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Introduction

- 1. This paper does the following:
 - (a) Summarizes the Boards' progress in the leases project
 - (b) Provides an overview of the papers for the July 2012 meeting
 - (c) Describes next steps toward publishing the *Leases* re-exposure document.

Progress report

- 2. The Boards published a *Leases* Exposure Draft (2010 ED) in August 2010, with a comment period that ended on December 15, 2010.
- 3. The Boards commenced deliberations of the proposals in the 2010 ED in February 2011, taking into account feedback received from respondents to the ED and through other outreach (for example, roundtables and workshops held during the comment period, and other targeted outreach conducted during the redeliberations).
- 4. In July 2011, the Boards decided that that they would re-expose the leases proposals given the extent of changes proposed since publishing the 2010 ED.

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- 5. At the June 2012 joint meeting, the Boards made tentative decisions about the lessee accounting model and the lessor accounting model. The main objective of the July meeting is to discuss and reach tentative decisions on some sweep issues that mainly relate to the decisions made by the Boards in June.
- 6. The diagram on the following page summarises where the Boards are on the project and the main changes from the 2010 ED.

Where we are

Main

from

changes

2010 ED

What the proposals apply to

•Definition of a lease Scope exemptions Non-lease components of a contract

How the proposals measure a lease contract

 Lessee accounting Lessor accounting •Variable lease payments (VLPs) •Lease term Discount rate

 Concept of control used other standards

 Lessee accounting: lessee recognises ROU asset and lease liability; approach similar to 2010 ED model applied when lessee consumes more than insignificant portion of underlying asset (eg equipment leases); lessee recognises SL lease expense for other leases (eg property leases). Lessor accounting: receivable and residual approach applied when lessee consumes more than

insignificant portion of underlying asset, similar to derecognition approach in 2010 ED except residual accreted; current operating lease accounting applied to other leases

•VLPs excluded from lease asset and liability unless linked to index or rate Lease term includes extension periods only when lessee has significant economic incentive to

(eg property leases).

exercise

 Short-term leases (maximum term of <12 months): option to apply operating lease accounting •Sale and leaseback: determine if a sale according to revenue recognition proposals

Special

applications

•Short-term leases

Sale and leaseback

Presentation, disclosure and transition

 Lessee presentation. disclosure and transition Lessor presentation, disclosure and transition

 Lessee disclosure: breakdown of lease expense into its components •Lessor disclosure: management of residual asset risk Transition: simplified

retrospective approach (reduces front-loaded expense effect that arose from 2010 ED proposals)

within the definition of a lease changed to align more closely with other standards/EDs •Non-lease components separated from lease components and accounted for according to

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Overview of papers for the July 2012 joint meeting

- 7. Agenda Paper 3A/239 Lessee—statement of financial position: This paper considers whether any changes should be made to the presentation of lease assets and liabilities in a lessee's statement of financial position as a consequence of the Boards' decision to require a lessee to recognise a single lease expense for some leases.
- 8. Agenda Paper 3B/240 Lessee—statement of cash flows: This paper considers whether any changes should be made to the presentation of lease cash flows in a lessee's statement of cash flows as a consequence of the Boards' decision to require a lessee to recognise a single lease expense for some leases.
- 9. Agenda Paper 3C/241 Lessee disclosures: This paper considers whether any changes should be made to the lessee disclosure requirements as a consequence of the Boards' decision to require a lessee to recognise a single lease expense for some leases.
- 10. Agenda Paper 3D/242 Lessee transition—measurement of the ROU asset: This paper discusses the transition requirements (specifically, measurement of the ROU asset at transition) relating to leases for which the lessee recognises a single lease expense in its statement of comprehensive income.
- 11. Agenda Paper 3E/243 Lessor accounting—measurement of the underlying asset when the lease terminates prematurely: This paper sets out three options for how a lessor, applying the receivable and residual approach, would measure the underlying asset when the lessor recovers the asset before the end of the lease term.
- 12. Agenda Paper 3F/244 Interim disclosures: This paper considers whether the existing interim disclosure standards should be amended to require either lessees or lessors to provide specific lease disclosures in interim financial statements.
- 13. Agenda Paper 3G/245 Exposure Draft comment period and permission to begin the balloting process: This paper discusses the length of the comment period for the revised Exposure Draft, and asks the Boards for permission to begin drafting having reviewed the tentative decisions on the project to date.

Next steps

14. The staff expects that the decisions made at the July 2012 joint meeting will be the last decisions to be made before re-exposing the lease accounting proposals, other than those that may arise during the drafting process. Following the July 2012 meeting, the staff plans to proceed to drafting the revised Exposure Draft for publication in the final quarter of 2012.