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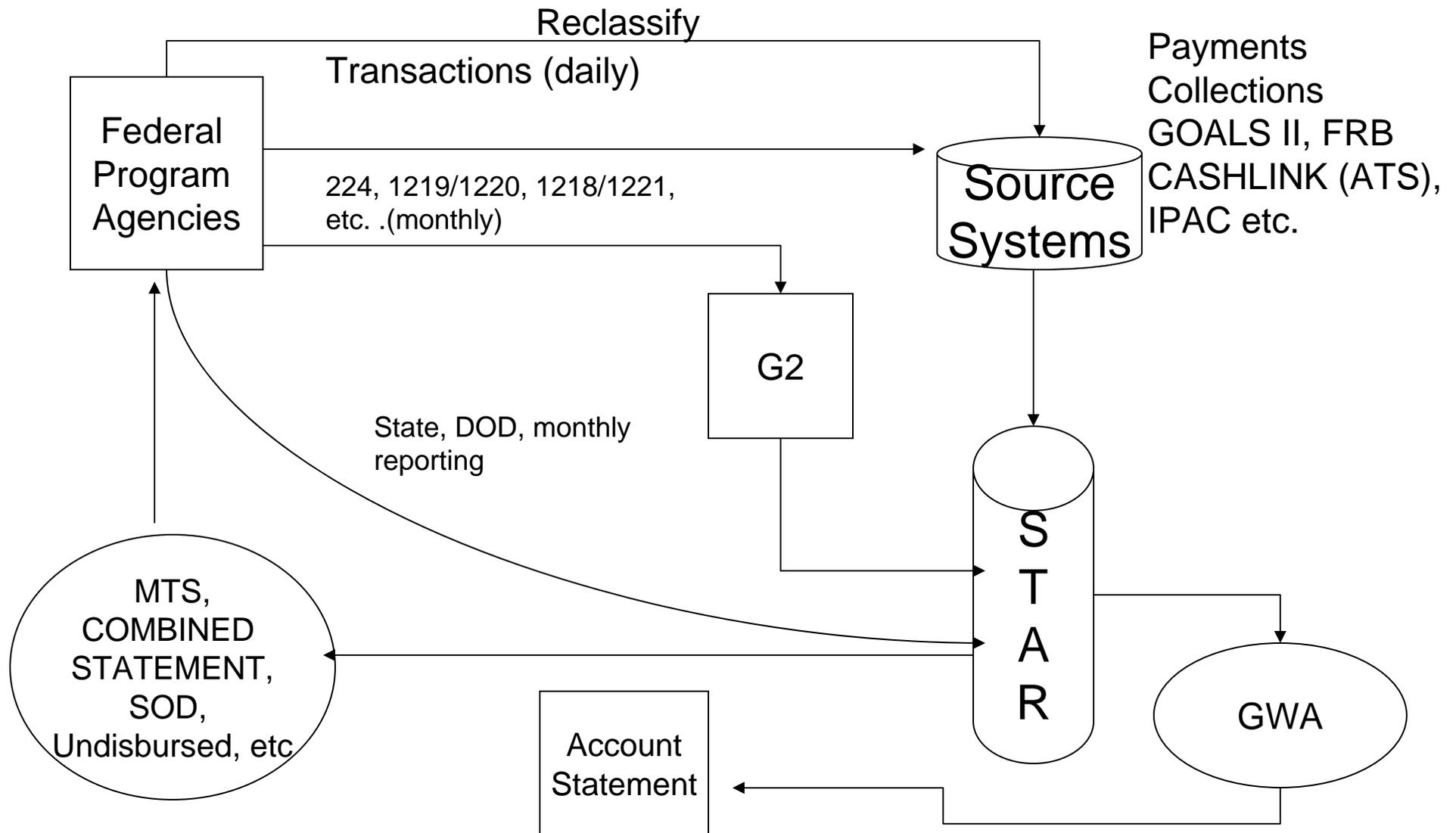
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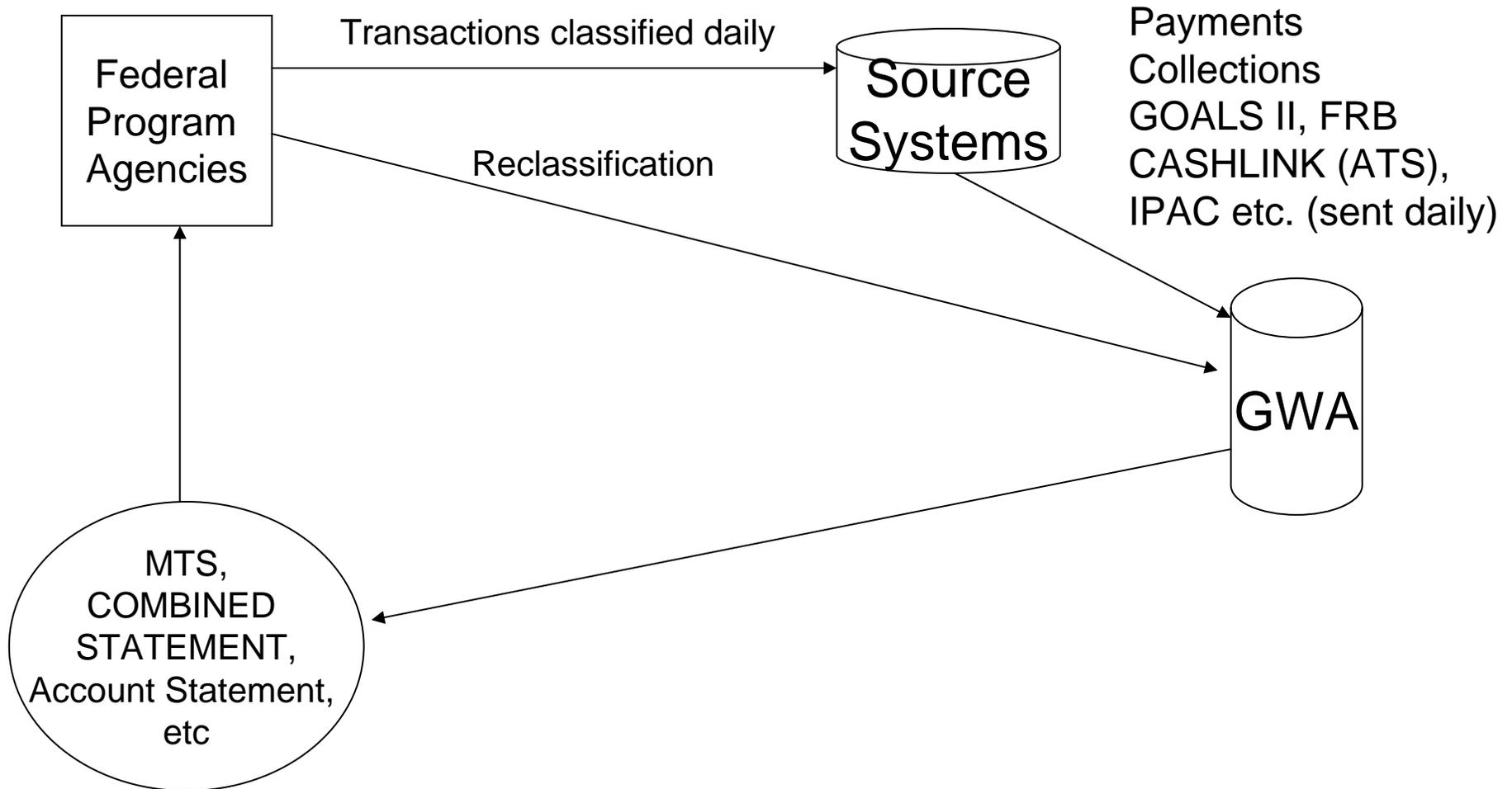**February 27, 2008**

What are the GWA Modernization's goals?

- **Massive redesign of Federal Government Central Accounting process**

- **Affects every federal agency; (domestic and foreign)**

- **Changes over 40 years of agency business practices**

- **Eliminate the two step classification process**

- **Capture the Treasury Account Symbol (TAS) and Business Event Type Code (BETC) at the earliest possible time for agency payment, collection and intragovernmental transactions and post directly to the fund balance with Treasury**

- **Eliminate redundant reporting and time-consuming reconciliations**

Current Reporting Flow

GOVERNMENTWIDE ACCOUNTING & REPORTING

gwa Modernization

Reclassify Transactions (daily)

Federal Program Agencies

224, 1219/1220, 1218/1221, etc. .(monthly)

Payments Collections GOALS II, FRB CASHLINK (ATS), IPAC etc.

Source Systems

G2

State, DOD, monthly reporting

S T A R

MTS, COMBINED STATEMENT, SOD, Undisbursed, etc

Account Statement

GWA

Future GWA Reporting Flow

GOVERNMENTWIDE ACCOUNTING & REPORTING
gwa
Modernization

Federal Program Agencies

Transactions classified daily →

Reclassification

Source Systems

Payments
Collections
GOALS II, FRB
CASHLINK (ATS),
IPAC etc. (sent daily)

GWA

MTS, COMBINED STATEMENT, Account Statement, etc

Major Accomplishments

- Account Statement, the foundation to provide agencies real time FBWT

- Automated workflow processing of non=expenditure transactions – previously a manual paper process

- Ability to classify IPAC transactions and a limited number of payment transactions at the time of the transaction – eliminating Statement of Differences and monthly transaction reporting for these transactions

- Finalized the Treasury Account Symbol (TAS) and Business Event Type Code (BETC) formats that comply with the Common Government-wide Accounting Classification (CGAC)

GWA Reporter Implementation Strategy

- **Bring on the maximum number of agencies as soon as possible**
    - **Implement feeder mechanisms as soon as systems are capable**
        - **IPAC, Collections, Payments**
    - **Develop tools to assist in implementation (SAM, Account Statement)**

- **Provide tools to agencies to phase in GWA processing**
    - **P224 provides for reclassification capability by using only section I of the 224**
    - **Ability to turn off sections of the P224**

- **Use an incremental approach to allow for efficient planning and scheduling of resource utilization and testing in manageable parts**

Agencies Concerns

- **Agencies' systems are complex, customized, and agencies need time to identify the changes**

- **Differing amounts of time and money needed for system changes**

- **Need more information**

- **Need direction and guidance on dates**

Solutions

- **Created Pilot Accounting Issue Resolution team (PAIR)**
  - **Representative from various areas within FMS involved with the GWA Reporting process**

- **Developed GWA Reporter package**

- **Increased agency outreach meetings and conferences**

- **Planned quarterly GWAMP Partnership Council meeting**

- **Developed sorting functions and storing capability within IPAC to narrow down the TAS/BETC* combinations**

- **Direction from Treasury/OMB**

Why Become A GWA Reporter early?

- Reduced end of month reporting
  - No more FMS 224!

- Improved reconciliation processing
  - Federal program agencies know the information to classify transactions at the point the transaction is initiated

- Most current Fund Balance With Treasury (FBWT) available

- Improved turnaround on processed data
  - Development is underway for GWA to provide GWA Reporters with Treasury Account Symbol/Business Event Type Code (TAS/BETC) information on the Account Statement and to have the data available immediately on the Account Statement

- GWAMP resources available to assist
  - As we roll out the GWA Reporting process to federal program agencies, the GWAMP team will have limited availability to work one on one with an agency as we currently do

What should my agency be doing to prepare?

- **Set up your Trading Partner Agreement (TPA) with your customers**

- **Communicate with your trading partners**

- **Modify your accounting systems to provide and accept TAS/BETC on IPAC transactions**

- **Work with Shared Accounting Module (SAM) implementation team to set up profiles/default rules**

- **Contact FMS to become a GWA Reporter**

GWA Reporting Process

- **Preparation Phase**
  - **Meet with agency to discuss agency specific reporting procedures and possible changes**
  - **Exchange contact information, access IDs, system requirements/changes**
  - **Obtain access to GWA applications**
  - **Establish SAM access and default rules/profile**
  - **Establish Trading Partner Agreements (TPA) with business partners identifying the correct TAS/BETC* information to place on IPAC transactions**
  - **Decide date to begin Parallel Reporting phase**
  - **Sign Memorandum of Understanding (Payments only - limited)**

*Visit our website http://fms.treas.gov/gwa/ref_guidance.html for TAS/BETC code information

Parallel Reporting Phase

- **Agency**
    - **Reports IPAC transactions with TAS/BETC information**
    - **Continues to report IPAC transactions on monthly FMS 224**
    - **Continues to talk with their trading partner to solve transaction and classification discrepancies**
- **GWA**
    - **Compares data as entered through IPAC and the FMS 224**
    - **Meets with agency to discuss data discrepancies**
    - **Verifies that an agency's SOD is zero**
    - **Agree on GWA Reporter implementation date**

GWA Reporting Process

GWA Reporter Implementation Phase

- **Agency**
  - **No more FMS 224!**
  - **No more SOD!**
  - **No more dial in!**
  - **If necessary, agencies reclassify IPAC transactions on Section 1 of P224**

- **GWA**
  - **GWA reports IPAC transactions with TAS/BETC classification for agency**
  - **Provide financial data to agency**

Payment GWA Reporters*

Current Payment GWA Reporters
- 15100445 **Department of Justice, Bureau of Prisons**
- 12360000 **Commodity Credit Corp.**

Upcoming Payment GWA Reporters
- 95670001 **Denali Commission**
- 89000004 **Department of Energy, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC)**
- 20184904 **TOP Control System (TCS)**

* As of February 2008

IPAC GWA Reporters*

Current IPAC GWA Reporters
- 04000002 **Government Printing Office (GPO)**
- 20096500 **Department of Treasury, Internal Revenue Service (IRS)**
- 20150031 **Department of Treasury, Financial Management Service (FMS)**
- 20552002 **Department of Treasury, Bureau of Public Debt (BPD)**
- 89000004 **Department of Energy, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC)**
- 11030001 **Executive Office of the President**
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Upcoming IPAC GWA Reporters

- 15100900 **Department of Justice, Bureau of Prisons**
- 20091800 **Department of Treasury, IRS Service Center (Pilot – 3/08)**
- 47000016 **and** 47000017* **General Services Administration**
- 70230001 **Department of Homeland Security, Coast Guard (spring)**
- 70301513 **Department of Homeland Security, Immigrations and Customs Enforcement**
- 72000011 **Agency for International Development (Pilot – 4/08) (50 ALCs)**
- 97000005 **Defense Intelligence Agency (Pilot – 3/08)**
- 20090000 **Department of Treasury, IRS Service Centers (9 additional)**
- 20550865 **Department of Treasury, Bureau of Public Debt (BPD) (Pilot - 3/08**

* As of February 2008
* Contingent on FMS approval

Current IPAC GWA Reporting Scenarios

Scenario Sender/Receiver	Sender TAS	Sender BETC	Receiver TAS	Receiver BETC
Non Reporter/Non Reporter	Required			
Reporter/Non Reporter	Required	Required		
Non Reporter/Reporter	Required		Required	Required
Reporter/Reporter	Required	Required	Required	Required

TAS

- Acronym for Treasury Account Symbol, TAS refers to the receipt, appropriation, and other fund account symbols and titles as assigned by the Department of the Treasury.

- Format Standardization - move towards TAS component pieces, supports CGAC

- Elimination of Standard Subclasses – replaced by BETC.
    - Example: Subclass "88" replaced by BETC "INVTSEC"
    - "(88)20x1234" replaced by "20x1234 INVTSEC"

- Former Subclass field renamed to "Sub-level Prefix" – only used for programmatic breakdowns of the TAS for Treasury publication purposes; have a unique meaning or unique need for sub-classification that is NOT based on transaction types or business events.
    - Example: Sub-level prefix "15" on 20x8005 represents "Refunds of Taxes"
    - Sub-level prefix "16" on 20x8005 represents "Admin Expenses"
    - Both sub-level prefixes of this TAS have same business event of DISB, but are presented on different tables of the Monthly Treasury Statement

What are the TAS Changes?

- Expansion of Dept Agency Codes – from 2 to 3
    - Current 2 digit department codes will be right justified and zero filled
    - Standardized names: From "Dept Regular" to "Agency Identifier"
    - From "Dept Transfer" to "Allocation Transfer Agency Identifier"

- Expansion of Fiscal Year –
    - String-based GWA TAS expands FY to 2 characters;
      Multi-year is 5 characters (2 years separated with a slash)
    - Component-based GWA TAS expands FY to 4 characters each
      Beginning FY and Ending FY each have separate fields
      Alpha characters (X, F) are also in separate field

String TAS Format

Description of Data Element within the string	Example
The **Sub-level Prefix** (if populated) is the first two characters of the TAS separated from the rest of the TAS by parenthesis. The Sub-level Prefix represents a programmatic breakdown of the account for Treasury publication purposes.	(01)
The Agency Identifier - Treasury Agency Code of the Agency Owner.	(01)14
If authority for the Account has been transferred from the Agency Owner to another agency, the Agency Owner will move to the third element of the TAS. The Co-Owner will move to the second position immediately before the Agency Owner, separated by a hyphen.	(01)14-11
The Fiscal Year, if presented, will contain a **two-character year field**, a five character multi-year field (two years separated with a '/'), or a single alpha character.	(01)14-11X (01)14-1101 (01)14-1101/02
The Main Account Number represents the type of Fund and the purpose of the account within that Fund.	(01)14-11X0300
The Sub-Account Symbol Identifies an available receipt or other Treasury-defined subdivision of the main account. Valid ranges are 1 - 999 and are presented immediately following the Main Account Number separated by a '.'. There will be **no leading zeroes** in this field.	(01)14-11X0300.1

* This format is to be used in IPAC only. Serves as temporary standard format until Component format is implemented.

Component TAS Format

Field Name and Description	Size	Example
Sub-level Prefix - if populated, is a programmatic breakdown of the account for Treasury publication purposes. If Sub-level Prefix does not apply, it shall be two spaces.	2	01
Allocation Transfer Agency Identifier - the agency identifier of the agency receiving funds through an allocation transfer. If Department Transfer does not apply, it shall be spaces. Current 2 digit department codes will be right justified and zero filled.	3	011
Agency Identifier – Agency Identifier of the Account Owner. Current 2 digit department codes will be right justified and zero filled.	3	014
Beginning Period of Avail – In annual and multiyear accounts, identifies the first year of availability under law that an appropriation account may incur new obligations. If single/annual year account, shall be same as Ending Period of Avail. No X or F accounts.	4	2001 2001
Ending Period of Avail - In annual and multi-year funds, identifies the last year of funds availability under law that an appropriation account may incur new obligations.	4	2001 2002
Availability Type Code – Identifies no-year "X" accounts, suspense/clearing "F" accounts, Treasury's Central Summary General Ledger "A" account, and merged-surplus "M" accts.	1	X
Main Account - represents the type of Fund and the purpose of the account within that Fund.	4	0300
Sub-Account - Identifies an available receipt or other Treasury-defined subdivision of the main account	3	001

- Acronym for Business Event Type Code, BETC refers to an 8-character code that indicates the type of activity being reported (e.g. receipt, disbursement, etc.)

- BETC determines the transaction effect on the Treasury Account Symbol's Fund Balance with Treasury

- BETC replaces transaction codes and standard sub-classes but at a more intuitive level of detail.

Sample BETC

Code	Activity	Transaction affect on TAS	Trans Code	Sub Class
DISB	Gross Disbursement	D (decrease)	61	--
COLL	Offsetting Collection	C (increase)	71	--
INVTSEC	Investment in Treasury Securities	D (decrease)	61	88
REDTSEC	Redemption of Treasury Securities	C (increase)	71	98

- Currently only displaying TAS/BETCs for IPAC
    on GWA Website www.fms.treas.gov/gwa/ref_guidance.html
- Future will display TAS/BETCs for other interfacing systems
- Future will be SAM downloads

Contact Information

GWA Reporter implementation is now underway.

Become a GWA Reporter early!

Please visit our website www.fms.treas.gov for GWA Reporting information including TAS/BETC information, a trading partner agreement template, and other pertinent information.

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