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HON. CONCEPCION C. DAPLAS

City Treasurer
Office of the City Treasurer
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Re : Date of Publication of R.A. 9184 and its IRR-A

Dear Ms. Daplas:

This refers to your request for certification dated February 5, 2004 on the publication of Republic Act 9184 ("R.A. 9184") and its Implementing Rules and Regulations Part A ("IRR-A") in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general nationwide circulation.

Please be advised that R.A. 9184 was signed by Her Excellency President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo on January 10, 2003 and was published in the issue of Manila Times and Malaya on **January 11, 2003**. Considering that Section 78 of R.A. 9184 provides that the law "shall take effect fifteen (15) days following its publication in the Official Gazette or in two (2) newspapers of general circulation," R.A. 9184 became effective on **January 26, 2003**.

On the other hand, the IRR-A of R.A. 9184, which was approved by the President on September 18, 2003, was published in two (2) newspapers of general nationwide circulation, namely, Manila Times and Malaya, on **September 23, 2003**. Considering that Section 78 of said IRR-A provides that it "shall take effect fifteen (15) calendar days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general nationwide circulation," counting fifteen (15) days thereafter, the IRR-A of R.A. 9184 became effective on **October 8, 2003**.

Consequently, as of October 8, 2003, R.A. 9184 and its IRR-A should already be fully applied by National Government Agencies, Government-Owned and/or -

Controlled Corporations, Government Financial Institutions, State Universities and Colleges, and Local Government Units.

Should you have other concerns regarding R.A. 9184 and its IRR-A, please feel free to write us for further clarifications.

We trust that this clarifies matters.

Very truly yours,


ESTANISLAO C. GRANADOS JR.
Acting Executive Director