RECOGNIZING THE GREEN PUBLIC PROCUREMENT (GPP) ROADMAP
AND ADOPTING THE TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE TEN (10)
COMMON-USE SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT (CSE) AND TEN (10) NON-
COMMON-USE SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT (NON-CSE)

WHEREAS, Republic Act (RA) No. 9184 entitled “An Act Providing for the
Modernization, Standardization and Regulation of the Procurement Activities of the
Government and For Other Purposes,” took effect on 26 January 2003, while its revised
Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) took effect on 2 September 2009;

WHEREAS, Section 63 of RA 9184 mandates the Government Procurement Policy
Board (GPPB) to protect national interest in all matters affecting public procurement;

WHEREAS, Section 8.2.3(b) of the IRR of RA 9184 mandates that procuring entities
shall procure common-use goods, supplies, materials, and equipment from the Philippine
Government Electronic Procurement System’s (PhilGEPS) Electronic Catalogue;

WHEREAS, Section 4 of the Administrative Order (AO) No. 17, s. 2011, require the
procurement of CSE products from the Department of Budget and Management –
Procurement Service (DBM-PS) or its depots;

WHEREAS, Executive Order (EO) No. 301, s. 2004, establishes a GPP Program for all
departments, bureaus, offices and agencies of the executive branch of the Government;

WHEREAS, on 10 May 2013, the GPPB issued Resolution No. 15-2013 entitled
Approval to Support the Implementation of Sustainable and/or Green Public Procurement
Regime in Government, wherein the GPPB resolved to, among others, “[s]upport the
implementation of Sustainable Public Procurement and/or Green Public Procurement in
Government acquisition system”;

WHEREAS, the European Union SWITCH-Asia Programme (EU-SWITCH) has
provided Technical Assistance to the GPPB-Technical Support Office (GPPB-TSO) and the
DBM-PS to mainstream GPP in government procurement policy and develop a GPP
communication plan;

WHEREAS, the Scope of Work under the EU-SWITCH Technical Assistance includes
the development of a GPP roadmap and technical specifications for ten (10) CSE and ten (10)
Non-CSE product groups;

WHEREAS, during its 10th Regular Meeting on 23 September 2016, the GPPB
approved the GPP List of Prioritized CSE and Non-CSE products, as follows:
A. Prioritized CSE Products

1. Multi-Copy Paper;
2. Toilet Paper;
3. Record Books;
4. Cleaner;
5. Trash Bag;
6. Disinfectant Spray;
7. Chairs;
8. Detergent Powder;
9. Liquid Hand Soap; and
10. LED Lights/Bulbs.

B. Prioritized Non-CSE Products

1. Computer Monitors, Desktop Computers and Laptops;
2. Air Conditioners;
3. Vehicles;
4. Fridges and Freezers;
5. Copiers;
6. Paints and Varnishes;
7. Food and Catering Services;
8. Training Facilities / Hotels / Venues;
9. Toilets and Urinals; and
10. Textiles / Uniforms and Work Clothes.

WHEREAS, the EU-SWITCH engaged international and local consultants for the development of the GPP Roadmap and the Technical Specifications for the ten (10) CSE and ten (10) Non-CSE products;

WHEREAS, the development of the GPP Roadmap is anchored on the following:

1. It was inspired by the logic that governments have to lead by example in transforming the market;
2. The strategy of GPP in the Philippines is to integrate the green argument harmoniously into the existing procurement processes;
3. The Roadmap describes a circumspect approach that reflects issues and concerns such as value for money, suppliers’ readiness, capacity and awareness; and
4. It was formulated with the broadest participation of stakeholders.

WHEREAS, the development of the Technical Specifications for the 10 CSE and 10 Non-CSE products has undergone the following processes and principles:

1. Development of a standard template consisting of scope, key environmental factors, product specifications, evidence, verification and references;
2. Extensive research for GPP technical specifications taking into account international specifications and national specifications of countries with extensive GPP experience;
3. Document research on background reports regarding the experience made with the existing technical specifications where more than 100 documents in total were considered; and
4. Overall, the development of the technical specifications was guided by the principles of applicability and simplicity.

WHEREAS, during the 4th Inter Agency Technical Working Group (IATWG) Meeting held on 19 May 2017, the GPPB-TSO presented the development of the GPP Roadmap and the Technical Specifications for the 10 CSE and 10 Non-CSE products, as well as the following points to consider in recognizing the GPP Roadmap and adopting the Technical Specifications, thus:

1. It provides a clear perspective on mainstreaming green public procurement in government procurement;

2. It guides the procuring entities in implementing GPP, especially on incorporating green parameters in the technical specifications;

3. Supportive of international (Sustainable Development Goals) and national policies on environmental sustainability;

4. It gives a sense of ownership to the Philippines as the documents were developed in consultation with relevant government agencies;

WHEREAS, after due discussion on the matter, the IATWG adopted the following recommendations of the GPPB-TSO, thus:

1. Recommend to the GPPB the recognition of the GPP Roadmap and adoption of the Technical Specifications for 10 CSE and 10 Non-CSE Products, subject to additional comments within five (5) days after the meeting; and

2. Request the PhilGEPS to identify top agencies procuring Non-CSE items who will be requested to utilize the green technical specifications for the 10 Non-CSE Products for pilot testing;

WHEREAS, during its 3rd Regular Meeting on 30 May 2017, the GPPB, after careful review and due deliberation, adopted the recommendations of the IATWG and GPPB-TSO;

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in view of all the foregoing, WE, the Members of the GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT POLICY BOARD, by virtue of the powers vested on Us by law and other executive issuances, hereby RESOLVE to confirm, adopt, and approve, as WE hereby confirm, adopt, and approve the following:

1. RECOGNITION of the GPP Roadmap;

2. ADOPTION of the Technical Specifications for 10 CSE and 10 Non-CSE Products; and

3. REQUEST the PhilGEPS to identify top agencies procuring Non-CSE items who will be requested to utilize the green technical specifications for the 10 Non-CSE Products for pilot testing.
This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

**APPROVED** this 30\textsuperscript{th} day of May 2017 at Pasig City, Philippines.

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