

## **Derecognition (IAS 39 *Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement*)—March 2009**

The IFRIC was asked:

1. how the derecognition tests in IAS 39 should be applied to groups of financial assets, in particular, when a group of financial assets should be considered similar; and
2. when the pass-through tests in IAS 39 should be applied to a transfer of a financial asset.

At its meeting in July 2006, the IFRIC decided to refer these issues to the Board for clarification. The Board discussed these issues at its meeting in September 2006 and the Board's observations were communicated to the IFRIC at its meeting in November 2006. The IFRIC decided not to add the issue to the agenda. A tentative decision was published in the November 2006 IFRIC *Update*.

At its meeting in January 2007, the IFRIC decided to add a limited scope project on derecognition to its agenda. However, the project has been inactive pending the availability of staff resources.

Subsequently, the Board has accelerated its project to develop a replacement for the sections of IAS 39 that would have been interpreted by this IFRIC issue. The Board expects to issue a new standard on this topic no later than 2010. Therefore the IFRIC decided to remove this issue from its agenda. [In October 2010 the Board carried forward unchanged from IAS 39 the requirements related to the derecognition of financial assets and financial liabilities].