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Preliminary Pricing Supplement No. 45 - Dated Monday, August 20, 2012 (To: Prospectus Dated May 10, 2012)

CUSIP	Principal	Gross	Net	Coupon	Coupon	Coupon	Day	Maturity	1st	1st	Survivor	FDIC	Pro	
Number	Amount	Selling Price	Concess	Proceeds	Type	Rate	Frequency	Basis	Date	Date	Amount	Option	Guaranteed	Ra
96121BBX4	\$ 100.000%	100.000%	1.250%	\$	Fixed	1.700%	Monthly	30/360	08/15/2017	09/15/2012	\$0.71	Yes	No	Se Unse N

Redemption Information: Non-Callable

Trade Date: Monday, August 27, 2012 @ 12:00 PM ET

Westpac B
 Corp

Settle Date: Thursday, August 30, 2012

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

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

Westpac Banking Corporation

Joint Lead Managers and Lead Agents: BofA Merrill Lynch, Incapital LLC **Agents:** Citigroup, Deutsche Securities,

Goldman, Sachs & Co., HSBC, J.P. Morgan, Morgan Stanley, UBS Investment Bank, Wells Fargo Advisors

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