

# **Closing Package Update**

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### The Issue: A Disclaimer of Opinion

Since 1997, the Bureau of the Fiscal Service has compiled agency financial data to prepare the consolidated Financial Report of the U.S. Government, and has consecutively received a disclaimer from GAO.

#### **Three Primary Impediments**





### **Disclaimer of Opinion**





## **Progress:** Compilation Impediment

Preparation of the Financial Report

 Internal Control Review



Successful Implementation of SFFAS No. 47
 *Reporting Entity*





## **Plans:** Compilation Impediment

- Preparation of the Financial Report
  - Legal Representation Letters Aggregate
    - Process Established for FY 2017 and 2018
    - Need a Signed Governmentwide Legal Representation Letter





## **Plans:** Compilation Impediment

• Preparation of the Financial Report

#### o Treaties

- TFM 2-4700 Section 4705.65
  - Current guidance is more budgetary and need to focus on GAAP
  - > Entities maintain an inventory and compare to Treaties in Force
  - Process for handling treaties and other international agreements outside of the C-175
  - Clarify reporting of commitments and contingencies
- Discrepancies between entity survey sent to Treasury and auditor survey sent to GAO
- Communication letter from GAO
  - Perform specific test procedures
  - Develop additional guidance





## **Progress:** Compilation Impediment

- Budget Statements
  - Performed five new reconciliations to tie the Budget
     Statements to other published and/or audited
     reports
  - Identified all the unreconciled differences (Other lines)
  - Finalized the "why" documentation for each reconciling item
  - Moved from annual basis to monthly



## **Plans:** Compilation Impediment

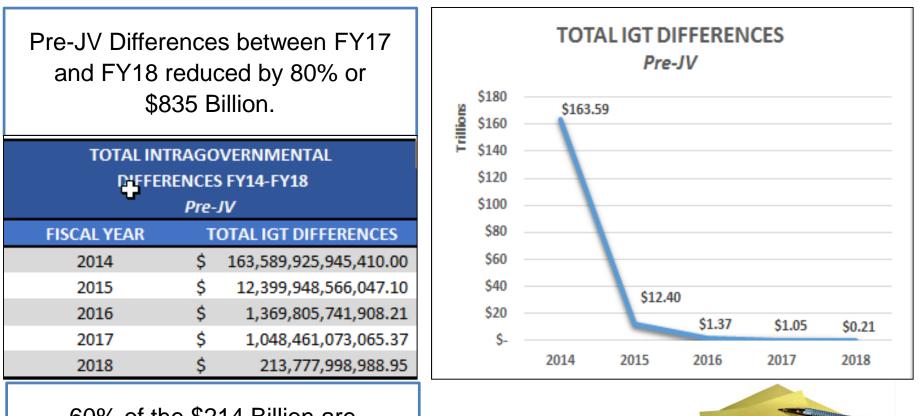
- Budget Statements
  - Properly support amounts used in calculating the budget deficit
  - Audit assurance over the Budget Deficit with the audit of the General Fund of the U.S. Government
  - Net Outlays on entities' Statements of Budgetary Resources



## **Intragovernmental Impediment**







60% of the \$214 Billion are differences between the General Fund and their Trading Partners.



Thank you!

## **Future IGT Plans**

- Continue the following initiatives:
  - Intragovernmental Scorecard Program
  - Monitor the Root Cause Analysis and Corrective Action Plan documentation provided by the agencies
  - Material Difference Reporting and Certification
- Implement the changes for "non-reciprocating" USSGL accounts
- Implement new USSGL guidance impacting IGT
- Support the G-Invoicing Initiative aimed at improving communication and reducing differences in the Buy/Sell Sub-Category
- Enhance TFM 2-4700 guidance (Appendix 6) on Intragovernmental Business Rules

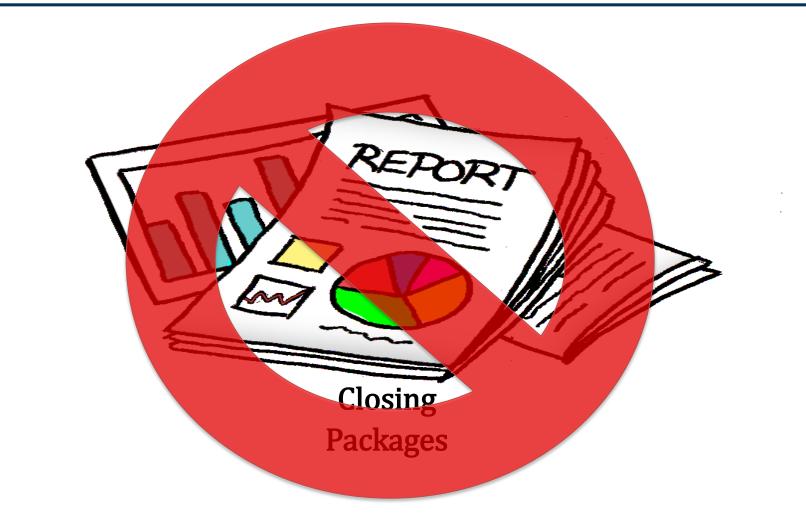


## How you can help...

- Understand why there are differences between the Legal Letter Management Schedules and AFR/PARs
- Include Treaties and Other International Agreements as part of audit procedures
- Focus on internal control deficiencies on budgetary transactions to avoid issues with Net Outlays
- Become familiar with the top level journal vouchers that Treasury does on audited data and try to address at the agency level
- Ensure the entity is implementing new USSGL guidance



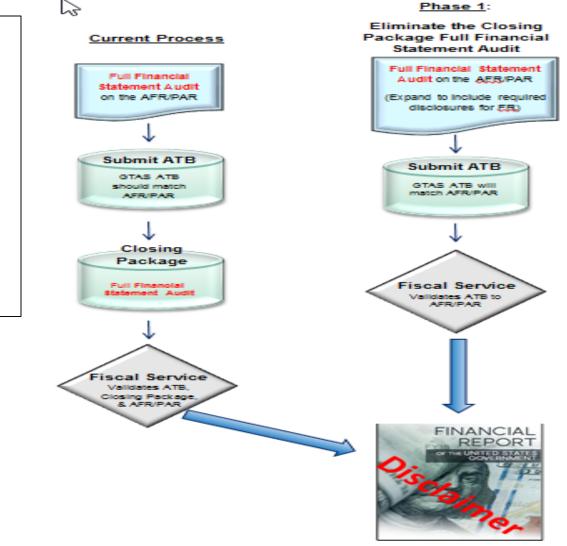
### **Reporting Updates for FY 2019**





## **Eliminating the Closing Package**

In the current process, over 130 agencies publish audited financial statements. Each of these entities submit adjusted trial balances (ATB) to GTAS that should match their audited financial statements starting in 2014 per TFM 2-4700 guidance.





### What Does this Mean to You?

 New OMB A-136 Note 44: Reclassification of Balance Sheet, Statement of Net Cost, and Statement of Changes in Net Position to FR Format

Illustrative Reclassification of	Balance Sheet to Government-wide Balance Sheet Format
5.	as of September 30, 2019

FY 2019 [Entity] Balance Sheet		Format of Government-wide Balance Sheet		
Financial Statement Line	Amounts	Amounts	Reclassified Financial Statement	
			Line	
ASSETS				
FBWT			FBWT	
Investments, Net			Federal Investments	
			Interest Receivable – Investments	
Total Investments, Net			Total Reclassified Investments, Net	
Accounts Receivable			Accounts Receivable	
			Accounts Receivable, capital transfers	
			Interest Receivable – Loans and Not	
			Otherwise Classified	
			Transfers Receivable	
			Benefit Program Contributions	
			Receivable	
			Asset for Agency Custodial and Non-	
			Entity Liabilities – Other than the	
			General Fund	
Total Accounts Receivable			Total Reclassified A/R	
Loans Receivable, Net			Loans Receivable, Net	
Other			Advances to Others and Prepayments	
			Other assets	
Total Other			Total Reclassified Other	
Total Intra-Governmental Assets				
Cash and Other Monetary Assets			Cash and Other Monetary Assets	
Investments, Net			Debt and Equity Securities	
			Investments in Government-	
			Sponsored Enterprises	
Total Investments, Net			Total Reclassified Investments, Net	
Accounts, Net			Accounts and Taxes Receivable, Net	
Taxes Receivable, Net				
Direct Loan and Loan Guarantees, Net			Loans Receivable, Net	
Inventory and Related Property, Net			Inventory and Related Property, Net	
General PP&E, Net			PP&E, Net	
Other			Other Assets	
Total Non-Federal Assets				
Total Assets			Total Assets	





## What Does this Mean to You?

- Expanded OMB A-136 Notes

   Federal Employee and Veteran Benefits Payable
   Fiduciary Activities
- Disclosure Needed No Matter the Materiality
  - o Criminal Restitution
  - Federal Employee and Veteran Benefits Payable
- Variance Analysis
  - $\,\circ\,$  Interim and Year-end uploaded to OMB Max
  - Explanation for differences greater than 10% and over \$1 billion





### What Does this Mean to You?

- Calendar-Year entities
- FASB Reporters
- Social Insurance





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