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Engr. ARTEMIO A. MARTIN Municipal Engineer MUNICIPALITY OF SABLAN Province of Benguet

Re

Location of BAC Meetings

Dear Mr. Martin:

We refer to your letter dated 17 August 2006 inquiring on whether the Bids and Awards Committee (BAC) may conduct their meetings outside their official stations.

Republic Act No. 9184 and its Implementing Rules and Regulations Part A do not prescribe nor limit the location where the BAC can hold meetings. Please note, however, that the BAC is mandated to specify the address of the pre-bid conference, and the location where the bids are submitted and opened in the Invitation to Apply for Eligibility to Bid and all other bidding documents. These addresses cannot be unilaterally changed without notifying the public. Further, prudence dictates that location of BAC meetings and bid openings be held in a place easily accessible to the public.

We hope to have clarified the matter. Should you have additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Very truly yours,

Executive Director III

Republic of the Philippines Province of Benguet Municipality of Sablan

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The Executive Director Government Procurement Policy Board Technical Support Services Mezzanine 125, Mabini Hall Malacanang, Manila DEPARTMENT OF BUBGET AND MANAGEMENT GOVERNMENT PROGUNEMENT POLICY BOARD TECHNICAL SUPPORT OFFICE

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Subject: Inquiry where should the BAC conduct their meetings

Sir:

In connection with the duties of municipal officials and employees as BAC members, can they be allowed to conduct their meetings/opening of bids of office supplies and infrastructure outside their official stations? For example, the BAC members of the LGU of Sablan will conduct their meetings/opening of bids at Bauang Beach or at Manaoag, Pangasinan or some other places outside their official station, is it allowed?

Hoping for your immediate response on our inquiry for it will help and guide us in the proper performance of duties of BAC members of our municipality.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

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Municipal Engineer

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