

**U.S. Department of Education - Student Financial Assistance
Executive Summary Worksheet
For the Period July 1, 2001 through September 30, 2001**

				D I F F E R E N C E S			
	Time Period	DCMS	FMSS	Total	Timing	Non-Material	Material
Perkins	<i>July - September</i>	\$ (1,207,059.76)	\$ (1,041,664.83)	\$ (165,394.93)	\$ (167,436.17)	\$ 2,041.24	
Pell	<i>July - September</i>	\$ 1,036,710.25	\$ 996,957.13	\$ 39,753.12	\$ 39,753.12		
FISL	<i>July - September</i>	\$ (5,163,449.31)	\$ (4,993,280.05)	\$ (170,169.26)	\$ (170,169.26)		
FFEL	<i>July - September</i>	\$ (37,475,473.48)	\$ (29,111,539.97)	\$ (8,363,933.51)	\$ (7,803,343.88)	\$ (30,942.27)	\$ (529,647.36) 3
Notes:							
1	The Debt Collection Management System and the Financial Management Service System differ in their basis for assigning positive and negative signs. DCMS is a transaction based system, where inflows are assigned a positive value and outflows are assigned negative values. On the other hand, FMSS is an accounting based system, where debits are positive and credits are negative. For this reason, the system balances are not comparable. This applies to the entire worksheet.						
2	For purposes of this Executive Summary, the DCMS' and FMSS' collections and write-offs totals are both reflected as negative amounts. In DCMS these totals are generally reflected as positive amounts and in FMSS as negative amounts. Because DCMS is a transaction code based system, it recognizes most transactions as positive amounts, except for reversals. FMSS is an accounting based system that reflects collections and write-offs as negative amounts (credits) versus positive amounts (debits).						
3	This difference represents accrual adjustment transactions (69) totaling \$264,823.68 that were incorrectly posted as debits versus credits to FMSS, therefore causing a total difference of \$529,647.36. This appears to be a system crosswalk problem between DCMS and FMSS, which Dale King is in the process of confirming.						
4	Financial Information System (FIS) accrual transactions are currently being posted to DCMS, but not to FMSS. By not posting these accruals to FMSS, asset balances in FMSS may be materially understated. For Pell, Perkins and FISL programs the amounts are immaterial, but for FFEL it totals \$48,414,406.00. According to Dale King, it was a past management decision to post these transactions to DCMS, but not to FMSS. It is our recommendation that management revisit this decision and make a determination on whether or not to continue this practice. We believe the balances in the two systems should agree, except for timing differences.						