

Rule 2.7, 3.10.3, 3.10.4, 3.10.5

Appendix 3B**New issue announcement,
application for quotation of additional securities
and agreement**

*Information or documents not available now must be given to ASX as soon as available.
Information and documents given to ASX become ASX's property and may be made public.*

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Name of entity

AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND BANKING GROUP LIMITED

ABN

11 005 357 522

We (the entity) give ASX the following information.

Part 1 - All issues

You must complete the relevant sections (attach sheets if there is not enough space).

1	[†] Class of [†] securities issued or to be issued	Options to subscribe for ordinary shares
2	Number of [†] securities issued or to be issued (if known) or maximum number which may be issued	718,210

[†] See chapter 19 for defined terms.

- 3 Principal terms of the +securities (eg, if options, exercise price and expiry date; if partly paid +securities, the amount outstanding and due dates for payment; if +convertible securities, the conversion price and dates for conversion)

(i) 700,000 Unlisted Options

(A) In accordance with the ANZ Share Option Plan (the "Option Plan"), a total of 700,000 Options (the "Options") in ANZ were granted to Mr Michael Smith, Chief Executive of ANZ to acquire the same number of ordinary fully paid shares in ANZ, subject to:

- the rules of the Option Plan;
- the conditions set out below (which reflect the terms contained in the Notice of Meeting for the 2008 AGM in respect of the grant to Mr Michael Smith);

(B) the exercise price payable on exercise of the Options is the audited weighted average sale price of all ordinary shares in ANZ sold on the ASX in the five trading days prior to and including the grant date of 18 December 2008;

(C) the Options granted to Mr Michael Smith will vest three years from the date of grant subject to meeting the time based employment hurdle (i.e. Mr Michael Smith must remain employed during the three year vesting period) and further to the conditions set out below;

(D) subject to the rules of the Option Plan, if Mr Michael Smith ceases employment with ANZ:

1. due to resignation: all unvested Options will be forfeited and any vested unexercised Options will be forfeited at the point notice of resignation is given by Mr Michael Smith;
2. due to termination on notice: all unvested Options will be forfeited at the point notice of termination is received by Mr Michael Smith and for any vested unexercised Options a 12 month grace period will be provided to exercise the Options;
3. due to termination without notice: all unvested and vested unexercised Options will be forfeited at the point notice of termination is received by Mr Michael Smith;
4. due to death or total and permanent disablement: all Options will vest and may be exercised (subject to payment of the exercise price for each Option exercised); and

(E) subject to satisfactorily meeting the time based employment hurdle the Options may be exercised from 18 December 2011 and before the close of business on 17 December 2013, after which date those Options will lapse.

(ii) 18,210 Unlisted Deferred Shares Rights

18,210 unlisted Deferred Share Rights exercisable after 8 December 2011 and before 9 December 2013 (after which date the Rights will lapse) at a zero exercise price.

4	Do the ⁺ securities rank equally in all respects from the date of allotment with an existing ⁺ class of quoted ⁺ securities?	Inapplicable, as no ANZ options are currently listed, save that in the event of exercise, the resulting ordinary shares issued will rank equally in all respects from the date of allotment with the existing class of quoted securities.	
	If the additional securities do not rank equally, please state: • the date from which they do • the extent to which they participate for the next dividend, (in the case of a trust, distribution) or interest payment • the extent to which they do not rank equally, other than in relation to the next dividend, distribution or interest payment		
5	Issue price or consideration	(i) 700,000 unlisted Options at an exercise price of \$14.18.	
		(ii) 18,210 unlisted Deferred Shares Rights at zero exercise price.	
6	Purpose of the issue (If issued as consideration for the acquisition of assets, clearly identify those assets)	(i) 700,000 unlisted Options issued to Mr Michael Smith, Chief Executive Officer of ANZ for the purposes set out in the notice convening ANZ's 2008 Annual General Meeting.	
		(ii) 18,210 unlisted Deferred Shares Rights issued for employee retention purposes.	
7	Dates of entering ⁺ securities into uncertificated holdings or despatch of certificates	(i) 700,000 unlisted Options were issued on 18 December 2008.	
		(ii) 18,210 unlisted Deferred Shares Rights were issued on 9 December 2008.	
8	Number and ⁺ class of all ⁺ securities quoted on ASX (including the securities in clause 2 if applicable)	Number	⁺ Class
		2,158,101,988	Fully paid ordinary shares
		10,812,124	Fully paid convertible preference shares

AUD400m Floating Rate Transferable Certificates of Deposit ("TCD") due March 2009

AUD1025m 6.00% TCD due March 2009

AUD27m Floating Rate Senior Notes due September 2009

AUD800m 6.00% TCD due March 2010

AUD1050m Floating Rate TCD due March 2010

AUD430m 7.00% TCD due September 2010

AUD465m Floating Rate TCD due September 2010

AUD500m 6.00% TCD due March 2011

AUD800m Floating Rate TCD due March 2011

AUD950m 6.50% TCD due November 2011

AUD1450m Floating Rate TCD due November 2011

AUD340m 7.25% TCD due September 2012

AUD635m Floating Rate TCD due September 2012

AUD350m 6.50% Subordinated Notes due May 2014

AUD380m Floating Rate Subordinated Notes due May 2014

AUD300m 6.00% Subordinated Notes due August 2015

AUD400m Floating Rate Subordinated Notes due August 2015

AUD300m 6.25% Subordinated Notes due May 2016

AUD300m Floating Rate Subordinated Notes due May 2016

AUD350m 6.50% Subordinated Notes due March 2017

AUD350m Floating Rate Subordinated Notes due March 2017

AUD100m 7.30% Subordinated Notes due August 2017

AUD100m Floating Rate Subordinated Notes due August 2017

AUD290m 7.75% Subordinated Notes due October 2017

AUD310m Floating Rate Subordinated Notes due October 2017

AUD365m Floating Rate Subordinated Notes due January 2018

AUD1230m 8.5% TCD due April 2013

AUD520m Floating Rate TCD due April 2013

9 Number and ⁺class of all ⁺securities not quoted on ASX (including the securities in clause 2 if applicable)

Number	⁺ Class
18,979,296	Options on issue
350,000	2003 Redeemable Preference Shares.
750,000	2003 Redeemable Preference Shares (Series 2).
500,000	December 2004 Euro Preference Shares
9,000	June 2007 Sterling Preference Shares
1,200	Convertible Notes

- 10 Dividend policy (in the case of a trust, distribution policy) on the increased capital (interests) Not applicable

Part 2 - Bonus issue or pro rata issue

- 11 Is security holder approval required? ☐
- 12 Is the issue renounceable or non-renounceable? ☐
- 13 Ratio in which the +securities will be offered ☐
- 14 +Class of +securities to which the offer relates ☐
- 15 +Record date to determine entitlements ☐
- 16 Will holdings on different registers (or subregisters) be aggregated for calculating entitlements? ☐
- 17 Policy for deciding entitlements in relation to fractions ☐
- 18 Names of countries in which the entity has +security holders who will not be sent new issue documents
Note: Security holders must be told how their entitlements are to be dealt with.
Cross reference: rule 7.7.
- 19 Closing date for receipt of acceptances or renunciations ☐
- 20 Names of any underwriters ☐
- 21 Amount of any underwriting fee or commission ☐
- 22 Names of any brokers to the issue ☐
- 23 Fee or commission payable to the broker to the issue ☐
- 24 Amount of any handling fee payable to brokers who lodge acceptances or renunciations on behalf of +security holders ☐
- 25 If the issue is contingent on +security holders' approval, the date of the meeting ☐
- 26 Date entitlement and acceptance form and prospectus or Product Disclosure Statement will be sent to persons entitled ☐
- 27 If the entity has issued options, and the terms entitle option holders to participate on exercise, the date on which notices will be sent to option holders ☐
- 28 Date rights trading will begin (if applicable) ☐
- 29 Date rights trading will end (if applicable) ☐
- 30 How do +security holders sell their entitlements *in full* through a broker? ☐
- 31 How do +security holders sell *part* of their entitlements through a broker and accept for the balance? ☐

32 How do ⁺security holders dispose of their entitlements (except by sale through a broker)?

33 ⁺Despatch date

Part 3 - Quotation of securities

You need only complete this section if you are applying for quotation of securities

34 Type of securities
(tick one)

(a) ☐ Securities described in Part 1

(b) ☐ All other securities

Example: restricted securities at the end of the escrowed period, partly paid securities that become fully paid, employee incentive share securities when restriction ends, securities issued on expiry or conversion of convertible securities

Entities that have ticked box 34(a)

Additional securities forming a new class of securities

(If the additional securities do not form a new class, go to 43)

*Tick to indicate you are providing the information or
ments*

35 ☐ If the ⁺securities are ⁺equity securities, the names of the 20 largest holders of the additional ⁺securities, and the number and percentage of additional ⁺securities held by those holders

36 ☐ If the ⁺securities are ⁺equity securities, a distribution schedule of the additional ⁺securities setting out the number of holders in the categories
1 - 1,000
1,001 - 5,000
5,001 - 10,000
10,001 - 100,000
100,001 and over

37 ☐ A copy of any trust deed for the additional ⁺securities
(now go to 43)

Entities that have ticked box 34(b)

38 Number of securities for which
⁺quotation is sought

39 Class of ⁺securities for which
quotation is sought

- 40 Do the ⁺securities rank equally in all respects from the date of allotment with an existing ⁺class of quoted ⁺securities?

If the additional securities do not rank equally, please state:

- the date from which they do
- the extent to which they participate for the next dividend, (in the case of a trust, distribution) or interest payment
- the extent to which they do not rank equally, other than in relation to the next dividend, distribution or interest payment

- 41 Reason for request for quotation now

Example: In the case of restricted securities, end of restriction period

(if issued upon conversion of another security, clearly identify that other security)

- 42 Number and ⁺class of all ⁺securities quoted on ASX (including the securities in clause 38)
(now go to 43)

Number	⁺ Class

Quotation agreement

1 +Quotation of our additional +securities is in ASX's absolute discretion. ASX may quote the +securities on any conditions it decides.

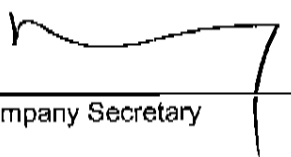
2 We warrant the following to ASX.

- The issue of the +securities to be quoted complies with the law and is not for an illegal purpose.
- There is no reason why those +securities should not be granted +quotation.
- An offer of the +securities for sale within 12 months after their issue will not require disclosure under section 707(3) or section 1012C(6) of the Corporations Act.

Note: An entity may need to obtain appropriate warranties from subscribers for the securities in order to be able to give this warranty

- Section 724 or section 1016E of the Corporations Act does not apply to any applications received by us in relation to any +securities to be quoted and that no-one has any right to return any +securities to be quoted under sections 737, 738 or 1016F of the Corporations Act at the time that we request that the +securities be quoted.
 - We warrant that if confirmation is required under section 1017F of the Corporations Act in relation to the +securities to be quoted, it has been provided at the time that we request that the +securities be quoted.
 - If we are a trust, we warrant that no person has the right to return the +securities to be quoted under section 1019B of the Corporations Act at the time that we request that the +securities be quoted.
- 3 We will indemnify ASX to the fullest extent permitted by law in respect of any claim, action or expense arising from or connected with any breach of the warranties in this agreement.
- 4 We give ASX the information and documents required by this form. If any information or document not available now, will give it to ASX before +quotation of the +securities begins. We acknowledge that ASX is relying on the information and documents. We warrant that they are (will be) true and complete.

Sign here:



Company Secretary

Date: 22 December 2008

Print name:

John Priestley