

27 March 2018

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The Chief Executive
External Reporting Board
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Dear Sir

Requests to comment on Exposure Draft ED NZASB 2018-1 RDR Proposals for NZ IFRS 16 and NZ IAS 7

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the above Exposure Draft.

We are making this submission to you to assist the New Zealand Accounting Standards Board (NZASB) with the above Exposure Draft. We are happy for you to publish our comments publically.

In responding we have addressed the specific questions for respondents in Appendix 1.

More information on BDO is provided in Appendix 2 to this letter.

We hope that our responses and comments are helpful. Should you wish to discuss any of the points we have raised please contact me (michael.rondel@bdo.co.nz) should you have any queries or require further information.

Yours faithfully,



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Appendix 1 - Response to questions

Question 1

Do you agree with the proposed RDR concessions for NZ IFRS 16 *Leases*? If you disagree, please provide reasons.

Yes, we agree with the proposed RDR concessions for NZ IFRS 16 *Leases*.

Question 2

Do you agree with the proposed additional RDR concessions for NZ IAS 7 *Statement of Cash Flows*? If you disagree, please provide reasons.

Yes, we agree with the proposed additional RDR concessions for NZ IAS 7 *Statement of Cash Flows*.

Question 3

Do you agree with the proposed effective date of annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2019? If you disagree, please explain why.

Yes, we agree with the proposed effective date of annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2019.

Question 4

Do you have any other comments on the ED?

We have no further comments on the ED.

Appendix 2 - Information on BDO

1. BDO New Zealand is a network of eleven independently owned accounting practices, with sixteen offices located throughout New Zealand.
2. BDO firms in New Zealand offer a full range of accountancy services, including business advisory, audit, taxation, risk advisory, internal audit, corporate finance, forensic accounting and business recovery and insolvency.
3. BDO in New Zealand has 89 partners and over 800 staff.
4. BDO firms throughout New Zealand have a significant number of clients in the not-for-profit sector.
5. Five BDO firms in New Zealand (BDO Auckland, BDO Christchurch, BDO Northland, BDO Waikato and BDO Wellington) are registered audit firms and thirteen audit partners are licensed auditors.
6. Internationally, BDO is the fifth largest full-service audit, tax and advisory firm in the world, with over 67,700 people in over 1,400 offices across over 158 countries and territories.