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GPO INTRODUCES NEW eLEARNING TOOL FOR FEDERAL DEPOSITORY LIBRARIES

WASHINGTON—The U.S. Government Printing Office (GPO) has a new eLearning tool that allows the agency to conduct virtual trainings and host virtual meetings with members of the Federal Depository Library Program (FDLP). GPO attained this tool through a competitive procurement and can now provide libraries with training on GPO's Federal Digital System (FDsys), a one-stop site to authentic, published Government information. In turn, libraries across the country can help the American public use FDsys to access information on the three branches of the Federal Government. This tool also allows GPO to customize training for specific audiences, record the training for future use, and enhance training with online discussions. In April, GPO conducted three virtual trainings using the eLearning tool and received positive feedback. Through the FDLP, GPO partners with 1,200 libraries nationwide to provide the public with free access to Government information in both print and digital formats.

"With our rapidly changing digital environment, it is important that we provide the Federal depository library community with eLearning opportunities," said Superintendent of Documents Mary Alice Baish. "Through this tool, GPO can equip libraries with the necessary training to help their communities access authentic, published Government information."

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