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Mr Wayne Elliott
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Dear Wayne,

Re: Westpac Instalments over Commonwealth Bank of Australia (CBAIWG, CBAIWH, CBAIWI, CBAIWJ AND CBAIWL)

Westpac Banking Corporation, as issuer of instalment warrants over shares Commonwealth Bank of Australia, (ASX Codes **CBAIWG, CBAIWH, CBAIWI, CBAIWJ AND CBAIWL**), advises that the record date for the entitlement to AUD $1.12, which is 100% franked, for holders of **CBAIWG, CBAIWH, CBAIWI, CBAIWJ AND CBAIWL** will be 19 August 2005. This date is the record date for the dividend payable on the ordinary shares in Commonwealth Bank of Australia.

The **CBAIWG, CBAIWH, CBAIWI, CBAIWJ AND CBAIWL** instalment warrants will commence trading ex-distribution on 15 August 2005, which is the same date that the ordinary shares in Commonwealth Bank of Australia are ex-dividend.

The dividend will be paid to **CBAIWG, CBAIWH, CBAIWI, CBAIWJ AND CBAIWL** instalment holders as soon as practicably possible following payment by the Listed Entity to the Trustee. In any event, it is anticipated that the instalment dividend will be paid to holders no later than 1 business day after the Listed Entity's dividend payment date of 23 September 2005.

For further information please contact Westpac Banking Corporation 1800 990 107.

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For and on behalf of
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