

ECSE DAILY NEWS REPORT

Welcome to the Eastern Caribbean Securities Exchange daily update for 17th December 2008, providing the latest trading information and financial tips for the investor.

Today on the Eastern Caribbean Securities Market, 100 East Caribbean Financial Holding shares traded at \$13.00 up twenty-five cents or 1.96% on its last traded price, 7,000,000 units of the Government of St Lucia's 10 year bond LCG100718 traded at 7.50% and 10,000 units of the Government of St Vincent and the Grenadines' 10 year bond traded at 7.50%.

Here are the latest closing prices for the equities listed on the ECSE:

| Bank of Nevis | \$6.26 |
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| Cable & Wireless St Kitts & Nevis Limited | \$6.50 |
| Dominica Electricity Services | \$3.00 |
| East Caribbean Financial Holding Company | \$13.00 |
| Grenada Electricity Services Limited | \$11.00 |
| GraceKennedy | \$4.25 |
| Grenreal Property Corporation Limited | \$5.40 |
| Republic Bank (Grenada) Limited | \$55.25 |
| St Kitts Nevis Anguilla National Bank | \$2.99 |
| St Lucia Electricity Services | \$25.00 |
| S. L Horsford & Company | \$2.00 |
| Trinidad Cement Limited | \$3.55 |
| TDC | \$1.90 |

And today's financial tip:

Why do organizations issue bonds instead of taking a loan from the bank?

The sums of money that organizations raise by issuing bonds are often larger than a single bank would be willing to lend, and the term of the bond may also be longer than the term of a bank loan. Additionally, an organization can sometimes raise funds at a lower rate of interest by issuing bonds.

Join us next time for the Eastern Caribbean Securities Exchange trading report.