

Memorandum

| То: | AASB members | Date: | 24 March 2014 |
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| From: | Nikole Gyles and Mitchell Bryce | Agenda Item: | 4.1 (M137) |
| Subject: | IFRS Interpretations Committee Update | File: | |

Action

Receive an update on the recent IFRS Interpretations Committee (Committee) related activities (including Committee staff outreach requests sent to AASB staff) and decide whether there are any issues that need to be raised with the Committee at this stage.

Attachments

Agenda paper 4.2AASB Staff Summary of IFRS IC Decisions – March 2014 (to be tabled)Agenda paper 4.3IFRIC Update March 2014 (to be tabled)

IFRS Interpretations Committee March 2014 meeting

The Committee will next meet on 25-26 March 2014, during which the Committee is expected to make a number of final agenda decisions and tentative agenda decisions. Due to the timing of the Committee meeting, the AASB staff summary of IFRS IC decisions and *IFRIC Update* will be tabled at the April 2014 AASB meeting.

IFRS Interpretations Committee staff outreach requests responded to (29 January – 24 March 2014)

In developing responses to Committee staff, AASB staff normally consult with a number of outside parties such as accounting firms and industry bodies where appropriate. The requests received from Committee staff focus on the relevance of the issue to Australia and observations that have been made in practice, rather than seeking technical views on the issue.

| Торіс | Date request received | Date AASB staff responded |
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| IAS 32 Financial Instruments: Presentation Outreach request in relation to how the holder of certain types of financial instruments should analyse and account for those instruments. In particular, different views exist in respect of how to identify the host contract and embedded derivatives of a hybrid financial instrument. The question arises of whether the host contract of such an instrument would be considered to be equity or a debt instrument. | 23 January | 21 February |

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| IAS 19 <i>Employee Benefits</i> – Availability of refunds from a DB plan managed by an independent trustee | 6 February | 28 February |
| Outreach request in relation to whether a trustee's unilateral right to augment benefits or to wind up the plan affect the employer's "unconditional right to a refund" and thus restrict recognition of an asset. | | |
| IFRIC 14 IAS 19: The Limit on a Defined Benefit Asset, Minimum Funding requirements and their Interaction – Availability of refunds from a defined benefit plan managed by an independent trustee | 6 February | 28 February |
| Outreach request in relation to whether a trustee's unilateral right to augment benefits or to wind up the plan affect the employer's "unconditional right to a refund" and thus restrict recognition of an asset. | | |
| IAS 19 <i>Employee Benefits</i> – Remeasurement at plan amendment or curtailment | 11 February | 4 March |
| Outreach request in relation to the appropriate accounting if a significant plan amendment or curtailment of a defined benefit plan occurs. Should an entity: Recognise the remeasurement of the net defined benefit liability (asset) required for the separate calculation of the amendment or curtailment gain or loss? Revise any actuarial assumptions for the calculation of service cost and interest cost in the post-plan amendment or curtailment period? | | |