

CANADIAN IMPERIAL BANK OF COMMERCE /CAN/

Form S-8

December 13, 2005

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**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

**FORM S-8  
REGISTRATION STATEMENT  
UNDER  
THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933**

**Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce**  
(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

**Canada**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

**13-1942440**  
(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

**Commerce Court  
Toronto, Ontario  
Canada, M5L 1A2  
(416) 980-2211**

(Address, including zip code, of Registrant's principal executive office)  
**CIBC World Markets Incentive Savings Plan for United States Employees**  
(Full title of the Plans)

**Michael G. Capatides  
Executive Vice-President and General Counsel  
425 Lexington Avenue  
New York, New York, 10017  
(212) 667-8301**

(Name, address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of Registrant's agent for service)

**Copies to:  
Edward S. Best  
Mayer, Brown, Rowe & Maw LLP  
71 South Wacker Drive  
Chicago, Illinois 60606  
(312) 782-0600**

**CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE**

<b>Title of Securities to be Registered</b>	<b>Amount to be Registered<sup>(1)</sup></b>	<b>Proposed Maximum Offering Price Per Share<sup>(2)</sup></b>	<b>Proposed Maximum Aggregate Offering Price</b>	<b>Amount of Registration Fee</b>
Common shares, without par value	200,000	\$65.25	\$13,050,000	\$1,397

(1) The number of Common Shares being registered hereby shall be adjusted to include any additional shares which may become issuable as a result of stock splits, stock dividends or similar transactions in accordance with the provisions of the plans described herein. In addition, pursuant to Rule 416(c) under the Securities Act of 1933,

this registration statement also covers an indeterminate amount of plan interests to be offered pursuant to the employee benefit plans described herein.

- (2) Pursuant to Rule 457(h)(1) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the proposed maximum offering price per share, the proposed maximum aggregate offering price and the amount of registration fee have been computed on the basis of the average of the high and low prices of the Common Stock reported on the New York Stock Exchange Composite Tape on December 12, 2005.
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**PART II**  
**INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT**

**Item 3.** *Incorporation of Documents by Reference.*

The following documents filed by Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce (the Bank or Registrant ) or the CIBC World Markets Incentive Savings Plan for United States Employees (the Plan ) with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the Commission ) are hereby incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement.

- (a) The Bank's Annual Report on Form 40-F for the fiscal year ended October 31, 2005, which contains audited financial statements for the Registrant's latest fiscal year for which such statements have been filed.
- (b) The description of the Bank's Common Shares contained in the Bank's Registration Statement on Form 40-F filed on September 3, 1997.

All documents filed by the Bank or the Plan pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, (the Act ) after the date of this Registration Statement and prior to the filing of a post-effective amendment to this Registration Statement indicating that all securities offered have been sold or which deregisters all securities then remaining unsold, shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference into this Registration Statement and to be a part hereof from the date of filing of such documents. Any statement contained in a document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes of this Registration Statement to the extent that a statement contained herein or in any other subsequently filed document which also is or is deemed to be incorporated by reference herein modifies or supersedes such statement. Any such statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this Registration Statement.

**Item 8.** *Exhibits.*

- 23.1 Consent of Ernst & Young LLP
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With respect to the CIBC World Markets Incentive Savings Plan for United States Employees, in lieu of the opinion of counsel or determination letter contemplated by Item 601(b) (5) of Regulation S-K, the Registrant hereby undertakes that it will submit or has submitted the CIBC World Markets Incentive Savings Plan for United States Employees, and any amendments thereto, to the Internal Revenue Service ( IRS ) in a timely manner and has made or will make all changes required by the IRS in order to qualify the Plan under Section 401 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

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**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in Toronto, Ontario, Canada on the 12th day of December, 2005.

CANADIAN IMPERIAL BANK OF  
COMMERCE

By: /s/ Michael G. Capatides  
Name: Michael G. Capatides  
Title: Executive Vice President & General Counsel

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this Registration Statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities indicated on December 12, 2005.

Signature	Title
*	President and Chief Executive Officer
Gerald T. McCaughey	(Principal Executive Officer)
*	Senior Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer
Tom D. Woods	(Principal Financial Officer)
*	Senior Vice President and Chief Accountant (Principal Accounting Officer)
Francesca Shaw	
*	Director
Brent S. Belzberg	
*	Director
Jalynn H. Bennett	
*	Director
Gary F. Colter	
*	Director
Pat M. Delbridge	
*	Director
William L. Duke	

*	Director
Ivan E.H. Duvar	
*	Director
William Etherington	
*	Director
A.L. Flood	
*	Director
Margot A. Franssen	
*	Director
Honourable Gordon D. Giffin	
*	Director
Honourable James A. Grant	
*	Director
Linda S. Hasenfrantz	
*	Director
John S. Lacey	
*	Director
Honourable John Manley	
*	Director
Charles Sirios	

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Signature	Title
*	Director
Stephen G. Snyder	
*	Director
Cynthia M. Trudell	
*	Director
Ronald W. Tysoe	
/s/ Michael G. Capatides	Authorized U.S. Representative
Michael G. Capatides	

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By: /s/ Michael G. Capatides

Attorney-in-fact

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the appropriate person (or other persons who administer the CIBC World Markets Incentive Savings Plan for United States Employees) has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in Toronto, Ontario, Canada on the 12th day of December, 2005.

By: /s/ Bala Ayyal  
Name: Bala Ayyal  
Title: Member of the US Benefits  
Committee

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