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Ms Kris Peach Chairman Australian Accounting Standards Board Level 14, 530 Collins Street Melbourne VIC 3000

Dear Ms Peach

SUBMISSION – TRANSFERS OF INVESTMENT PROPERTY

We appreciate the opportunity to provide comment to the Australian Accounting Standards Board (the AASB) on Exposure Draft ED 272 *Transfers of Investment Property* (the Exposure Draft).

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We acknowledge the limitations of paragraph 57 of IAS 40 *Investment Property*, as currently worded, and we welcome the proposal to amend the paragraph to enable transfers to, and from, 'investment property' when there is evidence of a change in use, without being subject to further constraint by an exhaustive list of limited circumstances.

From an Australian perspective, we are not aware of any regulatory issues or other issues arising in the Australian environment that may affect the implementation of the proposals. Further, in our view, the proposals would be useful to users of financial statements and would be in the best interests of the Australian economy.

Please contact either myself or Darryn Rundell, Director - Audit & Accounting Technical (03 8610 5586 or darryn.rundell@pitcher.com.au), in relation to any of the matters outlined in this submission.

Yours sincerely

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