



December 2008

Monthly Update

Prime Rate Plus Corp is an Investment Corporation designed to pay monthly cash dividends. The Corporation invests in a diversified, high quality portfolio consisting of six Canadian Banks. Two types of shares are available, a Class A and a Preferred.

Distributions (by record date)

	PPL	PPL.PR.A	Total
Total to Date	\$3.7441	\$2.1473	\$5.8914
2008 YTD	\$0.9535	\$0.5648	\$1.5183
2007	\$1.2156	\$0.6854	\$1.9010
2006	\$1.1625	\$0.6500	\$1.8125
2005	\$0.4125	\$0.2470*	\$0.6595

*Initial distribution for the period July 15/05 to Dec 29/05.

Commentary

Financial markets continued to experience severe volatility through the month of December as most stock markets across the world hit new lows during the month. The theme of unprecedented government intervention continued as governments attempted to use a myriad of fiscal and monetary tools to stabilize the financial system and stimulate their economies. Notwithstanding the massive amounts of capital that have been injected into financial services companies around the world, the credit "freeze" still presents a major problem as lending activity has diminished to record low levels. The lack of available credit to even the most creditworthy corporations is weighing on economic growth. Unemployment levels are rising and even economic growth in China has started to falter. President elect Obama has telegraphed a very significant fiscal stimulus that will be announced in late January after the new President officially takes office on January 20, 2009. In Canada, the threat of a potential coalition government lead by the Liberals and supported by the NDP and Bloc injected another element of significant uncertainty into an already fragile environment in Canada and could slow down the timing of new fiscal stimulus measures. Record levels of redemptions in mutual funds and the continued de-leveraging of hedge funds continues to dominate trading patterns and has resulted in almost indiscriminate broad based selling as these funds are forced to raise cash. Also, there was additional downward pressure in the equity markets up until December 24th (the last day of tax loss selling in 2008) as investors realized tax losses on their investments. On the monetary front, central banks around the world continue to aggressively cut administered interest rates to multi-decade lows. At some point the cumulative impacts from these massive fiscal and monetary stimulus measures will begin to have traction and ignite the economic recovery.

The table below indicates the depth of this market downturn year to date as at December 31, 2008:

TSX	-35.0%
S&P 500	-38.5%
DJII	-33.8%
NASDAQ	-40.5%

When capital market liquidation slows or ceases and investors return to fundamentals of the underlying companies, we believe the portfolio will be fairly rewarded. Attractive dividend yields, low valuations and significant option premiums available in the market place all bode well for the portfolio. The Manager continues to actively manage the relative weightings of the companies held within the portfolio.

Details

Gross Proceeds:	\$288,125,000
Units Issued:	11,525,000
Inception Date:	July 15, 2005
Termination Date:	Dec 1, 2012
Net Asset Value:	\$14.36 (Dec 31/08)
Cash Weighting:	0%
Canadian Equity Weighting:	100%

PPL.PR.A Trading Price:	\$8.21 (Dec 31/08)
Current Yield:	6.1% annually
Asset Coverage:	144%
Market Capitalization:	\$86,767,426
PPL Trading Price:	\$3.68 (Dec 31/08)
Market Capitalization:	\$38,892,098

Top Holdings (sorted by weight)

Toronto-Dominion Bank	TD
Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce	CM
Royal Bank of Canada	RY
Bank of Nova Scotia	BNS
Bank of Montreal	BMO
National Bank of Canada	NA

Weightings subject to change at any time.