

GUIDELINES ON THE CONDUCT OF PROCUREMENT ACTIVITIES DURING THE ELECTION PERIOD FOR THE 9 MAY 2016 NATIONAL AND LOCAL ELECTIONS

WHEREAS, the synchronized National and Local elections are scheduled to take place on 9 May 2016;

WHEREAS, Paragraph (v) of Section 261 of the Omnibus Election Code, proscribes the release, disbursement or expenditure of public funds by any public official or employee including barangay officials and those of Government-Owned or Controlled Corporations (GOCCs) and their subsidiaries, subject to certain exceptions.

WHEREAS, Paragraph (w) of Section 261 of the Omnibus Election Code prohibits the construction of public works, delivery of materials for public works and issuance of treasury warrants and similar devices during the Election Period, except for projects or works exempted under Section 261 (v).

WHEREAS, in the previous elections, the GPPB issued the following Resolutions relative to the Guidelines on the Conduct of Procurement Activities in conformity with the Commission on Elections (COMELEC) Resolutions on Prohibited Acts during Election Period:

a. GPPB Resolution No. 12-2009, dated 27 November 2009 (May 2010 National and Local Elections);

b. GPPB Circular No. 04-2012, dated 23 November 2012 (May 2013 National and Local Elections)

WHEREAS, in anticipation of the issuance of the COMELEC Resolution on the prohibited activities during the election period as provided for in Section 261 (v) and (w) of the Omnibus Election Code, the GPPB-TSO recommended the issuance of a Circular on the conduct of procurement activities during the election period for the 9 May 2016 National and Local Elections, reiterating the guidelines previously issued by the GPPB, subject to the Resolution to be issued by COMELEC on the matter;

WHEREAS, during its 5th Regular Meeting on 18 August 2015, the GPPB resolved to adopt the recommendation of the GPPB-TSO;

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the foregoing, WE, the Members of the GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT POLICY BOARD, by virtue of the powers vested on US by law, hereby RESOLVE to confirm, adopt, and approve, as WE hereby confirm, adopt, and approve to ISSUE a CIRCULAR reiterating the Guidelines on the Conduct of Procurement Activities of the Government Agencies during Election Period, pursuant to the Resolution on the Calendar of Prohibited Activities to be issued by COMELEC.

Republic of the Philippines

Government Procurement Policy Board

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This resolution shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED this 18th day of August 2015 at Pasig City, Philippines.

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DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT

(Sgd.)

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

NATIONAL ECONOMIC AND

DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

(Sgd.)

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

(Sgd.)

(Sgd.)

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENSE

(Sgd.)

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

(Sgd.)

DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS (Sgd.)

PRIVATE SECTOR REPRESENTATIVE

Attested by:

(Sgd.)

DENNIS S. SANTIAGO Board Secretary, GPPB Executive Director, GPPB-TSO