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RE: MUNICIPAL SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT POLICY ASSESSMENT FOR THE 2012/ 13 FINANCIAL YEAR

1. PURPOSE

- 1.1 To inform municipalities of Provincial Treasury's intention to embark on a Supply Chain Management policy assessment process.
- 1.2 To request municipalities to submit Supply Chain Management policies to the Provincial Treasury for assessment.
- 1.3 To accentuate the requirements of SCM Regulation 3: adoption and amendment of Supply Chain Management policies and MFMA Circular No. 22 in respect of adoption of the National Treasury's SCM model policy.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The National Treasury issued MFMA Circular No. 22 in August 2005 instructing each municipal council and board of directors of a municipality or municipal entity to adopt a policy that gives effect to the Supply Chain Management legislation.
- 2.2 The adoption became effective in high capacity municipalities on 1 October 2005, with medium and low capacity municipalities to shortly follow suit. The circular provided a Model Policy and a Code of Ethical Standards to be adopted or adapted by municipalities or municipal entities.
- 2.3 During the 2010/11 and the 2011/12 financial year, the Provincial Treasury embarked on a process of assessing municipal SCM policies as was articulated in Treasury Municipal Circular 49-2010, issued 29 October 2010.

- 2.4 Due co-operation was received from Municipalities and the process was executed accordingly.
- 2.5 A phased-in approach for the policy assessment process was conducted where a selected number of municipalities had been identified for SCM policy assessment process during the 2010/2011 and the 2011/12 financial year.
- 2.6 Adoption dates, amendment and review dates were also identified and considered, prioritising those that date far back and those that require immediate attention.

3. ASSESSMENT PROCESS

- 3.1 The policy assessment process was aimed at determining whether municipalities have implemented a Supply Chain Management policy in a manner, which gives effect to the provisions of Section 217 of the Constitution, Section 112 of the MFMA and are aligned to the National Treasury's Model Policy.
- 3.2 Upon alignment to the Model Policy, the assessment process was aimed at determining whether municipal policies contained a range of discretional information that complies with the SCM Regulations, National Treasury's Municipal Circulars, the provisions of the Construction Industry Development Board Act (CIDB Act) and have made use of the best practice guidelines as contained in the Guide for Accounting Officers of municipalities.
- 3.3 Furthermore, the Provincial Treasury aims to determine whether SCM policies have been aligned to the requirements of the revised Preferential Procurement Regulations and accompanying guidelines as issued by National Treasury effective 7 December 2011.
- 3.4 Thus far the Provincial Treasury has assessed twenty (20) SCM policies. Municipal SCM policies that have not been assessed are identified for assessment during the 2012/13 (current) financial year.

4. REQUEST

- 4.1 The Provincial Treasury hereby requests that Municipalities forward its Supply Chain Management policies by **25 May 2012** for consideration and assessment during the 2012/13 financial year.
- 4.2 Upon submission of the policies, indicate the date of adoption of the policy, Council resolution taken in reviewing and last date of review. However it must be noted that only a selected number of municipalities will be prioritised for policy assessment in the current financial year.

- 4.3 Municipalities are requested to comply with the contents of this circular.
- 4.4 Any enquiries in this regard may be directed to Ms. Palesa Ndobe on (021) 483 9950; email: Palesa.Ndobe@pgwc.gov.za or Mr. Rodney Moolman on (021) 483 9940; email: Rodney.Moolman@pgwc.gov.za

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