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American Academy of Actuaries Senior Pension Fellow Todisco Selected as Chief Actuary of the GAO

WASHINGTON – 22 Nov. 2010 – Frank Todisco, the **American Academy of Actuaries** senior pension fellow, will become the chief actuary of the U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO) beginning Jan. 3, 2011. The American Academy of Actuaries announced today that Todisco will step down from the senior pension fellow position on Nov. 24.

"Frank Todisco has been a remarkable champion of responsible public policy from an actuarial perspective and tremendously effective as the American Academy of Actuaries' voice on pension and retirement security issues here in Washington," said **Mary Frances Miller**, the Academy's president. "I know that Frank will continue to advance the public interest through his work at the GAO. While Frank's expertise will be missed at the Academy, we are delighted that our colleague has been selected for this prestigious post."

Miller took the opportunity of Todisco's selection to note the importance of the work of government actuaries and to reinforce the American Academy of Actuaries' strong support of the vital service they provide the American people through their objective actuarial expertise.

"The work of the public sector actuaries at the federal agencies and the states is of the utmost importance," she said. "There may be times when we may not agree on everything, but we will support their ability to exercise their actuarial responsibilities to the public in a timely and unbiased manner so that they can freely inform decision makers of the consequences of public policies. The Academy will continue to stand behind government actuaries in this regard."

The American Academy of Actuaries will commence a search to fill the position. A position description with applicant instructions is available at:

http://www.actuary.org/staff/pdf/2010 Senior Pension Fellow of the Academy.pdf

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