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Dear Sandra

**Exposure Draft of proposed amendment to IAS 39 Financial Instruments: Recognition and measurement “The Fair Value Option”**

With a membership in excess of 37,000, the London Society of Chartered Accountants (LSCA) is the largest of the regional bodies that form the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England & Wales. London members like those of the Institute as a whole, work in professional services practice or in business. The London Society operates a wide range of specialist committees including Technical (accounting and auditing), Tax, Regulation and Ethics Review and Financial Services and Insolvency, which scrutinise consultation papers and make representations to issuing bodies.

The LSCA Technical Committee disagrees with the proposals set out in the Exposure Draft of ‘Proposed Amendments to IAS 39 *Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement* – The Fair Value Option’. We endorse fully the views expressed and support the answers provided in the response letter sent to you by the Institute of Chartered Accountants in

England and Wales. Some of our members were involved in the development of that response and our Committee debated it in full. We attach a copy of the ICAEW response for reference purposes.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss our views with us, please contact Sondra Tarshis of our working party on +44 (0)20 7940 3296 or me at the above address or on +44 (0)20 7466 2686.

Yours sincerely

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