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Australian Securities Exchange Limited  
20 Bridge Street  
Sydney NSW 2000

Dear Sir/Madam

### **2009 Annual General Meeting**

At the Annual General Meeting (“AGM”) of Westpac Banking Corporation (“Westpac”) on 16 December 2009, the following business included in the Notice of Meeting was carried by the requisite majority:

#### **Item 1 – Reports and Accounts**

The reports of the directors and the auditors and the financial reports of Westpac for the year ended 30 September 2009 were received and considered.

#### **Item 2 – Remuneration Report – Non-binding vote**

The annual Remuneration Report for Westpac for the year ended 30 September 2009 was adopted.

The resolution was decided by a show of hands.

#### **Item 3 – Election of Directors**

- Mr Edward (Ted) Alfred Evans was re-elected as a Director of Westpac. The resolution was unanimously decided by a show of hands;
- Mr Gordon McKellar Cairns was re-elected as a Director of Westpac. The resolution was unanimously decided by a show of hands; and
- Mr Peter David Wilson was re-elected as a Director of Westpac. The resolution was unanimously decided by a show of hands.

The Westpac Board continues to be comprised of the following Directors:

- Ted Evans AC, Chairman
- John Curtis, Deputy Chairman
- Gail Kelly, Managing Director, Chief Executive Officer
- Elizabeth Bryan
- Gordon Cairns
- Peter Hawkins
- Carolyn Hewson AO
- Lindsay Maxsted
- Graham Reaney
- Peter Wilson

**Item 4 – Non-Executive Directors’ Remuneration**

Approval was given for the grant of shares under the CEO Restricted Share Plan, and performance share rights and performance options under the CEO Performance Plan to the Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer, Gail Patricia Kelly, in the manner set out in the Explanatory Memorandum.

The resolution was decided by a show of hands.

In accordance with section 251AA of the Corporations Act 2001, we advise that the total number of proxy votes which were available are attached as Attachment 1.

Yours sincerely

**Anna Sandham**  
Head of Group Secretariat

*Attachments: Breakdown of proxy votes as required by Section 251AA(2) of the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth)*



**WESTPAC BANKING CORPORATION**

**RESULT OF GENERAL MEETING  
(ASX REPORT)**

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
Wednesday, 16 December, 2009

As required by section 251AA(2) of the Corporations Act 2001 (Commonwealth) the following statistics are provided in respect of each resolution on the agenda.

Resolution	Manner in which the securityholder directed the proxy vote (as at proxy close):				Manner in which votes were cast in person or by proxy on a poll (where applicable)		
	Votes <i>For</i>	Votes <i>Against</i>	Votes <i>Discretionary</i>	Votes <i>Abstain</i>	<i>For</i>	<i>Against</i>	<i>Abstain **</i>
2 ADOPTION OF DIRECTORS REMUNERATION REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2009(NON-BINDING RESOLUTION)	1,118,234,834	53,641,730	50,904,292	17,937,432	Passed on a show of hands	Passed on a show of hands	Passed on a show of hands
3(A) RE-ELECTION OF EDWARD (TED) ALFRED EVANS AS A DIRECTOR	1,174,134,023	9,766,873	52,957,881	3,852,028	Passed on a show of hands	Passed on a show of hands	Passed on a show of hands
3(B) RE-ELECTION OF GORDON MCKELLAR CAIRNS AS A DIRECTOR	1,172,631,663	10,739,170	53,468,883	3,870,490	Passed on a show of hands	Passed on a show of hands	Passed on a show of hands
3(C) RE-ELECTION OF PETER DAVID WILSON AS A DIRECTOR	1,173,198,166	9,885,730	53,783,710	3,842,977	Passed on a show of hands	Passed on a show of hands	Passed on a show of hands
4 GRANT OF SECURITIES UNDER THE CEO EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT	1,119,063,320	58,777,189	27,129,660	11,276,130	Passed on a show of hands	Passed on a show of hands	Passed on a show of hands

\*\* - Note that votes relating to a person who abstains on an item are not counted in determining whether or not the required majority of votes were cast for or against that item