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GOOGLE PAY MAKES IT EVEN EASIER FOR HSBC CUSTOMERS AT THE CHECK-OUT

HSBC Australia's retail credit and debit card customers can now make payments, both in-store and online, using Google Pay – a secure and convenient e-wallet application, available across Android devices.

"We're proud to introduce Google Pay to our retail customers in Australia and offer Android users the simplicity and security of e-wallets," said Graham Heunis, Head of Retail Banking and Wealth Management, HSBC Australia.

"Using Google Pay, our customers can make transactions online or anywhere contactless payments are accepted and will still enjoy the same perks and protections from their HSBC cards."

When customers make payments in-store using Google Pay, the platform will not share their credit or debit card details and instead generates an encrypted, virtual account number to represent payment information.

Customers shopping online, on a website or within a supported mobile application, can perform transactions at the touch of a button using Google Pay, without reentering their payment information.

"With customers increasingly relying on smart phones for shopping, paying bills, and even managing their finances, Google Pay will help simplify retail experiences and offer customers the freedom to decide how, when and where they wish to pay," said Heunis.

"In markets such as China, HSBC has already witnessed the rapid uptake of mobile payments technology. Similarly, we expect Australians to increasingly embrace the flexibility of making mobile payments," he added.

To use Google Pay, customers will need to download the Google Pay app from the Google Play store, the official application store for the Android operating system, and have an active HSBC Australia retail credit or debit card.

Google Pay is easy to set up and is compatible with devices operating Android 4.4. Kit-Kat and above.

Google Pay is now available across all HSBC Australia's retail credit and debit cards, including the new Everyday Global Account. The Everyday Global Account allows users to save, pay bills, make purchases domestically and overseas and transfer money in 10 different currencies without incurring overseas transaction charges, deposit fees or charges for international ATM withdrawals.

For more information on Google Pay, visit: www.hsbc.com.au/googlepay

For more information on HSBC Australia's credit and debit card products, visit: https://www.hsbc.com.au/1/2//personal/personal-banking

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