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Comprehensive Income

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Other comprehensive income includes gains and losses that are initially excluded from net income for an accounting period. Those gains and losses are later reclassified out of accumulated other comprehensive income into net income.

The amendments in the Update do not change the current requirements for reporting net income or other comprehensive income in financial statements. All of the information that this Update requires already is required to be disclosed elsewhere in the financial statements under U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (U.S. GAAP).

The new amendments will require an organization to:

• Present (either on the face of the statement where net income is presented or in the notes) the effects on the line items of net income of significant amounts

reclassified out of accumulated other comprehensive income-but only if the item

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The amendments apply to all public and private companies that report items of other comprehensive income. Public companies are required to comply with these amendments for all reporting periods (interim and annual). A private company is required to meet the reporting requirements of the amended paragraphs about the roll forward of accumulated other comprehensive income for both interim and annual reporting periods. However, private companies are only required to provide the information about the impact of reclassifications on line items of net income for annual reporting periods, not for interim reporting periods.

"This Update requires preparers to report information on reclassifications out of accumulated other comprehensive income in a format that makes the effects more transparent," said FASB Chairman Leslie F. Seidman. "The Update improves reporting in a manner that enhances reporting for users of financial statements, without imposing significant costs to preparers of financial statements."

The amendments are effective for reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2012, for public companies and are effective for reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2013, for private companies.

A high-level summary of the update is available on the FASB website at www.fasb.org.

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