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HON. CELIA C. KING

Deputy Commissioner, Resource Management Group

BUREAU OF INTERNAL REVENUE

Quezon City

Dear Deputy Commissioner King:

We write in reference to your letter dated 2 February 2011, which we received on 11 February 2011, requesting for confirmation (i) whether the *Guidelines on the Procurement of Printing Services*¹ (Guidelines) remains to be applicable despite the enactment of Republic Act 10147, otherwise known as the General Appropriations Act (GAA) of 2011; and (ii) whether Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR) accountable forms are included in the list of accountable forms under Annex "A" of the Guidelines.

We wish to inform you that we have previously discussed the first concern in Non-Policy Matter (NPM) No. 01-2011 dated 28 February 2011 as follows:

In light of the enactment of the GAA of 2011, and considering the requests for clarification from various government agencies, the GPPB discussed the applicability of the Guidelines during its 2nd Regular Board Meeting last 25 February 2011. In said meeting, the GPPB agreed that the Guidelines shall remain applicable inasmuch as the policy enunciated in the GAA of 2010 was entirely adopted in the GAA of 2011 as evident on the verbatim repetition of Section 29 of the GAA of 2010 in Section 25 of the GAA of 2011.

Based on the foregoing, it is our considered view that the Guidelines, which became effective 8 January 2011 following its publication in a newspaper of nationwide general circulation, shall serve as the prevailing policy on printing services and shall remain applicable for the GAA of 2011.

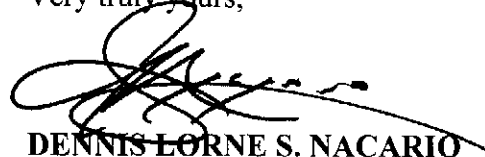
Anent your second concern, please note that Item B of Annex "A" of the Guidelines merely enumerates samples of accountable forms identified as such by procuring entities and, as such, should not to be deemed as an exclusive list. This means that procuring entities may identify forms they consider to be accountable in nature other than those already identified by the recognized government printers and listed in Item A of Annex "A". As such, although BIR accountable forms is not specifically mentioned in Item B of Annex "A" of the

¹ Issued through Government Procurement Policy Board Resolution No. 05-2010 dated 29 October 2010.

Guidelines, BIR may still use the Guidelines for the procurement of forms it identifies to be accountable in nature.

We hope to have provided sufficient guidance on the matter. Should you have additional concerns, please do not hesitate to call us.

Very truly yours,



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