

# Sample Agenda

## **Advanced Public Utility Accounting**

Recommended CEUs 1.2/PDHs 11/CPEs 12.8 Field of Study: Accounting

All times below are **Eastern Time**.

#### Tuesday, Oct. 19 - Part 1

**Noon** Course Overview, Agenda, Learning Outcomes

Instructor and Participant Introductions

12:45 p.m. Sustainability Accounting Standards and Enhancing Your Utility's Bond Rating

**1:30 p.m.** Break

**1:45 p.m.** The Finance Function in the Utility of the Future

**2:20 p.m.** Allocating Common Utility Costs

2:50 p.m. Daily Wrap-up, Q&A, Evaluation

3:00 p.m. Adjourn

#### Thursday, Oct. 21 - Part 2

**Noon** Introduction

**12:15 p.m.** Introduction to GASB and Financial Reporting

**12:45 p.m.** Governmental Accounting Pronouncements Update

**1:45 p.m.** Break

**2:00 p.m.** Governmental Accounting Pronouncements Update (cont'd.)

**2:50 p.m.** Daily Wrap-up, Q&A, Evaluation

3:00 p.m. Adjourn

#### Tuesday, Oct. 26 - Part 3

**Noon** Last session's Flashback and Recap

**12:15 p.m.** Financial Forecasting Methods

**12:45 p.m.** Using Regulatory Accounting to Manage Your Business

**1:30 p.m.** Break

**1:45 p.m.** Financing Utility Projects

**2:15 p.m.** Establishing Strong Internal Controls to Efficiently Allocate Resources and

**Deter Fraud** 

**2:45 p.m.** Daily Wrap-up, Q&A, Evaluation

**3:00 p.m.** Adjourn

### Tuesday, Nov. 2 - Part 4

**Noon** Last session's Flashback and Recap

**12:15 p.m.** Accounting for Pensions and Other postemployment benefits

**1:00 p.m.** Accounting for Asset Retirement Obligations and Asset Impairments

**1:45 p.m.** Break

**2:00 pm** Accounting for Asset Retirement Obligations and Asset Impairments (cont.)

**2:15 p.m.** Financial Statement Analysis

**2:45 p.m.** Daily Wrap-up, Q&A, Evaluation

**3:00 p.m.** Course Adjourns



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Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to successfully:

- 1. Explain the foundation of utility accounting theory
- 2. Use benchmarks and key performance indicators in measuring utility financial performance
- 3. Discuss the make-up of financial statements
- 4. Understand the impact of a strong bond rating on utility cash flows
- 5. Analyze the impact of current technology and trends on the utility of the future
- 6. Define the latest GASB standards and explain how they should be implemented in the financial statements
- 7. Implement accounting standards to operate your utility's business model
- 8. Apply regulatory accounting to various situations for rate recovery from ratepayers
- 9. Identify utility financing tools and the importance of managing capitalization
- 10. Explain the framework for establishing strong internal controls
- 11. Complete your update of the latest GASB standards
- 12. Assess financial statements for correct disclosures, adequacy of cash flows and how to determine if rate increases are needed