.

PRODUCTS AND SERVICES

McLeod provides a full range of investment dealer services to its institutional and retail clients. These include:

- Retail and institutional debt and equity distribution
- Debt, equity and money market trading, as principal and agent
- Economic futures and commodity advisory services
- Trading
- Foreign exchange risk management
- Portfolio management and evaluation

One of the service departments within McLeod is the Computer Resources Department. This group, staffed by professionals with degrees in business, computer science, economics, electrical engineering, English, finance, mathematics, operations research, philosophy and physics, regularly provides a broad range of computer-based services to assist debt and equity investors. These services include:

- Analyses of interest rate trends, interest rate spreads and yield curves
- Portfolio evaluations and strategies
- Performance measurements
- Foreign exchange risk analysis
- Market indices
- Graphs
- Financial statement analysis

McLeod's Computer Resources Department accesses Statistics Canada and Bank of Canada data, as well as independent equity, bond and money market databases which contain both accounting information and trading

statistics on a large number of Canadian and U.S. companies. McLeod also provides certain data for the *Bank of Canada Review*.

The Computer Resources Department is currently providing a NAPLPS service called *TechniChart*. This is a display of stock charts for the last 100 days, 100 weeks or 100 months, with prices updated as of the previous day's closing price. This technical analysis charting tool can be used with the available data for Canadian-listed stocks, Financial Futures, McLeod's Preferred Stock and Bond Indices, and U.S. stocks listed on the New York and American Stock Exchanges.

Indicators which may be interactively selected for charting are:

- High, low and closing prices
- Trading volumes
- On-balance volumes
- Moving averages
- Time-weighted moving averages
- Relative strength
- Smoothing
- Oscillator

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