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(To Market Measure Supplement dated March 18, 2015,

Prospectus Supplement dated March 18, 2015

and Prospectus dated March 18, 2015)

Wells Fargo & Company

Medium-Term Notes, Series K

**Equity Index Linked Securities** 

Market Linked Securities Contingent Coupon and

**Contingent Downside** 

#### Principal at Risk Securities Linked to the Russell 2000<sup>®</sup> Index due September 30, 2022

n Linked to the Russell 2000<sup>®</sup> Index

- n Unlike ordinary debt securities, the securities do not provide for fixed payments of interest and do not repay a fixed amount of principal at stated maturity. Whether the securities pay a contingent coupon and whether you are repaid the original offering price of your securities at stated maturity will depend in each case on the performance of the Index
- n **Contingent Coupon.** The securities will pay a contingent coupon on a quarterly basis if, **and only if**, the closing level of the Index on the calculation day for that quarter is greater than or equal to the threshold level. However, if the closing level of the Index is less than the threshold level on a calculation day, you will not receive any contingent coupon for the relevant quarter. If the closing level of the Index is less than the threshold level of the Index is less than the threshold level on every calculation day, you will not receive any contingent coupons throughout the entire 6-year term of the securities. The contingent coupon rate will be determined on the pricing date and will be within the range of 5.90% to 6.30% per annum
- n **Potential Loss of Principal.** At stated maturity, you will receive the original offering price if, **and only if**, the closing level of the Index on the final calculation day is greater than or equal to the threshold level. If the closing level of the Index on the final calculation day is less than the threshold level, you will lose more

than 30%, and possibly all, of the original offering price of your securities

- n The threshold level is equal to 70% of the starting level
- n You will have full downside exposure to the Index from the starting level if the closing level of the Index on the final calculation day is less than the threshold level, but you will not participate in any appreciation of the Index and will not receive any dividends on securities included in the Index
- n All payments on the securities are subject to the credit risk of Wells Fargo & Company, and you will have no ability to pursue any securities included in the Index for payment; if Wells Fargo & Company defaults on its obligations, you could lose some or all of your investment
  n No exchange listing; designed to be held to maturity

On the date of this preliminary pricing supplement, the estimated value of the securities is approximately \$924.77 per security. While the estimated value of the securities on the pricing date may differ from the estimated value set forth above, we do not expect it to differ significantly absent a material change in market conditions or other relevant factors. In no event will the estimated value of the securities on the pricing date be less than \$909.77 per security. The estimated value of the securities was determined for us by Wells Fargo Securities, LLC using its proprietary pricing models. It is not an indication of actual profit to us or to Wells Fargo Securities, LLC or any of our other affiliates, nor is it an indication of the price, if any, at which Wells Fargo Securities, LLC or any other person may be willing to buy the securities from you at any time after issuance. See Investment Description in this pricing supplement.

The securities have complex features and investing in the securities involves risks not associated with an investment in conventional debt securities. See Risk Factors herein on page PRS-11.

The securities are unsecured obligations of Wells Fargo & Company and all payments on the securities are subject to the credit risk of Wells Fargo & Company. The securities are not deposits or other obligations of a depository institution and are not insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, the Deposit Insurance Fund or any other governmental agency of the United States or any other jurisdiction.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this pricing supplement or the accompanying market measure supplement, prospectus supplement and prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

	<b>Original Offering Price</b>	Agent Discount <sup>(1)</sup>	Proceeds to Wells Fargo
Per Security	\$1,000.00	\$32.50	\$967.50
Total			

<sup>(1)</sup> Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Wells Fargo & Company, is the agent for the distribution of the securities and is acting as principal. See Investment Description in this pricing supplement for further information.

#### **Wells Fargo Securities**

### Principal at Risk Securities Linked to the Russell 2000<sup>®</sup> Index due September 30, 2022

#### **Investment Description**

The Principal at Risk Securities Linked to the Russell 2000<sup>®</sup> Index due September 30, 2022 are senior unsecured debt securities of Wells Fargo & Company (<u>Wells Fargo</u>) that do not provide for fixed payments of interest and do not repay a fixed amount of principal at stated maturity. Whether the securities pay a quarterly contingent coupon and whether you are repaid the original offering price of your securities at stated maturity will depend in each case upon the performance of the Russell 2000<sup>®</sup> Index (the <u>Index</u>). The securities provide:

- (i) quarterly contingent coupon payments at a rate of 5.90% to 6.30% per annum (to be determined on the pricing date) if, **and only if**, the closing level of the Index on the applicable quarterly calculation day is greater than or equal to 70% of the starting level;
- (ii) repayment of the original offering price if, **and only if**, the Index does not decline by more than 30% from the starting level to the ending level; and
- (iii) full exposure to the decline in the level of the Index from the starting level if the Index declines by more than 30% from the starting level to the ending level.

If the closing level of the Index on any quarterly calculation day is less than 70% of the starting level, you will not receive any contingent coupon payment for that quarter. If the Index declines by more than 30% from the starting level to the ending level, you will lose more than 30%, and possibly all, of the original offering price of your securities at stated maturity. Accordingly, you will not receive any protection if the level of the Index declines by more than 30% from the starting level to the ending level.

Any return on the securities will be limited to the sum of your contingent coupon payments, if any. You will not participate in any appreciation of the Index, but you will be fully exposed to the decline in the Index if the Index declines by more than 30% from the starting level to the ending level.

All payments on the securities are subject to the credit risk of Wells Fargo.

The Index is an equity index that is designed to reflect the performance of the small capitalization segment of the United States equity market.

You should read this pricing supplement together with the market measure supplement dated March 18, 2015, the prospectus supplement dated March 18, 2015 and the prospectus dated March 18, 2015 for additional information about the securities. Information included in this pricing supplement supersedes information in the market measure supplement, prospectus supplement and prospectus to the extent it is different from that information. Certain defined terms used but not defined herein have the meanings set forth in the prospectus supplement.

You may access the market measure supplement, prospectus supplement and prospectus on the SEC website www.sec.gov as follows (or if such address has changed, by reviewing our filing for the relevant date on the SEC website):

Market Measure Supplement dated March 18, 2015 filed with the SEC on March 18, 2015: http://www.sec.gov/Archives/edgar/data/72971/000119312515096591/d890724d424b2.htm

Prospectus Supplement dated March 18, 2015 and Prospectus dated March 18, 2015 filed with the SEC on March 18, 2015:

http://www.sec.gov/Archives/edgar/data/72971/000119312515096449/d890684d424b2.htm

Russell 2000 is a trademark of Frank Russell Company, doing business as Russell Investment Group (<u>Russell</u>), and has been licensed for use by us. The securities, based on the performance of the Russell 2000<sup>®</sup> Index, are not sponsored, endorsed, sold or promoted by Russell and Russell makes no representation regarding the advisability of investing in the securities.

### Principal at Risk Securities Linked to the Russell 2000<sup>®</sup> Index due September 30, 2022

#### **Investment Description (Continued)**

The original offering price of each security of \$1,000 includes certain costs that are borne by you. Because of these costs, the estimated value of the securities on the pricing date will be less than the original offering price. The costs included in the original offering price relate to selling, structuring, hedging and issuing the securities, as well as to our funding considerations for debt of this type.

The costs related to selling, structuring, hedging and issuing the securities include (i) the agent discount, (ii) the projected profit that our hedge counterparty (which may be one of our affiliates) expects to realize for assuming risks inherent in hedging our obligations under the securities and (iii) hedging and other costs relating to the offering of the securities.

Our funding considerations take into account the higher issuance, operational and ongoing management costs of market-linked debt such as the securities as compared to our conventional debt of the same maturity, as well as our liquidity needs and preferences. Our funding considerations are reflected in the fact that we determine the economic terms of the securities based on an assumed funding rate that is generally lower than the interest rates implied by secondary market prices for our debt obligations and/or by other traded instruments referencing our debt obligations, which we refer to as our <u>secondary market rates</u>. As discussed below, our secondary market rates are used in determining the estimated value of the securities.

If the costs relating to selling, structuring, hedging and issuing the securities were lower, or if the assumed funding rate we use to determine the economic terms of the securities were higher, the economic terms of the securities would be more favorable to you and the estimated value would be higher. The estimated value of the securities as of the pricing date will be set forth in the final pricing supplement.

### Determining the estimated value

Our affiliate, Wells Fargo Securities, LLC (<u>WFS</u>), calculated the estimated value of the securities set forth on the cover page of this pricing supplement based on its proprietary pricing models. Based on these pricing models and related market inputs and assumptions referred to in this section below, WFS determined an estimated value for the securities by estimating the value of the combination of hypothetical financial instruments that would replicate the payout on the securities, which combination consists of a non-interest bearing, fixed-income bond (the <u>debt</u> <u>component</u>) and one or more derivative instruments underlying the economic terms of the securities (the <u>derivative</u> <u>component</u>).

The estimated value of the debt component is based on a reference interest rate, determined by WFS as of a recent date, that generally tracks our secondary market rates. Because WFS does not continuously calculate our reference interest rate, the reference interest rate used in the calculation of the estimated value of the debt component may be higher or lower than our secondary market rates at the time of that calculation. As noted above, we determine the economic terms of the securities based upon an assumed funding rate that is generally lower than our secondary market rates. In contrast, in determining the estimated value of the securities, we value the debt component using a reference interest rate that generally tracks our secondary market rates. Because the reference interest rate is generally higher than the assumed funding rate, using the reference interest rate to value the debt component generally results in

a lower estimated value for the debt component, which we believe more closely approximates a market valuation of the debt component than if we had used the assumed funding rate.

WFS calculated the estimated value of the derivative component based on a proprietary derivative-pricing model, which generated a theoretical price for the derivative instruments that constitute the derivative component based on various inputs, including the derivative component factors identified in Risk Factors The Value Of The Securities Prior To Stated Maturity Will Be Affected By Numerous Factors, Some Of Which Are Related In Complex Ways. These inputs may be market-observable or may be based on assumptions made by WFS in its discretion.

The estimated value of the securities determined by WFS is subject to important limitations. See Risk Factors The Estimated Value Of The Securities Is Determined By Our Affiliate s Pricing Models, Which May Differ From Those Of Other Dealers and Our Economic Interests And Those Of Any Dealer Participating In The Offering Are Potentially Adverse To Your Interests.

### Valuation of the securities after issuance

The estimated value of the securities is not an indication of the price, if any, at which WFS or any other person may be willing to buy the securities from you in the secondary market. The price, if any, at which WFS or any of its affiliates may purchase the securities in the secondary market will be based upon WFS s proprietary pricing models and will fluctuate over the term of the securities due to changes in market conditions and other relevant factors. However, absent changes in these market conditions and other relevant factors, except as otherwise described in the following paragraph, any secondary market price will be lower than the estimated value on the pricing date because the secondary market price will be reduced by a bid-offer spread, which may vary depending on the aggregate face amount of the securities to be purchased in the secondary market transaction, and the expected cost of unwinding any related hedging transactions. Accordingly, unless market conditions and other relevant factors change significantly in your favor, any secondary market price for the securities is likely to be less than the original offering price.

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#### **Investment Description (Continued)**

If WFS or any of its affiliates makes a secondary market in the securities at any time up to the issue date or during the 6-month period following the issue date, the secondary market price offered by WFS or any of its affiliates will be increased by an amount reflecting a portion of the costs associated with selling, structuring, hedging and issuing the securities that are included in the original offering price. Because this portion of the costs is not fully deducted upon issuance, any secondary market price offered by WFS or any of its affiliates during this period will be higher than it would be if it were based solely on WFS s proprietary pricing models less the bid-offer spread and hedging unwind costs described above. The amount of this increase in the secondary market price will decline steadily to zero over this 6-month period. If you hold the securities through an account at WFS or any of its affiliates, we expect that this increase will also be reflected in the value indicated for the securities on your brokerage account statement.

If WFS or any of its affiliates makes a secondary market in the securities, WFS expects to provide those secondary market prices to any unaffiliated broker-dealers through which the securities are held and to commercial pricing vendors. If you hold your securities through an account at a broker-dealer other than WFS or any of its affiliates, that broker-dealer may obtain market prices for the securities from WFS (directly or indirectly), but could also obtain such market prices from other sources, and may be willing to purchase the securities at any given time at a price that differs from the price at which WFS or any of its affiliates is willing to purchase the securities. As a result, if you hold your securities through an account at a broker-dealer other than WFS or any of its affiliates on your brokerage account statement may be different than if you held your securities at WFS or any of its affiliates.

The securities will not be listed or displayed on any securities exchange or any automated quotation system. Although WFS and/or its affiliates may buy the securities from investors, they are not obligated to do so and are not required to make a market for the securities. There can be no assurance that a secondary market will develop.

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#### **Investor Considerations**

We have designed the securities for investors who:

- ; seek an investment with contingent quarterly coupon payments at a rate of 5.90% to 6.30% per annum (to be determined on the pricing date) if, **and only if**, the closing level of the Index on the applicable quarterly calculation day is greater than or equal to 70% of the starting level;
- ; understand that if the Index declines by more than 30% from the starting level to the ending level, they will be fully exposed to the decline in the Index from the starting level and will lose more than 30%, and possibly all, of the original offering price at stated maturity;
- ; are willing to accept the risk that they may not receive any contingent coupon payment on one or more, or any, quarterly contingent coupon payment dates over the term of the securities and may lose all of the original offering price per security at maturity;
- ; are willing to forgo participation in any appreciation of the Index and dividends on securities included in the Index; and

; are willing to hold the securities to maturity.

The securities are not designed for, and may not be a suitable investment for, investors who:

- ; seek a liquid investment or are unable or unwilling to hold the securities to maturity;
- ; require full payment of the original offering price of the securities at stated maturity;
- ; are unwilling to purchase securities with an estimated value as of the pricing date that is lower than the original offering price and that may be as low as the lower estimated value set forth on the cover page;
- ; are unwilling to accept the risk that the closing level of the Index may decline by more than 30% from the starting level to the ending level;
- ; seek certainty of current income over the term of the securities;

; seek exposure to the upside performance of the Index;

; are unwilling to accept the risk of exposure to the small capitalization segment of the United States equity market;

- ; are unwilling to accept the credit risk of Wells Fargo; or
- ; prefer the lower risk of conventional fixed income investments with comparable maturities issued by companies with comparable credit ratings.

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	Terms of the Securities
Market Measure:	Russell 2000 <sup>®</sup> Index
Pricing Date:	September 23, 2016.*
Issue Date:	September 30, 2016.* (T+5)
Original	\$1,000 per security. References in this pricing supplement to a <u>security</u> are to a security with an original offering price of \$1,000.
Offering Price:	
	On each contingent coupon payment date, you will receive a contingent coupon payment at a per annum rate equal to the contingent coupon rate if, <b>and only if</b> , the closing level of the Index on the related calculation day is greater than or equal to the threshold level.
Contingent Coupon Payment:	If the closing level of the Index on any calculation day is less than the threshold level, you will not receive any contingent coupon payment on the related contingent coupon payment date, and if the closing level of the Index is less than the threshold level on all quarterly calculation days, you will not receive any contingent coupon payments over the term of the securities.
	Each quarterly contingent coupon payment, if any, will be calculated per security as follows: $1,000  ext{ x}$ contingent coupon rate x (90/360). Any contingent coupon payments will be rounded to the nearest cent, with one-half cent rounded upward.
Contingent Coupon Payment Dates:	Quarterly, on the fourth business day following each calculation day (as each such calculation day may be postponed pursuant to Postponement of a Calculation Day below, if applicable), provided that the contingent coupon payment date with respect to the final calculation day will be the stated maturity date.
Contingent	The <u>contingent coupon rate</u> will be determined on the pricing date and will be within the range of 5.90% to 6.30% per annum.
Coupon Rate:	

Edgar Filing: WELLS FARGO & COMPANY/MN - Form 424B2 Quarterly, on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of each March, June, September and December, commencing December 2016 and ending June 2022, and the final calculation day\*, each subject to postponement as described below under Postponement of a Calculation Day. We refer to **Calculation Days:** September 26, 2022\* as the \_\_\_\_\_\_final calculation day. September 30, 2022.\* If the final calculation day is postponed, the stated maturity date will be the later of (i) September 30, 2022\* and (ii) three business days after the final calculation day Postponement of a Calculation Day below. If the stated maturity date is not a as postponed. See business day, the payment to be made on the stated maturity date will be made on the next **Stated Maturity** succeeding business day with the same force and effect as if it had been made on the stated Date: maturity date. The securities are not subject to redemption by Wells Fargo or repayment at the option of any holder of the securities prior to the stated maturity date.

\*To the extent that we make any change to the expected pricing date or expected issue date, the calculation days and stated maturity date may also be changed in our discretion to ensure that the term of the securities remains the same.

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### **Terms of the Securities (Continued)** On the stated maturity date, you will be entitled to receive a cash payment per security in U.S. dollars equal to the redemption amount (in addition to the final contingent coupon payment, if any). The <u>redemption amount</u> per security will equal: if the ending level is greater than or equal to the threshold level: \$1,000; or if the ending level is less than the threshold level: \$1,000 minus: \$1,000 x starting level ending level starting level **Payment** at If the ending level is less than the threshold level, you will lose more than 30%, and **Stated Maturity:** possibly all, of the original offering price of your securities at stated maturity. Any return on the securities will be limited to the sum of your contingent coupon payments, if any. You will not participate in any appreciation of the Index, but you will be fully exposed to a decrease in the Index if the ending level is less than the threshold level. All calculations with respect to the redemption amount will be rounded to the nearest one hundred-thousandth, with five one-millionths rounded upward (e.g., 0.000005 would be rounded to 0.00001); and the redemption amount will be rounded to the nearest cent, with one-half cent rounded upward. **Closing Level:** The <u>closing level</u> of the Index on any trading day means the official closing level of the Index reported by the index sponsor on such trading day, as obtained by the calculation agent on such trading day from the licensed third-party market data vendor contracted by the calculation agent at such time; in particular, taking into account the decimal precision and/or rounding convention employed by such licensed third-party market data vendor on such date. Currently, the calculation agent obtains market data from Thomson Reuters Ltd., but the calculation agent may change its market data vendor at any time without notice. The foregoing provisions of this

	definition of closing level are subject to the provisions set forth below under Additional Terms of the Securities Market Disruption Events, Adjustments to the Index and Discontinuance of t Index.
Starting Level:	, the closing level of the Index on the pricing date.
Ending Level:	The <u>ending level</u> will be the closing level of the Index on the final calculation day.
Threshold Level:	, which is equal to 70% of the starting level.
Postponement of a Calculation Day:	If any calculation day is not a trading day, such calculation day will be postponed to the next succeeding trading day. A calculation day is also subject to postponement due to the occurrence of a market disruption event. See Additional Terms of the Securities Market Disruption Events. A <u>trading day</u> means a day, as determined by the calculation agent, on which (i) the relevant stock exchanges with respect to each security underlying the Index are scheduled to be open for trading for their respective regular trading sessions and (ii) each related futures or options exchange is scheduled to be open for trading for its regular trading session. The <u>relevant stock exchange</u> for any security underlying the Index means the primary exchange or quotation system on which such security is traded, as determined by the calculation agent. The <u>related futures or options exchange</u> for the Index means an exchange or quotation system where trading has a material effect (as determined by the calculation agent) on the overall market for futures or options contracts relating to the Index.
Calculation Agent:	Wells Fargo Securities, LLC
No Listing:	The securities will not be listed on any securities exchange or automated quotation system.

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### **Terms of the Securities (Continued)**

Material Tax Consequences:	For a discussion of the material U.S. federal income and certain estate tax consequences of the ownership and disposition of the securities, see United States Federal Tax Considerations.
	Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Wells Fargo & Company. The agent may resell the securities to other securities dealers at the original offering price of the securities less a concession not in excess of \$32.50 per security.
Agent:	The agent or another affiliate of ours expects to realize hedging profits projected by its proprietary pricing models to the extent it assumes the risks inherent in hedging our obligations under the securities. If any dealer participating in the distribution of the securities or any of its affiliates conducts hedging activities for us in connection with the securities, that dealer or its affiliate will expect to realize a profit projected by its proprietary pricing models from such hedging activities. Any such projected profit will be in addition to any discount or concession received in connection with the sale of the securities to you.
Denominations:	\$1,000 and any integral multiple of \$1,000.
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### Determining Payment On A Contingent Coupon Payment Date and at Maturity

On each quarterly contingent coupon payment date, you will either receive a contingent coupon payment or you will not receive a contingent coupon payment, depending on the closing level of the Index on the related quarterly calculation day, as follows:

On the stated maturity date, you will receive (in addition to the final contingent coupon payment, if any) a cash payment per security (the redemption amount) calculated as follows:

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**Hypothetical Payout Profile** 

The following profile illustrates the potential payment at stated maturity on the securities (excluding the final contingent coupon payment, if any). This graph has been prepared for purposes of illustration only. Your actual return will depend on the actual ending level and whether you hold your securities to stated maturity.

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#### **Risk Factors**

The securities have complex features and investing in the securities will involve risks not associated with an investment in conventional debt securities. You should carefully consider the risk factors set forth below as well as the other information contained in this pricing supplement and the accompanying market measure supplement, prospectus supplement and prospectus, including the documents they incorporate by reference. As described in more detail below, the value of the securities may vary considerably before the stated maturity date due to events that are difficult to predict and are beyond our control. You should reach an investment decision only after you have carefully considered with your advisors the suitability of an investment in the securities in light of your particular circumstances.

# If The Ending Level Is Less Than The Threshold Level, You Will Lose More Than 30%, And Possibly All, Of The Original Offering Price Of Your Securities At Maturity.

We will not repay you a fixed amount on your securities at stated maturity. Instead, you will receive a payment at stated maturity that will be equal to or less than the original offering price per security, depending on the closing level of the Index on the final calculation day.

If the ending level is less than the threshold level, the payment you receive at stated maturity will be reduced by an amount equal to the decline in the level of the Index to the extent it is below the starting level (expressed as a percentage of the starting level). The threshold level is 70% of the starting level. For example, if the Index has declined by 30.1% from the starting level to the ending level, you will not receive any benefit of the contingent downside protection feature and you will lose 30.1% of the original offering price per security. As a result, you will not receive any protection if the level of the Index declines significantly and you may lose some, and possibly all, of the original offering price per security at stated maturity, even if the level of the Index is greater than or equal to the starting level or the threshold level at certain times during the term of the securities.

Even if the ending level is greater than the threshold level, the amount you receive at stated maturity will not exceed the original offering price, and your yield on the securities, taking into account any contingent coupon payments you may have received during the term of the securities, may be less than the yield you would earn if you bought a traditional interest-bearing debt security of Wells Fargo or another issuer with a similar credit rating.

### The Securities Do Not Provide For Fixed Payments Of Interest And You May Receive No Coupon Payments On One Or More Quarterly Contingent Coupon Payment Dates, Or Even Throughout The Entire Six-Year Term Of The Securities.

On each quarterly contingent coupon payment date you will receive a contingent coupon payment if, **and only if**, the closing level of the Index on the related calculation day is greater than or equal to the threshold level. If the closing level is less than the threshold level on any calculation day, you will not receive any contingent coupon payment on the related contingent coupon payment date, and if the closing level of the Index is less than the threshold level on each calculation day over the term of the securities, you will not receive any contingent coupon payments over the entire six-year term of the securities.

# You May Be Fully Exposed To The Decline In The Index From The Starting Level, But Will Not Participate In Any Positive Performance Of The Index.

Even though you will be fully exposed to a decline in the level of the Index below the threshold level, you will not participate in any increase in the level of the Index over the term of the securities. Your maximum possible return on the securities will be limited to the sum of the contingent coupon payments you receive, if any. Consequently, your return on the securities may be significantly less than the return you could achieve on an alternative investment that provides for participation in an increase in the level of the Index.

#### Higher Contingent Coupon Rates Are Associated With Greater Risk.

The securities offer contingent coupon payments at a higher rate, if paid, than the fixed rate we would pay on conventional debt securities of the same maturity. These higher potential contingent coupon payments are associated with greater levels of expected risk as of the pricing date as compared to conventional debt securities, including the risk that you may not receive a contingent coupon payment on one or more, or any, contingent coupon payment dates and the risk that you may lose a substantial portion, and possibly all, of the original offering price per security at maturity. The volatility of the Index is an important factor affecting this risk. Volatility is a measurement of the size and frequency of daily fluctuations in the level of the Index, typically observed over a specified period of time. Volatility can be measured in a variety of ways, in particular, on an historical basis or, on an expected basis, as implied by option prices in the market. Greater expected volatility of the Index as of the pricing date that the closing level of the Index will be less than the threshold level on one or more calculation days, such that you will not receive one or more, or any, contingent coupon payments during the term of the securities and that the closing level of the Index will be less than the threshold level on one or more calculation days, such that you will not receive one or more, or any, contingent coupon payments during the term of the securities and that the closing level of the Index will be less than the threshold level on day, such that you will lose a substantial portion, and possibly all, of the original offering price per security at maturity. In general, the higher the contingent coupon rate is relative to the fixed rate we would pay on conventional debt securities, the greater the risk that you will not

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#### **Risk Factors (Continued)**

receive one or more, or any, contingent coupon payments during the term of the securities, or that you will lose a substantial portion, and possibly all, of the original offering price per security at maturity.

#### The Securities Are Subject To The Credit Risk Of Wells Fargo.

The securities are our obligations and are not, either directly or indirectly, an obligation of any third party. Any amounts payable under the securities are subject to our creditworthiness, and you will have no ability to pursue any securities included in the Index for payment. As a result, our actual and perceived creditworthiness may affect the value of the securities and, in the event we were to default on our obligations, you may not receive any amounts owed to you under the terms of the securities.

# The Estimated Value Of The Securities On The Pricing Date, Based On WFS s Proprietary Pricing Models, Will Be Less Than The Original Offering Price.

The original offering price of the securities includes certain costs that are borne by you. Because of these costs, the estimated value of the securities on the pricing date will be less than the original offering price. The costs included in the original offering price relate to selling, structuring, hedging and issuing the securities, as well as to our funding considerations for debt of this type. The costs related to selling, structuring, hedging and issuing the securities include (i) the agent discount, (ii) the projected profit that our hedge counterparty (which may be one of our affiliates) expects to realize for assuming risks inherent in hedging our obligations under the securities and (iii) hedging and other costs relating to the offering of the securities. Our funding considerations are reflected in the fact that we determine the economic terms of the securities based on an assumed funding rate that is generally lower than our secondary market rates. If the costs relating to selling, structuring, hedging and issuing the securities were lower, or if the assumed funding rate we use to determine the economic terms of the securities were higher, the economic terms of the securities to you and the estimated value would be higher.

# The Estimated Value Of The Securities Is Determined By Our Affiliate s Pricing Models, Which May Differ From Those Of Other Dealers.

The estimated value of the securities was determined for us by WFS using its proprietary pricing models and related market inputs and assumptions referred to above under Investment Description Determining the estimated value. Certain inputs to these models may be determined by WFS in its discretion. WFS s views on these inputs may differ from other dealers views, and WFS s estimated value of the securities may be higher, and perhaps materially higher, than the estimated value of the securities that would be determined by other dealers in the market. WFS s models and its inputs and related assumptions may prove to be wrong and therefore not an accurate reflection of the value of the securities.

### The Estimated Value Of The Securities Is Not An Indication Of The Price, If Any, At Which WFS Or Any Other Person May Be Willing To Buy The Securities From You In The Secondary Market.

The price, if any, at which WFS or any of its affiliates may purchase the securities in the secondary market will be based on WFS s proprietary pricing models and will fluctuate over the term of the securities as a result of changes in the market and other factors described in the next risk factor. Any such secondary market price for the securities will also be reduced by a bid-offer spread, which may vary depending on the aggregate face amount of the securities to be purchased in the secondary market transaction, and the expected cost of unwinding any related hedging transactions. Unless the factors described in the next risk factor change significantly in your favor, any such secondary market price for the securities is likely to be less than the original offering price.

If WFS or any of its affiliates makes a secondary market in the securities at any time up to the issue date or during the 6-month period following the issue date, the secondary market price offered by WFS or any of its affiliates will be increased by an amount reflecting a portion of the costs associated with selling, structuring, hedging and issuing the securities that are included in the original offering price. Because this portion of the costs is not fully deducted upon issuance, any secondary market price offered by WFS or any of its affiliates during this period will be higher than it would be if it were based solely on WFS s proprietary pricing models less the bid-offer spread and hedging unwind costs described above. The amount of this increase in the secondary market price will decline steadily to zero over this 6-month period. If you hold the securities through an account at WFS or any of its affiliates, we expect that this increase will also be reflected in the value indicated for the securities on your brokerage account statement. If you hold your securities through an account at a broker-dealer other than WFS or any of its affiliates, the value of the securities on your brokerage account statement may be different than if you held your securities at WFS or any of its affiliates, as discussed above under Investment Description.

# The Value Of The Securities Prior To Stated Maturity Will Be Affected By Numerous Factors, Some Of Which Are Related In Complex Ways.

The value of the securities prior to stated maturity will be affected by the level of the Index at that time, interest rates at that time and a number of other factors, some of which are interrelated in complex ways. The effect of any one factor may be offset or magnified by the effect of another factor. The following factors, which we refer to as the <u>derivative component factors</u>, are expected to affect the

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value of the securities. When we refer to the <u>value</u> of your security, we mean the value you could receive for your security if you are able to sell it in the open market before the stated maturity date.

**Index Performance.** The value of the securities prior to maturity will depend substantially on the level of the Index. The price at which you may be able to sell the securities before stated maturity may be at a discount, which could be substantial, from their original offering price, if the level of the Index at such time is less than, equal to or not sufficiently above the starting level or threshold level.

Interest Rates. The value of the securities may be affected by changes in the interest rates in the U.S. markets.

**Volatility Of The Index.** Volatility is the term used to describe the size and frequency of market fluctuations. The value of the securities may be affected if the volatility of the Index changes.

**Time Remaining To Maturity.** The value of the securities at any given time prior to maturity will likely be different from that which would be expected based on the then-current level of the Index. This difference will most likely reflect a discount due to expectations and uncertainty concerning the level of the Index during the period of time still remaining to the stated maturity date.

**Dividend Yields On Securities Included In The Index.** The value of the securities may be affected by the dividend yields on securities included in the Index.

In addition to the derivative component factors, the value of the securities will be affected by actual or anticipated changes in our creditworthiness, as reflected in our secondary market rates. You should understand that the impact of one of the factors specified above, such as a change in interest rates, may offset some or all of any change in the value of the securities attributable to another factor, such as a change in the level of the Index. Because numerous factors are expected to affect the value of the securities, changes in the level of the Index may not result in a comparable change in the value of the securities.

# The Securities Will Not Be Listed On Any Securities Exchange And We Do Not Expect A Trading Market For The Securities To Develop.

The securities will not be listed or displayed on any securities exchange or any automated quotation system. Although the agent and/or its affiliates may purchase the securities from holders, they are not obligated to do so and are not required to make a market for the securities. There can be no assurance that a secondary market will develop. Because we do not expect that any market makers will participate in a secondary market for the securities, the price at which you may be able to sell your securities is likely to depend on the price, if any, at which the agent is willing to buy your securities.

If a secondary market does exist, it may be limited. Accordingly, there may be a limited number of buyers if you decide to sell your securities prior to stated maturity. This may affect the price you receive upon such sale. Consequently, you should be willing to hold the securities to stated maturity.

# Historical Levels Of The Index Should Not Be Taken As An Indication Of The Future Performance Of The Index During The Term Of The Securities.

The trading prices of the securities included in the Index will determine the level of the Index and, therefore, the amount payable to you at maturity and whether contingent coupon payments will be made. As a result, it is impossible to predict whether the closing level of the Index will fall or rise compared to its starting level. Trading prices of the securities included in the Index will be influenced by complex and interrelated political, economic, financial and other factors that can affect the markets in which those securities are traded and the values of those securities themselves. Accordingly, any historical levels of the Index do not provide an indication of the future performance of the Index.

# Changes That Affect The Index May Adversely Affect The Value Of The Securities And The Amount You Will Receive At Stated Maturity.

The policies of the index sponsor concerning the calculation of the Index and the addition, deletion or substitution of securities comprising the Index and the manner in which the index sponsor takes account of certain changes affecting such securities may affect the level of the Index and, therefore, may affect the value of the securities, the amount payable at maturity and whether contingent coupon payments will be made. The index sponsor may discontinue or suspend calculation or dissemination of the Index or materially alter the methodology by which it calculates the Index. Any such actions could adversely affect the value of the securities.

# We Cannot Control Actions By Any Of The Unaffiliated Companies Whose Securities Are Included In The Index.

Actions by any company whose securities are included in the Index may have an adverse effect on the price of its security, the closing level on any calculation day, the ending level and the value of the securities. We are not affiliated with any of the companies included in the Index. These companies will not be involved in the offering of the securities and will have no obligations with respect to the securities, including any obligation to take our or your interests into consideration for any reason. These companies will not receive any of the proceeds of the offering of the securities and will not be responsible for, and will not have participated in, the determination

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of the timing of, prices for, or quantities of, the securities to be issued. These companies will not be involved with the administration, marketing or trading of the securities and will have no obligations with respect to any amounts to be paid to you on the securities.

### We And Our Affiliates Have No Affiliation With The Index Sponsor And Have Not Independently Verified Its Public Disclosure Of Information.

We and our affiliates are not affiliated in any way with the index sponsor and have no ability to control or predict its actions, including any errors in or discontinuation of disclosure regarding the methods or policies relating to the calculation of the Index. We have derived the information about the index sponsor and the Index contained in this pricing supplement and the accompanying market measure supplement from publicly available information, without independent verification. You, as an investor in the securities, should make your own investigation into the Index and the index sponsor. The index sponsor is not involved in the offering of the securities made hereby in any way and has no obligation to consider your interest as an owner of the securities in taking any actions that might affect the value of the securities.

### An Investment In The Securities Is Subject To Risks Associated With Investing In Stocks With A Small Market Capitalization.

The stocks that constitute the Index are issued by companies with relatively small market capitalization. These companies often have greater stock price volatility, lower trading volume and less liquidity than large capitalization companies. As a result, the Index may be more volatile than that of an equity index that does not track solely small capitalization stocks. Stock prices of small capitalization companies are also generally more vulnerable than those of large capitalization companies to adverse business and economic developments, and the stocks of small capitalization companies may be thinly traded, and be less attractive to many investors if they do not pay dividends. In addition, small capitalization companies are typically less well-established and less stable financially than large capitalization companies and may depend on a small number of key personnel, making them more vulnerable to loss of those individuals. Small capitalization companies tend to have lower revenues, less diverse product lines, smaller shares of their target markets, fewer financial resources and fewer competitive strengths than large capitalization companies. These companies may also be more susceptible to adverse developments related to their products or services.

# A Contingent Coupon Payment Date And The Stated Maturity Date May Be Postponed If A Calculation Day Is Postponed.

A calculation day (including the final calculation day) will be postponed if the applicable originally scheduled calculation day is not a trading day or if the calculation agent determines that a market disruption event has occurred or is continuing on that calculation day. If such a postponement occurs with respect to a calculation day other than the final calculation day, then the related contingent coupon payment date will be postponed. If such a postponement occurs with respect to the final calculation day, the stated maturity date will be the later of (i) the initial stated maturity date and (ii) three business days after the postponed final calculation day.

### Our Economic Interests And Those Of Any Dealer Participating In The Offering Are Potentially Adverse To Your Interests.

You should be aware of the following ways in which our economic interests and those of any dealer participating in the distribution of the securities, which we refer to as a <u>participating dealer</u>, are potentially adverse to your interests as an investor in the securities. In engaging in certain of the activities described below, our affiliates or any participating dealer or its affiliates may take actions that may adversely affect the value of and your return on the securities, and in so doing they will have no obligation to consider your interests as an investor in the securities. Our affiliates or any participating dealer or its affiliates may realize a profit from these activities even if investors do not receive a favorable investment return on the securities.

The calculation agent is our affiliate and may be required to make discretionary judgments that affect the return you receive on the securities. WFS, which is our affiliate, will be the calculation agent for the securities. As calculation agent, WFS will determine the closing level of the Index on each calculation day, the ending level of the Index and whether you receive a contingent coupon payment on a contingent coupon payment date and may be required to make other determinations that affect the return you receive on the securities. In making these determinations, the calculation agent may be required to make discretionary judgments, including determining whether a market disruption event has occurred on a scheduled calculation day, which may result in postponement of that calculation day; determining the closing level of the Index if a calculation day is postponed to the last day to which it may be postponed and a market disruption event occurs on that day; if the Index is discontinued, selecting a successor index or, if no successor index is available, determining whether to adjust the closing level of the Index on a calculation day in the event of certain changes in or modifications to the Index. In making these discretionary judgments, the fact that WFS is our affiliate may cause it to have economic interests that are adverse to your interests as an investor in the securities, and WFS s determinations as calculation agent may adversely affect your return on the securities.

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*The estimated value of the securities was calculated by our affiliate and is therefore not an independent third-party valuation.* WFS calculated the estimated value of the securities set forth on the cover page of this pricing supplement, which involved discretionary judgments by WFS, as described under Risk Factors The Estimated Value Of The Securities Is Determined By Our Affiliate s Pricing Models, Which May Differ From Those Of Other Dealers above. Accordingly, the estimated value of the securities set forth on the cover page of this pricing supplement is not an independent third-party valuation.

Research reports by our affiliates or any participating dealer or its affiliates may be inconsistent with an investment in the securities and may adversely affect the level of the Index. Our affiliates or any participating dealer in the offering of the securities or its affiliates may, at present or in the future, publish research reports on the Index or the companies whose securities are included in the Index. This research is modified from time to time without notice and may, at present or in the future, express opinions or provide recommendations that are inconsistent with purchasing or holding the securities. Any research reports on the Index or the companies whose securities are included in the Index and, therefore, adversely affect the value of and your return on the securities. You are encouraged to derive information concerning the Index from multiple sources and should not rely on the views expressed by us or our affiliates or any participating dealer or its affiliates. In addition, any research reports on the Index or the companies whose securities are included in the Index published on or prior to the pricing date could result in an increase in the level of the Index on the pricing date, which would adversely affect investors in the securities by increasing the level at which the Index must close on each calculation day (including the final calculation day) in order for investors in the securities to receive a favorable return.

Business activities of our affiliates or any participating dealer or its affiliates with the companies whose securities are included in the Index may adversely affect the level of the Index. Our affiliates or any participating dealer or its affiliates may, at present or in the future, engage in business with the companies whose securities are included in the Index, including making loans to those companies (including exercising creditors remedies with respect to such loans), making equity investments in those companies or providing investment banking, asset management or other advisory services to those companies. These business activities could adversely affect the level of the Index and, therefore, adversely affect the value of and your return on the securities. In addition, in the course of these business activities, our affiliates or any participating dealer or its affiliates may acquire non-public information about one or more of the companies whose securities are included in the Index. If our affiliates or any participating dealer or its affiliates do acquire such non-public information, we and they are not obligated to disclose such non-public information to you.

*Hedging activities by our affiliates or any participating dealer or its affiliates may adversely affect the level of the Index.* We expect to hedge our obligations under the securities through one or more hedge counterparties, which may include our affiliates or any participating dealer or its affiliates. Pursuant to such hedging activities, our hedge counterparties may acquire securities included in the Index or listed or over-the-counter derivative or

synthetic instruments related to the Index or such securities. Depending on, among other things, future market conditions, the aggregate amount and the composition of such positions are likely to vary over time. To the extent that our hedge counterparties have a long hedge position in any of the securities included in the Index, or derivative or sy