

# Federal Accounting Standards Advisory Board

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## NEWS RELEASE

### AAPC Issues Statement of Federal Financial Accounting Technical Release 14 *Implementation Guidance on the Accounting for the Disposal of General Property, Plant, & Equipment*

Wendy Payne, Executive Director of the Federal Accounting Standards Advisory Board (FASAB) and Chairman of the Accounting and Auditing Policy Committee (AAPC), announced the issuance of Statement of Federal Financial Accounting Technical Release (TR) 14 *Implementation Guidance on the Accounting for the Disposal of G-PP&E* today.

The implementation guidance in TR 14 addresses important implementation questions. The guidance will lead to consistent accounting treatment for the disposal, retirement, or removal from service of general property, plant, and equipment as well as related cleanup costs. The technical release provides implementation guidance that further clarifies existing SFFAS 6 requirements. The implementation guidance should help differentiate between permanent and other than permanent removal from service of G-PP&E assets. The implementation guidance also recognizes the many complexities involved in the disposal of G-PP&E, as well as delineates events that trigger discontinuation of depreciation and removal of G-PP&E from accounting records.

The technical release is available at <http://fasab.gov/aapc/technicl.html>.

## ABOUT AAPC

The Accounting and Auditing Policy Committee (AAPC) was organized in May 1997 by the Department of the Treasury, the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), the Government Accountability Office (GAO) [formerly the General Accounting Office], the Chief Financial Officers' Council (CFOC), and the Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency (CIGIE) [formally the President's Council on Integrity and Efficiency (PCIE)], as a body to research accounting and auditing issues requiring guidance.

The AAPC serves as a permanent committee established by the Federal Accounting Standards Advisory Board (FASAB). The mission of the FASAB is to develop accounting standards after considering the financial and budgetary information needs of congressional oversight groups, executive agencies, and the needs of other users of Federal financial information. The mission

of the AAPC is to assist the Federal government in improving financial reporting through the timely identification, discussion, and recommendation of solutions to accounting and auditing issues as they relate to the specific application of existing authoritative literature.

The AAPC is intended to address issues that arise in implementation, which are not specifically or fully discussed in Federal accounting and auditing standards. The AAPC's guidance is cleared by FASAB before being published.

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