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HOW MUNIPOINTS HELPED ACCOUNTING RESEARCHERS

Get Accurate Data, Faster

Accounting researchers discovered MuniPOINTS offered a better way to source muni bond data without all the time-consuming document collection and scrubbing.

When academic researchers needed “use of proceeds data” for their municipal bond study, the last thing they wanted to do was sift through stacks of Official Statements for it. With the deadline to publish their research paper fast approaching, they discovered MuniPOINTS could help them get the detailed data they needed and do so more efficiently.

BEYOND EMMA

A university-based accounting researcher and her co-author needed “use of proceeds” and other text-based data from Official Statements (OS) for their municipal bond research paper. They knew, in theory, they could download all the OS documents from EMMA and pull out all the detailed information they needed.

This approach, however, would have burned up precious time and added considerable manual effort to the project. With their publication deadline approaching, they wanted to find a more efficient way to extract the data.

While at a conference hosted by the Chicago Fed, the researchers discovered DPC DATA had already done the work for them. Via DPC’s MuniPOINTS solution, the researchers could get exactly the dataset they needed for the bonds they wanted to analyze.

MORE CONFIDENCE IN THE DATA

“The MuniPOINTS data gave us a much more efficient path by providing detailed “use of proceeds data” that was more precise than the broad categories we had been relying on before,” said the lead researcher. “We were more confident in the data. We were able to spend less time on hand-collecting it and more time on the research itself.”

The researchers were also impressed with the DPC DATA team. “My co-author and I really appreciated how willing they were to talk to us. We learned a lot and we appreciated their expertise in this space and their appreciation for research,” said the lead researcher.

And finally, she noted, “I would definitely encourage academics to get familiar with what DPC DATA has and keep them in mind before embarking on a resource-intensive hand-collection effort. They have already collected a lot of data that academics think they have to go and assemble themselves.”

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