WESTPAC BANKING CORP Form 6-K July 17, 2008

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, DC 20549

FORM 6-K

Report of Foreign Issuer

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of

the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

July 17, 2008

Commission File Number 1-10167

WESTPAC BANKING CORPORATION

(Translation of registrant s name into English)

275 KENT STREET, SYDNEY, NEW SOUTH WALES 2000, AUSTRALIA

(Address of principal executive offices)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

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The information contained in Exhibit 1 to this Form 6-K shall be incorporated by reference in the prospectus relating to the Registrant s debt securities contained in the Registrant s Registration Statement on Form F-3 (File No. 333-10546), as such prospectus may be amended or supplemented from time to time.

Exhibit No. Description

1 Media Release Westpac organises around customers

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

WESTPAC BANKING CORPORATION

(Registrant)

Date: July 17, 2008 By: /s/ Manuela Adl

Manuela Adl

SVP & Chief Operating Officer