

ScotiaMocatta Awarded "Best Bullion Bank for 2009" by Bombay Bullion Association

TORONTO, Sept. 7 /CNW/ - Scotiabank today announced ScotiaMocatta has been acknowledged as "Best Bullion Bank for 2009" by the Bombay Bullion Association (BBA), a major hub for gold and silver trading in India.

"ScotiaMocatta is very honored to accept the Bombay Bullion Association's acknowledgement and looks forward to continuing to meet the needs of our customers," said Barry Wainstein, Vice-Chairman and Deputy Head, Global Capital Markets and Global Head, Foreign Exchange and Precious Metals, Scotia Capital. "ScotiaMocatta has distinguished itself by building long-standing relationships with its clients. Through bull and bear markets, we have maintained our commitment to provide exceptional service, liquidity and competitive pricing. This client-focused operating philosophy is a cornerstone of our business."

The Best Bullion Bank award recognizes ScotiaMocatta's ability to maintain a high standard of client service, a consistent supply of physical metals, a broad variety of competitive products and services, and incomparable expertise in bullion trading. Award recipients are chosen through voting by a wide spectrum of wholesalers, retail jewelers and manufacturers in Maharashtra, India's third-largest state by area and second largest by population.

ScotiaMocatta, the precious metals division of the Scotiabank Group, is a global leader in precious metals trading and finance, with roots dating back to 1671. ScotiaMocatta is the Chairman of the London Silver Fixing, Member and past Chair of the benchmark London Gold Fixing, and a leading market-maker with operations worldwide. ScotiaMocatta serves a diverse clientele of producers and consumers of bullion across a variety of industries. For more information, please visit www.scotiamocatta.com

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