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CANADIAN ANALYSTS' CALLS

Brookfield Property Partners (TSX:BPY.UN;NASDAQ:BPY).

Canaccord Genuity raises the target price to \$22.75 (U.S.) from \$20 and maintains a "buy" after the company announced a \$500 million purchase of BPY units and shares of **Brookfield Property REIT (NASDAQ:BPR)**.

Intact Financial (TSE:IFC). A trio of underwhelming price target calls as KBW moves the target to \$112 (Canadian) from \$110.

Saputo (TSX:SAP). National Bank inches the target up on the cheesemaker to \$44 from \$43.

BCE (TSX:BCE). And RBC moves the target on the telecom, fibre and media company to \$60 from \$59.



U.S. ANALYSTS' CALLS

Twitter (NYSE:TWTR). RBC hikes the target to \$34 (U.S.) from \$32 following the company's earnings results.

Expedia (NASDAQ:EXPE). Oppenheimer raises the target to \$160 from \$140 on upbeat 2019 guidance.

STOCKS THAT MAY MOVE

FSD Pharma (CSE:HUGE), which fell 10.4% Thursday on triple the average volume, is refuting comments from former joint venture partner **Auxly Cannabis Group (TSX:XLY)** “to correct misleading claims.”

FSD said in a news release:

“FSD Pharma strongly denies that it caused any breaches of the streaming agreement relating to its management and staffing obligations or otherwise, and rejects the claim that there are material issues with the infrastructure of its cultivation facility in Cobourg, Ontario.”

Crius Energy Trust (TSX:KWH.UN) has agreed to be acquired by **Vistra Energy (NYSE:VST)** for \$7.57 per unit, a price a Raymond James analyst calls “reasonable” but a Desjardins Securities analyst describes as “light”.

Algoma Central (TSX:ALC) says president and

CEO Ken Bloch Sorensen has resigned to spend more time with his family in Europe. COO Gregg Ruhl assumes the role.

ICC International Cannabis (CSE:WRLD) says it is cooperating fully with B.C. regulators who have inquired about the company's agreement with Green Gene Research. ICC says it's reviewing the agreement, consulting with its counsel, and does not expect the inquiries to interfere with the company's daily operations.

Visa (NYSE:V) has sweetened its offer to Earthport to 247 million pounds, 12% higher than what Mastercard offered last month.

Sony (NYSE:SNE) is higher after the company announced its first-ever major share buyback in the wake of lacklustre earnings.

Mattel (NYSE:MAT). A tale of two toymakers as Mattel is higher after delivering a surprise quarterly profit thanks to a makeover of Barbie although revenue in North America fell more than 10% due to lost sales at the bankrupt Toys "R" Us.

Hasbro (NYSE:HAS) reported a larger than expected drop in revenue due to the collapse of Toys "R" Us and weakness in the U.K. market.

Amazon.com (NASDAQ:AMZN). CEO Jeff Bezos has accused National Enquirer owner AMI

of extortion and blackmail for threatening to publish more pictures of he and his girlfriend unless Bezos stated publicly that reports about AMI by the Washington Post, which Bezos owns, were not politically motivated.

MARKETS

The TSX and U.S. equity futures are lower as investors focus again on global trade tensions.

Stascan's notoriously unreliable data is in evidence again as 66,800 jobs were created in January on record-breaking private sector hiring, way above the 5,000 estimate.

Unemployment moved up to 5.8% from 5.6%.

CURRENCIES

The Canadian dollar is higher by 0.4% at \$0.7545 (U.S) after the solid jobs report.

COMMODITIES

West Texas Intermediate is up 0.2% at \$53.73 a barrel.

Gold is higher 0.4% \$1,318.80 an ounce.

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