

# New Standards for Revenue Recognition

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Accounting Standards Update (ASU) 2014–09, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers* 

Implementaion

- Overview of the new 5 step process
- Impact on financial statements
- Considerations for 3<sup>rd</sup> party users
- Wrap up and questions

#### **New Revenue Recognition Standard**

Accounting Standards Update (ASU) 2014–09, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers,* will be effective for non–public entities for periods beginning after December 15, 2018.

Core Principal: Recognize revenue to depict the transfer of promised goods or services in an amount that reflects the consideration expected.

Excluded items: Leases, insurance, financial instruments, guarantees, non monetary transactions

#### Implementation

How do we transition?

The FASB allows entities to:

- 1. Apply retrospectively to each prior period, or
- 2. Apply retrospectively with the cumulative effect shown as an adjustment to retained earnings
  - No comparability reflected in the income statement
  - Recognition of revenue utilizing different methods
  - Beginning retained earnings will not agree to prior issued financial statements

#### Expect single year financials for 2019

#### Implementation

- Potential change in timing of revenue recognition
- Capitalization of some upfront costs
- Presentation changes on the financial statements
- Potential impact on common ratios
- Management judgements and estimates will require evaluation for reasonableness

# **5 Steps of Revenue Recognition**

- 1. Identify the contract(s) with the customer
- 2. Identify the performance obligations
- 3. Determine the transaction price
- 4. Allocate the transaction price to the performance obligations in the contract
- 5. Recognize revenue when performance obligations are satisfied

Significant judgement required in all steps!

## Step 1–Identify the Contract(s)

Definition: Agreement between parties that creates enforceable rights and obligations

A contract must meet these criteria:

- 1. Approval and commitment
- 2. Rights
- 3. Payment terms
- 4. Commercial substance
- 5. <u>Probable</u> collection of payment

If a contract does <u>NOT</u> meet these criteria, revenue is recognized essentially on a cash basis.

#### Step 2–Identify Performance Obligations

Definition: A promise with a customer to transfer a <u>distinct</u> good or service

- If distinct, you have separate performance obligations.
  - There can be multiple performance obligations within one contract.
- If <u>not</u> distinct, combine goods and services until the bundle becomes distinct.

#### **Step 3–Determine the Transaction Price**

Definition: Amount of consideration expected to be entitled to from a contract

- Evaluated at each reporting date
- Various methods available
  - Most Likely Value or Expected Value
- Must reflect variable consideration
  - Incentives, penalties, discounts, rebates, refunds, price concessions, products with right of return, etc.

#### **Step 3–Determine the Transaction Price**

Variable Consideration

- May result in items previously reported as costs now being netted in revenues.
  - Penalties, rebates, etc.
- Will likely result in odd contract prices that don't agree to the value stated in the contract.
- Evaluation is necessary to determine whether variable consideration should be allocated to specific performance obligations.

#### **Step 4–Allocate the Transaction Price**

- The transaction price is allocated to separate performance obligations in proportion to the standalone selling price of the promised goods and services.
- Various methods available
  - Adjusted Market or Expected Cost Plus Margin
  - A combination of methods may be used within a single contract for each performance obligation.

#### Step 5-Recognize Revenue When (or as) Performance Obligations are Satisfied

- Revenue is recognized as each performance obligation is satisfied by transferring goods or services to the customer
  - At a point of time (default assumption)
  - Over a period of time (% complete)
- Various methods available
  - Input (Costs incurred or machine hours)
  - Output (Achieved milestones or units produced)
  - If progress cannot be reasonably estimated, recognize at break-even until estimation is possible.

#### Step 5-Recognize Revenue When (or as) Performance Obligations are Satisfied

A good or service is deemed to be transferred when customer obtains <u>control</u>

**Control** of an asset refers to the ability to:

- Direct the use
- Receive substantially all of the remaining benefits
- Prevent other entities from directing the use and receiving the benefits

#### Step 5-Recognize Revenue When (or as) Performance Obligations are Satisfied

- Satisfied over time if any of these apply:
  - The customer simultaneously receives and consumes the benefit, or
  - The performance creates or enhances an asset that the customer controls, or
  - The entity's performance does not create an asset with alternative use to the entity and the entity has an <u>enforceable right to payment</u> for performance completed to date.
    - This language needs to be included in the contract

#### **Contract Modifications**

Definition: Approved change in the scope or the price of a contract that is enforceable

- Does the modification create a separate performance obligation?
  - Yes = separately account for modification
  - No = reevaluate the entire contract
    - Performance obligations
    - Allocation of transaction price

**Contract Assets** – An entity's right to payment for goods or services already transferred to a customer if that right to payment is conditional on something other than the passage of time.

Includes existing account balances

- Costs in Excess of Billings
- Unbilled Receivables

#### Includes new account balances

- Incremental Costs to Obtain a Contract
- Costs to Fulfill a Contract
- Variable Consideration Adjustments

**Contract Assets** – New Account Balances

- Incremental costs to obtain a contract
  - Costs that would not have been incurred if the contract were not obtained
  - Example: sales commission
- Costs to fulfill a contract
  - Costs incurred after the contract is obtained, but before goods or services are transferred
  - Examples: set-up costs, mobilization, bond premiums

**Contract Liabilities** – An entity's obligation to transfer goods or services to a customer.

- Billings in Excess of Costs
- Accrued warranty costs
- Customer deposits
- Refundable consideration

Disclosure requirements are expanded to provide clear information concerning:

- 1. The entity's contracts with its customers
- 2. Significant judgments and changes in judgments
- 3. Any assets recognized from the costs to obtain or fulfill a contract with a customer

## **Considerations for Users**

- Its all about timing! In the end, the same amount of profit is recognized.
- Ratios Consider adjusting benchmarks
  - New current asset items on balance sheet
  - Some costs will be expensed over time rather than when incurred (effect on % complete calculations)
  - Some shifts between costs of good sold and revenue
  - Some revenue might be counted twice or not counted at all in the year of transition

## **Considerations for Users**

#### Common Ratios

- Current ratio (current assets / current liabilities)
- Working capital (current assets current liabilities)
- Gross profit percentage (gross profit / revenues)
- Inventory turnover (COGS / average inventory)
- Accounts receivable turnover (revenues / average receivables)
- Bonding capacity (multiple of equity or working capital)

#### **Revenue Recognition Summary**

- Considerable estimation and judgement in the revenue recognition process
   How will this be evaluated?
- Financial statement presentation changes
   How does this change your process?
- Ratio metrics may need to be adjusted
  Will agreements need to be amended?

Be proactive in discussing the changes with your clients and the impact on your business with them!

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