

**15<sup>th</sup> CHRIS MEETING**  
**IHB, Monaco, 10-13 June 2003**

**TSMAD CHAIRMANSHIP**  
*(by IHB)*

1. Summary

<b><i>Executive summary:</i></b>	This document outlines the actions taken to replace the current Chairman of the Transfer Standard and Applications Development Working Group (TSMAD) who will retire in October 2003.
<b><i>Actions to be taken:</i></b>	See Paragraph 4 below.
<b><i>Related documents:</i></b>	CHRIS Letter 2/2003, dated 19 March 2003.

2. Introduction/Scope

CHRIS Letter 2/2003 sought candidates to chair the Transfer Standard and Applications Development Working Group (TSMAD), following indication by the current Chairman, Dr Christopher DRINKWATER (UK), that he would not be in a position to continue beyond the next TSMAD meeting (Wollongong, Australia, October 2003).

3. Analysis/Discussion

Eight responses to CHRIS Letter 2/2003 were received before the deadline of 15 May 2003, as follows:

- USA (NOAA) nominated Mr Michael BROWN;
- Germany, Norway and UK had no candidate and suggested Mr Michael BROWN (USA) as TSMAD Chair;
- Chile had no candidate and suggested Mr Don VACHON (Canada) as TSMAD Chair;
- Finland, Greece and New Zealand had no candidate.

4. Action required

CHRIS is invited to

- endorse the nomination of Mr Michael BROWN (USA) as new Chairman of TSMAD from October 2003; and to
- thank Dr Christopher DRINKWATER (UK) for his outstanding Chairmanship of TSMAD (and before that, the Feature Code WG, then the Data Base WG), during 14 years in total, and his immense contribution to IHO Standards development, in particular the IHO Transfer Standard S-57.