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Dear Sir

Commonwealth Bank of Australia Interim Dividend Payment – 31 March 2005

On 31 March 2005, Commonwealth Bank of Australia will be paying its interim dividend for the half year ended 30 December 2004 of 85 cents per share, amounting to \$1,082.9 million.

This dividend will be a 100% franked dividend with the imputed credit being at the rate of 30%.

The dividend will be paid to all Commonwealth Bank shareholders who were recorded on the register as at the record date of 18 February 2005.

Shares issued under the Dividend Reinvestment Plan will be issued at a price of \$35.90.

Yours faithfully

J D Hatton
Company Secretary