

11 February 2022

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

INVITATION TO COMMENT ON IFRS INTERPRETATIONS COMMITTEE TENTATIVE AGENDA DECISION

Comments to be received by 14 March 2022

The IFRS Interpretations Committee (IC) works together with the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) to support the consistent application of IFRS Accounting Standards. They do so by, among other things, issuing narrow-scope amendments and IFRIC Interpretations, and publishing agenda decisions to address application questions.

If the IC decides that a standard-setting project should not be added to the work plan, it explains why in a tentative agenda decision, and requests comments within a period normally of 60 days. An agenda decision explains why a standard-setting project has not been added to the work plan and, in many cases, includes explanatory material. Agenda decisions cannot add or change requirements in IFRS Accounting Standards.

At its February meeting, the IC discussed an application question in relation to Negative Low Emission Vehicle Credits. The submitter considered, in the given fact pattern, the position of an entity that has produced or imported vehicles with average fuel emissions higher than the government target and asked whether such an entity has a present obligation that meets the definition of a liability in IAS 37 Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets. The IC concluded that the principles and requirements in IFRS Accounting Standards provide an adequate basis for an entity to determine whether, in the fact pattern described in the request, an entity has an obligation that meets the definition of a liability in IAS 37. Therefore, the IC tentatively decided not to add a standard-setting project to the work plan.

The Financial Reporting Standards Committee of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants is seeking comments on the above tentative agenda decisions by 14 March 2022 to allow your comments to be considered in developing its response. Comments should be supported by specific reasoning and should be submitted in written form.

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 respondent.

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