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(To Market Measure Supplement dated January 24, 2018,

Prospectus Supplement dated January 24, 2018

and Prospectus dated April 27, 2018)

Wells Fargo & Company

Medium-Term Notes, Series S

**ETF Linked Securities** 

Market Linked Securities Auto-Callable with Fixed Percentage

**Buffered Downside** 

Principal at Risk Securities Linked to the Energy Select Sector SPDR® Fund due June 7, 2021

Linked to the Energy Select Sector SPDR® Fund

Unlike ordinary debt securities, the securities do not pay interest, do not repay a fixed amount of principal at maturity and are subject to potential automatic call upon the terms described below. Any return you receive on the securities and whether they are automatically called will depend on the performance of the Fund **Automatic Call.** If the fund closing price of the Fund on any call date is greater than or equal to the starting price, we will automatically call the securities for the original offering price plus the call premium applicable to that call date

Call Date	Call Premium*
June 7, 2019	8.00% 9.00% of the original offering price
June 8, 2020	16.00% 18.00% of the original offering price
May 28, 2021 (the <u>final calculation day</u> )	24.00% 27.00% of the original offering price
* The actual call premium applicable to each ca	date will be determined on the pricing date

**Maturity Payment Amount.** If the securities are not automatically called prior to the final calculation day, the maturity payment amount will be based upon the fund closing price of the Fund on the final calculation day and could be greater than, equal to or less than the original offering price per security as follows:

If the fund closing price of the Fund on the final calculation day is greater than or equal to the starting price, the securities will be automatically called for the original offering price plus the call premium applicable to the final calculation day described above

If the fund closing price of the Fund on the final calculation day is less than the starting price, but not by more than 10%, you will receive the original offering price of your securities at maturity

If the fund closing price of the Fund on the final calculation day is less than the starting price by more than 10%, you will receive less than the original offering price and have 1-to-1 downside exposure to the decrease in the price of the Fund in excess of 10%

Investors may lose up to 90% of the original offering price

Any positive return on the securities will be limited to the applicable call premium, even if the fund closing price of the Fund on the applicable call date significantly exceeds the starting price. You will not participate in any appreciation of the Fund beyond the applicable fixed call premium.

All payments on the securities are subject to the credit risk of Wells Fargo & Company, and you will have no ability to pursue the shares of the Fund or any securities held by the Fund for payment; if Wells Fargo & Company defaults on its obligations, you could lose some or all of your investment

No periodic interest or dividends

No exchange listing; designed to be held to maturity

On the date of this preliminary pricing supplement, the estimated value of the securities is approximately \$951.83 per security. While the estimated value of the securities on the pricing date may differ from the estimated value set forth above, we do not expect it to differ significantly absent a material change in market conditions or other relevant factors. In no event will the estimated value of the securities on the pricing date be less than \$931.83 per security. The estimated value of the securities was determined for us by Wells Fargo Securities, LLC using its proprietary pricing models. It is not an indication of actual profit to us or to Wells Fargo Securities, LLC or any of our other affiliates, nor is it an indication of the price, if any, at which Wells Fargo Securities, LLC or any other person may be willing to buy the securities from you at any time after issuance. See Investment Description in this pricing supplement.

The securities have complex features and investing in the securities involves risks not associated with an investment in conventional debt securities. See Risk Factors herein on page PRS-11.

The securities are unsecured obligations of Wells Fargo & Company, and all payments on the securities are subject to the credit risk of Wells Fargo & Company. If Wells Fargo & Company defaults on its obligations, you could lose some or all of your investment. The securities are not deposits or other obligations of a depository institution and are not insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, the Deposit Insurance Fund or any other governmental agency of the United States or any other jurisdiction.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this pricing supplement or the accompanying market measure supplement, prospectus supplement and prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

	<b>Original Offering Price</b>	Agent Discount(1)	<b>Proceeds to Wells Fargo</b>
Per Security	\$1,000.00	\$18.25	\$981.75
Total			

(1) Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Wells Fargo & Company, is the agent for the distribution of the securities and is acting as principal. See Investment Description in this pricing supplement for further information.

**Wells Fargo Securities** 

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#### **Terms of the Securities**

**Issuer:** Wells Fargo & Company (<u>Wells Fargo</u>).

**Market Measure:** Energy Select Sector SPDR® Fund (the <u>Fund</u>).

**Pricing Date:** May 31, 2018.\*

**Issue Date:** June 7, 2018.\* (T+5)

**Original Offering** 

\$1,000 per security. References in this pricing supplement to a <u>security</u> are to a security with a face amount of \$1,000.

Price:

**Automatic Call:** 

If the fund closing price of the Fund on any call date (including the final calculation day) is greater than or equal to the starting price, the securities will be automatically called, and on the related call settlement date you will be entitled to receive a cash payment per security in U.S. dollars equal to the original offering price per security plus the call premium applicable to the relevant call date. The last call date is the final calculation day, and payment upon an automatic call on the final calculation day, if applicable, will be made on the stated maturity date.

Any positive return on the securities will be limited to the applicable call premium, even if the fund closing price of the Fund on the applicable call date significantly exceeds the starting price. You will not participate in any appreciation of the Fund beyond the applicable call premium.

If the securities are automatically called, they will cease to be outstanding on the related call settlement date and you will have no further rights under the securities after such call settlement

date. You will not receive any notice from us if the securities are automatically called.

	C II D		Call Premium	Payment per S	Security upon
	Call Date			a. A	otio Call
	June 7, 2019*	8.00%	9.00% of the original offering price	<u>an Auton</u> \$1,080.00	\$1,090.00
	June 8, 2020*	16.00%	18.00% of the original offering price	ş \$1,160.00	\$1,180.00
	May 28, 2021*	24.00%	27.00% of the original offering price	\$1,240.00	\$1,270.00
Call Dates and	701 4 1 11 °	1	•	11.41.4.1	11 11 4
Call Premiums:	The actual call premium and payment per security upon an automatic call that is applicable to each call date will be determined on the pricing date and will be within the ranges specified in the foregoing table.				
	We refer to May 28, 202	21* as the _	final calculation day.		
	The call dates are subje disruption event. See		nement for non-trading days and lent of a Calculation Day below		re of a market
Call Settlement  Date:	Five business days after the applicable call date (as each such call date may be postponed pursuant to Postponement of a Calculation Day below, if applicable); <i>provided</i> that the call settlement date for the last call date is the stated maturity date.				
Stated Maturity  Date:	of (i) June 7, 2021* and Postponement of a C payment to be made on day with the same force	(ii) three by Calculation I the stated in the and effective and effective certain three by the certain three by three by the certain three by three by the certain three by th	on day is postponed, the stated musiness days after the final calcul Day below. If the stated maturity maturity date will be made on the ct as if it had been made on the nent at the option of any holder of	ation day as porty date is not a next succeed stated mature.	ostponed. See business day, the ding business ity date. The

<sup>\*</sup>To the extent that we make any change to the expected pricing date or expected issue date, the call dates and stated maturity date may also be changed in our discretion to ensure that the term of the securities remains the same.

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If the securities are not automatically called prior to the final calculation day, then on the stated maturity date you will be entitled to receive a cash payment per security in U.S. dollars equal to the maturity payment amount. The <u>maturity payment amount</u> will be calculated as follows:

if the ending price is greater than or equal to the starting price: \$1,000 plus the call premium applicable to the final calculation day as described above under Call Dates and Call Premiums:

if the ending price is less than the starting price but greater than or equal to the threshold price: \$1,000; or

#### **Maturity Payment**

**Amount:** 

if the ending price is less than the threshold price: \$1,000 minus:

If the securities are not automatically called prior to the final calculation day and the ending price is less than the threshold price, you will receive less, and possibly 90% less, than the original offering price of your securities at maturity.

All calculations with respect to any payments on the securities (whether upon automatic call or at maturity) will be rounded to the nearest one hundred-thousandth, with five one-millionths rounded upward (e.g., 0.000005 would be rounded to 0.00001); and such payment will be rounded to the nearest cent, with one-half cent rounded upward.

#### **Fund Closing**

**Price:** 

The <u>fund closing price</u> with respect to the Fund on any trading day means the product of (i) the closing price of one share of the Fund (or one unit of any other security for which a fund closing price must be determined) on such trading day and (ii) the adjustment factor applicable to the Fund on such trading day.

#### **Closing Price:**

The <u>closing price</u> for one share of the Fund (or one unit of any other security for which a closing price must be determined) on any trading day means the official closing price on such day published by the principal United States securities exchange registered under the Securities

	Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, on which the Fund (or any such other security) is listed or admitted to trading.
Adjustment Factor:	The <u>adjustment factor</u> means, with respect to a share of the Fund (or one unit of any other security for which a fund closing price must be determined), 1.0, subject to adjustment in the event of certain events affecting the shares of the Fund. See Additional Terms of the Securities Anti-dilution Adjustments Relating to the Fund; Alternate Calculation below.
<b>Starting Price:</b>	\$ , which is the fund closing price of the Fund on the pricing date.
<b>Ending Price:</b>	The <u>ending price</u> will be the fund closing price of the Fund on the final calculation day.
Threshold Price:	\$ , which is equal to 90% of the starting price.
Postponement of a Calculation  Day:	The call dates (including the final calculation day) are each referred to as a calculation day. If any calculation day is not a trading day (as defined below), such calculation day will be postponed to the next succeeding trading day. A calculation day is also subject to postponement due to the occurrence of a market disruption event. See Additional Terms of the Securities Market Disruption Events.
<b>Calculation Agent:</b>	Wells Fargo Securities, LLC
No Listing:	The securities will not be listed on any securities exchange or automated quotation system.
Material Tax  Consequences:	For a discussion of the material U.S. federal income and certain estate tax consequences of the ownership and disposition of the securities, see United States Federal Tax Considerations.

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Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Wells Fargo & Company. The agent may resell the securities to other securities dealers at the original offering price of the securities less a concession not in excess of \$17.50 per security. Such securities dealers may include Wells Fargo Advisors (WFA) (the trade name of the retail brokerage business of our affiliates, Wells Fargo Clearing Services, LLC and Wells Fargo Advisors Financial Network, LLC). In addition to the concession allowed to WFA, WFS will pay \$0.75 per security of the agent s discount to WFA as a distribution expense fee for each security sold by WFA.

#### Agent:

The agent or another affiliate of ours expects to realize hedging profits projected by its proprietary pricing models to the extent it assumes the risks inherent in hedging our obligations under the securities. If any dealer participating in the distribution of the securities or any of its affiliates conducts hedging activities for us in connection with the securities, that dealer or its affiliate will expect to realize a profit projected by its proprietary pricing models from such hedging activities. Any such projected profit will be in addition to any discount, concession or distribution expense fee received in connection with the sale of the securities to you.

**Denominations:** 

\$1,000 and any integral multiple of \$1,000.

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#### **Investment Description**

The Principal at Risk Securities Linked to the Energy Select Sector SPDR® Fund due June 7, 2021 (the <u>securities</u>) are senior unsecured debt securities of Wells Fargo that do not pay interest, do not repay a fixed amount of principal at stated maturity and are subject to potential automatic call upon the terms described in this pricing supplement. The return you receive on the securities and whether they are automatically called will depend on the performance of the Fund. The securities provide:

- (i) the possibility of an automatic early call of the securities at a fixed call premium if the fund closing price of the Fund on either of the first two call dates is greater than or equal to the starting price; and
- (ii) if the securities are not automatically called prior to the final calculation day:
  - (a) the possibility of a return equal to the call premium applicable to the final calculation day if the fund closing price of the Fund on the final calculation day is greater than or equal to the starting price;
  - (b) repayment of the original offering price if, **and only if**, the fund closing price of the Fund on the final calculation day is not less than the starting price by more than 10%; and
  - (c) exposure to decreases in the price of the Fund if and to the extent the fund closing price of the Fund on the final calculation day is less than the starting price by more than 10%.

If the fund closing price of the Fund is less than the starting price on each of the three call dates (including the final calculation day), you will not receive any positive return on your investment in the securities. If the fund closing price of the Fund on the final calculation day is less than the starting price by more than 10%, you will receive less, and possibly 90% less, than the original offering price of your securities at maturity.

Any positive return on the securities will be limited to the applicable call premium, even if the fund closing price of the Fund on the applicable call date exceeds the starting price by more than percentage represented by that call premium. You will not participate in any appreciation of the Fund beyond the applicable fixed call premium.

All payments on the securities are subject to the credit risk of Wells Fargo.

The Fund is an exchange traded fund that seeks to track the Energy Select Sector Index, an equity index that is intended to provide investors with a way to track the movements of certain public companies that represent the energy

sector of the S&P 500® Index.

You should read this pricing supplement together with the market measure supplement dated January 24, 2018, the prospectus supplement dated April 27, 2018 and the prospectus dated November 3, 2017 for additional information about the securities. When you read the accompanying market measure supplement and prospectus supplement, please note that all references in such supplements to the prospectus dated November 3, 2017, or to any sections therein, should refer instead to the accompanying prospectus dated April 27, 2018 or to the corresponding sections of such prospectus, as applicable. Information included in this pricing supplement supersedes information in the market measure supplement, prospectus supplement and prospectus to the extent it is different from that information. Certain defined terms used but not defined herein have the meanings set forth in the prospectus supplement.

You may access the market measure supplement, prospectus supplement and prospectus on the SEC website www.sec.gov as follows (or if such address has changed, by reviewing our filing for the relevant date on the SEC website):

Market Measure Supplement dated January 24, 2018: https://www.sec.gov/Archives/edgar/data/72971/000119312518018329/d527660d424b2.htm

Prospectus Supplement dated January 24, 2018: <a href="https://www.sec.gov/Archives/edgar/data/72971/000119312518018256/d466041d424b2.htm">https://www.sec.gov/Archives/edgar/data/72971/000119312518018256/d466041d424b2.htm</a>

Prospectus dated April 27, 2018: <a href="https://www.sec.gov/Archives/edgar/data/72971/000119312518136909/d557983d424b2.htm">https://www.sec.gov/Archives/edgar/data/72971/000119312518136909/d557983d424b2.htm</a>

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The original offering price of each security of \$1,000 includes certain costs that are borne by you. Because of these costs, the estimated value of the securities on the pricing date will be less than the original offering price. The costs included in the original offering price relate to selling, structuring, hedging and issuing the securities, as well as to our funding considerations for debt of this type.

The costs related to selling, structuring, hedging and issuing the securities include (i) the agent discount (if any), (ii) the projected profit that our hedge counterparty (which may be one of our affiliates) expects to realize for assuming risks inherent in hedging our obligations under the securities and (iii) hedging and other costs relating to the offering of the securities.

Our funding considerations take into account the higher issuance, operational and ongoing management costs of market-linked debt such as the securities as compared to our conventional debt of the same maturity, as well as our liquidity needs and preferences. Our funding considerations are reflected in the fact that we determine the economic terms of the securities based on an assumed funding rate that is generally lower than the interest rates implied by secondary market prices for our debt obligations and/or by other traded instruments referencing our debt obligations, which we refer to as our <u>secondary market rates</u>. As discussed below, our secondary market rates are used in determining the estimated value of the securities.

If the costs relating to selling, structuring, hedging and issuing the securities were lower, or if the assumed funding rate we use to determine the economic terms of the securities were higher, the economic terms of the securities would be more favorable to you and the estimated value would be higher. The estimated value of the securities as of the pricing date will be set forth in the final pricing supplement.

#### Determining the estimated value

Our affiliate, Wells Fargo Securities, LLC ( $\underline{WF}S$ ), calculated the estimated value of the securities set forth on the cover page of this pricing supplement based on its proprietary pricing models. Based on these pricing models and related market inputs and assumptions referred to in this section below, WFS determined an estimated value for the securities by estimating the value of the combination of hypothetical financial instruments that would replicate the payout on the securities, which combination consists of a non-interest bearing, fixed-income bond (the  $\underline{deb}t$   $\underline{component}$ ) and one or more derivative instruments underlying the economic terms of the securities (the  $\underline{derivat}ive$   $\underline{component}$ ).

The estimated value of the debt component is based on a reference interest rate, determined by WFS as of a recent date, that generally tracks our secondary market rates. Because WFS does not continuously calculate our reference interest rate, the reference interest rate used in the calculation of the estimated value of the debt component may be higher or lower than our secondary market rates at the time of that calculation. As noted above, we determine the economic terms of the securities based upon an assumed funding rate that is generally lower than our secondary market rates. In contrast, in determining the estimated value of the securities, we value the debt component using a reference interest rate that generally tracks our secondary market rates. Because the reference interest rate is generally

higher than the assumed funding rate, using the reference interest rate to value the debt component generally results in a lower estimated value for the debt component, which we believe more closely approximates a market valuation of the debt component than if we had used the assumed funding rate.

WFS calculated the estimated value of the derivative component based on a proprietary derivative-pricing model, which generated a theoretical price for the derivative instruments that constitute the derivative component based on various inputs, including the derivative component factors identified in Risk Factors The Value Of The Securities Prior To Stated Maturity Will Be Affected By Numerous Factors, Some Of Which Are Related In Complex Ways. These inputs may be market-observable or may be based on assumptions made by WFS in its discretion.

The estimated value of the securities determined by WFS is subject to important limitations. See Risk Factors The Estimated Value Of The Securities Is Determined By Our Affiliate s Pricing Models, Which May Differ From Those Of Other Dealers and Our Economic Interests And Those Of Any Dealer Participating In The Offering Are Potentially Adverse To Your Interests.

#### Valuation of the securities after issuance

The estimated value of the securities is not an indication of the price, if any, at which WFS or any other person may be willing to buy the securities from you in the secondary market. The price, if any, at which WFS or any of its affiliates may purchase the securities in the secondary market will be based upon WFS s proprietary pricing models and will fluctuate over the term of the securities due to changes in market conditions and other relevant factors. However, absent changes in these market conditions and other relevant factors, except as otherwise described in the following paragraph, any secondary market price will be lower than the estimated value on the pricing date because the secondary market price will be reduced by a bid-offer spread, which may vary depending on the aggregate face amount of the securities to be purchased in the secondary market transaction, and the expected cost of unwinding any related hedging transactions. Accordingly, unless market conditions and other relevant factors change significantly in your favor, any secondary market price for the securities is likely to be less than the original offering price.

If WFS or any of its affiliates makes a secondary market in the securities at any time up to the issue date or during the 3-month period following the issue date, the secondary market price offered by WFS or any of its affiliates will be increased by an amount reflecting a portion of the costs associated with selling, structuring, hedging and issuing the securities that are included in the original offering price. Because this portion of the costs is not fully deducted upon issuance, any secondary market price offered by WFS or any of its affiliates during this period will be higher than it would be if it were based solely on WFS s proprietary pricing models less the bid-offer

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spread and hedging unwind costs described above. The amount of this increase in the secondary market price will decline steadily to zero over this 3-month period. If you hold the securities through an account at WFS or any of its affiliates, we expect that this increase will also be reflected in the value indicated for the securities on your brokerage account statement.

If WFS or any of its affiliates makes a secondary market in the securities, WFS expects to provide those secondary market prices to any unaffiliated broker-dealers through which the securities are held and to commercial pricing vendors. If you hold your securities through an account at a broker-dealer other than WFS or any of its affiliates, that broker-dealer may obtain market prices for the securities from WFS (directly or indirectly), but could also obtain such market prices from other sources, and may be willing to purchase the securities at any given time at a price that differs from the price at which WFS or any of its affiliates is willing to purchase the securities. As a result, if you hold your securities through an account at a broker-dealer other than WFS or any of its affiliates, the value of the securities on your brokerage account statement may be different than if you held your securities at WFS or any of its affiliates.

The securities will not be listed or displayed on any securities exchange or any automated quotation system. Although WFS and/or its affiliates may buy the securities from investors, they are not obligated to do so and are not required to make a market for the securities. There can be no assurance that a secondary market will develop.

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#### **Investor Considerations**

We have designed the securities for investors who:

believe that the fund closing price of the Fund will be greater than or equal to the starting price on one of the three call dates;

seek the potential for a fixed return if the Fund has appreciated at all as of any of the three call dates in lieu of full participation in any potential appreciation of the Fund;

understand that if the fund closing price of the Fund is less than the starting price on each of the three call dates (including the final calculation day), they will not receive any positive return on their investment in the securities, and that if the fund closing price of the Fund on the final calculation day is less than the starting price by more than 10%, they will receive less, and possibly 90% less, than the original offering price per security at maturity;

understand that the term of the securities may be as short as approximately one year and that they will not receive a higher call premium payable with respect to a later call date if the securities are called on an earlier call date;

are willing to forgo interest payments on the securities and dividends on shares of the Fund; and

are willing to hold the securities until maturity.

The securities are not designed for, and may not be a suitable investment for, investors who:

seek a liquid investment or are unable or unwilling to hold the securities to maturity;

require full payment of the original offering price of the securities at stated maturity;

believe that the fund closing price of the Fund will be less than the starting price on each of the three call dates;

seek a security with a fixed term;

are unwilling to accept the risk that, if the fund closing price of the Fund is less than the starting price on each of the three call dates (including the final calculation day), they will not receive any positive return on their investment in the securities;

are unwilling to accept the risk that the fund closing price of the Fund may decrease by more than 10% from the starting price to the ending price;

are unwilling to purchase securities with an estimated value as of the pricing date that is lower than the original offering price and that may be as low as the lower estimated value set forth on the cover page;

seek current income;

are unwilling to accept the risk of exposure to companies in the energy industry;

seek exposure to the upside performance of the Fund beyond the applicable call premiums;

are unwilling to accept the credit risk of Wells Fargo; or

prefer the lower risk of fixed income investments with comparable maturities issued by companies with comparable credit ratings.

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### **Determining Timing and Amount of Payment on the Securities**

The timing and amount of the payment you will receive will be determined as follows:

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#### **Hypothetical Payout Profile**

The following profile illustrates the potential payment on the securities for a range of hypothetical percentage changes in the fund closing price of the Fund from the pricing date to the applicable call date (including the final calculation day). The profile is based on a hypothetical call premium of 8.50% for the first call date, 17.00% for the second call date and 25.50% for the final call date (based on the midpoint of the ranges specified for the call premiums) and a threshold price equal to 90% of the starting price. This profile has been prepared for purposes of illustration only. Your actual return will depend on (i) whether the securities are automatically called; (ii) if the securities are automatically called, the actual call premium and the actual call date on which the securities are called; (iii) if the securities are not automatically called, the actual ending price of the Fund; and (iv) whether you hold your securities to maturity or earlier automatic call.

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#### **Risk Factors**

The securities have complex features and investing in the securities will involve risks not associated with an investment in conventional debt securities. You should carefully consider the risk factors set forth below as well as the other information contained in this pricing supplement and the accompanying market measure supplement, prospectus supplement and prospectus, including the documents they incorporate by reference. As described in more detail below, the value of the securities may vary considerably before the stated maturity date due to events that are difficult to predict and are beyond our control. You should reach an investment decision only after you have carefully considered with your advisors the suitability of an investment in the securities in light of your particular circumstances. The index underlying the Fund is sometimes referred to as the <u>underlying index</u>.

If The Securities Are Not Automatically Called And The Ending Price Is Less Than The Threshold Price, You Will Receive Less, And Possibly 90% Less, Than The Original Offering Price Of Your Securities At Maturity.

We will not repay you a fixed amount on the securities at stated maturity. If the fund closing price of the Fund is less than the starting price on each of the three call dates, the securities will not be automatically called, and you will receive a maturity payment amount that will be equal to or less than the original offering price per security, depending on the ending price (i.e., the fund closing price of the Fund on the final calculation day).

If the ending price is less than the threshold price, the maturity payment amount will be reduced by an amount equal to the decline in the price of the Fund to the extent it is below the threshold price (expressed as a percentage of the starting price). The threshold price is 90% of the starting price. As a result, you may receive less, and possibly 90% less, than the original offering price per security at stated maturity, even if the price of the Fund is greater than or equal to the starting price or the threshold price at certain times during the term of the securities.

If the securities are not automatically called, your return on the securities will be zero or negative, and therefore will be less than the return you would earn if you bought a traditional interest-bearing debt security of Wells Fargo or another issuer with a similar credit rating with the same stated maturity date.

#### No Periodic Interest Will Be Paid On The Securities.

No periodic payments of interest will be made on the securities. However, if the agreed-upon tax treatment is successfully challenged by the Internal Revenue Service (the <u>IRS</u>), you may be required to recognize taxable income over the term of the securities. You should review the section of this pricing supplement entitled United States Federal Tax Considerations.

#### The Potential Return On The Securities Is Limited To The Call Premium.

The potential return on the securities is limited to the applicable call premium, regardless of the performance of the Fund. The Fund may appreciate by significantly more than the percentage represented by the applicable call premium from the pricing date through the applicable call date, in which case an investment in the securities will underperform

a hypothetical alternative investment providing a 1-to-1 return based on the performance of the Fund. In addition, you will not receive the value of dividends or other distributions paid with respect to the Fund. Furthermore, if the securities are called on an earlier call date, you will receive a lower call premium than if the securities were called on a later call date, and accordingly, if the securities are called on one of the two earlier call dates, you will not receive the highest potential call premium.

#### You Will Be Subject To Reinvestment Risk.

If your securities are automatically called early, the term of the securities may be reduced to as short as approximately one year. There is no guarantee that you would be able to reinvest the proceeds from an investment in the securities at a comparable return for a similar level of risk in the event the securities are automatically called prior to maturity.

#### The Securities Are Subject To The Credit Risk Of Wells Fargo.

The securities are our obligations and are not, either directly or indirectly, an obligation of any third party. Any amounts payable under the securities are subject to our creditworthiness, and you will have no ability to pursue the shares of the Fund or any securities held by the Fund for payment. As a result, our actual and perceived creditworthiness may affect the value of the securities and, in the event we were to default on our obligations, you may not receive any amounts owed to you under the terms of the securities.

# The Estimated Value Of The Securities On The Pricing Date, Based On WFS s Proprietary Pricing Models, Will Be Less Than The Original Offering Price.

The original offering price of the securities includes certain costs that are borne by you. Because of these costs, the estimated value of the securities on the pricing date will be less than the original offering price. The costs included in the original offering price relate to selling, structuring, hedging and issuing the securities, as well as to our funding considerations for debt of this type. The costs related to selling, structuring, hedging and issuing the securities include (i) the agent discount (if any), (ii) the projected profit that our hedge counterparty (which may be one of our affiliates) expects to realize for assuming risks inherent in hedging our obligations under the securities and (iii) hedging and other costs relating to the offering of the securities. Our funding considerations are reflected in the fact that we determine the economic terms of the securities based on an assumed funding rate that is generally lower than our secondary market rates. If the costs relating to selling, structuring, hedging and issuing the securities were lower, or if the assumed funding rate we use to determine the economic terms of the securities were higher, the economic terms of the securities would be more favorable to you and the estimated value would be higher.

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# The Estimated Value Of The Securities Is Determined By Our Affiliate s Pricing Models, Which May Differ From Those Of Other Dealers.

The estimated value of the securities was determined for us by WFS using its proprietary pricing models and related market inputs and assumptions referred to above under Investment Description Determining the estimated value. Certain inputs to these models may be determined by WFS in its discretion. WFS s views on these inputs may differ from other dealers—views, and WFS—s estimated value of the securities may be higher, and perhaps materially higher, than the estimated value of the securities that would be determined by other dealers in the market. WFS—s models and its inputs and related assumptions may prove to be wrong and therefore not an accurate reflection of the value of the securities.

# The Estimated Value Of The Securities Is Not An Indication Of The Price, If Any, At Which WFS Or Any Other Person May Be Willing To Buy The Securities From You In The Secondary Market.

The price, if any, at which WFS or any of its affiliates may purchase the securities in the secondary market will be based on WFS s proprietary pricing models and will fluctuate over the term of the securities as a result of changes in the market and other factors described in the next risk factor. Any such secondary market price for the securities will also be reduced by a bid-offer spread, which may vary depending on the aggregate face amount of the securities to be purchased in the secondary market transaction, and the expected cost of unwinding any related hedging transactions. Unless the factors described in the next risk factor change significantly in your favor, any such secondary market price for the securities is likely to be less than the original offering price.

If WFS or any of its affiliates makes a secondary market in the securities at any time up to the issue date or during the 3-month period following the issue date, the secondary market price offered by WFS or any of its affiliates will be increased by an amount reflecting a portion of the costs associated with selling, structuring, hedging and issuing the securities that are included in the original offering price. Because this portion of the costs is not fully deducted upon issuance, any secondary market price offered by WFS or any of its affiliates during this period will be higher than it would be if it were based solely on WFS s proprietary pricing models less the bid-offer spread and hedging unwind costs described above. The amount of this increase in the secondary market price will decline steadily to zero over this 3-month period. If you hold the securities through an account at WFS or any of its affiliates, we expect that this increase will also be reflected in the value indicated for the securities on your brokerage account statement. If you hold your securities through an account at a broker-dealer other than WFS or any of its affiliates, the value of the securities on your brokerage account statement may be different than if you held your securities at WFS or any of its affiliates, as discussed above under. Investment Description Valuation of the securities after issuance.

# The Value Of The Securities Prior To Stated Maturity Will Be Affected By Numerous Factors, Some Of Which Are Related In Complex Ways.

The value of the securities prior to stated maturity will be affected by the then-current price of the Fund, interest rates at that time and a number of other factors, some of which are interrelated in complex ways. The effect of any one

factor may be offset or magnified by the effect of anothe