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PROVINCIAL TREASURY CIRCULAR 36 OF 2012

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PREPARATION AND SUBMISSION OF INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (IFS)

The Mpumalanga Provincial Treasury is requesting all Municipalities to prepare Interim Financial Statements for the period ending 31 December 2012. This is in line with the requirements of Operation Clean Audit 2014.



The purpose of Interim Financial Statements is to detect and address issues that are challenges to Municipalities with regard to Annual Financial Statements before year-end, improvement of audit outcomes and to assist Municipalities to be able to prepare financial statements without appointing consultants.

The Interim Financial Statements are to be prepared for the sixth month period (1 July 2012 - 31 December 2013) and submitted to Provincial Treasury, Accounting Services Section and Municipal Internal Auditors by 28th February 2013. The Internal Auditors will audit and review the Interim Financial Statements and forward reports on findings to the relevant Municipal Manager, Chief Financial Officer and Provincial Treasury. All Municipalities will be expected to address the issues as raised by Internal Auditors and Provincial Treasury will prepare a summary of issues raised in order to provide support where required.

The following should be adhered to by Municipalities for the process to be effective:

- Proper closure of the books to be done
- All suspense accounts should be cleared to zero to enable Municipalities to provide complete financial information on expenditure and revenue.
- Stock counts and reconciliation of assets, VAT, creditors, debtors and bank accounts must be performed.
- The expenditure management report should be scrutinized to ensure that all expenditure is correctly allocated to the budget appropriated.
- Supporting documentation for all the transactions, and other important records, should be made available for audit purposes to Internal Auditors.

The template is available at Provincial Treasury, Accounting Services section and will also be sent via electronic mail to Municipalities. Please note that Municipalities are not allowed to appoint consultants for Interim Financial Statements.

The following officials in Provincial Treasury could be contacted for clarification and assistance in completing the IFS:

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Your cooperation will be appreciated.

Regards,

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ACTING HEAD OF DEPARTMENT

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