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## GPO AUTHENTICATES FEDERAL BUDGET BY DIGITAL SIGNATURE

WASHINGTON—The U.S. Government Printing Office (GPO) authenticates the first-ever online Federal Budget by digital signature. The visible digital signature on an online PDF document serves the same purpose as handwritten signatures or traditional wax seals on printed documents. This signature assures the public that the document has not been changed or altered. A digital signature, viewed through the GPO Seal of Authenticity, verifies the document's integrity and authenticity.

“It is important in today's digital world to assure the public that their documents are authentic and have not been altered in any way,” said Public Printer Bob Tapella. “I am proud that GPO employees have taken the lead in this new online security technology and authenticated the E-Budget.”

OMB Director Jim Nussle and Public Printer Bob Tapella view the first digital authentication of the Federal Budget. Link to photo: <http://www.gpo.gov/news/images/index.html>

Link to GPO authentication seal: <http://www.gpo.gov/news/images/index.html>

Link to more information on authentication: <http://origin.www.gpoaccess.gov/authentication/>

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