Significant Audit Firm Recovery and Resolution Plan Criteria

CRITERIA	MINIMUM STANDARD	GOOD PRACTICE
Oversight	Clear accountability for Recovery Plan ownership and invocation.	 A dedicated Existential Crisis Committee with clear lines of responsibility and scope.
Strategy	• Firm's rationale for recovery and resolution is clear.	 A strategy document exists for recovery and resolution.
Critical Functions	 Recovery Plan identifies firm's key functions. 	 Full methodology for identifying firm's critical functions and core services.
Existential Crisis Scenarios	 Clear existential scenarios identified. 	 Existential scenarios are play booked with cumulative financial, operational and regulatory impacts.
RRP Document	 Recovery and resolution sections of the contingency plan are clearly labelled as separate sections of the business continuity management plan. 	 A standalone Recovery and Resolution Plan document exists to focus the firm's attention on the unique 'existential crisis' elements of this Plan.
Recovery Options	 Recovery options are clearly identified. 	 Recovery options explicitly linked to short and medium- term funding options.
Resolution Triggers	 Clear triggers for resolution are identified. 	 Min Standard, plus Plan considers impediments to resolution with mitigants.
Public Interest	 Resolution Plan is framed around protecting the public interest. 	 Min standard, plus Plan considers conflicts, audit quality and competition.
Regulatory Environment	 Recovery Plan references the need to adapt to the changing regulatory environment. 	 Recovery Plan is a fluid document, with real-time changes made as required.
Exercising the Plan	 Testing of recovery and resolution components of contingency plans has been undertaken. 	 End-to-end, integrated testing of full contingency plan (including recovery and resolution) are undertaken.