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TO: AAPOR Council

FROM: Transparency Initiative Coordinating Committee

RE: Report of the Transparency Initiative Coordinating Committee (TICC)

The TICC met on March 18 to review several documents that need to be finalized in advance of the upcoming pilot test. These included the qualification procedures for transparency certification. The 10th draft of that document was discussed, additional revisions were made, and TICC members are reviewing this new version the week of March 18 with the expectation that it will be finalized at week's end. The main changes were to again streamline the application and initial certification process to remove as much of the burden associated with compliance as possible. TICC members are also reviewing a set of examples of methodological disclosure that are consistent with the Transparency Initiative's (and the AAPOR Code's) minimal disclosure requirements. Before the end of March, these documents will be posted on the TI's web page and the Committee will turn its attention to final preparations for the pilot test.