

AGENDA PAPER

Item Number: 6 (c)
Date of Meeting: 19 May 2017
Subject: Annual review of APES 345 *Reporting on Prospective Financial Information prepared in connection with a Public Document*

Action required For discussion For noting For information

Purpose

In accordance with Accounting Professional & Ethical Standards Board's (APESB) constitution, an annual review of APES 345 *Reporting on Prospective Financial Information prepared in connection with a Public Document* (APES 345) has been performed to identify and resolve any issues identified by stakeholders.

Background

APESB originally issued APES 345 in November 2008. APES 345 was revised in October 2015 with an effective date of 1 January 2016.

Consideration of Issues

APESB Technical Staff have completed the following procedures to identify any issues associated with APES 345:

- Consulted with the Professional Bodies to identify whether Members or other stakeholders have raised any issues in respect of APES 345;
- Reviewed the APESB Issues Register for any reported matters for APES 345; and
- Performed an internal technical review of APES 345 including considering the technological neutrality of the Standard.

The issue identified through completion of the above procedures is noted below.

Editorial Amendment

[This issue is carried forward from the prior year.]

Professional Bodies provided feedback that paragraph 8.5 of APES 345 has a duplicated word. The proposed amendment to correct this is as follows:

- 8.5 If the Member in Public Practice becomes aware that Those Charged with Governance have not taken ~~action~~ appropriate action in accordance with paragraph 8.4, the Member shall consider the Firm's policies and procedures established in accordance with *Acceptance and Continuance of Client Relationships and Specific Engagements* of APES 320 *Quality Control for Firms* in determining whether to continue acting for the Client in a professional capacity.

The proposed revision is not expected to affect any other sections in APES 345 and could be processed in the next revision of APES 345.

Conclusion and recommendation

Technical Staff are of the view that the matter identified in the annual review of APES 345 is not substantive and would not impact the manner in which the pronouncement is applied. Therefore APES 345 does not need to be revised in the short term.

The editorial will be incorporated in the next revision of APES 345.

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