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INFORMATION FOR OBSERVERS

IASB Meeting: Insurance Working Group, November 2008
Paper: Insurance contracts: Candidate measurement approaches - overview (Agenda paper 4)

Purpose of this paper

1. This paper gives an overview of the papers that deal with the issue of the candidate measurement approaches. The papers address the following topics:
 - (a) candidate measurement approaches (agenda paper 4A). This paper provides a list of those measurement approaches that the staff views as viable candidates for selection in the case of insurance liabilities and discusses the main features of the candidates.
 - (b) candidate measurement approaches– tabular comparison (agenda paper 4B). The overview of the candidates in agenda paper 4A is supported by a tabular comparison between the candidates in agenda paper 4B.
 - (c) overview of comments on the measurement attribute (agenda paper 4C). In this paper staff gives an overview of the responses to the discussion paper (DP) *Preliminary Views on Insurance Contracts* on measurement attributes.
 - (d) candidate measurement approaches- example (agenda paper 4D). This paper provides an example that shows how each candidate works. This example focuses on risk margins, day one differences and subsequent changes in estimates. It also

demonstrates the interaction between margins in the balance sheet and subsequent release of margins in the performance statement.

(e) candidate measurement approaches – responses from October 2008 educational session (Agenda paper 4E). This paper lists the main comments by Board members from the October 2008 educational session.

2. At this Working Group meeting, we seek feedback from the Insurance Working Group on the candidate measurement approaches; agenda paper 4A describes those candidates. At a subsequent meeting, we will ask the Board to reach a tentative conclusion on the measurement approach and the main features of the selected measurement approach.
3. This paper also includes the questions for participants of the Working Group on the candidate measurement approaches.

Questions for participants

4. **Do you have any questions on the candidates described in agenda paper 4A?**
5. **Dou you have any comments on the example in agenda paper 4D:**
 - (a) **How each of the candidates work, particularly for risk margins, day one differences and subsequent changes in estimates?**
 - (b) **the interaction between margins in the balance sheet and subsequent release of margins in the performance statement?**
6. **Agenda paper 4E summarises the comments by Board members from the October 2008 educational session. Dou you have any input on those comments?**
7. **Have you identified any other candidates the Board should consider?**