

Treasury Financial Manual

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Volume I

To: Heads of Government Departments, Agencies, and Others Concerned

Subject: U.S. Government Standard General Ledger

1. Purpose

This transmittal letter releases the revised U.S. Government Standard General Ledger (USSGL).

2. Changes to the USSGL

The S2 04-02 USSGL incorporates changes made since the last complete USSGL revision (S2 04-01, June 2004). It also provides updates to accounts, transactions, attributes, and crosswalks (see paragraph 3 for effective dates and paragraph 4 for early implementation). The Summary of Changes (see pages i through v) provides detailed descriptions of the updates.

3. Effective Dates

Changes to Sections IV and V (attribute tables and crosswalks) for fiscal 2004 reporting are effective immediately.

Changes to Sections II, III, IV, and V for fiscal 2005 reporting are effective October 1, 2004.

4. Early Implementation

FMS encourages agencies to use USSGL account 4191, "Balance Transfers - Extensions of Availability Other Than Reappropriations," for fiscal 2004 yearend reporting. The Federal Agencies' Centralized Trial-Balance System (FACTS II) has been modified to accept this USSGL account for fiscal 2004. However, use of the account is not mandatory until October 1, 2004.

5. References

The following references and Web sites (and future updates) contain additional guidance related to the changes herein:

- The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular No. A-11, "Preparation, Submission, and Execution of the Budget." See http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/circulars/a11/04toc.html.
- OMB Bulletin No. 01-09, "Form and Content of Agency Financial Statements" (September 25, 2001). See http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/bulletins/b01-09.html.

- Volume I, Treasury Financial Manual (TFM), Part 2, Chapter 4200 (I TFM 2-4200), "Agency Reports on Unexpended Balances of Appropriations and Funds (FMS Form 2108: Yearend Closing Statement)" (July 1995). See http://www.fms.treas.gov/tfm/vol1/v1p2c420.txt.
- Volume I, TFM, Part 2, Chapter 4700 (I TFM 2-4700), "Agency Reporting Requirements for the Financial Report of the United States Government." See http://www.fms.treas.gov/tfm/vol1/v1p2c470.pdf.
- Volume I, TFM, the current Yearend Closing bulletin. See http://www.fms.treas.gov/tfm/vol1/bull.html.

The USSGL Web site (http://www.fms.treas.gov/ussgl) provides further guidance, including names and telephone numbers of agency representatives on the USSGL Board. In addition, USSGL users may subscribe to receive e-mail notification of updates and other information concerning the USSGL at http://fmsapps.treas.gov/subscription.asp.

6. Inquiries

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