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Commonwealth Bank of Australia

Recent Developments

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Outcome of Strategic Review of CFSGAM

On Tuesday, April 17, 2018, the Commonwealth Bank of Australia (“CBA”) announced that it had concluded the strategic review of its global investment management business, CFSGAM, and decided to pursue an initial public offering of CFSGAM by the end of calendar year 2018.

For more details on the strategic review of CFSGAM, refer to the 2018 U.S. Half-Year Disclosure Document and the Commonwealth Bank of Australia Recent Developments, dated October 4, 2017, each of which is available on the U.S. Investor Website.