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| **Withdrawal of the Proposed Guide for Registered Auditors: Considerations for an Auditor or a Reviewer of a Company which is Factually Insolvent**  Johannesburg / 13 June 2017  The *Proposed Guide for Registered Auditors: Considerations for an Auditor or a Reviewer of a Company which is Factually Insolvent* was issued on exposure in July 2016, with comments requested by 5 October 2016.  As a result of the extensive commentary received, particularly regarding the interpretation of Section 128 and Regulation 29 of the Companies Act, 2008, the CFAS has decided to suspend the project until further notice. In the meantime, auditors are advised to apply the relevant legal and regulatory requirements, and to seek specialist or legal advice where necessary, while the IRBA continues to support the efforts to address the issues of interpretation with the relevant Ministry.  Should you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact the Standards Department by email at [standards@irba.co.za](mailto:standards@irba.co.za).  **Imran Vanker**  **Director: Standards**  ***About the IRBA***  *The objective of the IRBA is to endeavour to protect the financial interests of the South African public and international investors in South Africa through the effective and appropriate regulation of audits conducted by registered auditors, in accordance with internationally recognised standards and processes.*  *The statutory responsibilities of the CFAS are to assist the IRBA to develop, maintain, adopt, issue or prescribe auditing pronouncements; to consider relevant international changes by monitoring developments by other auditing standard-setting bodies and sharing information where requested; and to promote and ensure the relevance of auditing pronouncements.* |