

TO: Business Board

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AGENDA ITEM: 2

# **ITEM IDENTIFICATION:**

Status Report on Debt to November 30, 2012

#### JURISDICTIONAL INFORMATION:

The Business Board receives reports on financial matters.

## PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:

The borrowing strategy was initially approved by Governing Council in June 2004. A revision of this debt strategy was recently approved in November 2012.

### **HIGHLIGHTS:**

This regular status report provides the Business Board with an update of the debt policy limit, borrowing allocated by Business Board and actual external and internal borrowing. It also provides the actual debt burden and viability ratios as compared to the ratios of the debt policy limit. For this first report, the calculations for the actual debt burden ratio, the actual viability ratio and the debt policy limit are also attached.

At November 30, 2012, the total debt policy limit was \$1,329.6 million, borrowing allocated by Business Board was \$1,098.2 million (including \$150.0 million approved for pension funding and net of \$96.5 million of repayments that can be reallocated), and the actual external and internal borrowing was \$990.7 million. The debt burden ratio on actual outstanding debt was 3.8%, compared to the 5% debt burden ratio of the debt policy limit.

# FINANCIAL AND/OR PLANNING IMPLICATIONS:

-None

# **RECOMMENDATION:**

For information.