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TRANSVERSAL CONTRACT: TRAVEL MANAGEMENT SERVICES

1. PURPOSE

The purpose of this circular is to inform departments of the current status and way forward in terms of the finalisation of the transversal contract for travel management services for the Western Cape Government (WCG).

2. BACKGROUND

2.1 The Provincial Treasury (PT) issued PT Circular 47 of 2018 on 20 December 2018 in terms of the status of the travel management contract for the Province and way forward for Departments.

- 2.2 The above-mentioned Circular indicated that the Head of Treasury (HOT) had reviewed the Provincial Bid Adjudication Committee's (PBAC) recommendation and identified key issues that needed to be addressed. It was also indicated that due to the festive season approaching officials (PT and departments) would not be available before mid-January 2019 to resolve the issues. This together with the required 30-day notice period to service providers (old/new) would impact on the envisaged implementation date for the new contract of 1 February 2019.
- 2.3 Departments were requested to evaluate the risk and options in terms of its current contract needs expiring on 31 January 2019 and determine the most prudent method, to ensure the continuation of their service needs up until 30 April 2019.

3. CONTINUATION OF TRAVEL MANAGEMENT SERVICE

- 3.1 The issues identified by the HOT was the tabled with the Provincial Bid Adjudication Committee (PBAC) and Provincial Bid Evaluation Committee (PBEC) for consideration and response.
- 3.2 The PBAC's recommendation has been submitted to the HOT for consideration and approval. Upon review the HOT deemed it necessary to discuss the way forward with the Provincial Top Management (PTM) at its April 2019 meeting. PTM unanimously advised the HOT in terms of the way forward which inter alia included that legal advice be obtained in order to finalise the process.
- 3.3. Legal Services would require sufficient time to consider the issues and the HOT must consider the legal opinion in terms of the way forward. It is therefore requested that departments evaluate the risk and options in terms of its current service needs expiring on 30 April 2019 and determine the most prudent method, to ensure the continuation of their service needs, as an interim measure, up until 31 July 2019.
- 3.4 Given that the Provincial Treasury is responsible for the conclusion of the transversal contracts; departments are advised to utilise this circular as motivation should the extension of travel management contracts expiring 30 April 2019 be deemed the most prudent method of ensuring continuation of service delivery. The circular must also be kept as evidence for audit purposes.
- 3.5 Departments that are extending contracts are also reminded that where the value of the expansion/extension of services exceed the R15 million (including VAT); such cases be reported to the Provincial Treasury within ten (10) working days after the Accounting Officer has granted approval for the expansion.
- 3.6 As agreed to at the PTM, a consolidated approach will be put together by the PT as well as a meeting with Auditor-General South Africa (AGSA) to report on unavoidable risk of expansions/ extensions, to mitigate audit risks for the Province.

4. REQUEST

4.1 Departments are required to adhere to the content of this Circular.

NADIA EBRAHIM

ACTING CHIEF DIRECTOR: ASSET MANAGEMENT

DATE: 24 April 2019