

AR Section 9300

Compilation Reports on Financial Statements Included in Certain Prescribed Forms: Accounting and Review Services Interpretations of Section 300

1. Omission of Disclosures in Financial Statements Included in Certain Prescribed Forms

.01 Question—The accountant may have reviewed financial statements including disclosures required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and be asked to compile financial statements included in a prescribed form which does not request such disclosures. If the measurement principles to be used do not cause the compiled financial statements in the prescribed form to be materially different from the reviewed statements, can the accountant's compilation report on the prescribed form refer to the accountant's report on the reviewed financial statements?

.02 Interpretation—Yes. An accountant who has reviewed the financial statements of a nonissuer may issue a compilation report on financial statements for the same period that are included in a prescribed form that calls for a departure from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. When the difference between the previously reviewed financial statements and the financial statements included in the prescribed form is limited to the omission of disclosures not requested by the form, the accountant may wish to refer to his review report in his report on the compiled financial statements included in the prescribed form. This might be accomplished by adding a sentence such as the following to the introductory paragraph of the report or as a separate paragraph: "These financial statements were compiled by me (us) from financial statements for the same period which I (we) previously reviewed, as indicated in my (our) report dated_____."^[*] The reference to a previous review report should include a description or a quotation of any modifications of the standard review report previously issued and of any paragraphs emphasizing a matter regarding the financial statements.

.03 If the measurement principles used in the compiled financial statements in the prescribed form cause such financial statements to be materially different from the previously reviewed financial statements, no reference should be made to the review engagement.

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^[*] [Footnote deleted, December 2012, to reflect conforming changes necessary due to the issuance of Statement on Standards for Accounting and Review Services No. 19.]