Sydney, 5 September 2011: On 6 October 2011, Commonwealth Bank of Australia will be paying its final dividend for the full year ended 30 June 2011 of $1.88 per share, amounting to $2,930 million. This consists of a cash component of $2,099 million and shares to the value of $831 million to satisfy the Dividend Reinvestment Plan.

The dividend will be 100% franked at the company tax rate of 30% and will be paid to all Commonwealth Bank shareholders who were recorded on the register at 5pm on the record date of 19 August 2011.

Shares allocated under the Dividend Reinvestment Plan will be issued at a price of $47.48. The Dividend Reinvestment Plan participation rate for the final dividend is 28.37%

John Hatton
Company Secretary