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MEASURING GOVERNMENT PERFORMANCE IS FOCUS OF GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE

Government financial managers converge on Seattle, WA for two days of knowledge-building

Alexandria, VA. (October 23, 2008) ---- Identifying ways in which federal, state and local governments can become more accountable to the taxpayers they serve is the focus of this year's Association of Government Accountants' (AGA) Performance Management Conference at the Renaissance Seattle Hotel, Seattle, WA, October 27-28, 2008.

The conference, entitled *Promoting Government Accountability through Performance Management*, provides government financial managers with the opportunity to study and debate the matters important to them and hear the perspectives of a number of performance management experts in the industry. Among those who will address the conference are:

- **Robert Attmore, CGFM**, Chair, Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB)
- **Harry P. Hatry**, Principal Research Associate, Urban Institute
- **Paul Posner**, Professor and Director, Master's in Public Administration Program, George Mason University; Former Director of Federal Budget & Intergovernmental Relations, U.S. Government Accountability Office
- **John J. Radford, CGFM, CIA, CFE**, State Comptroller, State of Oregon; Member, AGA National Executive Committee
- **Robert Shea**, Associate Director for Administration and Government Performance, U.S. Office of Management and Budget
- **Brian Sonntag**, State Auditor, State of Washington

In addition to these speakers, the general sessions at the conference will give participants the opportunity to refresh themselves on major issues facing government financial managers, while concurrent sessions will allow them to 'dig deeper' on matters of particular individual interest.

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