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To whom it may concern,

## **Asset Valuations**

We welcome the opportunity to respond to the Code Committee of the Takeover Panel's consultation paper regarding asset valuations.

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The Quoted Companies Alliance *Legal Expert Group* has examined the proposals and advised on this response from the viewpoint of small and mid-size quoted companies. A list of Expert Group members can be found in Appendix A.

We are happy to endorse all of the proposed amendments to Rule 29 of the Takeover Code relating to asset valuations. We believe that they accurately reflect the evolution of current practice in recent years and provide a coherent framework for the rule.

If you would like to discuss our response in more detail, we would be happy to attend a meeting.

Yours sincerely,

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Chair of the Quoted Companies Alliance Legal Expert Group

The Quoted Companies Alliance is the independent membership organisation that champions the interests of small to mid-size quoted companies.

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## Appendix A

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