

Framework for Reporting Performance Measures

Voluntary guidance to enhance the relevance of financial reporting

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Preface to the Framework for Reporting Performance Measures

- 1 The Accounting Standards Board's (AcSB) Framework for Reporting Performance Measures is voluntary and non-authoritative. It describes principles for selecting, developing and reporting a performance measure outside financial statements by an entity when it chooses to do so. However, the concepts and practices in the Framework, while not required, may help an entity in selecting, developing and reporting a quality performance measure in accordance with GAAP or other accounting frameworks.
- 2 Furthermore, the Framework can also help:
 - (a) those charged with governance in overseeing the entity's process for selecting, developing and reporting a performance measure and related explanations;
 - (b) independent parties assessing a performance measure and related explanations; and
 - (c) users and others in understanding and evaluating the performance measure and explanations reported as well as providing feedback to management on the usefulness of the performance measure to encourage continuous improvements in reporting.
- 3 A public company, a not-for-profit organization, a private company, a pension plan or other type of publicly accountable enterprise or private enterprise can apply the Framework to a financial, non-financial or operational performance measure.

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