GPPB Resolution No. 03-2003

WHEREAS, Section 63 of Republic Act No. 9184 ("R.A. 9184"), entitled "An Act Providing for the Modernization, Standardization and Regulation of the Procurement Activities of the Government and for Other Purposes" (otherwise known as the "Government Procurement Reform Act"), provides for the establishment of a Government Procurement Policy Board ("GPPB") which shall: (a) protect national interest in all matters affecting public Procurement, having due regard to the country's regional and international obligations; (b) formulate and amend, whenever necessary, the IRR and the corresponding standard forms for Procurement; (c) ensure that Procuring Entities regularly conduct Procurement training programs and prepare a Procurement operations manual for all offices and agencies of government; and (d) conduct an annual review of the effectiveness of R.A. 9184 and recommend any amendments thereto, as may be necessary;

WHEREAS, in the fulfillment of the above functions, the GPPB has been receiving requests for opinions and/or comments from National Government Agencies ("NGAs") and Local Government Units ("LGUs") on matters concerning procurement activities and policies;

WHEREAS, to be effective, the proper and immediate response of the GPPB to the requests for opinions and/or comments of NGAs and LGUs on procurement related matters is essential;

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the foregoing, WE, the Members of the **Government Procurement Policy Board**, hereby **RESOLVE**:

To confirm, adopt and approve, as WE hereby confirm, adopt and approve the authority of the Chairperson of the GPPB to sign and issue, on behalf of the GPPB, opinions and responses to official requests of National and Local Government Agencies related to procurement policy matters or issues, thereby reflecting the official position of the GPPB on the point under consideration, provided that the same shall have first been duly raised and discussed by the GPPB or that the GPPB has previously ruled on a similar matter; and

To confirm, adopt and approve, as WE hereby confirm, adopt and approve, the authority of the Executive Director of the GPPB Technical Support Office to sign and issue official opinions and

responses to official requests of National and Local Government Agencies dealing with non-policy procurement related matters or issues, or technical applications of the procurement rules and regulations, provided that the same shall be reported to the GPPB during its regular meetings.