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News Release

CU Inc.

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CU INC. ANNOUNCES THE FILING OF A PRELIMINARY BASE SHELF PROSPECTUS

CALGARY, Alberta – CU Inc. announced today, together with its dealers BMO Nesbitt Burns Inc., RBC Dominion Securities Inc. and TD Securities Inc., that it has filed with the securities commissions in each of the provinces of Canada a Preliminary Base Shelf Prospectus to issue up to \$1,700,000,000 of Debentures in tranches as required over the next 25 months. The proceeds will be used to fund utility capital expenditures, to repay existing indebtedness and for other general corporate purposes.

CU Inc. is a wholly owned subsidiary of Canadian Utilities Limited, part of the ATCO Group of Companies. CU Inc. is an Alberta-based corporation with assets of approximately \$6.7 billion and more than 4,100 employees and is comprised of two main business divisions: Utilities (pipelines, natural gas and electricity transmission and distribution), and Energy (power generation). More information about CU Inc. can be found on the Canadian Utilities Limited website at www.canadian-utilities.com.

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Any forward-looking information contained in this news release represents the Corporation's expectations as of the date hereof, and is subject to change after such date. The Corporation disclaims any intention or obligation to update or revise any forward-looking information whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as required by applicable securities regulations.
