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Mr. James Sylph Executive Director, Professional Standards International Auditing and Assurance Standards Board International Federation of Accountants 545 Fifth Avenue, 14<sup>th</sup> Floor New York, New York 10017 USA

Dear Mr. Sylph:

Re: Using the Work of an Auditor's Expert – Exposure Draft (ISA 620)

Overall, we support the proposed standards in the exposure draft. The following are our responses to specific questions raised.

- 1. We agree that the proposed standards should deal exclusively with considerations relevant to using the work of an auditor's expert. We also agree that the guidance dealing with management's expert be included in the proposed ISA 500.
- 2. We agree that the definition of "expert" should exclude persons or organizations possessing expertise in accounting or auditing.

Special considerations in the audit of small entities and public sector entities have been dealt with appropriately in the proposed standards.

Yours truly,

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