CCAB Code on Disclosure of Audit Profitability

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Dear Mr Desmond Wright

Voluntary Code Of Practice On Disclosure Of Audit Profitability

CIPFA is pleased to comment on this exposure draft, which has been reviewed by the Accounting and Auditing Standards Panel.

General Comment

The UK public sector is a substantial consumer of services provided by audit firms, mainly commissioned or purchased by the national audit agencies. CIPFA and other public sector stakeholders are therefore keen to see a healthy UK audit market.

We are in agreement with or content with all of the proposals in the Exposure Draft.

As regards the examples provided in the ED, there are no examples with which we would disagree, or which in our view it would be better to omit.

It may be helpful to include an additional example of a 'related service' in paragraph 7,

for example

• reporting on public sector performance indicators (except when included in the audit of the financial statements);

or

• reporting on grant claims and returns (except when included in the audit of the financial statements)

I hope these comments are a helpful contribution to finalisation of the Code.

Yours sincerely

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