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# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

## FORM 10-Q

[X] QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the qua	rterly per	riod ended	June	30,	2012
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or

[ ]TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the transition period from \_\_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_

Commission file number: 001-31899

#### WHITING PETROLEUM CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 20-0098515
(State or other jurisdiction (I.R.S. Employer of incorporation or organization) Identification No.)

1700 Broadway, Suite 2300

Denver, Colorado 80290-2300
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

(303) 837-1661 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes T No £

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required

to submit and post such files). Yes T No £

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer £ Non-accelerated filer£ Smaller reporting company £

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes£ No T

Number of shares of the registrant's common stock outstanding at July 16, 2012: 117,631,451 shares.

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#### **GLOSSARY OF CERTAIN DEFINITIONS**

Unless the context otherwise requires, the terms "we," "us," "our" or "ours" when used in this report refer to Whiting Petroleum Corporation, together with its consolidated subsidiaries. When the context requires, we refer to these entities separately.

We have included below the definitions for certain terms used in this report:

"Bbl" One stock tank barrel, or 42 U.S. gallons liquid volume, used in this report in reference to oil and other liquid hydrocarbons.

"Bcf" One billion cubic feet of natural gas.

"BOE" One stock tank barrel equivalent of oil, calculated by converting natural gas volumes to equivalent oil barrels at a ratio of six Mcf to one Bbl of oil.

"EBITDAX" Earnings before interest, income taxes, depreciation, depletion, amortization and exploration expense.

"FASB" Financial Accounting Standards Board.

"FASB ASC" The Financial Accounting Standards Board Accounting Standards Codification.

"GAAP" Generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America.

"MBbl" One thousand barrels of oil or other liquid hydrocarbons.

"MBOE" One thousand BOE.

"MBOE/d" One MBOE per day.

"Mcf" One thousand cubic feet of natural gas.

"MMBbl" One million Bbl.

"MMBOE" One million BOE.

"MMBtu" One million British Thermal Units.

"MMcf" One million cubic feet of natural gas.

"MMcf/d" One MMcf per day.

"plugging and abandonment" Refers to the sealing off of fluids in the strata penetrated by a well so that the fluids from one stratum will not escape into another or to the surface. Regulations of many states require plugging of abandoned wells.

"proved reserves" Those reserves which, by analysis of geoscience and engineering data, can be estimated with reasonable certainty to be economically producible—from a given date forward, from known reservoirs and under existing economic conditions, operating methods and government regulations—prior to the time at which contracts

providing the right to operate expire, unless evidence indicates that renewal is reasonably certain, regardless of whether deterministic or probabilistic methods are used for the estimation. The project to extract the hydrocarbons must have commenced, or the operator must be reasonably certain that it will commence the project, within a reasonable time.

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The area of the reservoir considered as proved includes all of the following:

- a. The area identified by drilling and limited by fluid contacts, if any, and
- b. Adjacent undrilled portions of the reservoir that can, with reasonable certainty, be judged to be continuous with it and to contain economically producible oil or gas on the basis of available geoscience and engineering data.

Reserves that can be produced economically through application of improved recovery techniques (including, but not limited to, fluid injection) are included in the proved classification when both of the following occur:

- a. Successful testing by a pilot project in an area of the reservoir with properties no more favorable than in the reservoir as a whole, the operation of an installed program in the reservoir or an analogous reservoir, or other evidence using reliable technology establishes the reasonable certainty of the engineering analysis on which the project or program was based, and
- b. The project has been approved for development by all necessary parties and entities, including governmental entities.

Existing economic conditions include prices and costs at which economic producibility from a reservoir is to be determined. The price shall be the average price during the 12-month period before the ending date of the period covered by the report, determined as an unweighted arithmetic average of the first-day-of-the-month price for each month within such period, unless prices are defined by contractual arrangements, excluding escalations based upon future conditions.

"working interest" The interest in a crude oil and natural gas property (normally a leasehold interest) that gives the owner the right to drill, produce and conduct operations on the property and a share of production, subject to all royalties, overriding royalties and other burdens and to all costs of exploration, development and operations and all risks in connection therewith.

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# PART I – FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Consolidated Financial Statements

# WHITING PETROLEUM CORPORATION CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (Unaudited)

(In thousands, except share and per share data)

	Jun	e 30,	D	ecember 31,
ASSETS		2012		2011
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	6,807	\$	15,811
Accounts receivable trade, net	Ψ	293,672	Ψ	262,515
Prepaid expenses and other		23,220		20,377
Total current assets		323,699		298,703
Property and equipment:		323,099		290,703
Oil and gas properties, successful				
efforts method:				
Proved properties		7,765,534		7,221,550
Unproved properties		382,495		354,774
Other property and equipment		155,482		150,933
Total property and equipment		8,303,511		7,727,257
Less accumulated depreciation,		0,505,511		7,727,237
depletion and amortization		(2,238,740)		(2,088,517)
Total property and equipment, net		6,064,771		5,638,740
Debt issuance costs		29,735		33,306
Other long-term assets		92,379		74,860
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	6,510,584	\$	6,045,609
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY				
Current liabilities:				
Accounts payable trade	\$	102,004	\$	56,673
Accrued capital expenditures		109,635		142,827
Accrued liabilities and other		146,012		157,214
Revenues and royalties payable		116,410		103,894
Taxes payable		35,099		31,195
Derivative liabilities		23,364		73,647
Deferred income taxes		11,140		1,584
Total current liabilities		543,664		567,034
Long-term debt		1,420,000		1,380,000
Deferred income taxes		960,284		823,643
Derivative liabilities		17,085		47,763
Production Participation Plan				
liability		80,641		80,659
Asset retirement obligations		55,184		61,984
Deferred gain on sale		126,932		29,619
Other long-term liabilities		26,973		25,776
Total liabilities		3,230,763		3,016,478

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Commitments and contingencies					
Equity:					
Preferred stock, \$0.001 par value,					
5,000,000 shares authorized;					
6.25% convertible perpetual					
preferred stock, 172,391 shares					
issued and outstanding as of June					
30, 2012 and December 31, 2011,					
aggregate liquidation preference					
of \$17,239,100 at June 30, 2012			_		_
Common stock, \$0.001 par value,					
300,000,000 shares authorized;					
118,584,788 issued and					
117,631,451 outstanding as of					
June 30, 2012, 118,105,279 issued	4				
and 117,380,884 outstanding as o					
December 31, 2011	1		119		118
			1,557,345		1,554,223
Additional paid-in capital Accumulated other comprehensiv	۵		1,557,545		1,334,443
•	e		(051	`	240
income (loss)			(951	)	240
Retained earnings					
	Channel in IVIE	C			
		s of more than five			
	percentage point				
	_	s (such as merger			
	and acquisition a				
		r spinoffs) will be			
		reasonably possible.			
	_	n IWFs will be made			
	annually when I	WFs are reviewed.			
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	SECURITIES	SECURITIES,			
	(USA) LLC	LLC			
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#### **Historical Information**

We obtained the information regarding the historical performance of the Reference Asset in the table below from Bloomberg Financial Markets and have not conducted any independent review or due diligence. The table below sets forth the quarterly high, low, and period-end Closing Levels of the Reference Asset for each quarter in the period from July 1, 2008 through October 31, 2016. On October 31, 2016, the Closing Level of the Reference Asset was 2,126.15. The historical performance of the Reference Asset should not be taken as an indication of its future performance, and no assurance can be given as to the market price of the Reference Asset on any Valuation Date (including the Final Valuation Date).

# Quarter Quarter Quarter **Ending** High Low Close September 1,305.321,106.391,166.36 30, 2008 December 1,161.06752.44 903.25 31, 2008 March 31, 934.70 676.53 797.87 2009 June 30, 946.21 811.08 919.32 2009 September 1,071.66879.13 1,057.08 30, 2009 December 1,127.781,025.211,115.10 March 31, 1,174.171,056.741,169.43 2010 June 30, 1,217.281,030.711,030.71 2010 September 1,148.671,022.581,141.20 30, 2010 December 1,259.781,137.031,257.64 31, 2010 1,343.011,256.881,325.83

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March 31,
2011
June 30,
         1,363.611,265.421,320.64
2011
September 1,353.221,119.461,131.42
30, 2011
December 1,285.091,099.231,257.60
30, 2011
March 30, 1,416.511,277.061,408.47
2012
June 29,
         1,419.041,278.041,362.16
2012
September 1,465.771,334.761,440.67
28, 2012
Quarter Quarter Quarter
Ending
         High
                Low
December 1,461.401,353.331,426.19
31, 2012
March 28, 1,569.191,457.151,569.19
2013
June 28,
         1,669.161,541.611,606.28
2013
September 1,725.521,614.081,681.55
30, 2013
December 1,848.361,655.451,848.36
31, 2013
March 31, 1,878.041,741.891,872.34
2014
June 30,
         1,962.871,815.691,960.23
2014
September 2,011.361,909.571,972.29
30, 2014
December 2,090.571,862.492,058.90
31, 2014
March 31, 2,117.391,992.672,067.89
2015
June 30, 2,130.822,057.642,063.11
2015
September 2,128.281,867.611,920.03
30, 2015
December 2,109.791,923.822,043.94
31, 2015
March 31, 2,063.951,829.082,059.74
2016
June 30, 2,119.122,000.542,098.86
2016
September 2,190.152,088.552,168.27
30, 2016
October
         2,163.662,126.152,126.15
31, 2016
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The graph below sets forth the information relating to the historical performance of the Reference Asset. The dotted line represents the Buffer Level of 1,807.2275, which is equal to 85% of the closing level of the Reference Asset on October 31, 2016.

PAST PERFORMANCE IS NOT INDICATIVE OF FUTURE RESULTS.

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Supplemental Discussion of U.S. Federal Income Tax Consequences

General. The following is a general description of certain U.S. federal tax considerations relating to the Notes. Prospective purchasers of the Notes should consult their tax advisors as to the consequences under the tax laws of the country of which they are a resident for tax purposes and the tax laws of the U.S. of acquiring, holding and disposing of the Notes and receiving payments under the Notes. This summary is based upon the law as in effect on the date of this pricing supplement and is subject to any change in law that may take effect after such date. This discussion replaces the U.S. federal income tax discussions in the accompanying product prospectus supplement and accompanying prospectus.

This discussion applies to you only if you are the original investor in the Notes and you hold your Notes as capital assets for U.S. federal income tax purposes. This section does not apply to you if you are a member of a class of holders subject to special rules, such as:

- ·a dealer in securities or currencies, a trader in securities that elects to use a mark-to-market method of accounting for your securities holdings,
- ·a financial institution or a bank, a regulated investment company or
- ·a real estate investment trust or a common trust fund,
- ·a life insurance company, a tax-exempt organization or an investor holding the Notes in a
- ·tax-advantaged account (such as an
- "Individual Retirement Account" or "Roth IRA"),

a person that owns Notes as part of a straddle or a hedging or ·conversion transaction, or who has entered into a "constructive sale" with respect to a note for tax purposes, or a U.S. holder (as defined below) ·whose functional currency for tax purposes is not the U.S. dollar. This discussion is based on the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), its legislative history, existing and proposed regulations under the Code, published rulings and court decisions, all as currently in effect on the date of this pricing supplement. These laws are subject to change, possibly on a retroactive basis.

This discussion, other than the section entitled "Non-U.S. Holders" below, is applicable to you only if you are a U.S. holder. You are a U.S. holder if you are a beneficial owner of a note and you are: (i) a citizen or resident of the U.S., (ii) a domestic corporation, (iii) an estate whose income is subject to U.S. federal income tax regardless of its source, or (iv) a trust if a U.S. court can exercise primary supervision over the trust's administration and one or more U.S. persons are authorized to control all substantial decisions of the trust.

If a partnership holds the Notes, the U.S. federal income tax treatment of a partner will generally depend on the status of the partner and the tax treatment of the partnership. A partner in a partnership holding the Notes should consult its tax advisor with regard to the U.S. federal income tax treatment of an investment in the Notes.

*U.S. Tax Treatment.* No statutory, judicial or administrative authority directly discusses how the Notes should be treated for U.S. federal

income tax purposes. As a result, the U.S. federal income tax consequences of your investment in the Notes are uncertain. Accordingly, we urge you to consult your tax advisor as to the tax consequences of your investment in the Notes (and of having agreed to the required tax treatment of your Notes described below) and as to the application of state, local or other tax laws to your investment in your Notes and the possible effects of changes in federal or other tax laws.

Pursuant to the terms of the Notes. TD and you agree, in the absence of a statutory, regulatory, administrative or judicial ruling to the contrary, to characterize your Notes as pre-paid derivative contracts with respect to the Reference Asset. If your Notes are so treated, you should generally recognize gain or loss upon the sale, exchange, redemption or maturity of your Notes in an amount equal to the difference between the amount you receive at such time and the amount you paid for your Notes. Such gain or loss should generally be long-term capital gain or loss if you have held your Notes for more than one year (otherwise such gain or loss should be short-term capital gain or loss). The deductibility of capital losses is subject to limitations.

In the opinion of our counsel,
Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft
LLP, it would be reasonable to treat
your Notes in the manner described
above. However, because there is no
authority that specifically addresses
the tax treatment of the Notes, it is
possible that your Notes could
alternatively be treated for tax
purposes as a single contingent
payment debt instrument, or pursuant
to some other characterization, such
that the timing and character of your
income from the Notes could differ

materially from the treatment described above.

Possible Change in Law. The Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") released a notice that may affect the taxation of holders of the Notes. According to Notice 2008-2, the IRS and the Treasury Department are actively considering whether a holder of an instrument such as the Notes should be required to accrue ordinary income on a current basis, and they are seeking taxpayer comments on the subject. It is not possible to determine what guidance they will ultimately issue, if any. It is possible, however, that under such guidance, holders of the Notes will ultimately be required to accrue income currently and this could be applied on a retroactive basis. The IRS and the Treasury Department are also considering other relevant issues, including whether additional gain or loss from such instruments should be treated as ordinary or capital, whether foreign holders of such instruments should be subject to withholding tax on any deemed income accruals, and whether the special "constructive ownership rules" of Section 1260 of the Code should be applied to such instruments.

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In 2007, legislation was introduced in Congress that, if it had been enacted, would have required holders of Notes purchased after the bill was enacted to accrue interest income over the term of the Notes despite the fact that there will be no interest payments over the term of the Notes. It is not possible to predict whether a similar or identical bill will be enacted in the future, or whether any such bill would affect the tax treatment of your Notes.

Additionally, in 2013 the House Ways and Means Committee released in draft form certain proposed legislation relating to financial instruments. If enacted, the effect of this legislation generally would be to require instruments such as the Notes to be marked to market on an annual basis with all gains and losses to be treated as ordinary, subject to certain exceptions.

It is impossible to predict what any such legislation or administrative or regulatory guidance might provide, and whether the effective date of any such legislation or guidance will affect Notes that were issued before the date that such legislation or guidance is issued. You are urged to consult your tax advisor as to the possibility that any legislative or administrative action may adversely affect the tax treatment of your Notes.

Medicare Tax on Net Investment Income. U.S. holders that are individuals or estates and certain trusts are subject to an additional 3.8% tax on all or a portion of their "net investment income," or "undistributed net investment income" in the case of an estate or trust, which may include any income or

gain with respect to the Notes, to the extent of their net investment income or undistributed net investment income (as the case may be) that, when added to their other modified adjusted gross income, exceeds \$200,000 for an unmarried individual, \$250,000 for a married taxpayer filing a joint return (or a surviving spouse), \$125,000 for a married individual filing a separate return, or the dollar amount at which the highest tax bracket begins for an estate or trust (which, in 2016, is \$12,400). The 3.8% Medicare tax is determined in a different manner than the regular income tax. U.S. holders should consult their advisors with respect to the 3.8% Medicare tax.

Specified Foreign Financial Assets. U.S. holders may be subject to reporting obligations with respect to their Notes if they do not hold their Notes in an account maintained by a financial institution and the aggregate value of their Notes and certain other "specified foreign financial assets" (applying certain attribution rules) exceeds \$50,000. Significant penalties can apply if a U.S. holder is required to disclose its Notes and fails to do so.

Treasury Regulations Requiring Disclosure of Reportable Transactions. Treasury regulations require U.S. taxpayers to report certain transactions ("Reportable Transactions") on IRS Form 8886. An investment in the Notes or a sale of the Notes should generally not be treated as a Reportable Transaction under current law, but it is possible that future legislation, regulations or administrative rulings could cause your investment in the Notes or a sale of the Notes to be treated as a Reportable Transaction. You should consult with your tax advisor

regarding any tax filing and reporting obligations that may apply in connection with acquiring, owning and disposing of Notes.

Backup Withholding and Information Reporting. The proceeds received from a sale, exchange, redemption or maturity of the Notes will be subject to information reporting unless you are an "exempt recipient" and may also be subject to backup withholding at the rate specified in the Code if you fail to provide certain identifying information (such as an accurate taxpayer number, if you are a U.S. holder) or meet certain other conditions.

Amounts withheld under the backup withholding rules are not additional taxes and may be refunded or credited against your U.S. federal income tax liability, provided the required information is furnished to the IRS.

Non-U.S. Holders. This section applies only if you are a non-U.S. holder. For these purposes, you are a non-U.S. holder if you are the beneficial owner of the Notes and are, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a non-resident alien individual, a foreign corporation, or an estate or trust that, in either case, is not subject to U.S. federal income tax on a net income basis on income or gain from the Notes.

If you are a non-U.S. holder, you should generally not be subject to U.S. withholding tax with respect to payments on your Notes or to generally applicable information reporting and backup withholding requirements with respect to payments on your Notes if you comply with certain certification and identification requirements as to your foreign status including providing us

(and/or the applicable withholding agent) a properly executed and fully completed applicable IRS Form W-8. Gain from the sale, exchange, redemption or maturity of the Notes generally will not be subject to U.S. tax unless such gain is effectively connected with a trade or business conducted by you in the U.S. or unless you are a non-resident alien individual and are present in the U.S. for 183 days or more during the taxable year of such sale, exchange, redemption or maturity and certain other conditions are satisfied.

As discussed above, alternative characterizations of the Notes for U.S. federal income tax purposes are possible. Should an alternative characterization of the Notes cause payments with respect to the Notes to become subject to withholding tax, we will withhold tax at the applicable statutory rate and we will not make payments of any additional amounts.

Both U.S. and non-U.S. holders should consult their tax advisors regarding the U.S. federal income tax consequences of an investment in the Notes, as well as any tax consequences arising under the laws of any state, local or non-U.S. taxing jurisdiction (including that of TD).

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Supplemental Plan of Distribution (Conflicts of Interest)

We have appointed TDS, an affiliate of TD, and Wells Fargo Securities, as the agents for the sale of the Securities. Pursuant to the terms of a distribution agreement, the Agents will purchase the Securities from TD at the public offering price less the underwriting discount set forth on the cover page of this pricing supplement for distribution to other registered broker-dealers, including WFA, or will offer the Securities directly to investors. The Agents may resell the Securities to other registered broker-dealers at the public offering price less a concession not in excess of \$25.00 (2.50%) per Security. In addition to the concession allowed to WFA, Wells Fargo Securities will pay \$1.20 (0.12%) per Security of the agent's discount to WFA as a distribution expense fee for each Security sold by WFA. The Agents or other registered broker-dealers will offer the Securities at the public offering price set forth on the cover page of this pricing supplement. Certain dealers who purchase the Securities for sale to certain fee-based advisory accounts may forego some or all of their selling concessions, fees or commissions. The price for investors purchasing the Securities in these accounts may be as low as \$956.70 (95.67%) per Security. TD will reimburse TDS for certain expenses in connection with its role in the offer and sale of the Securities, and TD will pay TDS a fee in connection with its role in the offer and sale of the Securities.

We expect that delivery of the Securities will be made against payment for the Securities on or

about November 3, 2016, which is the third (3rd) Business Day following the Pricing Date (this settlement cycle being referred to as "T+3"). See "Plan of Distribution" in the prospectus.

Conflicts of Interest. TDS is an affiliate of TD and, as such, has a "conflict of interest" in this offering within the meaning of Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. ("FINRA") Rule 5121. In addition, TD will receive the net proceeds from the initial public offering of the Notes, thus creating an additional conflict of interest within the meaning of FINRA Rule 5121. Consequently, the offering is being conducted in compliance with the provisions of FINRA Rule 5121. TDS is not permitted to sell Notes in this offering to an account over which it exercises discretionary authority without the prior specific written approval of the account holder.

We may use this pricing supplement in the initial sale of the Securities. In addition, TDS or another of our affiliates may use this pricing supplement in a market-making transaction in the Securities after their initial sale. If a purchaser buys the Securities from us or TDS or another of our affiliates, this pricing supplement is being used in a market-making transaction unless we or TDS or another of our affiliates informs such purchaser otherwise in the confirmation of sale.

Additional Information Regarding Our Estimated Value of the Securities

The final terms for the Securities are determined on the Pricing Date based on prevailing market conditions and are set forth in this pricing supplement.

Our internal pricing models and pricing models of an affiliate of WFS with whom we enter into hedging transactions, take into account a number of variables and are based on a number of subjective assumptions, which may or may not materialize, typically including volatility, interest rates, and, with respect to our pricing models, our internal funding rates. Our internal funding rates (which are our internally published borrowing rates based on variables such as market benchmarks, our appetite for borrowing, and our existing obligations coming to maturity) may differ from the levels at which our benchmark debt securities trade in the secondary market. Our estimated value on the Pricing Date is based on our internal funding rates. As a result of this difference, the estimated value may be higher than it would have been if it were calculated by reference to the levels at which our benchmark debt securities trade in the secondary market, since it is not based on those levels.

Our estimated value of the Securities on the Pricing Date is less than the public offering price of the Securities. The difference between the public offering price of the Securities and our estimated value of the Securities results from several factors, including any sales commissions expected to be paid to TDS or another affiliate of ours, any selling concessions, discounts, commissions or fees expected to be allowed or paid to non-affiliated intermediaries, the estimated profit that we or any of our affiliates expect to earn in connection with structuring and hedging the Securities, the estimated cost which we may incur in hedging our obligations under the

Securities, and estimated development and other costs which we may incur in connection with the Securities.

Our estimated value on the Pricing Date is not a prediction of the price at which the Securities may trade in the secondary market, nor will it be the price at which the Agents may buy or sell the Securities in the secondary market. Subject to normal market and funding conditions, the Agents or another affiliate of ours intends to offer to purchase the Securities in the secondary market but it is not obligated to do so.

Assuming that all relevant factors remain constant after the Pricing Date, the price at which the Agents may initially buy or sell the Securities in the secondary market, if any, may exceed our estimated value on the Pricing Date for a temporary period expected to be approximately six months after the Issue Date because, in our discretion, we may elect to effectively reimburse to investors a portion of the estimated cost of hedging our obligations under the Securities and other costs in connection with the Securities which we will no longer expect to incur over the term of the Securities. We made such discretionary election and determined this temporary reimbursement period on the basis of a number of factors, including the tenor of the Securities and any agreement we may have with the distributors of the Securities. The amount of our estimated costs which we effectively reimburse to investors in this way may not be allocated ratably throughout the reimbursement period, and we may discontinue such reimbursement at any time or revise the duration of the reimbursement period after the initial issue date of the Securities based on

changes in market conditions and other factors that cannot be predicted.

We urge you to read the "Additional Risk Factors" beginning on page P-6 of this pricing supplement.

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#### Validity of the Notes

In the opinion of Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft LLP, as special products counsel to TD, when the Securities offered by this pricing supplement have been executed and issued by TD and authenticated by the trustee pursuant to the indenture and delivered, paid for and sold as contemplated herein, the Securities will be valid and binding obligations of TD, enforceable against TD in accordance with their terms, subject to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent conveyance, reorganization, moratorium, receivership or other laws relating to or affecting creditors' rights generally, and to general principles of equity (regardless of whether enforcement is sought in a proceeding at law or in equity). This opinion is given as of the date hereof and is limited to the laws of the State of New York. Insofar as this opinion involves matters governed by Canadian law, Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft LLP has assumed, without independent inquiry or investigation, the validity of the matters opined on by McCarthy Tétrault LLP, Canadian legal counsel for TD, in its opinion expressed below. In addition, this opinion is subject to customary assumptions about the trustee's authorization, execution and delivery of the indenture and, with respect to the Securities, authentication of the Securities and the genuineness of signatures and certain factual matters, all as stated in the opinion of Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft LLP dated May 31, 2016 which has been filed as Exhibit 5.3 to the registration statement on form F-3 filed by the Bank on May 31, 2016.

In the opinion of McCarthy Tétrault LLP, the issue and sale of the Securities has been duly authorized by all necessary corporate action on the part of TD, and when this pricing supplement has been attached to, and duly notated on, the master note that represents the Securities, the Securities will have been validly executed and issued and, to the extent validity of the Securities is a matter governed by the laws of the Province of Ontario, or the laws of Canada applicable therein, will be valid obligations of TD, subject to the following limitations: (i) the enforceability of the indenture is subject to bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, arrangement, winding up, moratorium and other similar laws of general application limiting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally; (ii) the enforceability of the indenture is subject to general equitable principles, including the fact that the availability of equitable remedies, such as injunctive relief and specific performance, is in the discretion of a court; (iii) courts in Canada are precluded from giving a judgment in any currency other than the lawful money of Canada; and (iv) the enforceability of the indenture will be subject to the limitations contained in the Limitations Act, 2002 (Ontario), and such counsel expresses no opinion as to whether a court may find any provision of the indenture to be unenforceable as an attempt to vary or exclude a limitation period under that Act. This opinion is given as of the date hereof and is limited to the laws of the Provinces of Ontario and the federal laws of Canada applicable thereto. In addition, this opinion is subject to: (i) the assumption that the senior indenture has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by, and constitutes a valid and legally

binding obligation of, the trustee, enforceable against the trustee in accordance with its terms; and (ii) customary assumptions about the genuineness of signatures and certain factual matters all as stated in the letter of such counsel dated May 31, 2016, which has been filed as Exhibit 5.2 to the registration statement on form F-3 filed by TD on May 31, 2016.

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