Glossary of Terms and Abbreviations

ACCC – Australian Competition and Consumer Commission

Acquirer – an institution that provides a merchant with facilities to accept card payments, accounts to the merchant for the proceeds and clears and settles the resulting obligations with card issuers

ADI – authorised deposit-taking institution

APCA - Australian Payments Clearing Association Limited

APRA – Australian Prudential Regulation Authority

ASIC - Australian Securities and Investments Commission

ASX - Australian Stock Exchange

ATM - Automated Teller Machine

Austraclear - a securities clearing and settlement company

BIS - Bank for International Settlements

BRC - Bond and Repo Clear

Card issuer – an institution that provides its customers with debit or credit cards

CHESS - Clearing House Electronic Subregister System

Clearing – the process of transmitting, reconciling and in some cases confirming payment instructions prior to settlement; it may include netting of instructions and the calculation of final positions for settlement

CLERP - Corporate Law Economic Reform Program

CLS Bank - Continuous Linked Settlement Bank

CPSS - Committee on Payment and Settlement Systems

Deferred net settlement system – a settlement system in which each settling participant settles (typically by means of a single payment or receipt) its net settlement position which results from the payments made and received by it at some defined time after payments have

Direct debit — a pre-authorised debit on the payer's bank account initiated by the recipient

DvP - Delivery-versus-Payment

been made

EMEAP – Executives' Meeting of East Asia-Pacific Central Banks and Monetary Authorities

EFTPOS - Electronic Funds Transfer at Point of Sale

Exchange Settlement (ES) Account – an account held at the Reserve Bank of Australia to settle obligations arising from the clearing of payments

G10 – Group of Ten Countries: Belgium, Canada, France,
Germany, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, Sweden, Switzerland,
United Kingdom, United States

Interchange fee – a fee paid between card issuers and acquirers when cardholders make transactions

IOSCO - International Organisation of Securities Commissions

OCH - Options Clearing House

PvP - Payment-versus-Payment

RTGS (real-time gross settlement) – a payment system in which processing and settlement take place in real time (continuously)

RITS - Reserve Bank Information and Transfer System

Settlement – the discharge of obligations arising from fund transfers between two or more parties

SFE - Sydney Futures Exchange

SFECC – Sydney Futures Exchange Clearing Corporation