#### **UNITED STATES**

## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

#### FORM 8-K

## **CURRENT REPORT**

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (date of earliest event reported): January 31, 2011

## **WELLS FARGO & COMPANY**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 001-2979 No. 41-0449260 (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) (Commission File (IRS Employer Identification No.)

420 Montgomery Street, San Francisco, California 94163 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 1-866-249-3302

Not applicable (Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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☐ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
☐ Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

## Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

Exhibits are filed herewith in connection with the Registration Statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-159738) filed by Wells Fargo & Company with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

On January 31, 2011, Wells Fargo & Company issued the following Medium-Term Notes, Series K: (i) Notes Linked to the S&P 500<sup>®</sup> Index due January 30, 2015; and (ii) Floating Rate Notes Linked to 3 Month LIBOR due January 31, 2021 (collectively, the "Notes").

The purpose of this Current Report is to file with the Securities and Exchange Commission the form of Note related to each issuance, the opinion of Faegre & Benson, LLP regarding the Notes and the opinion of Sullivan & Cromwell, Wells Fargo & Company's special tax counsel, regarding the Notes.

#### (d) Exhibits

- 4.1 Form of Medium-Term Notes, Series K, Notes Linked to the S&P 500<sup>®</sup> Index due January 30, 2015.
- 4.2 Form of Medium-Term Notes, Series K, Floating Rate Notes Linked to 3 Month LIBOR due January 31, 2021.
- 5.1 Opinion of Faegre & Benson, LLP
- 8.1 Opinion of Sullivan & Cromwell, LLP.
- 23.1 Consent of Faegre & Benson LLP (included as part of Exhibit 5.1).
- 23.2 Consent of Sullivan & Cromwell LLP (included as part of Exhibit 8.1).

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## **SIGNATURE**

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 hereunto duly authorized.

WELLS FARGO & COMPANY

DATED: January 31, 2011 /s/ Paul R. Ackerman

Paul R. Ackerman

Executive Vice President and Treasurer

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## **Index to Exhibits**

Exhibit No.	Description	Method of Filing
4.1	Form of Medium-Term Notes, Series K, Notes Linked to the S&P 500 <sup>®</sup> Index due January 30, 2015.	Electronic Transmission
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## [Face of Note]

Unless this certificate is presented by an authorized representative of The Depository Trust Company, a New York corporation ("<u>DTC</u>"), to the Company or its agent for registration of transfer, exchange or payment, and any certificate issued is registered in the name of Cede & Co. or in such other name as requested by an authorized representative of DTC (and any payment is made to Cede & Co. or such other entity as is requested by an authorized representative of DTC), ANY TRANSFER, PLEDGE OR OTHER USE HEREOF FOR VALUE OR OTHERWISE BY OR TO ANY PERSON IS WRONGFUL inasmuch as the registered owner hereof, Cede & Co., has an interest herein.

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#### **WELLS FARGO & COMPANY**

## MEDIUM-TERM NOTE, SERIES K

**Due Nine Months or More From Date of Issue** 

Notes Linked to the S&P 500<sup>®</sup> Index due January 30, 2015

WELLS FARGO & COMPANY, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware (hereinafter called the "Company," which term includes any successor corporation under the Indenture hereinafter referred to), for value received, hereby promises to pay to CEDE & Co., or registered assigns, an amount equal to the Redemption Amount (as defined below), in such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time of payment is legal tender for payment of public and private debts, on the Stated Maturity Date. The "Initial Stated Maturity Date" shall be January 30, 2015. If no Market Disruption Event (as defined below) occurs or is continuing with respect to the Index (as defined below) on the scheduled Calculation Day (as defined below), the Initial Stated Maturity Date will be the "Stated Maturity Date." If a Market Disruption Event occurs or is continuing with respect to the Index on the scheduled Calculation Day, the "Stated Maturity Date" shall be the later of (i) three Business Days (as defined below) after the postponed Calculation Day and (ii) the Initial Stated Maturity Date. This Security shall not bear any interest.

Any payments on this Security at Maturity will be made against presentation of this Security at the office or agency of the Company maintained for that purpose in the City of Minneapolis, Minnesota and at any other office or agency maintained by the Company for such purpose.

"<u>Face Amount</u>" shall mean, when used with respect to this Security, the amount set forth on the face of this Security as its "Face Amount."

## **Determination of Redemption Amount**

The "Redemption Amount" of this Security will equal:

- If the Ending Level is greater than or equal to the Starting Level: the Face Amount *plus* the greater of:
  - (i) the Contingent Minimum Return; and

(ii) 
$$\left[\begin{array}{c} \text{Face Amount } x \end{array} \left[\begin{array}{c} \underline{\text{Ending Level}} - \underline{\text{Starting Level}} \\ \underline{\text{Starting Level}} \end{array}\right] x \text{ Participation Rate} \right]; \text{ and }$$

- If the Ending Level is less than the Starting Level, but greater than or equal to the Threshold Level: the Face Amount; or
- If the Ending Level is less than the Threshold Level: the Face Amount *minus*:

"Index" shall mean the S&P 500<sup>®</sup> Index.

The "Pricing Date" shall mean January 25, 2011.

The "Starting Level" is 1291.18, the Closing Level of the Index on the Pricing Date.

The "<u>Closing Level</u>" of the Index on any Trading Day means the official closing level of the Index as reported by the Index Sponsor on such Trading Day.

The "Ending Level" will be the Closing Level of the Index on the Calculation Day.

The "Contingent Minimum Return" is 20% of the Face Amount.

The "Threshold Level" is 1162.06, which is equal to 90% of the Starting Level.

The "Participation Rate" is 100%.

"Index Sponsor" shall mean Standard & Poor's, a division of the McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc.

"Business Day" shall mean a day, other than a Saturday or Sunday, that is neither a legal holiday nor a day on which banking institutions are authorized or required by law or regulation to close in New York, New York or Minneapolis, Minnesota.

A "<u>Trading Day</u>" with respect to the Index means a day, as determined by the Calculation Agent, on which (i) the Relevant Exchanges (as defined below) with respect to the securities underlying the Index are open for trading for their regular trading sessions and (ii) the exchanges on which futures or options contracts related to the Index or successor thereto, if applicable, are traded, are open for trading for their respective regular trading sessions.

The "Calculation Day" shall be January 23, 2015 or, if such day is not a Trading Day, the next succeeding Trading Day. The Calculation Day is subject to postponement due to the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event. If a Market Disruption Event occurs or is continuing with respect to the Index on the Calculation Day, such Calculation Day will be postponed to the first succeeding Trading Day on which a Market Disruption Event has not occurred and is not continuing. If such first succeeding Trading Day has not occurred as of the eighth scheduled Trading Day after the scheduled Calculation Day, that eighth scheduled Trading Day shall be deemed the Calculation Day. If the Calculation Day has been postponed eight scheduled Trading Days after the scheduled Calculation Day and such eighth scheduled Trading Day is not a Trading Day, or if a Market Disruption Event occurs or is continuing with respect to the Index on such eighth scheduled Trading Day, the Calculation Agent will determine the Closing Level of the Index on such eighth scheduled Trading Day in accordance with the formula for and method of calculating the Closing Level of the Index last in effect prior to commencement of the Market Disruption Event, using the closing price (or, with respect to any of the relevant securities, if such date is not a Trading Day or a Market Disruption Event has occurred, its good faith estimate of the closing price that would have prevailed for such securities) on such date of each security most recently included in the Index. See "Market Disruption Events." As used herein, "closing price" means, with respect to any security on any date, the last reported sales price regular way on such date or, in case no such reported sale takes place on such date, the average of the reported closing bid and asked prices regular way on such date, in either case on the primary organized exchange or trading system on which such security is then listed or admitted to trading.

"Calculation Agent Agreement" shall mean the Calculation Agent Agreement dated as of January 31, 2011 between the Company and the Calculation Agent, as amended from time to time.

"Calculation Agent" shall mean the Person that has entered into the Calculation Agent Agreement with the Company providing for, among other things, the determination of the Ending Level and the Redemption Amount, which term shall, unless the context otherwise requires, include its successors under such Calculation Agent Agreement. The initial Calculation Agent shall be Wells Fargo Securities, LLC. Pursuant to the Calculation Agent Agreement, the Company may appoint a different Calculation Agent from time to time after the initial issuance of this Security without the consent of the Holder of this Security and without notifying the Holder of this Security.

## **Discontinuance Of The Index; Alteration Of Method Of Calculation**

If the Index Sponsor discontinues publication of the Index, and the Index Sponsor or another entity publishes a successor or substitute equity index that the Calculation Agent determines, in its sole discretion, to be comparable to the Index (a "Successor Equity Index"), then, upon the Calculation Agent's notification of that determination to the Trustee and the Company, the Calculation Agent will substitute the Successor Equity Index as calculated by the relevant Index Sponsor or any other entity and calculate the Ending Level as described above. Upon any selection by the Calculation Agent of a Successor Equity Index, the Company will cause notice to be given to the Holder of this Security.

In the event that the Index Sponsor discontinues publication of the Index and the Calculation Agent does not select a Successor Equity Index, the Calculation Agent will compute a substitute level for the Index in accordance with the procedures last used to calculate the Index before any discontinuance. If a Successor Equity Index is selected or the Calculation Agent calculates a level as a substitute for the Index, the Successor Equity Index or level will be used as a substitute for the Index for all purposes, including the purpose of determining whether a Market Disruption Event exists.

If at any time the Index Sponsor makes a material change in the formula for or the method of calculating the Index, or in any other way materially modifies the Index so that the Index does not, in the opinion of the Calculation Agent, fairly represent the level of the Index had those changes or modifications not been made, then, from and after that time, the Calculation Agent will, at the close of business in New York, New York, on the date that the Closing Level of the Index is to be calculated, make any adjustments as, in the good faith judgment of the Calculation Agent, may be necessary in order to arrive at a value of an equity index comparable to the Index as if those changes or modifications had not been made, and calculate the level of the Index with reference to such equity index, as so adjusted. Accordingly, if the method of calculating the Index is modified so that the level of the Index is a fraction or a multiple of what it would have been if it had not been modified, then the Calculation Agent will adjust the Index in order to arrive at a level of the Index as if it had not been modified.

## **Market Disruption Events**

A "Market Disruption Event" means, with respect to the Index, any of the following events as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole discretion:

- (A) A material suspension or material limitation of trading in the securities which then comprise 20% or more of the level of the Index or any Successor Equity Index has been imposed by the Relevant Exchanges on which those securities are traded, at any time during the one-hour period preceding the Close of Trading on such day, whether by reason of movements in price exceeding limits permitted by those Relevant Exchanges or otherwise.
- (B) A material suspension or material limitation of trading has occurred on that day, in each case during the one-hour period preceding the Close of Trading in options or futures contracts related to the Index or any Successor Equity Index, on the primary exchange or quotation system on which those options or futures contracts are traded, whether by reason of movements in price exceeding levels permitted by the exchange, the quotation system or otherwise.

- (C) Any event, other than an early closure, that materially disrupts or impairs the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions in, or obtain market values for, the securities that then comprise 20% or more of the level of the Index or any Successor Equity Index, at any time during the one-hour period that ends at the Close of Trading on that day.
- (D) Any event, other than an early closure, that materially disrupts or impairs the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions in, or obtain market values for, the futures or options contracts relating to the Index or any Successor Equity Index on the primary exchange or quotation system on which those futures or options contracts are traded, at any time during the one-hour period that ends at the Close of Trading on that day.
- (E) The closure of the Relevant Exchanges on which the securities that then comprise 20% or more of the level of the Index or any Successor Equity Index are traded or the primary exchange or quotation system on which futures or options contracts relating to the Index or any Successor Equity Index are traded prior to its scheduled Close of Trading unless the earlier closing time is announced by the Relevant Exchanges, the primary exchange or the quotation system, as applicable, at least one hour prior to the earlier of (1) the actual closing time for the regular trading session on the Relevant Exchanges, the primary exchange or the quotation system, as applicable, and (2) the submission deadline for orders to be entered into the relevant exchanges, the primary exchange or the quotation system, as applicable, for execution at the Close of Trading on that day.

For purposes of determining whether a Market Disruption Event has occurred:

- (1) the relevant percentage contribution of a security to the level of the Index or any Successor Equity Index will be based on a comparison of (x) the portion of the level of the Index attributable to that security and (y) the overall level of the Index or Successor Equity Index, in each case immediately before the occurrence of the Market Disruption Event;
- (2) "Close of Trading" means in respect of any Relevant Exchange, primary exchange or quotation system, the scheduled weekday closing time on a day on which such Relevant Exchange, primary exchange or quotation system is scheduled to be open for trading for its respective regular trading session, without regard to after hours or any other trading outside the regular trading session hours; and
- (3) "Relevant Exchange" for any security (or any combination thereof then underlying the Index or any Successor Equity Index) means the primary exchange or quotation system on which such security is traded, as determined by the Calculation Agent.

## **Calculation Agent**

The Calculation Agent will determine the Redemption Amount and the Ending Level. In addition, the Calculation Agent will (i) determine if adjustments are required to the Closing Level of the Index under the circumstances described in this Security, (ii) if publication of the Index is discontinued, select a Successor Equity Index or, if no Successor Equity Index is available, determine the Closing Level of the Index under the circumstances described in this Security, and (iii) determine whether a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

The Company covenants that, so long as this Security is Outstanding, there shall at all times be a Calculation Agent (which shall be a broker-dealer, bank or other financial institution) with respect to this Security.

All determinations made by the Calculation Agent with respect to this Security will be at the sole discretion of the Calculation Agent and, in the absence of manifest error, will be conclusive for all purposes and binding on the Company and the Holder of this Security. All percentages and other amounts resulting from any calculation with respect to this Security will be rounded at the Calculation Agent's discretion.

## **Tax Considerations**

The Company agrees, and by acceptance of a beneficial ownership interest in this Security each Holder of this Security will be deemed to have agreed (in the absence of a statutory, regulatory, administrative or judicial ruling to the contrary), for United States federal income tax purposes to characterize and treat this Security as a pre-paid derivative contract in respect of the Index.

## **Redemption and Repayment**

This Security is not subject to redemption at the option of the Company or repayment at the option of the Holder hereof prior to January 30, 2015. This Security is not entitled to any sinking fund.

## **Acceleration**

If an Event of Default, as defined in the Indenture, with respect to this Security shall occur and be continuing, the Redemption Amount (calculated as set forth in the next sentence) of this Security may be declared due and payable in the manner and with the effect provided in the Indenture. The amount payable to the Holder hereof upon any acceleration permitted under the Indenture will be equal to the Redemption Amount hereof calculated as provided herein as though the date of acceleration was the Calculation Day; provided, however, if such date is not a Trading Day or if a Market Disruption Event has occurred or is continuing on that day, the Calculation Day will be postponed as provided herein.

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Reference is hereby made to the further provisions of this Security set forth on the reverse hereof, which further provisions shall for all purposes have the same effect as if set forth at this place.

Unless the certificate of authentication hereon has been executed by the Trustee referred to on the reverse hereof by manual signature or its duly authorized agent under the Indenture referred to on the reverse hereof by manual signature, this Security shall not be entitled to any benefit under the Indenture or be valid or obligatory for any purpose.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, t executed under its corporate seal.	he Company has caused this instrument to be duly
DATED:	
	WELLS FARGO & COMPANY
	By:
	Its:
[SEAL]	
	Attest:
	Its:
TRUSTEE'S CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICATION This is one of the Securities of the series designated therein described in the within-mentioned Indenture.	
CITIBANK, N.A., as Trustee	
By:Authorized Signature	
OR	
WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., as Authenticating Agent for the Trustee	
By:Authorized Signature	
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## [Reverse of Note]

## **WELLS FARGO & COMPANY**

## MEDIUM-TERM NOTE, SERIES K

## **Due Nine Months or More From Date of Issue**

# Notes Linked to the S&P 500<sup>®</sup> Index due January 30, 2015

This Security is one of a duly authorized issue of securities of the Company (herein called the "Securities"), issued and to be issued in one or more series under an indenture dated as of July 21, 1999, as amended or supplemented from time to time (herein called the "Indenture"), between the Company and Citibank, N.A., as Trustee (herein called the "Trustee," which term includes any successor trustee under the Indenture), to which Indenture and all indentures supplemental thereto reference is hereby made for a statement of the respective rights, limitations of rights, duties and immunities thereunder of the Company, the Trustee and the Holders of the Securities, and of the terms upon which the Securities are, and are to be, authenticated and delivered. This Security is one of the series of the Securities designated as Medium-Term Notes, Series K, of the Company, which series is limited to an aggregate principal amount or face amount, as applicable, of \$25,000,000,000 or the equivalent thereof in one or more foreign or composite currencies. The amount payable on the Securities of this series may be determined by reference to the performance of one or more equity-, commodity- or currency-based indices, exchange traded funds, securities, commodities, currencies, statistical measures of economic or financial performance, or a basket comprised of two or more of the foregoing, or any other market measure or may bear interest at a fixed rate or a floating rate. The Securities of this series may mature at different times, be redeemable at different times or not at all, be repayable at the option of the Holder at different times or not at all and be denominated in different currencies.

Article Sixteen of the Indenture shall not apply to this Security.

The Securities are issuable only in registered form without coupons and will be either (a) book-entry securities represented by one or more Global Securities recorded in the book-entry system maintained by the Depositary or (b) certificated securities issued to and registered in the names of, the beneficial owners or their nominees.

The Company agrees, to the extent permitted by law, not to voluntarily claim the benefits of any laws concerning usurious rates of interest against a Holder of this Security.

## **Modification and Waivers**

The Indenture permits, with certain exceptions as therein provided, the amendment thereof and the modification of the rights and obligations of the Company and the rights of the Holders of the Securities of each series to be affected under the Indenture at any time by the Company and the Trustee with the consent of the Holders of a majority in principal amount of the Securities at the

time Outstanding of all series to be affected, acting together as a class. The Indenture also contains provisions permitting the Holders of a majority in principal amount of the Securities of all series at the time Outstanding affected by certain provisions of the Indenture, acting together as a class, on behalf of the Holders of all Securities of such series, to waive compliance by the Company with those provisions of the Indenture. Certain past defaults under the Indenture and their consequences may be waived under the Indenture by the Holders of a majority in principal amount of the Securities of each series at the time Outstanding, on behalf of the Holders of all Securities of such series. Solely for the purpose of determining whether any consent, waiver, notice or other action or Act to be taken or given by the Holders of Securities pursuant to the Indenture has been given or taken by the Holders of Outstanding Securities in the requisite aggregate principal amount, the principal amount of this Security will be deemed to be equal to the amount set forth on the face hereof as the "Face Amount" hereof. Any such consent or waiver by the Holder of this Security shall be conclusive and binding upon such Holder and upon all future Holders of this Security and of any Security issued upon the registration of transfer hereof or in exchange herefor or in lieu hereof, whether or not notation of such consent or waiver is made upon this Security.

## **Defeasance**

Section 403 and Article Fifteen of the Indenture and the provisions of clause (ii) of Section 401(1)(B) of the Indenture, relating to defeasance at any time of (a) the entire indebtedness on this Security and (b) certain restrictive covenants and certain Events of Default, upon compliance by the Company with certain conditions set forth therein, shall not apply to this Security. The remaining provisions of Section 401 of the Indenture shall apply to this Security.

## **Authorized Denominations**

This Security is issuable only in registered form without coupons in denominations of \$1,000 or any amount in excess thereof which is an integral multiple of \$1,000.

## **Registration of Transfer**

Upon due presentment for registration of transfer of this Security at the office or agency of the Company in the City of Minneapolis, Minnesota, a new Security or Securities of this series, with the same terms as this Security, in authorized denominations for an equal aggregate Face Amount will be issued to the transferee in exchange herefor, as provided in the Indenture and subject to the limitations provided therein and to the limitations described below, without charge except for any tax or other governmental charge imposed in connection therewith.

This Security is exchangeable for definitive Securities in registered form only if (x) the Depositary notifies the Company that it is unwilling or unable to continue as Depositary for this Security or if at any time the Depositary ceases to be a clearing agency registered under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and a successor depositary is not appointed within 90 days after the Company receives such notice or becomes aware of such ineligibility, (y) the Company in its sole discretion determines that this Security shall be exchangeable for definitive Securities in registered form and notifies the Trustee thereof or (z) an Event of Default with respect to the Securities represented hereby has occurred and is continuing. If this Security is exchangeable pursuant to the preceding sentence, it shall be exchangeable for definitive Securities in registered

form, having the same date of issuance, Stated Maturity Date and other terms and of authorized denominations aggregating a like amount.

This Security may not be transferred except as a whole by the Depositary to a nominee of the Depositary or by a nominee of the Depositary to the Depositary or another nominee of the Depositary or by the Depositary or any such nominee to a successor of the Depositary or a nominee of such successor. Except as provided above, owners of beneficial interests in this Global Security will not be entitled to receive physical delivery of Securities in definitive form and will not be considered the Holders hereof for any purpose under the Indenture.

Prior to due presentment of this Security for registration of transfer, the Company, the Trustee and any agent of the Company or the Trustee may treat the Person in whose name this Security is registered as the owner hereof for all purposes, whether or not this Security be overdue, and neither the Company, the Trustee nor any such agent shall be affected by notice to the contrary.

## **Obligation of the Company Absolute**

No reference herein to the Indenture and no provision of this Security or the Indenture shall alter or impair the obligation of the Company, which is absolute and unconditional, to pay the Redemption Amount at the times, place and rate, and in the coin or currency, herein prescribed, except as otherwise provided in this Security.

## No Personal Recourse

No recourse shall be had for the payment of the Redemption Amount, or for any claim based hereon, or otherwise in respect hereof, or based on or in respect of the Indenture or any indenture supplemental thereto, against any incorporator, stockholder, officer or director, as such, past, present or future, of the Company or any successor corporation, whether by virtue of any constitution, statute or rule of law, or by the enforcement of any assessment or penalty or otherwise, all such liability being, by the acceptance hereof and as part of the consideration for the issuance hereof, expressly waived and released.

## **Defined Terms**

All terms used in this Security which are defined in the Indenture shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Indenture unless otherwise defined in this Security.

## **Governing Law**

This Security shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the law of the State of New York, without regard to principles of conflicts of laws.

#### **ABBREVIATIONS**

The following abbreviations, when used in the inscription on the face of this

instrument, shall be construed as though they were written out in full according to applicable laws or regulations: TEN COM -- as tenants in common TEN ENT -- as tenants by the entireties JT TEN -- as joint tenants with right of survivorship and not as tenants in common UNIF GIFT MIN ACT -- \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ Custodian \_\_\_\_\_ (Minor) (Cust) Under Uniform Gifts to Minors Act (State) Additional abbreviations may also be used though not in the above list. **FOR VALUE RECEIVED,** the undersigned hereby sell(s) and transfer(s) unto Please Insert Social Security or Other Identifying Number of Assignee

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(PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE NAME AND ADDRESS INCLUDING POSTAL ZIP CODE OF ASSIGNEE)

-	ELLS FARGO & COMPANY and does here	5
appoint	attorney to transfer the said Security o	n the books of the Company,
with full power of substitu	ution in the premises.	
Dated:		
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NOTICE: The signature to this assignment must correspond with the name as written upon the face of the within instrument in every particular, without alteration or enlargement or any change whatever.

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## [Face of Note]

Unless this certificate is presented by an authorized representative of The Depository Trust Company, a New York corporation ("<u>DTC</u>"), to the Company or its agent for registration of transfer, exchange or payment, and any certificate issued is registered in the name of Cede & Co. or in such other name as requested by an authorized representative of DTC (and any payment is made to Cede & Co. or such other entity as is requested by an authorized representative of DTC), ANY TRANSFER, PLEDGE OR OTHER USE HEREOF FOR VALUE OR OTHERWISE BY OR TO ANY PERSON IS WRONGFUL inasmuch as the registered owner hereof, Cede & Co., has an interest herein.

CUSIP NO. 94986RCE9	PRINCIPAL AMOUNT:	
REGISTERED NO.		

## **WELLS FARGO & COMPANY**

## MEDIUM-TERM NOTE, SERIES K

#### **Due Nine Months or More From Date of Issue**

Notes due January 31, 2021

wells fargo & company, a corporation duty organized and existing under the
laws of the State of Delaware (hereinafter called the "Company," which term includes any
successor corporation under the Indenture hereinafter referred to), for value received, hereby
promises to pay to CEDE & Co., or registered assigns, the principal sum of
DOLLARS () on January 31, 2021 (the "Stated Maturity Date") and to pay interest
thereon from January 31, 2011 or from the most recent Interest Payment Date to which interest has
been paid or duly provided for quarterly on the last Business Day of each January, April, July and
October of each year, commencing April 2011 (each, an "Interest Payment Date"), at the rate per
annum specified below until the principal hereof is paid or made available for payment. The
interest so payable, and punctually paid or duly provided for, on any Interest Payment Date will, as
provided in the Indenture, be paid to the Person in whose name this Security (or one or more
Predecessor Securities) is registered at the close of business on the Regular Record Date for such
interest next preceding such Interest Payment Date. The Regular Record Date for an Interest
Payment Date shall be the fifteenth calendar day, whether or not a Business Day, prior to such
Interest Payment Date. If an Interest Payment Date is not a Business Day, interest on this Security
shall be payable on the next day that is a Business Day, with the same force and effect as if made on
such Interest Payment Date, and without any interest or other payment with respect to the delay.
"Business Day" shall mean a day, other than a Saturday or Sunday, that is neither a legal holiday
nor a day on which banking institutions are authorized or required by law or regulation to close in
New York, New York or Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Except as described below for the first Interest Period, on each Interest Payment Date, interest will be paid for the period commencing on and including the immediately preceding

Interest Payment Date and ending on and including the day immediately preceding that Interest Payment Date. This period is referred to as an "Interest Period." The first Interest Period will commence on and include January 31, 2011 and end on an include April 28, 2011. Interest on this Security will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months.

The interest rate on this Security that will apply during an Interest Period will be determined by the calculation agent for this Security (the "<u>Calculation Agent</u>") and will be equal to 3 month LIBOR on the Determination Date for such Interest Period plus 0.75%, subject to the Minimum Interest Rate and the Maximum Interest Rate.

The "<u>Determination Date</u>" for an Interest Period will be two London Banking Days prior to the first day of such Interest Period. A "<u>London Banking Day</u>" is any day on which dealings in deposits in U.S. dollars are transacted in the London interbank market.

"3 month LIBOR" means, for any Determination Date, the arithmetic mean of the offered rates for deposits in U.S. dollars having a 3 month maturity, commencing on the second London Banking Day immediately following that Determination Date that appear on the Designated LIBOR Page as of 11:00 a.m., London time, on that Determination Date, if at least two offered rates appear on the Designated LIBOR Page, provided that if the Designated LIBOR Page by its terms provides only for a single rate, that single rate will be used. The "Designated LIBOR Page" means the display on Reuters, or any successor service, on page LIBOR01, or any other page as may replace that page on that service, for the purpose of displaying the London Interbank rates for U.S. dollars.

If (i) fewer than two offered rates appear or (ii) no rate appears and the Designated LIBOR Page by its terms provides only for a single rate, then the Calculation Agent will request the principal London offices of each of four major banks in the London interbank market, as selected by the Calculation Agent, to provide the Calculation Agent with its offered quotation for deposits in U.S. dollars for a 3 month period commencing on the second London Banking Day immediately following that Determination Date to prime banks in the London interbank market at approximately 11:00 a.m., London time, on that Determination Date and in a principal amount that is representative of a single transaction in U.S. dollars in that market at that time. If at least two quotations are provided, 3 month LIBOR determined on that Determination Date will be the arithmetic mean of those quotations.

If fewer than two quotations are provided, 3 month LIBOR will be the arithmetic mean of the rates quoted at approximately 11:00 a.m. in New York, New York on that Determination Date by three major banks in New York, New York selected by the Calculation Agent for loans in U.S. dollars to leading European banks, having a 3 month maturity and in a principal amount that is representative of a single transaction in U.S. dollars in that market at that time.

If the banks so selected by the Calculation Agent are not quoting as set forth above, 3 month LIBOR on such Determination Date will be determined by the Calculation Agent in a commercially reasonable manner.

The "Minimum Interest Rate" is 2.00% per annum.

The "Maximum Interest Rate" is 7.00% per annum.

The Calculation Agent shall, upon the request of a Holder of this Security, provide the interest rate then in effect and, if determined, the interest rate that will become effective for the next Interest Period. All calculations of the Calculation Agent, in the absence of manifest error, shall be conclusive for all purposes and binding on the Company and the Holder hereof. The Calculation Agent shall notify the Paying Agent of each determination of the interest applicable to this Security promptly after the determination is made. Wells Fargo Securities, LLC will initially act as Calculation Agent. The Company may appoint a successor Calculation Agent with the written consent of the Trustee.

Any interest not punctually paid or duly provided for will forthwith cease to be payable to the Holder on such Regular Record Date and may either be paid to the Person in whose name this Security (or one or more Predecessor Securities) is registered at the close of business on a Special Record Date for the payment of such Defaulted Interest to be fixed by the Trustee, notice whereof shall be given to Holders of Securities of this series not less than 10 days prior to such Special Record Date, or be paid at any time in any other lawful manner not inconsistent with the requirements of any securities exchange on which the Securities of this series may be listed, and upon such notice as may be required by such exchange, all as more fully provided in the Indenture.

Payment of interest on this Security will be made in immediately available funds at the office or agency of the Company maintained for that purpose in the City of Minneapolis, Minnesota in such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time of payment is legal tender for payment of public and private debts; provided, however, that, at the option of the Company, payment of interest may be paid by check mailed to the Person entitled thereto at such Person's last address as it appears in the Security Register or by wire transfer to such account as may have been designated by such Person. Payment of principal of and interest on this Security at Maturity will be made against presentation of this Security at the office or agency of the Company maintained for that purpose in the City of Minneapolis, Minnesota. Notwithstanding the foregoing, for so long as this Security is a Global Security registered in the name of the Depositary, payments of principal and interest on this Security will be made to the Depositary by wire transfer of immediately available funds.

This Security is not subject to redemption at the option of the Company or repayment at the option of the Holder hereof prior to January 31, 2021. This Security is not entitled to any sinking fund.

Reference is hereby made to the further provisions of this Security set forth on the reverse hereof, which further provisions shall for all purposes have the same effect as if set forth at this place.

Unless the certificate of authentication hereon has been executed by the Trustee referred to on the reverse hereof by manual signature or its duly authorized agent under the Indenture referred to on the reverse hereof by manual signature, this Security shall not be entitled to any benefit under the Indenture or be valid or obligatory for any purpose.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, th executed under its corporate seal.	e Company has caused this instrument to be duly
DATED:	
	WELLS FARGO & COMPANY
	By:
	Its:
[SEAL]	
	Attest:
	Its:
TRUSTEE'S CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICATION This is one of the Securities of the series designated therein described in the within-mentioned Indenture.	
CITIBANK, N.A., as Trustee	
By:Authorized Signature	
OR	
WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., as Authenticating Agent for the Trustee	
By:Authorized Signature	

## [Reverse of Note]

## **WELLS FARGO & COMPANY**

## MEDIUM-TERM NOTE, SERIES K

## **Due Nine Months or More From Date of Issue**

## Notes due January 31, 2021

This Security is one of a duly authorized issue of securities of the Company (herein called the "Securities"), issued and to be issued in one or more series under an indenture dated as of July 21, 1999, as amended or supplemented from time to time (herein called the "Indenture"), between the Company and Citibank, N.A., as Trustee (herein called the "Trustee," which term includes any successor trustee under the Indenture), to which Indenture and all indentures supplemental thereto reference is hereby made for a statement of the respective rights, limitations of rights, duties and immunities thereunder of the Company, the Trustee and the Holders of the Securities, and of the terms upon which the Securities are, and are to be, authenticated and delivered. This Security is one of the series of the Securities designated as Medium-Term Notes, Series K, of the Company, which series is limited to an aggregate principal amount or face amount, as applicable, of \$25,000,000,000 or the equivalent thereof in one or more foreign or composite currencies. The amount payable on the Securities of this series may be determined by reference to the performance of one or more equity-, commodity- or currency-based indices, exchange traded funds, securities, commodities, currencies, statistical measures of economic or financial performance, or a basket comprised of two or more of the foregoing, or any other market measure or may bear interest at a fixed rate or a floating rate. The Securities of this series may mature at different times, be redeemable at different times or not at all, be repayable at the option of the Holder at different times or not at all and be denominated in different currencies.

Article Sixteen of the Indenture shall not apply to this Security.

The Securities are issuable only in registered form without coupons and will be either (a) book-entry securities represented by one or more Global Securities recorded in the book-entry system maintained by the Depositary or (b) certificated securities issued to and registered in the names of, the beneficial owners or their nominees.

The Company agrees, to the extent permitted by law, not to voluntarily claim the benefits of any laws concerning usurious rates of interest against a Holder of this Security.

## **Modification and Waivers**

The Indenture permits, with certain exceptions as therein provided, the amendment thereof and the modification of the rights and obligations of the Company and the rights of the Holders of the Securities of each series to be affected under the Indenture at any time by the Company and the Trustee with the consent of the Holders of a majority in principal amount of the Securities at the time Outstanding of all series to be affected, acting together as a class. The Indenture also contains

provisions permitting the Holders of a majority in principal amount of the Securities of all series at the time Outstanding affected by certain provisions of the Indenture, acting together as a class, on behalf of the Holders of all Securities of such series, to waive compliance by the Company with those provisions of the Indenture. Certain past defaults under the Indenture and their consequences may be waived under the Indenture by the Holders of a majority in principal amount of the Securities of each series at the time Outstanding, on behalf of the Holders of all Securities of such series. Any such consent or waiver by the Holder of this Security shall be conclusive and binding upon such Holder and upon all future Holders of this Security and of any Security issued upon the registration of transfer hereof or in exchange herefor or in lieu hereof, whether or not notation of such consent or waiver is made upon this Security.

## **Defeasance**

Section 403 and Article Fifteen of the Indenture and the provisions of clause (ii) of Section 401(1)(B) of the Indenture, relating to defeasance at any time of (a) the entire indebtedness on this Security and (b) certain restrictive covenants and certain Events of Default, upon compliance by the Company with certain conditions set forth therein, shall not apply to this Security. The remaining provisions of Section 401 of the Indenture shall apply to this Security.

## **Authorized Denominations**

This Security is issuable only in registered form without coupons in denominations of \$1,000 or any amount in excess thereof which is an integral multiple of \$1,000.

## **Registration of Transfer**

Upon due presentment for registration of transfer of this Security at the office or agency of the Company in the City of Minneapolis, Minnesota, a new Security or Securities of this series, with the same terms as this Security, in authorized denominations for an equal aggregate principal amount will be issued to the transferee in exchange herefor, as provided in the Indenture and subject to the limitations provided therein and to the limitations described below, without charge except for any tax or other governmental charge imposed in connection therewith.

This Security is exchangeable for definitive Securities in registered form only if (x) the Depositary notifies the Company that it is unwilling or unable to continue as Depositary for this Security or if at any time the Depositary ceases to be a clearing agency registered under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and a successor depositary is not appointed within 90 days after the Company receives such notice or becomes aware of such ineligibility, (y) the Company in its sole discretion determines that this Security shall be exchangeable for definitive Securities in registered form and notifies the Trustee thereof or (z) an Event of Default with respect to the Securities represented hereby has occurred and is continuing. If this Security is exchangeable pursuant to the preceding sentence, it shall be exchangeable for definitive Securities in registered form, bearing interest at the same rate, having the same date of issuance, Stated Maturity Date and other terms and of authorized denominations aggregating a like amount.

This Security may not be transferred except as a whole by the Depositary to a nominee of the Depositary or by a nominee of the Depositary or another nominee of the Depositary or by the Depositary or any such nominee to a successor of the Depositary or a nominee

of such successor. Except as provided above, owners of beneficial interests in this Global Security will not be entitled to receive physical delivery of Securities in definitive form and will not be considered the Holders hereof for any purpose under the Indenture.

Prior to due presentment of this Security for registration of transfer, the Company, the Trustee and any agent of the Company or the Trustee may treat the Person in whose name this Security is registered as the owner hereof for all purposes, whether or not this Security be overdue, and neither the Company, the Trustee nor any such agent shall be affected by notice to the contrary.

## **Obligation of the Company Absolute**

No reference herein to the Indenture and no provision of this Security or the Indenture shall alter or impair the obligation of the Company, which is absolute and unconditional, to pay the principal of and interest on this Security at the times, place and rate, and in the coin or currency, herein prescribed, except as otherwise provided in this Security.

## **No Personal Recourse**

No recourse shall be had for the payment of the principal of or the interest on this Security, or for any claim based hereon, or otherwise in respect hereof, or based on or in respect of the Indenture or any indenture supplemental thereto, against any incorporator, stockholder, officer or director, as such, past, present or future, of the Company or any successor corporation, whether by virtue of any constitution, statute or rule of law, or by the enforcement of any assessment or penalty or otherwise, all such liability being, by the acceptance hereof and as part of the consideration for the issuance hereof, expressly waived and released.

## **Defined Terms**

All terms used in this Security which are defined in the Indenture shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Indenture unless otherwise defined in this Security.

## **Governing Law**

This Security shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the law of the State of New York, without regard to principles of conflicts of laws.

#### **ABBREVIATIONS**

The following abbreviations, when used in the inscription on the face of this

instrument, shall be construed as though they were written out in full according to applicable laws or regulations: TEN COM -- as tenants in common TEN ENT -- as tenants by the entireties JT TEN -- as joint tenants with right of survivorship and not as tenants in common UNIF GIFT MIN ACT -- \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ Custodian \_\_\_\_\_ (Minor) (Cust) Under Uniform Gifts to Minors Act (State) Additional abbreviations may also be used though not in the above list. FOR VALUE RECEIVED, the undersigned hereby sell(s) and transfer(s) unto Please Insert Social Security or Other Identifying Number of Assignee

(PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE NAME AND ADDRESS INCLUDING POSTAL ZIP CODE OF ASSIGNEE)

•	FARGO & COMPANY and does hereby irrevocably constitute and attorney to transfer the said Security on the books of the Company in the premises.
Dated:	

NOTICE: The signature to this assignment must correspond with the name as written upon the face of the within instrument in every particular, without alteration or enlargement or any change whatever.

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January 31, 2011

Wells Fargo & Company 420 Montgomery Street San Francisco, California 94163

## Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as counsel for Wells Fargo & Company (the "Company") in connection with (i) the preparation of a Registration Statement on Form S-3, File No. 333-159738 (the "Registration Statement"), of the Company filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), relating to the proposed offer and sale from time to time of the securities referred to therein, (ii) Pricing Supplement No. 56 dated January 25, 2011 to Product Supplement No. 1 dated April 23, 2010, the Prospectus Supplement dated April 23, 2010 (the "Prospectus Supplement") and the Prospectus dated June 4, 2009 (the "Prospectus") relating to the offer and sale by the Company under the Registration Statement of \$1,125,000 aggregate face amount of Medium-Term Notes, Series K, Notes Linked to the S&P 500<sup>®</sup> Index due January 30, 2015 (the "S&P 500 Notes"), and (iii) Pricing Supplement No. 57 dated January 25, 2011 to the Prospectus Supplement and the Prospectus relating to the offer and sale by the Company under the Registration Statement of \$40,000,000 aggregate face amount of Medium-Term Notes, Series K, Floating Rate Notes Linked to 3 Month LIBOR due January 31, 2021 (the "LIBOR Notes" and together with the S&P 500 Notes, the "Notes"). The Notes are to be issued under the Indenture dated as of July 21, 1999 (the "Indenture") entered into by the Company and Citibank, N.A., as trustee, and sold pursuant to the Terms Agreement dated January 25, 2011 between the Company and the Agent named therein (the "Terms Agreement").

We have examined such documents, records, and instruments as we have deemed necessary or appropriate for the purposes of this opinion.

Based on the foregoing, we are of the opinion that the Notes have been duly authorized and, when duly executed by the Company, authenticated in accordance with the provisions of the Indenture, and delivered to and paid for by the Agent pursuant to the Terms Agreement, the Notes will constitute valid and legally binding obligations of the Company enforceable against the Company in accordance with their terms subject to applicable bankruptcy, reorganization, insolvency, moratorium, fraudulent conveyance, receivership or other laws affecting creditors' rights generally from time to time in effect and subject to general equity principles (regardless of whether enforceability is considered in a proceeding in equity or at law) and except further as

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enforcement thereof may be limited by any governmental authority that limits, delays or prohibits the making of payments outside the United States.

We have relied as to certain relevant facts upon certificates of, and/or information provided by officers and employees of the Company as to the accuracy of such factual matters without independent verification thereof or other investigation. We have also relied, without investigation, upon the following assumptions: (i) natural persons acting on behalf of the Company have sufficient legal capacity to enter into and perform, on behalf of the Company, the transaction in question; (ii) each party to agreements or instruments relevant hereto other than the Company has satisfied those legal requirements that are applicable to it to the extent necessary to make such agreements or instruments enforceable against it; (iii) each party to agreements or instruments relevant hereto other than the Company has complied with all legal requirements pertaining to its status as such status relates to its rights to enforce such agreements or instruments against the Company; (iv) each document submitted to us for review is accurate and complete, each such document that is an original is authentic, each such document that is a copy conforms to an authentic original, and all signatures on each such document are genuine; (v) there has not been any mutual mistake of fact or misunderstanding, fraud, duress or undue influence; (vi) all statutes, judicial and administrative decisions, and rules and regulations of governmental agencies, constituting the law of the opining jurisdictions, are publicly available to lawyers practicing in New York; and (vii) the conduct of the parties having rights under the Notes has complied with any requirement of good faith, fair dealing and conscionability.

Without limiting any other qualifications set forth herein, the opinions expressed herein are subject to the effect of generally applicable laws that (i) provide for the enforcement of oral waivers or modifications where a material change of position in reliance thereon has occurred or provide that a course of performance may operate as a waiver, (ii) limit the availability of a remedy under certain circumstances where another remedy has been elected, (iii) may, where less than all of a contract may be unenforceable, limit the enforceability of the balance of the contract to circumstances in which the unenforceable portion is not an essential part of the agreed exchange, (iv) govern and afford judicial discretion regarding the determination of damages and entitlement to attorneys' fees and other costs, (v) may permit a party who has materially failed to render or offer performance required by a contract to cure that failure unless either permitting a cure would unreasonably hinder the aggrieved party from making substitute arrangements for performance or it is important under the circumstances to the aggrieved party that performance occur by the date stated in the instrument or agreement, (vi) may require mitigation of damages, (vii) may limit the enforceability of provisions imposing premiums upon acceleration, (viii) provide a time limitation after which rights may not be enforced (i.e., statutes of limitation), and (ix) limit the waiver of rights under usury laws.

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Our opinions set forth herein are limited to the laws of the State of New York, the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware and the federal laws of the United States of America.

We hereby consent to the filing of this opinion as an exhibit to a Current Report on Form 8-K of the Company filed with the Commission and thereby incorporated by reference into the Registration Statement. In giving such consent, we do not thereby admit that we are in the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Securities Act.

Very truly yours,

FAEGRE & BENSON LLP

/s/ Faegre & Benson LLP

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January 31, 2011

Wells Fargo & Company 420 Montgomery Street San Francisco, California 94163

## Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as special tax counsel to Wells Fargo & Company, a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), in connection with the issuance of (i) \$1,125,000 Notes Linked to the S&P 500® Index due January 30, 2015 as described in the Company's Pricing Supplement No. 56 dated January 25, 2011 ("Pricing Supplement 56") to Product Supplement No. 1 dated April 23, 2010, the Prospectus Supplement dated April 23, 2010 (the "Prospectus Supplement") and the Prospectus dated June 4, 2009 (the "Prospectus") contained in the Registration Statement on Form S-3, File No. 333-159738 (the "Registration Statement") and (ii) \$40,000,000 Floating Rate Notes Linked to 3 Month LIBOR due January 31, 2021 as described in the Company's Pricing Supplement No. 57 dated January 25, 2011 ("Pricing Supplement 57") to Prospectus Supplement and Prospectus contained in the Registration Statement. We hereby confirm our opinion as set forth under the heading "Tax Considerations" in Pricing Supplement 56 and under "United States Federal Income Tax Considerations" in Pricing Supplement 57.

We hereby consent to the reference to us in Pricing Supplement 56 under the caption "Tax Considerations" and in Pricing Supplement 57 under the caption "United States Federal Income Tax Considerations" and the filing of this opinion as an exhibit to a Current Report on Form 8-K of the Company filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission and thereby incorporated by reference into the Company's Registration Statement. In giving such consent, we do not admit that we are within the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Sullivan & Cromwell LLP