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### RBC LiONS™ Buffered Protection Securities

**Short Term** 

# Full Upside Participation

**Buffered Protection** 

on the Downside

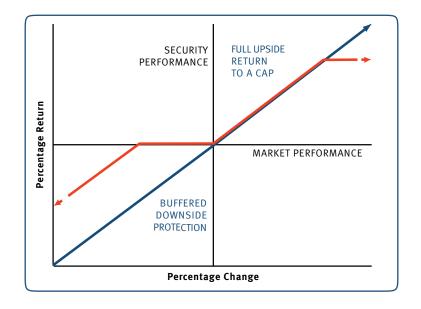
#### **UNDERLYING ASSET CLASSES**

Equities
Indices
Commodities
Foreign Exchange

#### **INVESTMENT HIGHLIGHTS**

- Return linked to the upside price performance of the Underlying Asset as measured over the term of the security.
- > For any positive performance in the Underlying Asset the investor will receive 100% of the appreciation of the Underlying Asset subject to a Cap on return.
- > For negative performance whose absolute value is less than the Buffer, the investor will receive a return of the Principal Amount.
- For negative performance whose absolute value is greater than the Buffer, the investor will receive a return equal to the performance of the Underlying Asset plus the Buffer.
- CAD denominated with foreign currency protection (can also be denominated in other major currencies eg. USD, EUR, etc.)

#### **ILLUSTRATION OF THE PAYMENT AT MATURITY**



Buffered Protection Security

— Underlying Asset

#### SAMPLE CALCULATION OF THE PAYMENT AMOUNT

In the sample calculations below, it is assumed that the Initial Underlying Asset Level and Final Underlying Asset Level are as illustrated below. The Buffer is 30% and the Cap is 30%. The term of the security in this example is 3 years. These Levels are hypothetical and are used for illustrative purposes only.

#### Example #1- Calculation of the Redemption Amount where the Percentage Change is positive and less than the Cap:

Initial Underlying Asset Level = 1,000 Final Underlying Asset Level = 1,150

Percentage Change = ((1,150 - 1,000) / 1,000) = 0.15000 or 15.000%

Since the Percentage Change is positive and less than the Cap, the Redemption Amount is calculated as follows:

Redemption Amount =  $$100 + ($100 \times 15.000\%) = $115$ 

In this example, the Redemption Amount provides a return equivalent to an annual rate of 4.77%.

#### Example #2- Calculation of the Redemption Amount where the Percentage Change is positive and greater than the Cap:

Initial Underlying Asset Level = 1,000 Final Underlying Asset Level = 1,500

Percentage Change = ((1,500 - 1,000) / 1,000) = 0.50000 or 50.000%

Since the Percentage Change is greater than the Cap, the Redemption Amount is calculated as follows:

Redemption Amount =  $$100 + ($100 \times 30.000\%) = $130.00$ 

In this example, the Redemption Amount provides a return equivalent to an annual rate of 9.14%.

## Example #3— Calculation of the Redemption Amount where the Percentage Change is negative, and its absolute value is less than the Buffer (ie, the Underlying Asset has fallen in value but by less than 30%):

Initial Underlying Asset Level = 1,000 Final Underlying Asset Level = 850

Percentage Change = ((850 - 1,000) / 1,000) = -0.15000 or -15.000%

Since the Percentage Change is negative and is less than the Buffer, the Redemption Amount = \$100.

In this example, the Redemption Amount is equivalent to a return of the Principal Amount.

## Example #4- Calculation of the Redemption Amount where the Percentage Change is negative and its absolute value is greater than the Buffer.

Initial Underlying Asset Level = 1,000 Final Underlying Asset Level = 500

Percentage Change = ((500 - 1,000) / 1,000) = -0.50000 or -50.000%

Since the Percentage Change is negative and is greater than the Buffer, the Redemption Amount is calculated as follows:

Redemption Amount =  $$100 + [$100 \times (-50.000\% + 30.000\%)] = $80.00$ 

In this example, the Redemption Amount is equivalent to an annual loss rate of 7.17%.

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- Payment at Maturity The Payment at Maturity may be less than the \$100 Principal Amount per security originally invested.
- Interest Payable at Maturity The Principal Amount plus return (if any) is payable only at maturity.
- Secondary Market Price The price for the security in any secondary market will be based on market conditions and could be above or below the \$100 Principal Amount per security. Royal Bank will maintain a secondary market for the security, but reserves the right not to do so in the future, without providing prior notice to security holders.
- Extraordinary Events The payment at maturity could be accelerated or delayed due to the occurrence of certain Extraordinary Events.