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Preliminary Pricing Supplement No. 8 - Dated Monday, July 25, 2011 (To: Prospectus Dated March 2, 2011)

CUSIP	Principal	Gross	Net	Coupon	Coupon	Coupon	Day	Maturity	1st	1st	Survivor	FDIC	
Number	Amount	Selling Price	Concession	Proceeds	Type	Rate	Frequency	Basis	Date	Date	Amount	Option	Guarant
96121BAH0	\$ 100.000%	0.950%	\$	Fixed	2.250%	Monthly	30/360	02/15/2016	09/15/2011	\$2.56	Yes	No	

**Redemption Information:** Non-Callable

Trade Date: Monday, August 1, 2011 @ 12:00 PM ET

Settle Date: Thursday, August 4, 2011

Westpac Banking Corporation

Minimum Denomination/Increments:\$1,000.00/\$1,000.00

Initial trades settle flat and clear SDFS: DTC Book Entry only

**Joint Lead Managers and Lead Agents:** BofA Merrill Lynch, Incapital LLC **Agents:** Citi, Deutsche Bank Securities, Goldman, Sachs &

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