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Augen Capital Reports Third Quarter Results

TORONTO, Ontario – November 28, 2008: Augen Capital Corp. (“Augen” or “the Company”) (TSX-V: AUG) today announced its unaudited interim consolidated financial results for the third quarter and nine-month period ended September 30, 2008.

Third Quarter Results

In the quarter ended September 30, 2008, Augen’s income was \$301,193, compared with \$796,856 in the third quarter of 2007. The Company’s income is driven by its Managed Products (MP) and Merchant Banking (MB) segments. Income in the MP segment was \$180,522 in the latest quarter, compared with \$462,161 in the third quarter of 2007. This was mainly the result of consulting and due diligence fees declining by \$78,720, advisory and performance fees declining by \$191,702 and interest and dividend income declining by \$11,217 from the same period in 2007. Income in the MB segment was \$120,671 in the latest quarter, compared with \$334,695 in the third quarter of 2007. This was primarily the result of a net realized gain on the sale of investments in the same period of 2007 of \$119,893. A decrease in consulting fees of \$45,667, a decrease of \$38,034 in interest and dividend income and a decrease in income from investee company services of \$10,430 also accounted for the change.

In the MP segment, the third quarter loss before income taxes was \$59,371 compared with earnings of \$70,290 in the same period of 2007. This change was primarily due to a decline in income of \$281,639.

The MB segment experienced a loss, before income taxes, of \$1.4 million in the three months ended September 30, 2008, compared with a loss before income taxes of \$2.4 million in 2007. The decrease in the loss was mainly due to a greater amount recovered from the adjustment to the fair value of liabilities of \$132,899 recovered in 2008, compared with \$41,353 recovered in 2007, and investments held for trading that were subject to an unrealized loss of \$1.2 million in 2008 compared with an unrealized loss of \$2.3 million in 2007.

The Company incurred a total of \$11,164 in non-recurring charges in the quarter, and 50% was allocated to each of the Augen’s operating segments.

Net loss before income taxes for the quarter was \$1.5 million compared with \$2.3 million in the third quarter of 2007.

Net loss in the quarter was \$1.3 million compared with a net loss of \$2.1 million in the same period of 2007.

Note: The adoption of CICA Handbook Section 3855, which requires the reporting of unrealized fluctuations in the fair value of the Merchant Banking investment portfolio, has resulted in greater volatility in the net earnings of Augen since it was adopted in the first quarter of 2007. While these accounting standards provide insight into the current fair value of the Merchant Banking (MB) investment portfolio, they do not necessarily provide an accurate indication of the ultimate realized gain or loss, which will be different.



Consolidated Statements of Earnings

	Managed Products		Merchant Banking		Total	
	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
<i>For the three months ended September 30,</i>						
Income (loss)	180,522	462,161	120,671	334,695	301,193	796,856
Expenses	228,671	390,219	413,981	462,287	642,652	852,506
Earnings (loss) before undernoted items	(48,149)	71,942	(293,310)	(127,592)	(341,459)	(55,650)
Unrealized loss on investments held for trading	-	-	1,244,848	2,264,442	1,244,848	2,264,442
Non-recurring charges	5,582	-	5,582	-	11,164	-
Adjustment to fair value of liabilities	-	-	(132,899)	(41,353)	(132,899)	(41,353)
Amortization	5,640	1,652	5,641	1,652	11,281	3,304
Earnings (loss) before income taxes	(59,371)	70,290	(1,416,482)	(2,352,333)	(1,475,853)	(2,282,043)
Income taxes						
Current					(63,595)	110,654
Future					(159,689)	(341,284)
					(223,284)	(230,630)
Net earnings (loss) and comprehensive earnings (loss)					(1,252,569)	(2,051,413)

For the three months ended September 30, cash used in operations, excluding changes in non-cash working capital decreased to \$94,221, from \$179,853 in the same period of 2007. This was mainly the result of a reduction in the net loss of \$798,844 and a decrease in income taxes of \$181,595. This was partially offset by a reduction of \$899,701 in net realized and unrealized losses on investments held for trading in the quarter compared with 2007.

"The fluctuations in the price of commodities earlier in the year foreshadowed a significant market correction, along with the uncertainty and investor fear that has accompanied it. Our business is not immune from broader market realities and our quarterly results reflect this," said J. David Mason, Chief Executive Officer of Augen. "Management has taken action to streamline operational costs and preserve cash in addition to suspending the disposition of securities until the market shows signs of improvement. The Company remains committed to creating shareholder value by maximizing fee income from the Managed Products consulting assets and investment returns on the Merchant Banking investment portfolio."

Year-to-Date Results

Through the first nine months of 2008, Augen's income was \$1.2 million compared with \$3.3 million through the first three quarters of 2007. In addition to other items, the variance was mainly the result of a decrease in advisory and performance fees of \$107,654 and a decrease in consulting and due diligence fees of \$601,060 in the MP segment, coupled with a net realized gain on the sale of investments of \$108,922 in 2008, compared with a net realized gain on the sale of investments of \$1.6 million in the MB segment in 2007.

The loss before income taxes in the MP segment, for the nine months ended September 30, 2008, was \$592,341 compared with earnings of \$486 in 2007. In addition to other items, this variance was primarily the result of a decline in income of \$730,158 that was partially offset by a decrease of \$398,655 in expenses.

Through the first three quarters of 2008, the MB segment's reported loss before income taxes was \$3.1 million compared to a loss before income taxes of \$3.2 million in the same period of 2007. This was primarily the result of a decrease of \$227,008 in expenses year-over-year, which was offset by other items.

Net loss, before income taxes, was \$3.6 million in 2008, compared with a net loss of \$3.2 million through the first three quarters of 2007.



Net loss was \$3.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2008, compared with a net loss of \$2.8 million in the same period of 2007.

Consolidated Statements of Earnings

	Managed Products		Merchant Banking		Total	
	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
<i>For the nine months ended September 30,</i>						
Income (loss)	635,846	1,366,004	566,961	1,913,469	1,202,807	3,279,473
Expenses	961,906	1,360,561	1,051,897	1,278,905	2,013,803	2,639,466
Earnings (loss) before undernoted items	(326,060)	5,443	(484,936)	634,564	(810,996)	640,007
Unrealized loss on investments held for trading	-	-	2,521,038	4,272,282	2,521,038	4,272,282
Non-recurring charges (note 15)	257,438	-	257,438	-	514,876	-
Adjustment to fair value of liabilities	-	-	(220,380)	(481,334)	(220,380)	(481,334)
Amortization	8,843	4,957	8,843	4,956	17,686	9,913
Earnings (loss) before income taxes	(592,341)	486	(3,051,875)	(3,161,340)	(3,644,216)	(3,160,854)
Income taxes						
Current					(322,985)	206,098
Future					(363,864)	(535,854)
					(686,849)	(329,756)
Net earnings (loss) and comprehensive earnings (loss)					(2,957,367)	(2,831,098)

Cash used in operations, excluding changes in non-cash working capital, was \$772,065 compared with \$273,011 through the first three quarters of 2007. This change was mainly the result of an increase in the net loss of \$126,269, a decline in stock-based compensation of \$239,949 and a decrease of \$298,251 in net realized and unrealized losses on investments held for trading.

Consolidated assets decreased by 26% to \$8.4 million on September 30, 2008, from \$11.3 million on December 31, 2007. Augen's balance sheet has almost \$4 million in current assets and no long-term debt.

Consolidated Assets

	Managed Products		Merchant Banking		Total	
	September 30, 2008	December 31, 2007	September 30, 2008	December 31, 2007	September 30, 2008	December 31, 2007
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
<i>As at,</i>						
Total assets	672,257	733,415	7,679,304	10,550,270	8,351,561	11,283,685
Shareholders' equity per share (*)					0.21	0.29

* Defined as shareholders' equity per financial statements, divided by common shares outstanding

The full unaudited interim consolidated financial statements for the period ended September 30, 2008 are available at www.augenc.com or at www.sedar.com.



About Augen Capital

Augen Capital Corp. ("Augen") (TSX-V: AUG) is a Toronto-based public merchant bank specializing in the financing of and investment in emerging resource companies. Augen manages a merchant banking hard dollar portfolio of emerging resource stocks including private companies and is an industry performance leader in tax-advantaged flow-through investments in Canada's resource sector having raised over \$58 million in flow-through limited partnership assets since inception. Augen currently has \$25 million in flow-through investment consulting assets, including \$17 million raised in 2008 by Augen and its sales and distribution partner. Augen holds over one hundred gold, base metals and uranium exploration and development public and private companies with direct holdings in its merchant banking portfolio and consulting assets in flow-through limited partnerships.

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