

Media Meeting Recap

December 11, 2014

The Private Company Council (PCC) met on Thursday, December 11, 2014. Below is a brief summary of issues addressed by the PCC at the meeting, categorized by project:

- **Definition of a Public Business Entity (Phase 2):** The PCC and FASB discussed the number of definitions of a public entity and related scopes. The PCC asked the FASB staff to analyze the feasibility of using the new definition of a public business entity while still maintaining the existing scope of each respective topic. The PCC will discuss the staff's research at the next PCC meeting.
- **Partnership Accounting:** The PCC and the FASB discussed private company concerns on partnership accounting, specifically relating to pushdown accounting and payments made to partners. The PCC asked the FASB staff to continue their research on partner contributions of non-monetary assets for discussion at a future meeting.
- **Share-Based Compensation:** The PCC shared their views on the FASB's new project on share-based compensation, which was added to the FASB's agenda in October based on input from the PCC in September. The PCC and the FASB specifically discussed private company issues relating to valuation methods and disclosure requirements.

The FASB provided the PCC with an update on its projects on simplifying inventory, business combinations and related issues, definition of a business, liabilities and equity—short term improvements, and accounting for financial instruments.

John Davidson, Vice Chairman of the Financial Accounting Foundation, made comments thanking the PCC members for their commitment to working with the FASB to improve financial reporting, not only for private companies—but also for the wider financial reporting community. He emphasized the PCC's mutual collaboration with the FASB and the importance the PCC places on seeking stakeholder input.

The next PCC meeting will be held on Friday, February 13, 2015. The PCC will host a Private Company Town Hall Meeting on April 28, 2015 at Southern Methodist University in Dallas, TX. More details on the Town Hall Meeting, including registration information, will be available in the coming weeks. For more information on PCC projects, visit the [PCC website](#).

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