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This firm wishes to express our strongest objection to the amendment to the Reporting Entity Concept as embodied in Paragraph 7 of the proposed ED 148 "Presentation of Financial Statements".

The current differential reporting requirement of ensuring only reporting entities comply with the full suite of AASB standards should and must remain. To place the increasingly complex and costly burden of full compliance on currently non-reporting entities, eg large non-reporting proprietary companies and some categories of small proprietary companies, would be of extremely doubtful community benefit. The "non-reporting" business community in Australia forms a very high proportion of the total economy of this country and in an era where simplification of legislation seems to be at the core of community interests, non reporting entities do not need the overbearing cost of any further regulatory compliance for no practical benefit.

We therefore most strongly urge AASB to retain the current differential reporting system when considering the implementation of ED 148.

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