Acronyms and Abbreviations

ABA Australian Bankers' Association

ABIO Australian Banking Industry Ombudsman

ABS Australian Bureau of Statistics

ACCC Australian Competition and Consumer

Commission

ACCI Australian Chamber of Commerce and

Industry

ADR alternative dispute resolution

AFIC Australian Financial Institutions Commission
AFIC Code Australian Financial Institutions Commission Code

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AFMA Australian Financial Markets Association
AGPS Australian Government Publishing Service
AIDC Australian Industry Development Corporation

ALRC Australian Law Reform Commission

ANZ ANZ Banking Group

APCA Australian Payments Clearing Association

APEC Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation

APRC Australian Prudential Regulation Commission

APSC Australian Payments System Council
ASC Australian Securities Commission

ASX Australian Stock Exchange
ATM automated teller machine
ATO Australian Taxation Office

Banking Act Banking Act 1959

Banks (Shareholdings) Act Banks (Shareholdings) Act 1972
BIS Bank for International Settlements
BITS Bank Interchange and Transfer System

CBA Commonwealth Bank of Australia

CEDA Committee for Economic Development of

Australia

CEMTEX Central Magnetic Tape Exchange
CFM Commonwealth Funds Managment
CFR Council of Financial Regulators
CFS Council of Financial Supervisors
CFSC Corporations and Financial Services

Commission

CGT capital gains tax

CHESS Clearing House Electronic Sub-register System
CML Colonial Mutual Life Assurance Society Limited

CPA Competition Principles Agreement

DoCA Department of Communications and the Arts

DTI deposit taking institution

EDI Electronic Data Interchange
EFT electronic funds transfer

EFTPOS electronic funds transfer at point of sale

EPAC Economic Planning and Advisory Commission

(formerly Economic Planning and Advisory

Council)

ESA exchange settlement account
ESOP Employee Share Ownership Plan

FCA Financial Corporations Act 1974
FI Code Financial Institutions Code
FI Scheme Financial Institutions Scheme
FID financial institutions duty
FIF foreign investment fund

FSAC Financial Sector Advisory Council

FSI Financial System Inquiry

G10 Group of Ten Central Banks

G20 Group of Twenty

GBE government business enterprises

GDP gross domestic product

GIO Government Insurance Office

GSM Group Speciale Mobile

HLIC Housing Loans Insurance Corporation

IBSA International Banks and Securities Association

of Australia

IC Industry Commission

IMF International Monetary Fund

ISC Insurance and Superannuation Commission

IWT interest withholding tax

Life Insurance Act Life Insurance Act 1995

LGS Liquid Assets and Government Securities

MCCA Ministerial Council of Consumer Affairs

MER management expense ratio
MFI Main Financial Institution

NAB National Australia Bank

NASDAQ National Association of Securities Dealers

Automated Quotation system

NBFI non-bank financial institution

NCD non-callable deposit

OBU Offshore Banking Unit

OECD Organisation for Economic Co-operation and

Development

OTC over-the-counter

PAR Prime Assets Ratio PC personal computer

PFE public financial enterprise
PIN personal identification number
PSA Prices Surveillance Authority
PSB Payments System Board

PUCL Panel for Uniform Commercial Laws

RBA Reserve Bank of Australia

RHQ Regional Headquarters (Companies)
RIC regulated investment company
RIM Retirement Income Modelling

RITS Reserve Bank Information and Transfer System

RSA retirement savings account RTA retail transaction account RTGS real-time gross settlement

SBSA State Bank of South Australia

SCAG Standing Committee of Attorneys-General SCT Superannuation Complaints Tribunal

SET Secure Electronic Transaction
SFE Sydney Futures Exchange
SG superannuation guarantee

SGIC State Government Investment Corporation
SIS Superannuation Industry (Supervision) Act 1993

SME small and medium sized enterprise

SRD Statutory Reserve Deposits
SRO self-regulatory organisation
SSA State Supervisory Authority
SSP Special Service Provider

SVC stored value card

SWIFT Society for Worldwide Interbank Financial

Telecommunications

SYCOM Sydney Futures Exchange screen trading

system

TFP total factor productivity

TGIO Tasmanian Government Insurance Office

TPA Trade Practices Act 1974

TPC Trade Practices Commission

UCCC Uniform Consumer Credit Code

Westpac Westpac Banking Corporation