

## MMASEPALA WA SELEHAE-LOCAL MUNICIPALITY-PLAASLIKE MUNISIPALITIET

# **NOTICE: 14/2012**

#### **TO: ALL SERVICE PROVIDERS**

Please take note that the preferential procurement regulations of 2011 came into effect on 07 December 2011. The revised regulations align the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act (No. 5 of 2000) (PPPFA) and the Broad Based Black Economic Empowerment (B-BBEE) Act (No. 53 of 2003).

## Alignment of PPFA and B-BBEE Act

The revised preferential procurement regulations of 2011 align the PPPFA and B-BBEE Act through:

- Adopting the B-BBEE Act's definition of a black person
- Adopting the B-BB33 Act's classification of companies into the following categories:
  - Exempted Micro Enterprises (EMEs) A micro enterprise with an annual revenue of R5 million or less.
  - Qualifying Small Enterprises (QSEs) An enterprise with an annual turnover of between R5 million and R35 million.
  - ☐ Generic All companies with an annual turnover of above R35 million
  - Using the B-BBEE Act's Codes of Good Practice t measure B-BBEE.
  - Using the B-BBEE Act's gazetted sector codes.

Further, the regulations retain the 80/20 and 90/10 preference point systems. However, the 80/20 system will apply to procurement of up to R1 million while the 90/10 system will apply to procurement exceeding R1 million. Moreover, in the 80/20 system, 80 points will go toward price while 20 points will go toward B-BBEE.

Similarly, in the 90/10 system, 90 points will go toward price while 10 points will go toward price while 10 points will go toward B-BBEE.

#### **B-BBEE Verification**

In terms of the revised regulations, as of 7 December 2011 any company which wants to do business with government must obtain a valid <u>B-BBEE certificate</u>

In order to be valid, a B-BBEE certificate must have been issued by one of the following types of companies:

- Verification agencies which are accredited by the South African National Accreditation System (SANAS)
- Registered auditors approved by the Independent Regulatory Board of Auditors (IRBA) in accordance with approval granted by the Department of Trade and Industry (the dti).

#### **B-BBEE** Verification for Exempted Micro Enterprises (EMEs)

EMEs automatically receive Level 4 B-BBEE status irrespective of ownership while EMEs who have more than 50% black ownership receive Level 3 B-BBEE status.

EMEs can submit one of the following documents to claim their B-BBEE status:

- ► Auditor's certificate / EME letter
- ► Certificate issued by an accounting officer
- ► Verification agency

There are accredited agencies and it will be wise for you to apply for your B-BBEE certificate as soon as possible.

<u>Note</u>: Please make sure that your SANAS – accredited verification agency is also accredited to verify companies falling within your sector.

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