

RESOLUTION DISABLING THE DISPLAY FEATURE OF THE PHILIPPINE GOVERNMENT ELECTRONIC PROCUREMENT SYSTEM'S (PhilGEPS) DOCUMENT REQUEST LIST (DRL)

WHEREAS, Section 63 of Republic Act No. (RA) 9184 mandates the Government Procurement Policy Board (GPPB) to formulate and amend, whenever necessary, the revised Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) and the corresponding standard forms for procurement;

WHEREAS, under Section 8 of RA 9184, the GPPB is authorized to approve changes in the procurement process to adapt to improvements in modern technology; and in that regard, Section 8.1.1. of the IRR places PhilGEPS under the management of the Procurement Service of the Department of Budget and Management and the supervision of the GPPB;

WHEREAS, the PhilGEPS maintains a website containing a Document Request List (DRL) feature where the names of prospective bidders who downloaded bidding documents associated with a procurement opportunity posted at the PhilGEPS are automatically included and displayed in the DRL, which can be viewed by all PhilGEPS registered users;

WHEREAS, in a meeting held on 28 October 2011, the GPPB decided to allow all PhilGEPS registered users to view the DRL;

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH), in a letter dated 10 October 2012, sought reconsideration of GPPB's decision allowing all PhilGEPS registered users to view the DRL, and requested to "disable" the DRL display feature;

WHEREAS, in a meeting held on 9 November 2012, the Inter-Agency Technical Working Group (IATWG) recommended to allow all PhilGEPS registered users to view the DRL on the ground that the fear of collusion in allowing the public to view the DRL may be allayed by the fact that there are other ways to combat collusion;

WHEREAS, in a meeting held on 23 November 2012, the GPPB carefully discussed and deliberated on the request of the DPWH and considered the advantages and disadvantages of disabling the DRL display feature in the PhilGEPS that shows the names of all the prospective bidders who have downloaded the bidding documents for a particular bidding opportunity, and limiting display and public view only to the actual number of prospective bidders who downloaded the bidding documents;

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 approve, adopt and confirm, as WE hereby approve, adopt and confirm the following:

1. **DISABLE** the display feature in the PhilGEPS' Document Request List (DRL) facility that allows all users to view the names of all prospective bidders who

acquired and downloaded bidding documents for a particular procurement opportunity until after the bids have been opened.; and,

2. **INDICATE** only the actual number of prospective bidders who downloaded the bidding documents instead of displaying their names in the DRL facility.

This resolution shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED this 23rd day of November 2012 at Pasig City, Philippines

(Sgd.) DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT

By:

(Sgd.) DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

By:

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

NATIONAL ECONOMIC AND DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

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DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE By:

(Sgd.) DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

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(Sgd.) DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS

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(Sgd.) DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY

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(Sgd.) DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENSE By:

DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE ANDBy:TECHNOLOGY

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS

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PRIVATE SECTOR REPRESENTATIVE By:

Attested by:

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