Rule 2.7, 3.10.3, 3.10.4, 3.10.5

Appendix 3B

New issue announcement, application for quotation of additional securities and agreement

Information or documents not available now must be given to ASX as soon as available. Information and documents given to ASX become ASX's property and may be made public.

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Nam	e of entity		
Co	Commonwealth Bank of Australia		
ABN			
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We	(the entity) give ASX the following i	information.	
	irt 1 - All issues must complete the relevant sections (attach si	heets if there is not enough space).	
1	⁺ Class of ⁺ securities issued or to be issued	Fully Paid Ordinary Shares	
2	Number of *securities issued or to	25,000	
2	be issued (if known) or maximum number which may be issued	23,000	
3	Principal terms of the *securities (eg, if options, exercise price and expiry date; if partly paid *securities, the amount outstanding and due dates for payment; if *convertible securities, the conversion price and dates for conversion)	N/A	

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4	Do the *securities rank equally in all respects from the date of allotment with an existing *class of quoted *securities? If the additional securities do not rank equally, please state: • the date from which they do • the extent to which they participate for the next dividend, (in the case of a trust,	Yes
	 distribution) or interest payment the extent to which they do not rank equally, other than in relation to the next dividend, distribution or interest payment 	
5	Issue price or consideration	Exercise price of \$30.12 respectively per share
6	Purpose of the issue (If issued as consideration for the acquisition of assets, clearly identify those assets)	Shares were issued in respect of 25,000 options granted in 2001 exercised under the Executive Option Plan.
7	Dates of entering *securities into uncertificated holdings or despatch of certificates	30 August 2005

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	1	Number	+Class
		Number	+Class
8	Number and +class of all	1,280,946,572	Fully Paid Ordinary
	+securities quoted on ASX		Shares.
	(including the securities in clause		
	2 if applicable)	3,500,000	Preference Shares.
		500,000	
		500,000	Senior, Unsubordinated,
			Unsecured Fixed Rate
			Medium Term Notes due 24 June 2009.
			24 June 2009.
		700,000	Senior, Unsubordinated,
		700,000	Unsecured Floating Rate
			Medium Term Notes due
			24 June 2009.
			21 June 2007.
		2,500,000	Senior, Unsubordinated,
		, ,	Unsecured Fixed Rate
			Medium Term Notes due
			1 September 2008.
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		2,500,000	Senior, Unsubordinated,
			Unsecured Floating Rate
			Medium Term Notes due
			1 September 2008.
		Number	+Class
9	Number and +class of all	2,736,600	Options over shares
	+securities not quoted on ASX		
	(including the securities in clause		
	2 if applicable)		

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Dividend policy (in the case of a trust, distribution policy) on the increased capital (interests) N/A

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Part 2 - Bonus issue or pro rata issue

11	Is security holder approval required?	N/A
12	Is the issue renounceable or non-renounceable?	N/A
13	Ratio in which the *securities will be offered	N/A
14	⁺ Class of ⁺ securities to which the offer relates	N/A
15	⁺ Record date to determine entitlements	N/A
16	Will holdings on different registers (or subregisters) be aggregated for calculating entitlements?	N/A
17	Policy for deciding entitlements in relation to fractions	N/A
18	Names of countries in which the entity has *security holders who will not be sent new issue documents Note: Security holders must be told how their entitlements are to be dealt with. Cross reference: rule 7.7.	N/A
19	Closing date for receipt of acceptances or renunciations	N/A
20	Names of any underwriters	N/A
21	Amount of any underwriting fee or commission	N/A
22	Names of any brokers to the issue	N/A
23	Fee or commission payable to the broker to the issue	N/A

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24	Amount of any handling fee payable to brokers who lodge acceptances or renunciations on behalf of *security holders	N/A
25	If the issue is contingent on +security holders' approval, the date of the meeting	N/A
26	Date entitlement and acceptance form and prospectus or Product Disclosure Statement will be sent to persons entitled	N/A
27	If the entity has issued options, and the terms entitle option holders to participate on exercise, the date on which notices will be sent to option holders	N/A
28	Date rights trading will begin (if applicable)	N/A
29	Date rights trading will end (if applicable)	N/A
30	How do *security holders sell their entitlements <i>in full</i> through a broker?	N/A
31	How do *security holders sell <i>part</i> of their entitlements through a broker and accept for the balance?	N/A
32	How do *security holders dispose of their entitlements (except by sale through a broker)?	N/A
33	⁺ Despatch date	N/A

Part 3 - Quotation of securities

You need only complete this section if you are applying for quotation of securities

Type of securities (*tick one*)

(a) Securities described in Part 1

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(b)	-	ricted securities at the end of	f the escrowed period, partly paid securities that become fully paid, employee nds, securities issued on expiry or conversion of convertible securities	
Entit		e ticked box 3		
Addit	ional securities f	orming a new clas	ss of securities	
Tick to docume		roviding the informati	on or	
35		+securities, and the	securities, the names of the 20 largest holders of the number and percentage of additional *securities held by	
36	+securities 1 - 1,000 1,001 - 5,0 5,001 - 10 10,001 - 1	If the *securities are *equity securities, a distribution schedule of the additional *securities setting out the number of holders in the categories 1 - 1,000 1,001 - 5,000 5,001 - 10,000 10,001 - 100,000 100,001 and over		
37	A copy of	A copy of any trust deed for the additional *securities		
Entit	ties that have	e ticked box 3	4(b)	
38	Number of sec +quotation is soug	urities for which	N/A	
39	Class of *secu quotation is sough		N/A	
40	respects from the	rank equally in all date of allotment class of quoted	N/A	
	 the date from the extent participate for (in the cardistribution) of the extent to rank equally relation to the extent to th	which they do to which they the next dividend,		

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Reason for request for quotation now	N/A	
Example: In the case of restricted securities, end of restriction period		
(if issued upon conversion of another security, clearly identify that other security)		
	Number	+Class
Number and ⁺ class of all ⁺ securities quoted on ASX (<i>including</i> the securities in clause 38)	N/A	N/A
	now Example: In the case of restricted securities, end of restriction period (if issued upon conversion of another security, clearly identify that other security) Number and +class of all +securities quoted on ASX (including the	Example: In the case of restricted securities, end of restriction period (if issued upon conversion of another security, clearly identify that other security) Number and +class of all +securities quoted on ASX (including the

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Quotation agreement

- ⁺Quotation of our additional ⁺securities is in ASX's absolute discretion. ASX may quote the ⁺securities on any conditions it decides.
- We warrant the following to ASX.
 - The issue of the +securities to be quoted complies with the law and is not for an illegal purpose.
 - There is no reason why those +securities should not be granted +quotation.
 - An offer of the *securities for sale within 12 months after their issue will not require disclosure under section 707(3) or section 1012C(6) of the Corporations Act.

Note: An entity may need to obtain appropriate warranties from subscribers for the securities in order to be able to give this warranty

- Section 724 or section 1016E of the Corporations Act does not apply to any applications received by us in relation to any *securities to be quoted and that no-one has any right to return any *securities to be quoted under sections 737, 738 or 1016F of the Corporations Act at the time that we request that the *securities be quoted.
- We warrant that if confirmation is required under section 1017F of the Corporations Act in relation to the *securities to be quoted, it has been provided at the time that we request that the *securities be quoted.
- If we are a trust, we warrant that no person has the right to return the ⁺securities to be quoted under section 1019B of the Corporations Act at the time that we request that the ⁺securities be quoted.

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- We will indemnify ASX to the fullest extent permitted by law in respect of any claim, action or expense arising from or connected with any breach of the warranties in this agreement.
- We give ASX the information and documents required by this form. If any information or document not available now, will give it to ASX before ⁺quotation of the ⁺securities begins. We acknowledge that ASX is relying on the information and documents. We warrant that they are (will be) true and complete.

Sign here: John Hatton..... Date: 30 August 2005

(Company secretary)

Print name: John Hatton

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