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The Chairman Australian Accounting Standards Board PO Box 204 Collins Street West Victoria 8007

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Dear Kevin

ED226 Withdrawal of Australian Interpretation 1039 Substantive Enactment of Major Tax Bills in Australia

CPA Australia and the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Australia are pleased to respond to ED 226 Withdrawal of Australian Interpretation 1039 *Substantive Enactment of Major Tax Bills in Australia.*

We are supportive of the proposed withdrawal of Interpretation 1039, for the following reasons:

- the AASB's role is not to interpret international accounting standards
- this issue is not Australian specific and is subject to judgement across all IFRS compliant countries around the world
- it is unlikely to change current practice in Australia, at least in the short term
- it will enable greater consistency across IFRS compliant countries.

If you require further information on any of our views, please contact Mark Shying, CPA Australia by email <u>mark.shying@cpaaustralia.com</u> or, Kerry Hicks, the Institute of Chartered Accountants by email <u>kerry.hicks@charteredaccountants.com.au</u>.

Yours sincerely

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