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Dear AASB,

I am a partner in a Chartered Accounting practice that has a number of large private non reporting Companies and a non listed non reporting public company that is audited each year.

The AASB has ignored the above group when drafting the consultation paper as it appears that they will be required to adopt full IFRS recognition and reporting requirements.

This will impose an unnecessary cost burden on these companies for no apparent benefit.

In most cases the users of these financial reports are the shareholders and financial institutions. It has been my experience that financial institutions ask for the management reports when reviewing these companies because they want to cut through the financial gobbleygook such as tax effect accounting that is contained in the general purpose reports.

I have been told by one bank that they add back adjustments such as tax effect accounting when reviewing a clients results as they consider it irrelevant to the review they are undertaking.

If the purpose of producing financial reports is to provide information that is accurate, timely, relevant and informative I think we as a profession are failing in our duty.

We ask entities such as the above to incur the time and expense to produce reports that contain information that amounts to financial overkill and is irrelevant to the needs of the users of those reports.

Regards John Barrie

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