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Dear Ms Ashelford,

Consultation Paper FRED 53 Draft Amendments to FRS 101 Reduced Disclosure Framework (2013/14)

Introduction

We are the Quoted Companies Alliance, the independent membership organisation that champions the interests of small to mid-size quoted companies. Their individual market capitalisations tend to be below £500m.

The Quoted Companies Alliance is a founder member of European**Issuers**, which represents over 9,000 quoted companies in fourteen European countries.

The Quoted Companies Alliance Financial Reporting Expert Group has examined your proposals and advised on this response. A list of members of the Expert Group is at Appendix A.

Response

We welcome the opportunity to respond to this consultation. We agree with the proposed amendments to FRS 101 set out in the Exposure Draft, namely, the amendments made to IFRS 10 Consolidated Financial Statements and IAS 27 Separate Financial Statements as a result of the IASB's project Investment Entities (Amendments to IFRS 10, IFRS 12 and IAS 27) and IAS 36 Impairment of Assets as a result of the IASB's project Recoverable Amount Disclosures for Non-Financial Assets (Amendment to IAS 36). We also agree with the proposed editorial amendment to paragraph 6 of FRS 101 to clarify the exemptions permitted for non-financial institutions in relation to IFRS 7 Financial Instruments: Disclosures and IFRS 13 Fair Value Measurement.

Responses to specific questions

Q1 Do you agree with proposed amendments to FRS 101 Reduced Disclosure Framework? If not, why not?

Yes, we agree with the proposed amendments to FRS 101 Reduced Disclosure Framework.

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Q2 Do you agree with the proposed effective date? If not, why not?

Yes, we agree with the proposed effective date.

If you would like to discuss any of our responses in more detail, we would be happy to attend a meeting.

Yours sincerely,

Tim Ward Chief Executive

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