

Disclosure requirements relating to assessment of going concern (IAS 1 *Presentation of Financial Statements*)—July 2014

The Interpretations Committee received a submission requesting clarification about the disclosures required in relation to material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt upon the entity's ability to continue as a going concern.

The Interpretations Committee proposed to the IASB that it should make a narrow-scope amendment to change the disclosure requirements in IAS 1 in response to this issue. At its meeting in November 2013 the IASB discussed the issue and considered amendments proposed by the staff, but decided not to proceed with these amendments and removed this topic from its agenda. Consequently, the Interpretations Committee removed the topic from its agenda.

The staff reported the results of the IASB's discussion to the Interpretations Committee. When considering this feedback about the IASB's decision, the Interpretations Committee discussed a situation in which management of an entity has considered events or conditions that may cast significant doubt upon the entity's ability to continue as a going concern. Having considered all relevant information, including the feasibility and effectiveness of any planned mitigation, management concluded that there are no material uncertainties that require disclosure in accordance with paragraph 25 of IAS 1. However, reaching the conclusion that there was no material uncertainty involved significant judgement.

The Interpretations Committee observed that paragraph 122 of IAS 1 requires disclosure of the judgements made in applying the entity's accounting policies and that have the most significant effect on the amounts recognised in the financial statements. The Interpretations Committee also observed that in the circumstance discussed, the disclosure requirements of paragraph 122 of IAS 1 would apply to the judgements made in concluding that there remain no material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt upon the entity's ability to continue as a going concern.