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Foreword

This Comprehensive GAAP Guide contains all the promulgated and many of the nonpromulgated accounting principles in use today. Each promulgated pronouncement is thoroughly reviewed in a comprehensive format that is easy to assimilate and understand. Many chapters contain in-depth illustrations on the application of the specific accounting principle. Pronouncements covering the same subject matter have been compiled and incorporated in a single chapter regardless of the date of their origin.

Important nonpromulgated accounting principles have been integrated throughout the text in an effort to give the reader a more

complete perspective of the specific subject matter.

Perhaps the most important feature of this comprehensive guide to accounting principles is its readability. The utmost care has been exercised to avoid incomprehensible language. Sentence structure has been deliberately simplified as much as possible to foster the maximum comprehension in a minimum period. Illustrations are used generously to demonstrate the applicability of specific concepts and principles, and observation paragraphs are utilized to stress important information.

No attempt is made to resolve apparent errors and conflicts in the promulgated pronouncements. However, these items are objectively

brought to the reader's attention.

An innovative Disclosure Index has been provided which contains both required and recommended disclosures currently in use. This index has been designed to assist the preparer or reviewer of financial statements in determining whether necessary disclosures have been made.

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Martin A. Miller, author of the GAAP Guide, died in August of 1991. Marty set the standard for our industry when he conceived of the GAAP Guide, a standard we have incorporated into all of our publications. We will miss Marty's contributions, and we will strive to maintain the same level of excellence he expected.

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