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SIMPLE WAYS TO AVOID ACCOUNTING PROBLEMS By: ROBERT KLUTHO, CPA

Many small organizations rely on a few key people. Unfortunately, when a key person leaves the organization, the accounting systems sometimes fall apart. To avoid this from happening in your organization, you might consider the following:

- Make sure the accounting system is backed up daily.
- Develop an accounting procedures manual for all key functions.
- Crosstrain your employees using the accounting procedures manual to verify it is accurate and complete.
- Keep current on all balance sheet account reconciliations.
- Spread the work among the accounting department to prevent too much reliance on one person.
- Try to run your accounting system as the software company intends it to run. This will reduce the reliance on a key employee's knowledge.

These simple steps will go a long way in preventing an accounting disaster when a key employee unexpectedly leaves your organization.



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