

# QUARTERLY ACCOUNTING UPDATE WEBCAST – SUMMER 2021



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# Agenda

Topic	Minutes
Recent FASB & SEC Activity	35 minutes
Practice Issues	25 minutes

# Recent FASB & SEC activity

# Recently issued FASB guidance

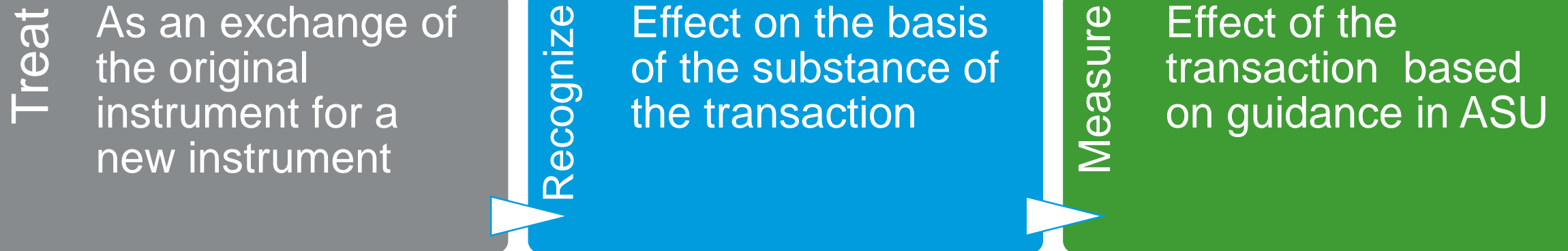
No.	Final ASU Title
2021-04	Earnings Per Share (Topic 260), Debt—Modifications and Extinguishments (Subtopic 470-50), Compensation—Stock Compensation (Topic 718), and Derivatives and Hedging—Contracts in Entity’s Own Equity (Subtopic 815-40): Issuer’s Accounting for Certain Modifications or Exchanges of Freestanding Equity-Classified Written Call Options (a consensus of the FASB Emerging Issues Task Force)
Date	Proposed ASU Title
5/5/21	Derivatives and Hedging (Topic 815): Fair Value Hedging—Portfolio Layer Method
6/16/21	Leases (Topic 842): Discount Rate for Lessees That Are Not Public Business Entities

# Modifications of freestanding equity-classified written call options

## Scope:

- Modifications or exchanges of freestanding equity-classified written call options (e.g., warrants) that remain equity classified after modification or exchange and are not within the scope of another Topic of the Codification

## Main provisions:



ASU 2021-04

# Measuring the effects of modifications or exchanges

Modification or exchange	Measurement of the effect of transaction			
Part of, or directly related to, a modification or an exchange of an existing debt instrument or line-of-credit or revolving-debt arrangement	<i>difference between</i>	the fair value of the modified or exchanged written call option	<i>and</i>	the fair value of that written call option immediately before it is modified or exchanged
All others	<i>the excess, if any, of</i>		<i>over</i>	

# Recognizing the effects of modifications or exchanges

Financing transaction to raise equity

Equity-issuance cost in accordance with ASC 340, “Other Assets and Deferred Costs”

Financing transaction to raise or modify debt

ASC 470, “Debt,” and ASC 835, “Interest”

Compensation for goods or services

ASC 718, “Compensation – Stock Compensation”

Other modifications and exchanges

Recognized as a dividend (adjustment to net income (or net loss) in the basic EPS calculation)

Multiple-element transaction

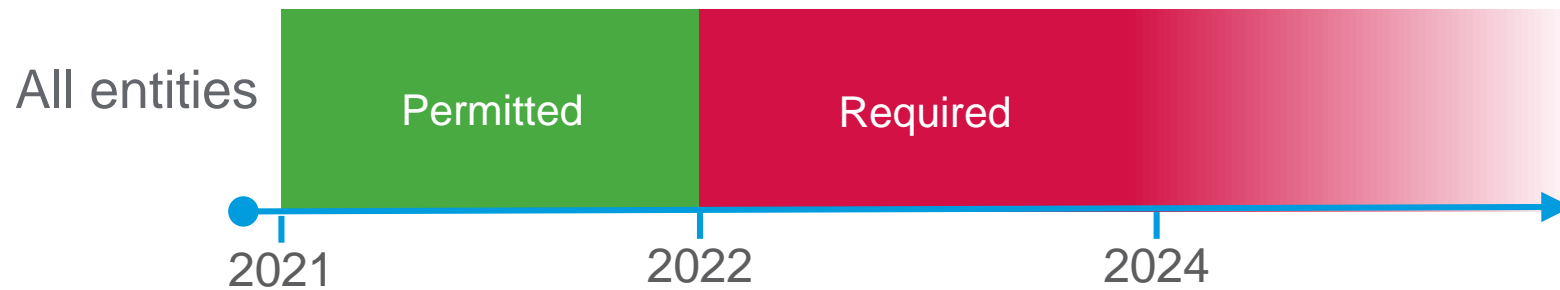
Allocate effect to the respective elements in the transaction

ASU 2021-04



# Effective date

## Effective date for calendar year-ends



# SEC: Accounting considerations for warrants issued by SPACs

## **Fact pattern #1:**

Warrants included provisions that provided for potential changes to the settlement amounts dependent upon the characteristics of the holder of the warrant.

## **Examples of differing terms:**

- Payout upon a change in control/tender offer
- Cashless exercise
- Make-whole table

# SEC: Accounting considerations for warrants issued by SPACs

## Fact pattern #1:

Warrants included provisions that provided for potential changes to the settlement amounts dependent upon the characteristics of the holder of the warrant.

## Analysis:

Because the holder of the instrument is not an input into the pricing of a fixed-for-fixed option on equity shares, such a provision would preclude the warrants from being indexed to the entity's stock.

## Conclusion:

Warrants should be classified as a liability measured at fair value, with changes in fair value each period reported in earnings.

Warrant is  
not indexed to the  
entity's stock



Liability  
classification

# SEC: Accounting considerations for warrants issued by SPACs

## Fact pattern #2:

Warrants included a provision that in the event of a tender or exchange offer made to and accepted by holders of more than 50% of the outstanding shares of a single class of common stock, all holders of the warrants would be entitled to receive cash for their warrants.

## Analysis:

Tender offer is outside the control of the entity, but only certain of the holders of the underlying shares of common stock would be entitled to cash.

## Conclusion:

Warrants should be classified as a liability measured at fair value, with changes in fair value each period reported in earnings.

Tender offer outside  
entity control



Liability  
classification

# SEC: Accounting considerations for warrants issued by SPACs

Example circumstances that could lead to conclusion that liability classification is required

SPAC has two classes of voting shares prior to merger, but tender offer provision pertains only to warrants on one class

After merger, combined company has a single class of common shares but there are outstanding preferred shares entitled to vote on an as-converted basis

# SEC: Accounting considerations for warrants issued by SPACs

## Other accounting and financial reporting considerations:

- Impact on initial allocation of proceeds amongst contemporaneously issued shares or other financial instruments
- Fair value should be determined in accordance with ASC 820, *Fair Value Measurement*
- Companies may contemplate modifying the warrant agreements in order to be able to account for them as equity post-modification
- Other financial reporting complexities addressed in OCA release, *Financial Reporting and Auditing Considerations of Companies Merging with SPACs*

# Hedging a portfolio of prepayable assets

## Pre-existing guidance

- Hedged item in a fair value hedge of interest rate risk was generally required to be an individual asset or liability or portions of individual assets or liabilities

## ASU 2017-12

- Permits designating hedged item under a “last-of-layer” method when hedging a closed portfolio of prepayable financial assets

## Proposed guidance

- Expands single-layer model to allow multiple-layer hedges of a single closed portfolio of prepayable financial instruments

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# Hedging a portfolio of prepayable assets – “Last of layer” method

Allows an entity to hedge its exposure to fair value changes due to changes in interest rates

Entity elects to hedge interest rate risk for a portion of the remaining term of the asset(s) being hedged

Initial and ongoing analysis to support expectation that hedged item is expected to be outstanding as of assumed maturity date

Hedge remains intact as long as the balance in the closed portfolio does not fall below the designated layer



# Hedging a portfolio of prepayable assets - Example

## Example:

- Bank A is hedging its interest rate risk associated with a closed portfolio of fixed rate prepayable commercial loans that have an aggregate balance of \$400 million at hedge inception
- The hedging instrument is a 3 year receive-variable, pay-fixed interest rate swap with a \$50 million notional amount
- Bank A designates the hedged item as the last \$50 million of loan balances remaining in this closed portfolio
- Bank A expects the relationship to be highly effective as long as, with consideration given to prepayments, defaults and other events impacting the amount and timing of cash flows, \$50 million of the portfolio is expected to be outstanding at the end of the 3 year hedge period

# Hedging a portfolio of prepayable assets – Portfolio layer method

Allows multiple layer-hedging relationships to be designated for a single portfolio

Permits flexibility to use different types of derivatives

Analysis required to support expectation that aggregate amount of hedged layers is anticipated to be outstanding for periods hedged

All assets in portfolio required to have contractual maturity date after earliest-ending hedge period and become prepayable before the latest-ending hedge period

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# Hedging a portfolio of prepayable assets – Additional provisions

Eligible hedging instruments in a single-layer strategy may include spot-starting or forward-starting constant-notional swaps, or spot- or forward-starting amortizing-notional swaps

Number of hedged layers (that is, single or multiple) corresponds with the number of hedges designated

Guidance on the accounting for and disclosure of fair value hedge basis adjustments that would be applicable to both the current single-layer model and the proposed multiple-layer model

Fair value hedge basis adjustments should not be considered when determining credit losses for the assets included in the closed portfolio

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# Discount rate for lessees that are not public business entities

## Scope

- Lessees that are not public business entities

## Current guidance

- Practical expedient allows accounting policy election to use a risk-free rate as the discount rate for **all** leases

## Proposed guidance:

- Risk-free rate election can be made by class of underlying asset, rather than at the entity-wide level
- When the rate implicit in the lease is readily determinable for any individual lease, the lessee would use that rate

## Proposed disclosure requirement

- Which asset classes apply a risk-free rate

Proposed

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# FASB staff clarifying comments on new goodwill impairment alternative

- ASU 2021-03 goodwill impairment alternative allows qualifying entities to perform the goodwill triggering event impairment ***as of the reporting date any time it reports financial information (including interim reports)***, instead of the date at which the triggering event occurred

i.e. An entity that reports financial information that would be affected by goodwill impairment, and that financial information is in compliance with US GAAP, on an interim basis, would have to perform the impairment triggering event analysis as of the interim reporting date

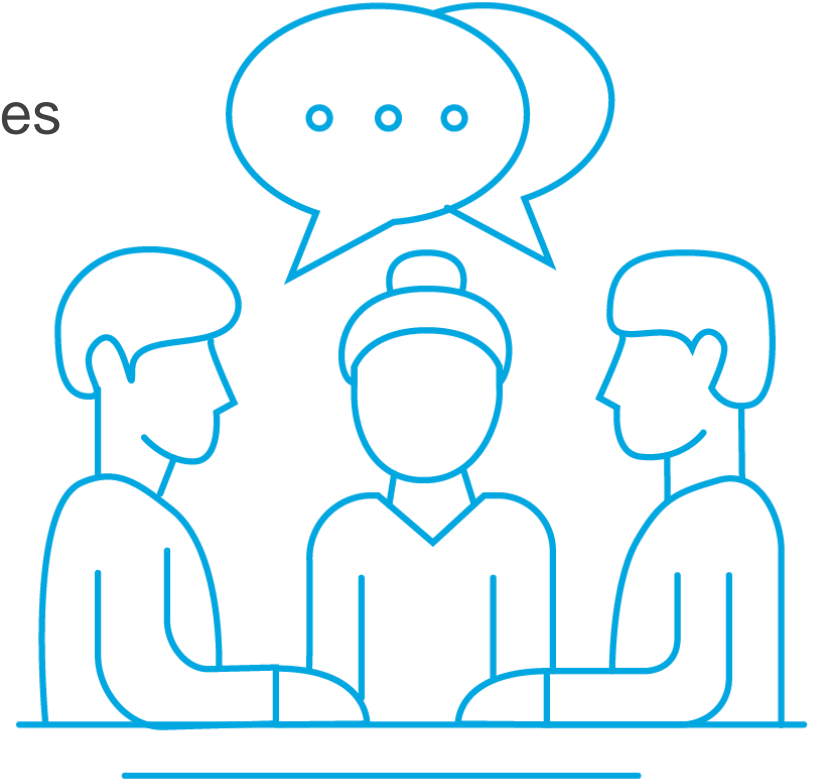
# Intersection of environmental, social, and governance matters with Financial Accounting Standards

## **FASB Educational Paper provides:**

- Overviews of ESG reporting and the FASB's role in setting financial accounting standards
- Examples of how an entity may consider the direct or indirect effects of material environmental matters when applying current GAAP, including:
  - The evaluation of whether there is substantial doubt about an entity's ability to continue as a going concern
  - The disclosure of risks and uncertainties
  - Valuing inventory at the lower of cost and net realizable value
  - Impairment of goodwill and indefinite-lived intangible assets
  - Estimating the useful life of a finite-lived intangible asset
  - Impairment indicators requiring the testing of a long-lived asset that is held and used for recoverability
  - Determining when an accrual is required for a loss contingency
  - Estimates of future taxable income for the recognition of deferred tax assets
  - Fair value measurements

# FASB hosts virtual credit losses roundtable

- Investor feedback:
  - CECL better than incurred loss model
  - Recommendations made for better quality disclosures
- Preparer feedback:
  - Financial institutions: Costs were greater than anticipated
  - Nonfinancial institutions: Too much time and resources with minimal impact
- Purchased Credit Deteriorated (PCD Assets)
  - Confusion on which assets qualify
- Troubled Debt Restructuring
  - Duplicative of CECL



# Practice issues



# Revenue Recognition

# Identifying performance obligations: NFP certifications/exams

## Sample fact pattern:

- Association provides access to educational study materials and online certification in their field for a fixed one-time fee of \$500
- Customers obtain access to the materials online until completion of exam
- Average time between access and exam date is 4 months
- Grading is generally completed within 30-45 days of taking the test
- Access to materials can be purchased for \$450 without exam
- Additional grading fee of \$100 if customer fails and retakes the exam
- 1% of customers never complete the exam

**What are the performance obligations and when should revenue be recognized?**

# Identifying performance obligations: NFP certifications

Performance obligation	Timing of revenue recognition
<b>Access to educational materials</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Over time over expected period of benefit<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Estimate average period between purchase and completion of exam</li></ul></li></ul>
<b>Grading/certification</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Point in time on issuance of certificate<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Breakage: Estimate number of customers who will never exercise their right to take the exam and recognize revenue as the other performance obligations are recognized</li></ul></li></ul>

# Identifying performance obligations: NFP certifications example

- Customer purchases access to materials and exam for 100 employees on November 1 for \$50,000
- SSP Allocation
  - Materials  $\rightarrow \$400 \times 100 \rightarrow \$40,000$
  - Grading/certification  $\rightarrow \$100 \times 100 \rightarrow \$10,000$
- Breakage estimate
  - 1% of 100 employees – 1 will not complete
  - $\$10,000 / 99 \text{ employees} = \$101.01$  recognized per employee (grading/certification)

# Identifying performance obligations: NFP certifications example

## Journal entries

November 1	Cash	\$50,000	
	Deferred revenue		\$50,000
Monthly (Nov – Feb)	Deferred revenue	\$10,000	
	Materials Revenue		\$10,000
Grading of each exam	Deferred revenue	\$101.01	
	Grading/certificate revenue		\$101.01

# Business combinations

# Amortization pattern of customer related intangible assets

**Useful life: The period over which an asset is expected to contribute directly or indirectly to future cash flows**

Considerations:

- Whether the customer's demand for the buyer's products or services is projected to increase or decrease
- Whether the buyer's competition is expected to take actions that will affect the customer's demand

Pattern of amortization should be consistent with the assumptions used in estimating the fair value of the customer relationship intangible asset, which generally results in accelerated amortization

# Amortization pattern of customer related intangible assets

## Reasonableness check related to using straight-line amortization method

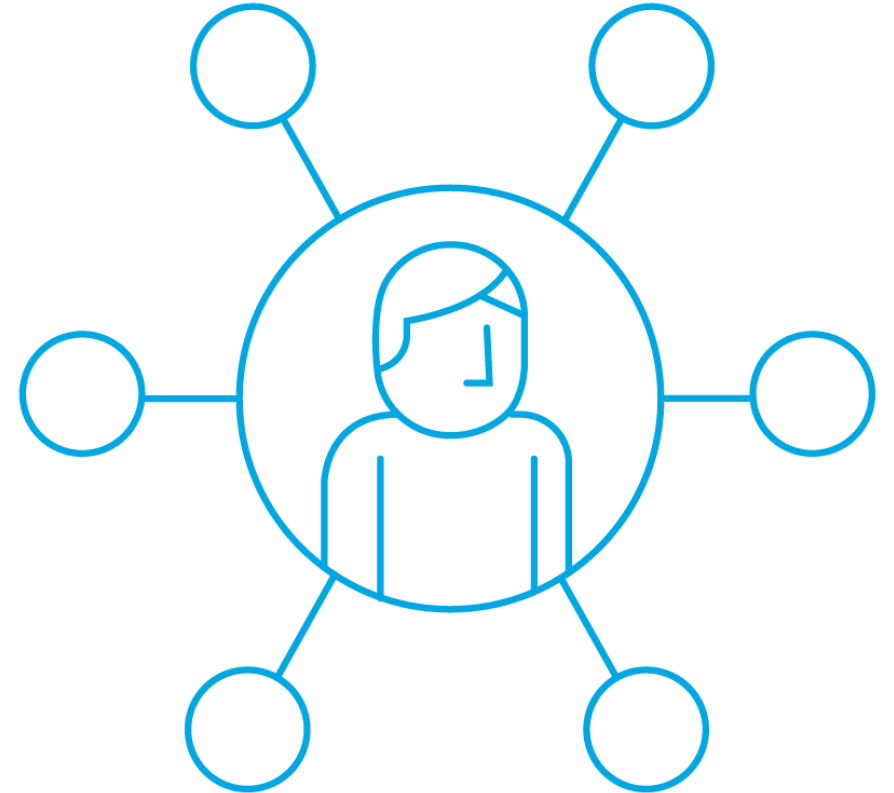
70% Test	Useful life should not be longer than 70% of the period over which cash flows were projected
95% Test	Useful life should not be longer than the period in the projected cash flows over which 95% of the asset's projected cash flows are generated
5% Test	In a high-tech industry or industry subject to significant obsolescence, the useful life should not extend past the last year in which the annual projected cash flows are 5% or more of the total projected cash flows



# Receivables from affiliates

# Accounting for related party transactions

- Transactions with related parties should be recorded in accordance with their economic substance
- Economic substance of a transaction may differ from its legal form
- **Example:** Making loans or recognizing receivables with no scheduled terms as to when or how the funds will be repaid



# Definition of an asset (Concept Statement No. 6)

Assets are probable future economic benefits obtained or controlled by a particular entity as a result of past transactions or events.

## Three essential characteristics of an asset

- It embodies a probable future benefit that involves a capacity, singly or in combination with other assets, to contribute directly or indirectly to future net cash inflows,
- a particular entity can obtain the benefit and control others' access to it
- the transaction or other event giving rise to the entity's right to or control of the benefit has already occurred

Uncollectible receivables do not qualify as assets

Entity's ability to obtain future economic benefits commonly stems from legal rights

# Reporting related-party receivables

Does the receivable result from a routine and recurring transaction?

Yes

No

Is there evidence of:  
(a) A genuine indebtedness?  
(b) Realizability at the inception of the debt?  
(c) Intent of related party to pay in accordance with scheduled term of the receivable?

Yes

No

Recognize and measure the same as a receivable from unrelated third party

Not an asset. Should be reported based on the substance of the transaction



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