



Department of Budget and Management
GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT POLICY BOARD
TECHNICAL SUPPORT OFFICE

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MR. LIBERATO S. ESPINA
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PROVINCE OF SOUTHERN LEYTE

Re: Applicability of the Guidelines on the Procurement of Printing Services to Local Government Units

Dear Mr. Espina:

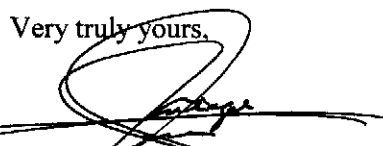
We respond to your letter dated 17 January 2013 seeking clarification on whether Government Procurement Policy Board (GPPB) Resolution 05-2010 adopting the Guidelines on the Procurement of Printing Services (Guidelines) include, as part of its coverage, Local Government Units (LGUs). In addition, you also inquire whether Section 1.2 of Guidelines was deleted through GPPB Resolution 04-2011.

We wish to inform you that this office has issued Non Policy Matter (NPM) Opinion No. 148-2012 on 29 November 2012, which states that since Section 4 of Republic Act (RA) No. 9184 mandates the application of the law (RA 9184) and its rules (revised Implementing Rules and Regulations) to all procurement activities of any branch, agency, department, bureau, office, or instrumentality of the Philippine government, including government owned and/or controlled corporations, government financial institutions, state universities and colleges, and LGUs, all policies, rules, regulations, and guidelines issued by the GPPB would have the same general application and coverage. Attached hereto for your immediate reference is a copy of NPM Opinion No. 148-2012.

As regards your second concern, we wish to clarify that GPPB Resolution No. 04-2011 did not delete the policy declaration under Section 1.2 of the Guidelines that printing of Accountable Forms and Sensitive High Quality/Volume Requirements shall only be undertaken by the recognized government printers. GPPB Resolution No. 04-2011 merely amended Section 1.1 of the Guidelines to clarify that it shall be applicable to succeeding General Appropriations Act (GAA), unless a contrary or inconsistent policy is adopted in a later GAA.

We hope our advice provided sufficient guidance on the matter. Note that this opinion is being issued on the basis of facts and particular situations presented, and may not be applicable given a different set of facts and circumstances. Should you have other concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Very truly yours,


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Executive Director III

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