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TO: ACCOUNTING OFFICERS OF ALL NATIONAL DEPARTMENTS

AND CONSTITUTIONAL INSTITUTIONS

: ACCOUNTING AUTHORITIES OF ALL SCHEDULE 3A AND 3C

PUBLIC ENTITIES

: HEAD OFFICIALS OF ALL PROVINCIAL TREASURIES

SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT ISSUES:

TRAINING ON THE REVISED PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS, 2011

PURPOSE

This circular aims to draw the attention of accounting officers of departments and constitutional institutions and accounting authorities of public entities listed in Schedules 3A and 3C to the Public Finance Management Act, 1999 to the training of supply chain management practitioners on the revised Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2011 pertaining to the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act, Act No 5 of 2000.

2 TRAINING ON THE REVISED PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS, 2011

- 2.1 The revised Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2011 was promulgated by the Minister of Finance on 8 June 2011 in Government Gazette No 34350. These Regulations shall come into effect on 7 December 2011. The grace period of six months allows for suppliers to obtain their B-BBEE rating and for the National Treasury to conduct awareness sessions / workshops and issue instructions and guidelines to empower supply chain practitioners to effectively implement the revised regulations. The current Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2001 will remain applicable until 7 December 2011.
- 2.2 The National Treasury, in consultation with the Department of Trade and Industry, is still in the process of issuing instructions and guidelines on the implementation of the revised Preferential Procurement Regulations.

Accounting officers/authorities are, therefore, advised to refrain from utilizing the services of any service provider that is providing such training until such time that instructions and guidelines on the implementation of the revised Preferential Procurement Regulations are issued by the National Treasury. Upon issuance of such instructions and guidelines, the decision for supply chain management practitioners to attend training provided by accredited service providers validated by the National Treasury may be taken on merit.

3. APPLICABILITY

3.1 This circular applies to all national and provincial departments, constitutional institutions and Schedule 3A and 3C public entities.

4. DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS CIRCULAR

- 4.1 Heads of provincial treasuries are requested to bring the contents of this circular to the attention of accounting officers of their respective provincial departments.
- 4.2 Accounting officers of national and provincial departments are requested to bring the contents of this circular to the attention of accounting authorities of Schedule 3A and 3C public entities reporting to their respective executive authorities.

5. CONTACT INFORMATION

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