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Wendy Payne, Executive Director
Federal Accounting Standards Advisory Board
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Dear Ms. Payne:

The Greater Washington Society of Certified Public Accountants (GWSCPA) Federal Issues and Standards Committee (FISC) appreciates the opportunity to provide comments on the Federal Accounting Standards Advisory Board's (FASAB) Exposure Draft (ED) on the proposed Statement of Federal Financial Accounting Standards (SFFAS), *Deferral of the Transition to Basic Information for Long-Term Projections: Amending SFFAS 36*.

The GWSCPA consists of approximately 2,000 members, and the FISC includes 27 GWSCPA members who are active in accounting and auditing in the Federal sector. This comment letter represents the consensus comments of our members. Our response to the ED question follows.

Q1. Do you agree or disagree with the proposed one-year deferral of the effective date for the transition of the statement presenting long-term fiscal projections for the U.S. government and related disclosures from required supplementary information (RSI) to basic information required in SFFAS 36, *Comprehensive Long-Term Projections for the U.S. Government*? The new effective date would provide for full implementation of SFFAS 36 for reporting periods beginning after September 30, 2013. Please explain the reasons for your position in as much detail as possible (see discussion in pars. A1 through A4).

A1. The FISC supports the Board's proposal to one year deferral. The reasons specified by the Board in paragraphs A1 through A4 provide a reasonable basis to support the deferral.

This comment letter was reviewed by the members of FISC, and represents the consensus views of our members.

Very truly yours,

Andrew C. Lewis
FISC Chair