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Project	Revenue Recognition		
Paper topic	Cover memo		
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Introduction

1. This paper provides:
 - (a) update on the status of the revenue recognition project; and
 - (b) an overview of the paper for the March 2013 meeting.

Project update

2. The boards published the revised exposure draft *Revenue from Contracts with Customers* in November 2011 (“the 2011 ED”), with a comment period that ended on 13 March 2012.
3. In February 2013, the boards completed their substantive redeliberations of the 2011 ED. The staff have now begun drafting the final revenue standard.
4. This month’s paper represents an IASB-only “sweep issue” related to early application (see below). This month the FASB will also consider a FASB-only sweep issue related to the boards’ tentative decision in January 2013 for transfers of non-financial assets that are not an output of an entity’s ordinary activities. In future months, the staff will bring to the boards any remaining or new sweep issues, should they arise. In addition, the staff will complete the steps required by each respective boards’ due process, including an analysis of the costs and benefits of the final revenue standard and its potential effects.

Overview of March 2013 revenue recognition paper

5. Paper 7A *Early application of the revenue standard* - This paper considers issues related to, and feedback received on, the IASB's tentative decision at the February 2013 board meeting to prohibit early application of the revenue standard. In particular, this paper considers how that tentative decision will affect the current practice issues related to IFRIC 15 *Agreements for the Construction of Real Estate*.