

Memorandum

To: AASB members Date: 2 December 2014

From: Nikole Gyles, Mitchell Bryce and Glenn Brady Agenda Item: 4.1 (M142)

Subject: IFRS Interpretations Committee & Revenue TRG File:

Update

Action

Receive an update on the:

- (a) 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; and
- (b) October 2014 Revenue TRG meeting.

Attachments

Agenda paper 4.2 AASB Staff Summary of IFRS IC Decisions – November 2014

Agenda paper 4.3 IFRIC Update November 2014

Agenda paper 4.4 Update on Revenue TRG

IFRS Interpretations Committee September 2014 meeting

The Committee met on 11 November 2014. At that meeting, the Committee made several final and tentative agenda decisions that are discussed in Agenda Paper 4.2.

Staff recommendation

As noted in Agenda Paper 4.2, AASB staff have concerns in relation to the wording in the final agenda decisions on 'accounting for core inventories' (issue A2) and the 'holder's accounting for exchange of equity instruments' (issue A4).

Although AASB staff disagree with the final agenda decision wording, on the basis that the agenda decisions are now final, and the AASB has already written to the Committee in relation to the accounting for core inventories issue, AASB staff do not consider that writing to the Committee for a second time will result in the Committee reconsidering their decision.

AASB staff also have concerns in relation to the wording in the tentative agenda decision on 'accounting for income tax assets and liabilities arising from uncertain tax positions' (issue C3). However, AASB staff do not consider these concerns to be substantive enough to bring to the Committee's attention at this stage.

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Accordingly, AASB staff do not recommend writing to the Committee on any issues discussed at the November 2014 Committee meeting.

Question 1 to the Board

Does the Board agree with the staff recommendation not to write to the Committee at this stage?

IFRS Interpretations Committee staff outreach requests / responses (8 October 2014 – 2 December 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.

Topic	Date request received	Date AASB staff responded
IAS 12 Income Taxes	10 September 2014	10 October 2014
Clarification on the accounting for measurement of deferred tax liability or asset that arises from investment in associate.		
IAS 19 Employee Benefits	19 September 2014	13 October 2014
Clarification on the accounting treatment for longevity swaps for defined benefit plants.		
IAS 28 Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures	19 September 2014	13 October 2014
Clarification on the accounting for measurement of investments in associates and joint ventures at fair value through profit or loss.		
IFRS 10 Consolidated Financial Statements	30 September 2014	21 October 2014
Clarification on the relevant activities of a structured entity.		
IFRS 10 Consolidated Financial Statements	30 September 2014	21 October 2014
Whether a junior lender should consolidate a structured entity.		
IFRS 5 Non-current Assets Held for Sale and Discontinued Operations	3 October 2014	29 October 2014
Various IFRS 5 application issues.		
IAS 21 The Effects of Changes in Foreign Exchange Rates	3 October 2014	29 October 2014
How to determine which exchange rate to use when reporting revenue transactions denominated in a foreign currency in the functional currency of the entity in accordance with IAS 21.		
IFRS 9 Financial Instruments	7 October 2014	27 October 2014
Submission on accounting for gift cards issued by banks and financial institutions in their financial statements.		