Monthly report to the Due Process Oversight Committee March 2020

Dear DPOC Members,

The Board will meet next week. We draw your attention to the following papers:

- Agenda Paper 2A: Effective date of IFRS 17 and IFRS 9 temporary exemption
- Agenda Paper 2B: Amendments to IFRS 17—Due process steps and permission for balloting; and
- Agenda Paper 11A: Disclosure Initiative: Targeted Standards-level Review of Disclosures—Due process steps and permission to begin the balloting process.

Agenda Paper 2A: Effective date of IFRS 17 and IFRS 9 temporary exemption
Agenda Paper 2B: Amendments to IFRS 17—Due process steps and permission for balloting

As reported at your meeting on 18 February, the Board has been considering the feedback on the June 2019 Exposure Draft of proposed amendments to IFRS 17. The Exposure Draft proposed targeted amendments to IFRS 17 to respond to concerns and challenges raised by stakeholders as IFRS 17 is being implemented. At its February 2020 meeting, the Board concluded its planned discussions of the technical topics it decided it would consider in the redeliberations of the Exposure Draft in light of the feedback.

In the Exposure Draft, the Board proposed deferring the effective date of IFRS 17 by one year to 1 January 2022, together with a corresponding extension of the temporary exemption for some insurers from applying IFRS 9 *Financial Instruments* to 1 January 2022. At next week's meeting the Board will consider the feedback on these two proposals. In **Agenda Paper 2A**, the staff are recommending a further one-year deferral of the effective date of IFRS 17, ie to 1 January 2023 and a corresponding further extension of the temporary exemption for some insurers from applying IFRS 9 to 1 January 2023.

Agenda Paper 2B reviews the due process steps the Board has undertaken in developing the amendments to IFRS 17. It recommends the Board not re-expose the amendments and asks the Board to confirm that all necessary due process steps to date have been undertaken in order to grant the staff permission to begin the balloting process for the amendments to IFRS 17. The Board plans to issue the final amendments in the second quarter of 2020.

Agenda Paper 11A: Disclosure Initiative: Targeted Standards-level Review of Disclosures—Due process steps and permission to begin the balloting process

In March 2018, in response to the feedback on the Discussion Paper *Principles of Disclosure*, the Board added the Disclosure Initiative—Targeted Standards-level Review of Disclosures project to its work plan. The aim of this project is to improve the way the Board develops and drafts disclosure sections of IFRS Standards so that applying them provides information that is more useful to users of financial statements.

Agenda Paper 11A evaluates the due process steps undertaken to date and asks the Board to grant the staff permission to begin the balloting process for an Exposure Draft for the project. The staff are recommending a comment period of 180 days for the Exposure Draft. The Board plans to issue the Exposure Draft in September 2020.

The papers discussed above are attached for your information.