Exposure Draft Questions for Respondents (QFR)

Omnibus Amendments: Technical Clarifications Addressing Lessee and Lessor Discount Rates and Sale-leasebacks

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This proposed Statement would address certain ongoing areas of concern related to leases implementation that were not addressed in SFFAS 60, Omnibus Amendments 2021, including:

- clarifying the Board’s original intent for discounting lease liabilities and receivables, which should result in a more consistent and comparable application of SFFAS 54, Leases, requirements; and
- clarifying the applicability of paragraphs 89-92 of SFFAS 54 to intragovernmental sale-leasebacks and the disclosure requirements applicable to them

QFR 1 Do you agree or disagree with the proposed amendments to address discounting lease liabilities and receivables, as reflected in paragraphs 3-7 (amending par. 42, 47-48, and 59 of SFFAS 54), and the Board’s basis for such proposals? Please provide the rationale for your answer.

RESPONSE: Agree. The amendments provide additional context on which rates to use in calculations of leases. This allows for consistency of application and support for why a particular rate was used.

QFR 2 Do you agree or disagree with the proposed amendments to clarify the applicability of paragraphs 89-92 of SFFAS 54 to intragovernmental sale-leasebacks and the
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disclosure requirements applicable to them, as reflected in paragraphs 8-9, and the Board’s basis for such proposals? Please provide the rationale for your answer.

**RESPONSE:** Agree. Clarity of intent when making decisions on leases is so important. Supportable conclusions that can consistently be applied in the future are also necessary. These edits provide more definition of the scope for Agencies to make decisions on leases/sale-lease backs and consistently apply them.