



EX.030.031 – PROCESSING EXPENSES – POSTING LIABILITIES

Purpose	 To identify the purpose of the Posting Liabilities process. To define how to populate the Expenses Processes request parameters page with current transactions. To identify what the system does when posting expense report liabilities. To identify what the system does when posting liabilities for a cash advance.
Description	The Post Liabilities process creates the accounting lines for expense transactions used to generate journals for posting to the General Ledger. The Post Liabilities process uses the EXACCRUAL Journal Template defined in the Business Unit 2 tab for the Expenses Business Unit Definition. If the institution uses Commitment Control, all transactions must have a Valid budget status to be eligible for the Post Liabilities process. If users post the liabilities for an expense report and then discover that they need to change the accounting entries, users can unpost the expense report. For more information, see EX.020.205 — Unposting an Lyposting an Expense Report and EX.020.206 — Updating an Unposted Expense Report for instructions on editing the unposted expense report. - Use the Refresh button to populate the Expenses Processes request parameters page with current transactions.
Security Role	BOR_EX_BATCH_PRC
Dependencies/ Constraints	None
Additional Information	When the system posts expense report liabilities, it debits actual expenses to the ChartFields designated on the Expense Report – Accounting Detail page. The expense system then generates an offsetting credit to the expenses accrual account specified in the Accounting Entry Template.





When posting liabilities for a cash advance paid from a cash advance source that generates a payment, the system debits the advance to the employee advance account and credits the expenses accrual account.

When posting liabilities for a cash advance paid from a cash advance source that does not generate a payment, the system debits the advance to the Employee Advances account designated in the Accounting Entry Template. The expense system then creates an offsetting credit to the ChartFields that were selected when the cash advance source was created.

Procedure

Below are step by step instructions on how to run the Post Liabilities process.

Step	Action
1.	Click the NavBar icon.
2.	Click the Navigator link.
3.	Click the Travel and Expenses link.
4.	Click the Process Expenses link.
5.	Click the Expense Processing link.
6.	If you have previously saved Run Control IDs, you may use the Find an Existing Value Tab to search for a listing of these values. If this is the first time you have set-up a run control for your ID, or you need to add a new Run Control ID, you must use the Add a New Value tab.
7.	Once the Main Expense Processing page loads you are presented with the following pop up message: "Due to Security setup, please select Business Unit before running any process. (10502,395) User level ID security was setup by Business Unit. You must select any Business Unit by clicking on Business Unit prompt button in "Selected Business Units" tab."
8.	Click OK
9.	Click the Selected Business Unit Tab
10.	Enter your Business Unit in the Business Unit field





Step	Action
11.	Click Save
12.	Click the Expense Processing Tab
13.	Click the Refresh button
14.	Click the Post Liabilities checkbox.
15.	Click the Save button.
16.	When posting expense report liabilities, the system debits actual expenses to the ChartFields designated on the Expense Report - Accounting Detail page. The expense system then generates an offsetting credit to the expenses accrual account that you specified in the Accounting Entry Template.
	For example, here are the results if you post airfare and hotel expenses: • Debit: Airfare = 450 USD, Hotel = 100 USD • Credit: Expenses Accrual = (550) USD
17.	When posting liabilities for a cash advance paid from a cash advance source that generates a payment, the system debits the advance to the employee advance account and credits the expenses accrual account. Users specify both accounts in the accounting entry template. For example, here are the results if you post a cash advance that generates a payment:
	 Debit: Employee Advances = 500 USD Credit: Expenses Accrual = (500) USD
18.	When posting liabilities for a cash advance paid from a cash advance source that <i>does not</i> generate a payment, the system debits the advance to the Employee Advances account designated in the Accounting Entry Template. The expense system then creates an offsetting credit to the ChartFields selected when the cash advance source was created.
	For example, here are the results if you post a cash advance that does not generate a payment:
	 Debit: Employee Advances = 500 USD Credit: Traveler's Checks Payable = (500) USD
19.	The Post Liabilities process generates new accounting entries when an employee pays an outstanding cash advance balance.
	 Debit: Reconciled Cash Advance = 500 USD Credit: System check = (500) USD





Step	Action
20.	Click the Run button to begin the post liabilities process.
21.	The Process List section on this page displays information concerning the process you are running.
	The checkbox in the Select column should be checked to indicate to run this process (EX_TRAN_PRCS).
22.	Click the OK button.
23.	Click the Process Monitor link.
24.	Notice the number in the Instance column of the Process List section. This is a unique Process Instance number which can help you identify this specific process if you need to return to it later.
25.	The Run Status should display "Success" and the Distribution Status should display "Posted" when the process has successfully been completed. You may need to click the Refresh button several times, depending on the process speed.
26.	Click the Refresh button.
27.	The Run Status should display "Success" and the Distribution Status should display "Posted" when the process has successfully been completed. If values other than these appear, you should investigate this process to determine its status and/or reason for failure.
28.	For more information about the process, click the Details link.
29.	Click any of the hyperlinked text items in the Actions section for additional information on this process.
30.	Click the OK button.
31.	Click the Go back to Expense Transactions link.
32.	Review the transactions that are listed in the Post Liabilities row. If the process ran successfully, there should be zeros in both the Expense Reports and Cash Advances columns.