



# Board Meeting Summary Paper

**Subject:** GS 017 *Prudential Reporting Requirements for Auditors of a Life Company*

**Date:** 27 May 2010

AUASB  
AGENDA  
ITEM NO.

5

Meeting Date:  
June 8

2010

Action Required

For Information Purposes Only

## Agenda Item Objectives

To approve the final draft of GS 017 *Prudential Reporting Requirements for Auditors of a Life Company* for release subject to final edit/changes from the Board.

## Background

AGS 1024 was last updated and reissued by the former AuASB in December 2002. Since this time, there have been a number of changes to the Life Insurance Act 1995 (Life Act) as of 1 January 2008 to remove a range of provisions relating to audit and actuarial requirements of life companies. As a transitional measure, these provisions were replicated in the existing LPS 310 Audit and Actuarial Requirements. This was always planned to be an intermediate step while APRA undertook a full review of these requirements.

APRA proposes to restructure the existing LPS 310 into two separate prudential standards: LPS 310 *Audit and Related Matters*; and LPS 320 *Actuarial and Related Matters*.

At the November 2009 Board meeting, the AUASB approved the revision of AGS 1024 in the light of the changes made to the Australian Prudential Reporting Standards in the area of Life Insurance. It was agreed that the AUASB would look to finalise a new guidance statement by the middle of 2010 working in conjunction with a Project Advisory Group (PAG). Jon Tyers offered to Chair the Life Insurance PAG.

Since the beginning of March 2010, three Life PAG meetings have been held to discuss issues and complexities within the Life Insurance industry and how these best be reflected in the guidance. The last meeting of the PAG was held on Monday, 24 May 2010 to complete the final draft guidance statement to go to the AUASB for approval at the 8 June 2010 meeting.

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## **Matters to Consider**

The Board is requested to consider the comments and issues raised at the recent Life PAG meetings and to read and provide feedback in the meeting on the final draft GS 017.

## **Staff Recommendations**

The AUASB Technical staff recommends that GS 017 *Prudential Reporting Requirements for Auditors of a Life Company* be approved for release subject to final edits/changes from the Board.

## **Material Presented**

Agenda Item 5	Board Meeting Summary Paper
Agenda Item 5.1	AUASB Board Meeting Summary Staff Attachment
Agenda Item 5.2	Final draft GS 017 <i>Prudential Reporting Requirements for Auditors of a Life Company</i> (Marked Up Version)
Agenda Item 5.3	Final draft GS 017 <i>Prudential Reporting Requirements for Auditors of a Life Company</i> (Clean Version)

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## **Action Required**

No.	Action Item	Deliverable	Responsibility	Due Date	Status
1.	Approval of Final draft GS 017 by the Board	Approval	AUASB	8 June 2010	TBA

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