# **AUASB Board Meeting Summary Paper**

AGENDA ITEM NO.	5.5
<b>Meeting Date:</b>	11 September 2019
Subject:	GS 008 The Auditor's Report on a Remuneration Report Under Section 300A of the Corporations Act 2001
Date Prepared:	28 August 2019
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X Action Required	For Information Purposes Only

## **Agenda Item Objectives**

1. For the AUASB to consider and approve the revision of GS 008 *The Auditor's Report on a Remuneration Report Under Section 300A of the Corporations Act 2001*, as included at **Agenda Item 5.5**.

# **Background**

- 1. A project plan to revise GS 008 *The Auditor's Report on a Remuneration Report Under Section* 300A of the Corporations Act 2001 was approved by the AUASB at the 12-13 June 2019 AUASB Meeting.
- 2. The AUASB Technical Group (ATG) has drafted the revision of GS 008 *The Auditor's Report on a Remuneration Report Under Section 300A of the Corporations Act 2001* with the following changes from extant:
  - (a) Amended "disclosing entity" to "listed companies" to be consistent with the changes in Section 300A of the *Corporations Act 2001*.
  - (b) Removed reference to AASB 124 *Related Party Disclosures* as AASB 124 has removed any reference to "disclosing entities".
  - (c) Updated Appendices 1 and 2 with the new audit report format illustrated in ASA 700<sup>1</sup> and ASA 705<sup>2</sup>.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> ASA 700 Forming an Opinion and Reporting on a Financial Report

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> ASA 705 Modifications to the Opinion in the Independent Auditor's Report

- (i) Appendix 1 Unmodified opinion on both financial report and remuneration report.
- (ii) Appendix 2 Unmodified opinion on financial report with qualified remuneration report.

## **Matters to Consider**

- 1. With regards to the Appendix 1 Unmodified Opinion, the AUASB is requested to consider two options:
  - (a) Example of unmodified audit report and remuneration report to be excluded and referenced to ASA 700 in paragraph 10 of **Agenda Item 5.5.1.** (This option prevents duplication of content.)
  - (b) Example of unmodified audit report and remuneration report to be included as shown in **Agenda Item 5.5.1**. (This option duplicates content but may be user friendly containing the example report within the revised GS 008.)

#### **Material Presented**

Agenda Item 5.5.0	AUASB Board Meeting Summary Paper
Agenda Item 5.5.1	Revision of GS 008 The Auditor's Report on a Remuneration Report Under Section 300A of the Corporation Act 2001 (mark-up)
Agenda Item 5.5.2	Revision of GS 008 The Auditor's Report on a Remuneration Report Under Section 300A of the Corporation Act 2001 (clean)

#### **Action Required**

No.	Action Item	Responsibility	<b>Due Date</b>	Status
1.	To approve the revised Guidance Statement	AUASB	11 September 2019	Pending