

NEW

As at October 29, 2010

COMMERCE Split

Monthly Update

New Commerce Split Corp is an Investment Corporation that invests in common shares of Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce, a Canadian financial institution. Three types of shares are available, a Capital share, a Class I Preferred and a Class II Preferred.

On March 26, 2010 a Capital Reorganization of Commerce Split was completed. Two funds were created, Original Commerce Split and New Commerce Split.

Holders of Priority Equity Shares (Symbol: **XCM.PR.A**) that did not elect to remain in the Original Commerce Split Fund had each Priority Equity Share held converted into the following new securities in the New Commerce Split Fund: One \$5.00 Class I Preferred Share (Symbol: **YCM.PR.A**); One \$5.00 Class II Preferred Share (Symbol: **YCM.PR.B**); One half 2011 Warrant (Symbol: **YCM.WT**); and One 2012 Warrant (Symbol: **YCM.WT.A**).

Holders of Class A Shares (Symbol: **XCM**) that did not elect to remain in the Original Commerce Split Fund had each Class A Share held converted into the following securities (in order to achieve the required balancing objectives):

- 0.7167721 of a Capital Share in the New Commerce Split Fund (Symbol: **YCM**); and
- 0.283228 of a Class A Share 2010 in the Original Commerce Split Fund (Symbol: **YCM.X**)

For complete details, please [click here](#) to view the Information Circular dated December 23, 2009.

Commentary

The North American financial markets achieved solid gains in the month of October. Although the various economic data points continue to show a very sluggish and mixed recovery, stock market valuations especially in context within the record low interest rate environment appear to be relatively attractive. Impetus for the latest market move appears to have resulted in part from the recent US Federal Reserve minutes of the last meeting which made it clear that monetary policy will continue to be highly accommodative for as long as it takes for the recovery to become sustainable. The prospect of more quantitative easing and a corresponding weaker US dollar is perceived by most market participants as positive for US stocks. In addition, increasing prospects of political gridlock in the United States over the remaining 2 years of the Obama administration appear to be potentially supportive for the market going forward.

The Canadian economy continues to be among the leaders of developed countries but will be adversely impacted if US growth remains below average since it remains Canada's most important trading partner.

As mentioned in previous commentaries, market participants will continue to carefully scrutinize every piece of economic data in order to try and ascertain the shape and durability of this economic recovery. Sustained economic growth will require a greater transition from government led growth to private economic growth.

The valuations of the companies in the portfolio generally remain at very reasonable levels when measured by price to earnings ratios and current dividend yields and this should continue to act as a major support at these current market prices. The dividend income continues to be supplemented by income generated by the covered call writing program.

	One Month to Oct 29, 2010	Year to Date Oct 29, 2010
TSX	2.49%	7.29%
S&P 500	3.69%	6.11%
DJII	3.06%	6.62%
NASDAQ	5.86%	10.50%

Distributions (by record date)

	YCM	YCM.PR.A	YCM.PR.B	Total
Total to Date	\$0.0000	\$0.2500	\$0.0000	\$0.2500
2010 YTD	\$0.0000	\$0.2500	\$0.0000	\$0.2500

Details

Units Outstanding:	3,691,607
Inception Date:	February 16, 2007
Capital Reorganization Date:	March 26, 2010
Termination Date:	December 1, 2014
Net Asset Value:	\$10.26
Cash Weighting:	24%
Canadian Equity Weighting:	76%
YCM.PR.A Trading Price:	\$5.55
Current Yield*:	6.8%
Market Capitalization:	\$20,488,419
<i>*Last distribution annualized.</i>	
YCM.PR.B Trading Price:	\$3.09
Market Capitalization:	\$11,407,066
YCM Trading Price:	\$1.10
Market Capitalization:	\$4,060,767

Holding

Symbol

Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce CM



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CIBC % return for Oct 2010:	4.8%
CIBC % return year-to-date 2010:	14.8%
Dividend Yield on CIBC shares:	4.45%