

3 Intriguing Stocks Yielding 4% Dividends for Your TFSA

## **Description**

People that have long-term financial goals but would rather avoid emotional stress go for long-term dividends. However, the selection of dividend stocks is crucial. The companies should have the potential for long-term success. Otherwise, you're not assured of sustainable dividends.

National Bank of Canada (<u>TSX:NA</u>), **TC Energy**, and **Shaw** (<u>TSX:SJR.B</u>)(<u>NYSE:SJR</u>) are paying no less than 4% dividends. None are sector leaders, yet all are popular with TFSA users. The reason is dividend sustainability.

### **Dividend rock stars**

Only the Big Five banks are often mentioned as dividend rock stars. The sixth-largest bank, National Bank of Canada, is one also. This \$23.44 billion bank has been around since 1859 and deserves to be in your TFSA.

Compared to its peers, this bank stock offers a dividend of nearly 4%, which is also its average annual dividend for the last decade. The total return of 251.45% on a \$10,000 investment made 10 years ago is decent. To further assess the sustainability of dividends, look into the payout ratios.

For National Bank, the ratio is 42%. The low payout ratio indicates a sustainable model. Earnings can adequately cover dividend payments while the bank retains 58% of profits for reinvestment in its core operations.

The bank stock is an intriguing <u>long-term play</u> as it enters a new phase of growth. Aside from international expanding, National Bank is creating a market niche in the small- and medium-sized enterprises.

## **Pride of North America**

TC Energy is the third-largest energy conglomerate in Canada and has gained many loyal investors. If

you want uninterrupted dividends with at least a 4.5% yield, don't delay holding TC Energy in your TFSA.

This \$61.8 billion company has been in existence since 1951 and has operations in energy infrastructure and power generation. It boasts of a recession-resistant and utility-like business model. Over the last 20 years, TC's asset base has grown by 400%. Today, it is the most diversified midstream network in North America.

About 25% the gas used on the continent are transported through TC Energy's 60,500-mile network of oil and gas pipelines. Also, the company has 10 power plants generating six gigawatts of power, which makes it a regulated utility company as well.

## Sector disruptor

Shaw is the fourth-biggest telecom company in Canada. This \$13.9 billion connectivity company is as prolific as the Big Three in terms of providing wireline and wireless service. It also engages in a pricing war to shake up the market.

Last week, Shaw's disruptive Freedom Mobile made available the expanded version of the Freedom Home Internet. For as low as \$55 per month, Freedom Mobile wireless customers will get to experience wired home internet with download speeds of up to 150 megabits per second and unlimited data.

Revenue-wise, Shaw is exhibiting an increasing trend since 2016. This year, the company is on track to hit \$2.4 billion with a corresponding net income of \$727 million.

Shaw pays a 4.41% dividend, although the payout ratio is at 83.45%. Usually, if the payout ratio is over 100%, the company is paying out more than what it's earning. The ratio requires monitoring, as it might creep higher to 100%.

# Long-term dividends

The strategy of going long-term dividends is for TFSA users. National Bank of Canada, TC Energy, and Shaw are dividend stocks that cater to TFSA users.

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