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Reasons for Issuing AASB 2006-3

This Standard makes amendments to Australian Accounting Standard AASB 1045 Land Under Roads: Amendments to AAS 27A, AAS 29A and AAS 31A.

AASB 1045 was issued in October 2002 to alter the expiry date of the land under roads transitional provisions in Australian Accounting Standards AAS 27A Amendments to the Transitional Provisions in AAS 27, AAS 29A Amendments to the Transitional Provisions in AAS 29 and AAS 31A Amendments to the Transitional Provisions in AAS 31 (all issued in December 1999) from 31 December 2002 to 31 December 2006.

During the delayed implementation period for recognising land under roads provided in AAS 27A, AAS 29A and AAS 31A, the Board sought input from constituents on the appropriate recognition and measurement of land under roads. In light of the input received and the lack of international convergence on the recognition of land under roads, the Board decided to extend the land under roads transitional provisions until 31 December 2006.

Since extending the transitional provisions until 31 December 2006, the Board has commenced a short-term comprehensive review of AAS 27 *Financial Reporting by Local Governments*, AAS 29 *Financial Reporting by Government Departments* and AAS 31 *Financial Reporting by Governments*, including a review of the requirements for accounting for land under roads. As a result of that review, the Board intends issuing an Exposure Draft that proposes that the land under roads transitional requirements should lapse. Requirements relating to the transition into AASB 116 *Property, Plant and Equipment* will also be proposed, providing the equivalent kind of relief, limited to land under roads, provided in AASB 1 *First-time Adoption of Australian Equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards* for the first-time adoption of Australian Equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs). To allow time for these proposals to be considered, the Board decided to extend the transitional expiry date for a further 12 months to 31 December 2007.

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Main Features of this Standard

Application Date

This Standard is applicable to annual reporting periods ending on or after 31 December 2006.

Main Requirements

This Standard alters the expiry date of the land under roads transitional provisions in Australian Accounting Standard AASB 1045 from "31 December 2006" to "31 December 2007".

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The Australian Accounting Standards Board makes Accounting Standard AASB 2006-3 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards.

Dated 5 October 2006

D.G. Boymal Chair – AASB

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Objective

1. The objective of this Standard is to amend AASB 1045 Land Under Roads: Amendments to AAS 27A, AAS 29A and AAS 31A.

Application

- 2. This Standard applies to:
 - (a) general purpose financial reports of each local government;
 - (b) general purpose financial reports of each government department;
 - (c) financial reports that are held out to be general purpose financial reports by a government department which is not a reporting entity; and
 - (d) general purpose financial reports of each of the Commonwealth, State and Territory Governments.

Operative Date

3. This Standard applies to annual reporting periods ending on or after 31 December 2006.

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- 4. Paragraph 3.2 of AASB 1045 is amended to read as follows:
 - **3.2** The date "31 December 2006" is replaced with the date "31 December 2007" in:
 - (a) AAS 27A, paragraph 3.3;
 - (b) AAS 29A, paragraph 3.2; and
 - (c) AAS 31A, paragraph 3.2.
- 5. Paragraph 3.2.1 of AASB 1045 is amended to read as follows:
 - 3.2.1 The amendments to the paragraphs referred to in paragraph 3.2 of this Standard extend the transitional provisions for the recognition of land under roads until the end of the first reporting period ending on or after 31 December 2007. The superseded transitional provisions in Australian Accounting Standards AAS 27 "Financial Reporting by Local Governments", AAS 29 "Financial Reporting by Government Departments" run to the end of the first reporting period ending on or after 31 December 2006.

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