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TO: **PUBLIC AGENCY EMPLOYERS**

SUBJECT: **GOVERNMENTAL ACCOUNTING STANDARDS BOARD (GASB)
STATEMENT 68 ACCOUNTING VALUATION REPORTS WEBINAR
INFORMATION FOR PUBLIC AGENCIES**

The purpose of this Circular Letter is to provide public agency employers information regarding the upcoming webinar for GASB 68 accounting valuation reports.

This webinar will provide background information regarding measurement date and report ordering instructions, followed by a detailed walk through of the defined benefit pension plan GASB 68 accounting valuation reports for agent multiple-employer (non-pooled), and cost sharing multiple-employer (pooled).

The webinar is on Thursday, May 14 from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Questions can be posed during the entire webinar. Please register by Wednesday, May 13 at the following web address available at CalPERS On-Line, View Videos & Web Events, Upcoming Web Events page at:

<http://www.calpers.ca.gov/index.jsp?bc=/about/video-web-center/upcoming-events/home.xml>

Prior to the webinar, please print a copy of the applicable report samples for *Cost Sharing Multiple-Employer Defined Benefit Pension Plan* and/or *Agent Multiple-Employer Defined Benefit Pension Plan*. These report samples will be located on the GASB 68 webpage approximately one week prior to the webinar on CalPERS Online at:

<http://www.calpers.ca.gov/index.jsp?bc=/employer/actuarial-gasb/home.xml>

To assist employers in preparing for GASB 68, CalPERS has provided the following resources:

- Circular Letter No. 200-062-14 distributed on October 22, 2014 for background information.
- Circular Letter No. 200-004-15 distributed on February 13, 2015 for fee information.
- Circular Letter No. 200-018-15 distributed on April 6, 2015 for report ordering information.
- A webpage with detailed information and Frequently Asked Questions: www.calpers.ca.gov/index.jsp?bc=/employer/actuarial-gasb/home.xml
- Specific questions not addressed on the website can be e-mailed to: CalPERS_GASB_68@calpers.ca.gov

We also encourage each employer to begin having a discussion with their auditors regarding the audit and reporting requirements of GASB 68. Even though CalPERS will provide you the requested GASB 68 information needed regarding your CalPERS pension plan, it is your responsibility to work with your auditors to determine how to present this information in your financial statements.

If you have any questions, please call our CalPERS Customer Contact Center at **888 CalPERS** (or **888-225-7377**).

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