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ADVERTISING AND CLOSING OF COMPETITIVE BIDS DURING THE FESTIVE SEASON FOR THE PERIOD 16 DECEMBER 2022 TO 15 JANUARY 2023

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1. This circular is intended to advise Heads of Department and Chief Executive Officers/Accounting Authorities of Public Entities in the Mpumalanga Province regarding the directive of Provincial Treasury on the arrangement for advertisement of bid notices during the festive season, which commences on 16 December 2022 until 15 January 2023.
- 1.2. The Provincial Treasury's directive in this regard as alluded above, is derived from the National Treasury's unreferenced correspondence of 28 October 2022, which is attached for your easy reference.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1. Organs of State compliant to the Public Finance Management Act (PFMA) are required in terms of sub-regulation 16A6.3(c) to advertise competitive bids on the tender-bulletin for a minimum of 21 days before closure, except in urgent cases whereby bids may be advertised for a shorter period, as the relevant Accounting Officer may determine.
- 2.2. Considering the above-mentioned provision, the Provincial Treasury would like to encourage departments and public entities to consider submitting their requests for bid advertisements for placement on the Provincial tender-bulletin and e-tender portal on time, before the start of the festive season period mentioned above.

3. PROVINCIAL TREASURY'S DIRECTIVE ON ARRANGEMENT FOR PLACEMENT OF ADVERTISEMENTS OF COMPETITIVE BIDS ON TENDER-BULLETIN AND OTHER MEDIA DURING THE FESTIVE SEASON, COMMENCING FROM 16 DECEMBER 2022 UNTIL 15 JANUARY 2023

- 3.1. Due to the approaching festive season, during which the majority of industries and potential service-providers will be closed, the Provincial Treasury is of the view that, advertising of bids during this period may not necessarily provide for the required exposure for quite a number of potential service-providers in the market.
- 3.2. It is for this reason that the Provincial Treasury directs as follows:
 - 3.2.1. Departments and Public entities are advised not to advertise competitive bids during the period 15 December 2022 to 15 January 2023.
- 3.3. It is trusted that this arrangement will allow all bidders and potential service-providers a fair and equal opportunity to respond accordingly to advertised projects in the Province.

Kind regards,


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To:
Accounting Officers and Accounting Authorities
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ADVERTISING, PUBLISHING, AND CLOSING OF BIDS OVER THE FESTIVE SEASON

1. Public sector supply Chain Management practices must subscribe to a fair, transparent, competitive, and cost-effective system.
2. The festive period commences on 16 December 2022 to 15 January 2023. During this period, many industries are closed. Therefore, advertising, publishing, and/or closing a bid during this period may be considered procedurally unfair.
3. Accounting Officers/Authorities must therefore refrain from advertising, publishing, and/or closing bids during this period.
4. PFMA SCM Instruction Note 3 of 2021/22 on enhancing compliance, transparency, and accountability in supply chain management allows Accounting Officers/Authorities in specific cases to procure the required goods, services, and/or works by “*other means*” if it is impractical to invite competitive bids. However, state organs will not be allowed to do so during the festive period. Accounting Officers/Authorities may only deviate from the competitive bidding process if the case is deemed an emergency or the procurement is a sole source.
5. Please do not hesitate to contact this Office for any further clarity.

Kind Regards,

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