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## IN-YEAR REPORTING, CASH ASSESSMENT AND PRE-AUDIT RETURNS

### 1. PURPOSE

This Circular intends to provide further communication and guidance to municipalities and municipal entities in the Western Cape on the In-Year Monitoring reporting requirements as stipulated in the Municipal Finance Act (56 of 2003) (MFMA) and Municipal Budgets and Reporting Regulations (MBRR). The circular must be read in conjunction with Western Cape Treasury Circular 48 of 2012 dated 2 November 2012, Western Cape Treasury Circular 10 of 2013, and relevant National Treasury Reporting Circulars and Regulations.

#### 2. **REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**

#### a) **Budget Verification**

National Treasury publishes municipal budget information annually which informs the Medium Term Budget Policy Statement (MTBPS). Hence it is imperative that all electronic returns must upload onto the local government database by the 30 September annually.

This process is done in order to compile a credible baseline for the monitoring of in-year performance and reporting to Parliament and other relevant stakeholders. In essence the required reporting schedules submitted to National and Provincial Treasury must reconcile with the Annual Financial statements and the annual budget return forms.

#### b) LG database input forms

Municipalities are still required to complete and submit the annual and monthly input forms (i.e. OSB, CA, CFB, OSA, CAA, CFA, CA, AD, etc.) which are the returns utilised for the uploading of the forms on the National Treasury Local Government database.

#### c) C-Schedule Reporting

The MBRR section 28 requires all municipalities to submit monthly budget statements of a municipality in the format specified in Schedule C and must include all the tables, charts and explanatory information. To this end Provincial Treasury noted some municipalities omitted to provide information in the C-schedules on material variances from the year-to-date budget projections or Service Delivery Implementation Plan (SDBIP). Municipalities are further required to report on remedial corrective measures to be taken to ensure the revenue and expenditure projections remain within the municipality's approved budget.

### d) Capital commitments

Municipalities are required from the 01 July 2014 to include all outstanding capital commitments as part of the Financial Management Report under capital expenditure section. Capital spending remains an area of concern and reporting of capital commitments against the budget provides a more accurate view to monitor performance.

# e) Reporting on Cash And Cash Equivalents; Investments And Long Term Borrowing in Municipalities

Municipalities are required to submit the required returns and documentation in line with MFMA Circular No 67 and Western Cape PT Circular 10 of 2013 as the Provincial Treasury will review compliance/conformance, credibility of the IYM reporting, and the cash/sustainability of the municipality and make recommendations in this regard.

The following documentations are required by the  $10^{th}$  working day each month:

- Monthly bank reconciliation
- Copy of the first (stamped) and last page of the monthly bank statement for the month reflecting the closing balance
- Commitments against cash and cash equivalents as outline in Western Cape PT Circular 10 of 2013
- Detailed investment report inclusive of detail on funds invested with Fund Managers
- Borrowing Report
- An extract of the trail balances from the general ledger

#### f) Pre-audit returns (P13): 31 August to 30 November

Once the Annual Financial Statements have been prepared by 31 August, municipalities are required to submit these pre-audited figures to the Local Government database as well as the Provincial Treasury.

OSAA	Statement of Financial Performance Audited
CAAA	Capital Acquisition Audited
CFAA	Cash Flow Audited
BSA	Balance Sheet Audited
ACA	Audited Ageing Creditor Figures
ADA	Audited Ageing Debtor Figures

### 3. CONCLUSION

As informed by the relevant legislation and circulars mentioned above Provincial Treasury will monitor the reporting requirements, and in cases of no, partial or unreliable reporting will be regarded as non-compliance to the legislation in this regard letters on non-compliance will be issued to such municipalities, whilst also copying National Treasury, AGSA and other relevant stakeholders.

Yours faithfully

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