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Dear Henry

Re: Westpac Self-Funding Instalments over securities in QBE

Westpac Banking Corporation, as issuer of Self-Funding Instalments ("SFI's") over the following securities notifies of a distribution/ entitlement in respect of those securities:

Distribution/ Entitlement of Security

Securities	QBE Insurance Group Ltd ("QBE")
Distribution/ entitlement	Ordinary dividend
Amount	\$0.40 per security
Franking percentage	60%
Ex-distribution / entitlement date	28 August 2006
Record Date	1 st September 2006
Payment Date	14th September 2006

As detailed in the applicable Product Disclosure Statement/s, instalment holders direct that distributions be applied to reduce the Completion Payment of the SFI's. In addition, any refund of prepaid interest that follows from this reduction will also be applied to reduce the Completion Payment. The new Completion Payment/s will become effective from the ex-distribution date. The following SFI's will commence trading ex-distribution on the same date as the underlying securities are ex-distribution.

Resulting Change in Completion Payment for Self Funding Instalments:

ASX Code	Previous Completion Payment	Distribution applied to reduce Completion Payment	Interest Refund applied to reduce Completion Payment	New Completion Payment
QBESWA	\$5.1494	\$0.40	\$ 0.0267	\$4.7227
QBESWB	\$10.0508	\$0.40	\$ 0.0267	\$9.6241

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

For and on behalf of Westpac Banking Corporation