



3 Top Canadian Stocks to Buy Under \$50

Description

Don't have the budget to buy **Amazon** at +US\$3,000 per share? Wish you could one day purchase an A Class share of **Berkshire** for +US\$380,000 per share?

Fear not. In this article, I've got three picks Canadian investors can pick up for less than \$50 a pop.

These three companies are among my top picks for any investor type. Those looking for growth, income, and a decent margin of safety are covered with these three top picks.

Fortis

Fortis ([TSX:FTS](#))([NYSE:FTS](#)) is a dividend-growth investor's dream stock. Indeed, there are few companies that can come close to the ground Fortis walks on when it comes to historical [dividend growth](#).

For nearly five decades (that's decades, not years), Fortis has hiked its annual dividend. The company has been able to do this mainly because of a rock-solid business model. The vast majority of Fortis's cash flows are generated via its regulated utilities business. This is important for long-term investors to consider. Indeed, unless Fortis's customers all decide to stop turning the heat on and leave the lights off, Fortis will continue to generate long-term cash flow growth.

Accordingly, Fortis provides a safe, defensive equity option for income investors today.

Algonquin Power

A company that provides many similar characteristics from a regulated utilities standpoint is **Algonquin Power & Utilities** ([TSX:AQN](#))([NYSE:AQN](#)).

However, Algonquin's unique among its utilities-oriented peers. That's because this company has an excellent renewable energy portfolio. In fact, the company has been acquiring assets in recent years at

a pretty impressive pace. Algonquin's now earning roughly 35% of its revenue from its renewable power segment, making this a perfect investment for those with a long-term time horizon.

Accordingly, for those who believe the electrification secular trend isn't likely to end soon, Algonquin is a stock to keep an eye on right now.

Alimentation Couche-Tard

Another one of my top picks for some time has been **Alimentation Couche-Tard** (TSX:ATD.B).

Couche-Tard is a unique growth-at-a-reasonable-price play. The historical growth Couche-Tard has provided investors has been discounted due to a lack of deal flow of late, and a large \$20 billion failed bid for French grocery retailer **Carrefour** that has spooked investors.

That said, I think this is a company with a valuation that is simply too cheap to ignore right now. Currently, Couche-Tard trades at only 16 times earnings. Given where valuations are in the market today, investors would be remiss to avoid looking at this investment opportunity right now.

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