

Commonwealth Bank of Australia Dividend Reinvestment Plan Information

Sydney, 15 February 2012: The Directors of Commonwealth Bank of Australia declared an interim dividend of \$1.37 per share - an increase of 4 per cent on the 2011 interim dividend. The dividend payout ratio (cash basis) of approximately 61 per cent was in line with the ratio for the interim dividend for the prior year. This dividend will be fully franked and will be paid on 5 April 2012. The ex-dividend date will be 20 February 2012.

Attached to the 2012 interim dividend will be New Zealand imputation credits of NZ\$0.08 per share. This is the first time that New Zealand imputation credits are being attached to any dividends.

The Directors have determined that the Dividend Reinvestment Plan (DRP) will remain active for the 2012 interim dividend. It will not be underwritten.

Shares issued to participating shareholders under the DRP will rank equally with existing fully paid ordinary shares. The price per share will be determined according to the DRP rules. The period used to determine the price will be the 10 trading day period commencing on 27 February 2012.

The Directors have determined that no discount will apply to the price of the shares issued pursuant to the DRP.

The last date for receipt of DRP Notices for election to participate in the DRP (including any variation) is 5.00pm (Sydney time) on 24 February 2012.

John Hatton
Company Secretary