- Q. With reference to the Canadian economy and the Bank of Canada's risk assessment (page 8). Is it Mr. Coyne's judgment that Canada experienced a "Great Recession" after the US financial crisis or even that Canada experienced a financial crisis? If the answer is yes, please indicate which Canadian banks failed during 2009/10 equivalent to Lehman Brothers, Bear Stearns, Merrill-Lynch (taken over by B of A), Citi bailed out by the US government etc.
- A. The financial crisis and "Great Recession" of 2008/09 affected economies on a global scale, including Canada. Mr. Coyne is not aware of any Canadian banks that failed during the 2008/2009 period. However, the TSX index declined by 33.5 percent and TSX Utilities Index declined by 20.4 percent in 2008, as shown in Exhibit JMC-2.