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Six monthly review of APES 305 *Terms of Engagement* issued in December 2007

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1. Executive Summary

1.1. Background

The Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board (APESB) issued APES 305 Terms of Engagement in December 2007 with an effective date of 1 July 2008. APES 305 replaced APS 2 Terms of Engagement.

1.2. Reason for this report

In accordance with the constitution of the APESB, a review needs to be performed six months after a new standard is effective. This report presents a review of the issues reported to the APESB and a proposed course of action to address the issues.

1.3. Issue identified

The following issue has been reported to the APESB:

1. Paragraphs 4.5, 6.1 and 6.2 of APES 305 refer to “Professional Services Legislation”. This term is not correct and should be changed to “Professional Standards Legislation”.

1.4. Summary of Recommendations

It is recommended that:

1. In the next revision to APES 305 the term “Professional Services Legislation” be replaced by the term “Professional Standards Legislation”.

2 Review of Implementation Issues

2.1 Amend references to “Professional Services Legislation”.

Issue

Paragraphs 4.5, 6.1 and 6.2 of APES 305 refer to “Professional Services Legislation”. This term is not correct and should be changed to “Professional Standards Legislation

Analysis of the issue

This is in effect an editorial change that needs to be made in the next revision of APES 305.

Impacted Stakeholders

Members in public practice, firms and professional accounting bodies.

Recommendation

In the next revision to APES 305 the term “Professional Services Legislation” be replaced by the term “Professional Standards Legislation”.