



# Technical Accounting Alert

## Update – Reduced Disclosure Regime

### Introduction

The purpose of this alert is to advise that the Australian Accounts Standards Board (AASB) has issued its RDR accounting standard [AASB 2010-2](#) *Amendment to Australian Accounting Standards arising from Reduced Disclosure Requirements*.

### RDR Accounting Standard

The AASB has now issued its RDR accounting standard and it can be applied by non-publicly accountable entities in the preparation of 30 June 2010 financial statements.

Whilst the actual standard applies to annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 July 2013, earlier application is permitted for annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 July 2009 but before 1 July 2013, provided that [AASB 1053](#) *Application of Tiers of Australian Accounting Standards* is also applied for the period.

AASB 1053 mandates the use of IFRS (AASB) recognition and measurement requirements and removes the simplified disclosure regime for non-reporting entities, therefore adoption of the RDR accounting standard may not be attractive to those non-reporting entities that are not on an IFRS recognition and measurement model and/or have adopted current AASB simplified disclosures. For reporting entities that are non-publicly accountable (i.e. generally other than listed ASX companies) the RDR accounting standard will be welcomed as it reduces accounting notes disclosures by up to 50% of current disclosures. Grant Thornton expects that most reporting entities will benefit from adopting the RDR accounting standard early at 30 June 2010.

Grant Thornton is able to provide further information on the impact of both the RDR accounting standard, and also the Corporate Reporting Reform Act 2010 that has abolished parent company financial statements.

Further details of the AASB's RDR accounting standard are available in TA Alert [2010-15](#) *Reduced Disclosure Regime*, also refer to TA Alert [2010-7](#) and [2010-16](#) *30 June 2010 Simplifications to financial statements* for further detail on the Corporate Reporting Reform Act 2010.

### Further information

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