Funds Management Derivation Rules

## General

The Funds Management module contains a derivation tool (FMDERIVER) to set up rules to link certain FM master data elements so an end user does not have to manually enter all data for a transaction. For example, a derivation rule can be set up so that once a transaction is entered into GFEBS, other master data fields are automatically populated. Derivation rules determine what spending occurs against what GFEBS budget address and are stored in a derivation table.

Derivation rules improve efficiency and accuracy, thereby reducing the level of effort on staff initiating funding transactions. For example, a staff member responsible for purchasing transactions does not need to know the complete budget address to have a purchase charged to the proper budget address. In other words, the staff member does not need to know the Funds Center or Cost Center group; only the Cost Center name or code (i.e., Company A) needs to be entered.

## Use Case Examples

The most frequently used case is also the simplest. A range of Cost Centers can spend against a single Funds Center. The system maintains these Cost Center ranges to Fund Center assignments in the derivation table.

In more complex cases, a FMDERIVER rule can be created to evaluate Fund Center and Funded Program values to identify a unique budget address/line of accounting.

In the most complex case, a combination of Funds Center, Functional Area, and Funded Program is used to identify a unique budget address/line of accounting.