

Hong Kong Institute of **Certified Public Accountants** 香港會計師公會

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To: Members of the Hong Kong Institute of CPAs All other interested parties

INVITATION TO COMMENT ON IASB EXPOSURE DRAFT OF RECOVERABLE AMOUNT DISCLOSURES FOR NON-FINANCIAL ASSETS (PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO IAS 36)

Comments to be received by 19 February 2013

The Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants' (Institute) Financial Reporting Standards Committee (FRSC) is seeking comments on the IASB Exposure Draft which has been posted on the Institute's website at:

http://www.hkicpa.org.hk/en/standards-and-regulations/standards/financialreporting/exposure-drafts/.

As stated in the IASB's press release, accompanying the Exposure Draft, the proposals set out modifications to the disclosures in IAS 36 Impairment of Assets for the measurement of the recoverable amount of impaired assets. Those disclosure requirements were introduced by IFRS 13 Fair Value Measurement, issued in May 2011.

When developing IFRS 13, the IASB decided to amend IAS 36 to require the disclosure of information about the recoverable amount of impaired assets, particularly if that amount is based on fair value less costs of disposal. However, it has come to the IASB's attention that some of the amendments made to IAS 36 have resulted in the requirement being more broadly applicable than the IASB intended. This Exposure Draft proposes amendments to IAS 36 that would better represent the IASB's intention for those disclosure requirements.

The FRSC invites your comments on the proposals. Comments should be supported by specific reasoning and should be submitted in written form. To allow your comments to be considered, in developing its response to the IASB, the FRSC requests your comments to be received by the Institute on or before 19 February 2013.

Comments may be sent by mail, fax or e-mail to:

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Comments will be acknowledged and may be made available for public review unless otherwise requested by the contributor.

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