GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT POLICY BOARD

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TO: Heads of Departments, Bureaus, Offices and Agencies of the National Government; Government-Owned or Controlled Corporations (GOCCs), Including State Universities and Colleges (SUCs); Local Government Units

(LGUs); and All Others Concerned

SUBJECT: Directing All Government Agencies, including LGUs to Deal Only with

Bidders whose Financial Statements are Submitted and Stamped

"Received" by the Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR)

1.0 Purpose

This circular is issued to reinforce the provisions of Republic Act No. 9184 (R.A. No. 9184) and its Implementing Rules and Regulations Part A (IRR-A) mandating the submission of financial statements stamped "received" by the BIR; and to ensure that all suppliers, contractors, and consultants dealing in government procurement pay the correct amount of taxes due from them in accordance with the mandate of the law and in consonance with the government's policy of transparency, efficiency, and good governance.

2.0 Coverage

All Departments, Bureaus, Offices and Agencies of the National Government; Government-Owned or Controlled Corporations (GOCCs), Including State Universities and Colleges (SUCs); Local Government Units (LGUs); and all others concerned.

3.0 Rules and Regulations

3.1 Sections 23.6 and 24.7 of the IRR-A of R.A. 9184 requires that, as one of the financial documents to be submitted, the prospective bidder's audited financial statements be stamped "received" by the BIR or its duly accredited and authorized institutions, for the immediately preceding year, showing, among others, the prospective bidder's total and current assets and liabilities; and

3.2 The submission of the aforementioned documents is necessary for the eligibility check of prospective bidders in the Procurement of Goods, Infrastructure Projects, and Consulting Services.

4.0 Effectivity

This circular shall take effect immediately.

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