BMO Bank of Montreal wins 2018 Gartner Eye on Innovation Award for financial services in the Americas

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TORONTO, Oct. 25, 2018 /CNW/ - BMO Bank of Montreal has been named a regional winner for the 2018 Gartner Eye on Innovation Award for financial services in the Americas.

The award recognizes BMO's development of a new way to pay bills – enabling customers to email their bills to BMO – and leveraging machine learning capabilities to recognize the biller, account number, amount and due date across a range of corporations and statement formats. The solution is currently being piloted before it is fully rolled out to customers in 2019.

"Driving digital capabilities that solve a customer pain point and provide a more frictionless experience is one of our key priorities," said Brett Pitts, Chief Digital Officer, BMO Financial Group. "Customers are increasingly choosing digital solutions, and this award is a reflection of our commitment to investing in digital tools and services that will make our customers' day to day lives easier."

The Gartner award recognizes innovative use of digital technology-enabled capabilities, products or services to highlight "best-in-class" financial industry initiatives launched within the past 12 months. BMO won the award after being selected by attendees of the Gartner Symposium/ITxpo held October 14-18 in Orlando.

Today's announcement builds on BMO's commitment to investing in digital innovation. Earlier this year, BMO introduced BMO Skill for Amazon Alexa and two new chatbots for Facebook Messenger and Twitter to create better experiences for digitally-driven customers.

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