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Dear Mr Au Yeung

Companies Bill - Consultation on the Qualifying Criteria for Private Companies to Prepare Simplified Financial and Directors' Reports

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Thank you for your letter of 6 December 2011.

I support the adoption of Option 2 set out in the consultation paper accompanying your letter. Financial reports of private companies are prepared mainly for its members. If members holding at least 75% of the voting rights so resolve and no other member objects, I do not see any policy reasons not to allow the relevant private company to prepare simplified financial reports. The same considerations apply in the context of groups of companies. This is so particularly as there is no requirement in Hong Kong for private companies to file their financial reports with the Companies Registry, unlike the situation in some other jurisdictions where there is such an requirement.

The above represents my personal view and not that of my partners.

Yours sincerely

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