



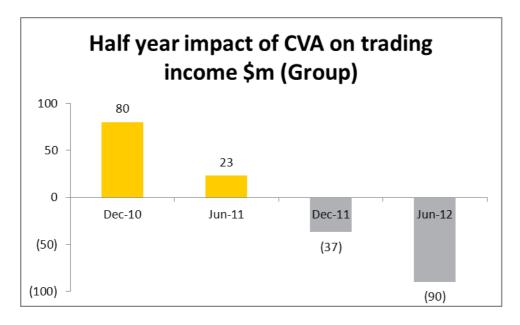
## **CREDIT VALUATION ADJUSTMENT**

**Sydney, 17 August 2012:** In response to questions from investors and analysts on the nature of Credit Valuation Adjustment (CVA), we provide the following commentary:

CVA is the accounting adjustment to reflect the creditworthiness of the counterparties in over the counter (OTC) derivatives.

The size of the CVA is impacted by movements in counterparty credit spreads, interest rates and FX rates. The CVA expense over the past financial year has been driven by lower interest rates and wider counterparty credit spreads, driven primarily by global uncertainty.

The following chart reflects the six monthly movements over the past two years:



Future movements in CVA will depend on the movements in counterparty credit spreads, interest rates and FX rates.

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