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Morning Need to Know

Getting you ready for your investing day

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CANADIAN ANALYSTS' CALLS

Boyd Group Income Fund (TSX;BYD.UN) is up a healthy 19.5% since our March 26 cover story on the collision repair chop consolidator. Laurentian Bank increases the target to \$190 from \$185 and maintains "buy" ahead of the company's earnings release.

Equitable Group (TSX:EQB). RBC raises the target to \$96 from \$84 on the company's positive outlook for housing and mortgage market activity.

Intact Financial (TSX:IFC). RBC lifts the target to \$135 from \$122.

CCL Industries (TSX:CCL.B) CIBC raises the

price target to \$70 from \$64.

SunLife (TSX:SLF). Evercore ISI reinstates coverage with an "outperform" and a target of \$63.

Wheaton Precious Metals (TSX:WPM). GMP upgrades to "buy" and raises the target to \$41.50 from \$32.75.



U.S. ANALYSTS' CALLS

INITIATIONS

Change Healthcare (NYSE:CHNG). Credit Suisse starts coverage with an "outperform" based on the company's highly diversified revenue model and 88% recurring revenue.

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Amazon.com (NASDAQ:AMZN) Deutsche Bank ups the target to \$2,515 (U.S.) from \$2,315 and maintains "buy" ahead of the company's Q2 earnings report expected to be released after the closing bell on Thursday.

Micron Technology (NASDAQ:MU). Goldman

Sachs has an improving impression of memory chip stocks saying MU is “*the best stock to express our view*”, as the analyst upgrades the stock to "buy" with the target moving to \$56 from \$40.

Applied Materials (NASDAQ:AMAT). Goldman upgrades this one to “buy” and adds it to the firm’s Conviction List, with the target hiked to \$56 from \$48.

Lam Research (NASDAQ:LRCX) gets upgraded by Goldman to “buy” and the target is raised to \$231 target from \$197.

Tesla (NASDAQ:TSLA). Roth Capital Partners downgrades to "neutral" from buy and maintains its target of \$238.

STOCKS THAT MAY MOVE

NexPoint Hospitality Trust (TSX:NHT.UN) says a subsidiary is merging with Condor Hospitality Trust (NYSE:CNDR) in a deal valued at \$318 million (U.S.).

Ford Motor (NYSE:F) will layoff 200 employees at its Oakville plant in September with the possibility of more layoffs in January. The company employs about 4,600 workers at the facility.

Zenabis Global (TSX:ZENA) says Starseed Medicinal will advance it \$10 million in September in return for supplying dried cannabis flower and trim. The company also says it's secured \$40 million in non-dilutive financing through pre-paid supply agreements, which it estimates *"to be sufficient to achieve our planned 131,200 kg of cannabis cultivation capacity expected to occur this quarter."*

MARKETS

S&P/TSX and U.S. equity futures are pointing to a higher open to kick off a very busy week for corporate earnings reports.

CURRENCIES

The Canadian dollar is down 0.2% at \$0.7637 (U.S.).

COMMODITIES

West Texas Intermediate is higher by 0.7% to \$56.19 a barrel as tensions simmer after Iran seized a British tanker and now also says it has captured 17 CIA spies and sentenced some of them to death.

Gold is inching up at \$1,437.30 an ounce.

DAILY UPDATE



A reminder to [watch our interview](#) with the CEO, Chairman and Co-Founder of **Avicanna (TSX:AVCN)**, a newly-public cannabis company with blue chip partners that is anything but a run of the mill firm.

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