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# 2011/12 FINANCIAL YEAR INTERIM ARRANGEMENT: GUIDANCE ON THE ACCOUNTING AND DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS OF DAILY TARIFF EXPENDITURE RELATING TO PERMANENTLY ALLOCATED GOVERNMENT GARAGE VEHICLES

#### **PURPOSE**

- 1. To inform accounting officers and chief financial officers of Departments and the Provincial Parliament of the following:
- 1.1 The requirement to disclose the expenditure on daily tariffs for permanently allocated GG vehicles incurred in the 2011/12 financial year;
- 1.2 The requirement to disclose operational lease commitments for permanently allocated GG vehicles in the 2011/12 AFS.
- 1.3 The requirement to disclose the related party relationship between the department and GMT in terms of the Departmental Financial Reporting Framework Guide.
- 1.4 The requirement to maintain a schedule of GG Vehicles permanently allocated to your department, including the daily tariff per vehicle.

## **BACKGROUND**

- 2. PT Circular 30 of 2011 dated 29 June 2011 was issued, providing departments and the Provincial Parliament with guidance on the disclosure requirements for the permanently allocated GG vehicles in the 2010/11 AFS.
- 3. A permanently allocated vehicle is defined as follows: It is a vehicle that only the user department can use as allocated. No other department is allowed to use permanent allocated vehicles which have been allocated to a specific department.
- 4. A pool vehicle is defined as being a vehicle that is not permanently allocated to a user department. These vehicles are rented out to departments for a short period of time and are explicitly identified in the arrangement between GMT and the user department.
- 5. The daily tariff is charged by GMT over the life cycle of the vehicles which is based on the replacement cost of the vehicle. User departments pay a kilometer tariff based on the class of vehicle involved that covers the maintenance and running costs of the fleet.

#### BASIS OF ACCOUNTING AND DISCLOSURE PRINCIPLES

- 6. In the 2010/11 AFS, it was agreed with the AGSA that the daily tariff expenditure related to permanently allocated GG vehicles of departments and the Provincial Parliament would be classified as operating lease expenditure and the related operating lease commitments disclosed as such. To maintain consistency, with the previous financial year, the daily tariff expenditure of permanently allocated GG vehicles of departments and the Provincial Parliament must be classified as operating leases in the 2011/12 financial year.
- 7. Daily tariff expenditure for permanent allocated vehicles must be allocated to the SCOA item: operating lease expenditure for 2011/12. GMT has been requested to provide detailed reports of permanently allocated vehicles which will be forwarded to departments. Any discrepancies must be taken up with GMT and addressed.
- 8. The related party transaction between the department and GMT must also be disclosed as a related party transaction in terms of the guidance provided in the Departmental Financial Reporting Framework Guide, Chapter 8, paragraph 37, where it is stated that "where a department transacts with another party other than those under (a) above and these transactions were not at arm's length then the relationship and the transaction must be disclosed. (e.g. if the National Treasury occupied a building owned by DPW without paying for this service then the relationship and the fact that a building is provided free of charge would have to be disclosed in the notes to the National Treasury's AFS".
- 9. In terms of the guidance provided in the 2011/12 Departmental Financial Reporting Framework Guide, Chapter 8, paragraph 33, an operating lease register must be maintained (See Annexure A). Information relating to the permanently allocated vehicles must be maintained in the operating lease register.

#### REQUIRED ACTIONS

## Expenditure

10. GG Vehicle expenditure must be disclosed and allocated in terms of SCOA as follows:

Item Description	Item Segment	Assets Segment	Project Segment		
		**Leased Assets: GG Vehicles-daily tariffs	No Project Stand Alone Current		
Permanent Allocated vehicles: Km Tariff	T&S Dom without operator GG vehicle	Non Assets Related	No Project Stand Alone Current		

<sup>\*\*</sup>Assets Segment break down allowed - see below:

1	2	3	4	5	CHARACTER COUNT	SEGMENT DETAIL NO	P/NP LEVEL	LEVEL
LEASED	ASSETS				13	502	N	1
TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT			19	507	N	2		
	MOTOR VEHICLES		14		N	3		
	GG VEHICLES-DAILY TARIFFS			25		Υ	4	

11. Departments and the Provincial Parliament must determine the expenditure incurred and account for it as follows:

Effect a journal entry on BAS to re-classify the expenditure incurred:

Dr – Operating lease expenditure

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Cr – T&S Dom without operator GG vehicle

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# Operating lease commitments

12. Operating lease commitments must be disclosed in note 33.1 of the AFS/IFS of 2011/12 under the 'other machinery and equipment' based on information extracted from the operating lease register.

## **Related Party transactions**

13. The department's related party transaction with GMT must be disclosed under note 37 of the AFS/IFS. The following is an example of such disclosure that should reflect the total expenditure incurred on GG Vehicles as at the reporting date:

rayments made	2011/12	2010/11
	R'000	R'000
Goods and services		
The Department of makes use of	(no of vehicles)	GG vehicles of Government

Motor Transport based on daily and kilometre tariffs as approved by the Provincial Treasury.

- 14. The Provincial Treasury is, in collaboration with TPW, conducting an investigation of the operations and management of GG vehicles by GMT in the Province and will provide progress on the investigation.
- 15. Your cooperation in the above regards is appreciated.

PROVINCIAL ACCOUNTANT-GENERAL

DATE:

Operating Lease register (example only) Department ABC

Annexure A

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