

## Department of Budget and Management

## GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT POLICY BOARD TECHNICAL SUPPORT OFFICE

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MS. MARIA CIELO M. LAMPA
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Los Banos, Laguna

Re: Shopping (Unforeseen Contingency)

Dear Ms. Lampa:

This refers to your letter dated 3 October 2014, requesting for clarification on the necessity of the Bids and Awards Committee's (BAC) participation in Shopping under Section 52.1(a) of the revised Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of Republic Act (RA) No. 9184.

As a general rule, after the decision to resort to Shopping has been made, the BAC shall undertake the conduct of the procurement activity. However, Section 2(c) of the Guidelines for Shopping and Small Value Procurement (Guidelines) provides that the conduct of the actual activity to do the Shopping or Small Value Procurement may be delegated to the appropriate bureau, committee, or support unit duly authorized by the BAC, which shall comply with the procedural guideposts prescribed under the Guidelines and IRR of RA 9184. It must be pointed out, however, that such BAC delegation may be performed or accomplished prior to the happening of any event within the purview of Section 52.1(a) of the IRR of RA 9184.

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

Very truly yours,

ENTIS SANTIAGO
Executive Director V

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Issued through GPPB Resolution 09-2009 dated 23 November 2009.