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## CANADIAN ANALYSTS' CALLS

#### **INITIATIONS**

theScore (TSXV:SCR). Cormark Securities starts coverage with a "buy" rating a price target of \$0.75 (Canadian), which implies a gain of 53%, saying the "U.S. sports betting opportunity for the sports app company is very large".

Meanwhile, Mackie Research maintains a "buy" on the SCR and a price target of \$1, which implies a **projected return of 89%**, as the path to sports betting in the U.S. becomes increasingly clear.

SCR is higher by 42% since our cover story last July after a recent breakout for the stock.

Adventus Mining (TSXV:ADZN). Laurentian Bank Securities begins coverage with a "buy"

rating and a target of \$1.85.

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Extendicare (TSX:EXE). Echelon Wealth Partners upgrades to "buy" and raises the target to \$9 from \$8.25.

Boardwalk REIT (TSX:BEI.UN). RBC Dominion Securities upgrades to "buy" and moves the target to \$51 from \$49.

Canadian Utilities (TSX:CU). Credit Suisse upgrades to "outperform" and lifts the target to \$44 from \$40.

Hydro One (TSX:H). Credit Suisse also upgrades to "outperform" taking the target to \$27 from \$24.

#### Premier Gold Mines (TSX:PG).

Canaccord Genuity lifts the target to \$5 from \$4.50 and reiterates "buy-top pick".

First Majestic (TSX:FR). H.C. Wainwright hikes the price targets on a number of precious metals companies including this silver producer as the target is moved to \$11.50 from \$8. FR closed Friday at \$13.13.

## Mogo Finance Technology (TSX:MOGO).

Mackie Research reduces the target to \$10 from \$12 and maintains "speculative buy" after an

"uninspiring" quarter.

## U.S. ANALYSTS' CALLS

Livongo Health (NASDAQ:LVGO). J.P. Morgan initiates average with an "overweight" rating.

Lululemon (NASDAQ;LULU) gets its target raised to \$176 (U.S.) from \$165 at B. Riley FBR.

#### STOCKS THAT MAY MOVE

Russel Metals (TSX:RUS) is buying oilfield services company City Pipe & Supply for about \$160 million (Canadian).

DryShips (NASDAQ:DRYS) is surging in premarket trading after SPII Holdings said it would buy the rest of the company it doesn't already own for \$5.25 a share in cash, a 37% premium to Friday's close.

CannTrust Holdings (TSX:TRST;NYSE:CTST) said the Ontario Cannabis Store will return about \$2.9 million worth of "non-conforming products."

### **MARKETS**

S&P/TSX and U.S. equity futures have started higher after China announced stimulus measures and Germany hinted at them.

**European stock indices** are up and Asian indices finished in the black.

This week will include a speech by U.S. Federal Reserve chair Powell at the annual Jackson Hole, Wyoming conference, and earnings from Canadian banks.

## **CURRENCIES**

**The Canadian dollar** is slightly higher at \$0.7539 (U.S.).

### **COMMODITIES DAILY UPDATE**

West Texas Intermediate is up 1% at \$55.34 a barrel after a drone attack on an oil facility in Saudi Arabia.

**Gold** is down 1% at \$1,507.90 an ounce.

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