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INFORMATION FOR OBSERVERS

IFRIC meeting: **March 2007, London**

Project: **Review of Tentative Agenda Decisions**
IAS 36 *Impairment of Assets* - Identifying cash generating
units in the retail industry
(Agenda Paper 8(iii))

Tentative agenda decision published in January 2007 IFRIC Update

The IFRIC was asked to develop an Interpretation on whether a cash-generating unit (CGU) could combine more than one individual store location. The submitter developed possible considerations including shared infrastructures, marketing and pricing policies, and human resources.

The IFRIC noted that IAS 36 paragraph 6 (and supporting guidance in paragraph 68) requires identification of CGUs on the basis of independent cash inflows rather than independent net cash flows and so outflows such as shared infrastructure and marketing costs are not considered.

The IFRIC determined that developing guidance beyond that already given in IAS 36 on whether cash inflows are largely independent would be more in the nature of application guidance and therefore [decided] not to take this item onto its agenda.