CIRCULAR LETTER

To: All Heads of Departments and Agencies in the National Government, Including State Universities and Colleges (SUCs), Government-Owned or -Controlled Corporations (GOCCs), and Government Financial Institutions (GFIs); Chief Executives of Local Government Units (LGUs); and All Others Concerned

Subject: TIMELINES FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CENTRALIZED PROCUREMENT OF GOVERNMENT MOTOR VEHICLES PURSUANT TO ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 14, S. 2018

1.0 This Circular is being issued to provide the timelines for the implementation of the centralized procurement of motor vehicles used for the following purposes pursuant to Administrative Order (AO) No. 14 dated December 10, 2018, and as further directed under Budget Circular (BC) No. 2019-3 dated May 16, 2019:

   a. Exercise of executive functions;
   b. Transport of personnel, equipment, supplies, products and materials;
   c. Transport of sick and/or injured persons;
   d. Patrol operations; and
   e. Firefighting operations.

2.0 This Circular shall apply to all national government agencies (NGAs) under the Executive Branch and its instrumentalities, including SUCs, GOCCs, GFIs, and LGUs.

3.0 The following timelines for the implementation of the centralized procurement of the covered motor vehicles shall be observed:

   3.1 Procuring entities (PEs) which have posted their Invitations to Bid (IBs) for the covered motor vehicles before June 4, 2019, the effectivity date of BC No. 2019-3, are allowed to proceed with their respective procurement activities.

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1 Consolidating and Rationalizing the Rules on the Acquisition of Government Motor Vehicles, Adopting a Centralized System of Procurement Therefor, and for Other Purposes
2 Guidelines to Implement the Centralized Procurement of Government Motor Vehicles Pursuant to Administrative Order No. 14, s. 2018
3.2 PEs which have **not posted** their IBs for the covered motor vehicles **before June 4, 2019** shall comply with the centralized procurement through the Procurement Service (PS).

3.3 Re-posting of IBs for the covered motor vehicles **on June 4, 2019 and thereafter** as a result of failed bidding or termination of contract shall be considered a new procurement activity, thus, shall also comply with the centralized procurement of motor vehicles through the PS.

4.0 Accordingly, it is understood that PEs shall only proceed with their procurement activities if the IBs for the covered motor vehicles have been posted **before June 4, 2019**. **On June 4 and thereafter**, all covered motor vehicles, including those re-posted due to failure of bidding under Section 35 or Section 41 of the 2016 Revised Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of Republic Act RA No. 9184 (Government Procurement Reform Act) or termination of contract, shall be procured through the PS.

5.0 It is also understood that the centralized procurement through the PS of the covered motor vehicles shall be subject to the availability of stocks in the PS.

6.0 The centralized procurement of the covered motor vehicles through the PS does not preclude the PEs from engaging the services and expertise of the PS as a procurement agent under Section 7.3.3(a) of the 2016 Revised IRR of RA No. 9184 for the purchase of other motor vehicles.

7.0 All pertinent provisions of previous issuances inconsistent with the provisions of this Circular are hereby superseded accordingly.

8.0 For compliance.

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