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Federal Accounting Standards Advisory Board 441 G Street NW, Suite 1155 Washington, DC 20548

RE: Comments on FASAB Exposure Draft – Omnibus Concepts Amendments

The Financial Management Standards Board (FMSB) of the AGA appreciates the opportunity to provide comments on the Federal Accounting Standards Advisory Board's proposed standards.

Q1: Do you agree with proposed note disclosure concepts in SFFAC 2 paragraph 68?

We agree with the proposed note disclosure concepts. We think the new title, the description of the purpose of note disclosures, and the conceptual guidance on appropriate information for note disclosures will all be helpful improvements.

Q2: Do you agree with rescinding SFFAC 3 and consolidating MD&A concepts with amendments to SFFAC 2 paragraph 69?

We agree with rescinding SFFAC 3 and consolidating MD&A concepts into SFFAC 2. We also agree with addition of a new section title to distinguish required supplementary information from note disclosures.

However, we find the proposed paragraph 69 to have less conceptual guidance than the extant. We would therefore encourage the Board to consider expanding or re-phrasing paragraph 69.B to more clearly describe the conceptual purpose of MD&A and types of information that are appropriate similar to note disclosures. For example, the proposed paragraph 69.B could be rephrased as "The types of information that may be presented in MD&A includes ..." if the Board is intending to define areas of scope for MD&A with this paragraph. Or alternatively, the Board may wish to describe appropriate types of information at a more general level, such as is done in the proposed paragraph 68 for note disclosures or GASB Concept Statement 3 paragraph 44.

Sincerely,

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