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SUBJECT: Creation of an Ad Hoc Committee for the Review of RA 9184 (Government Procurement Reform Act) and its Implementation Rules & Regulations (IRR)

To further promote good governance, transparency, accountability, equity, efficiency, and economy in the procurement process of the Department, an Ad Hoc Committee is hereby created to review and propose improvements in the provisions of Republic Act (RA) No. 9184, also known as the Government Procurement Reform Act, and its Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR).

The Ad Hoc Committee shall be composed of the following:

Chairperson	:	JAIME A. PACANAN Undersecretary for Support Services
Vice-Chairperson	:	ARDELIZA R. MEDENILLA Assistant Secretary for Support Services
Members	:	MARIA CATALINA E. CABRAL Assistant Secretary for Planning and PPP EUGENIO R. PIPO, JR. Assistant Secretary for Luzon Operations DIMAS S. SOGUILON Assistant Secretary for Visayas and Mindanao Operations NIMFA E. POTANTE Director, Procurement Service GILBERTO S. REYES Director, Bureau of Design WALTER C. OCAMPO Director, Bureau of Construction ANTONIO V. MOLANO, JR. Regional Director

HUILLIO B. BELLEZA
Regional Director

ESTRELLA D. ZALDIVAR
Director, Legal Service

The Ad Hoc Committee shall perform the following tasks:

- a. Review the provisions of RA 9184 and its IRR in the light of actual procurement experience of the DPWH.
- b. Identify specific policy and operational issues and problems in the procurement process related to particular provisions of RA 9184 and/or its IRR.
- c. Recommend an action program to address the identified issues and problems and, thus, improve the procurement process for infrastructure projects, thru a combination of appropriate measures categorized as follows:
 1. Measures that can be undertaken internally in the DPWH thru administrative issuances, e.g., Department Orders.
 2. Measures that need amendments to or clarification of the IRR of RA 9184, thru Resolutions/actions of the Government Procurement Policy Board (GPPB).
 3. Measures that need amendments to RA 9184 thru legislations.

In carrying out the abovementioned tasks, the Committee shall, among other things, seek to achieve the following:

- a. Institutionalize the innovations and improvements that the DPWH has introduced in its procurement process by making them explicit in the provisions of the IRR of RA 9184 and/or RA 9184 itself, so that the DPWH as well as other infrastructure agencies (e.g., Department of Transportation and Communications) will have greater confidence and stronger legal foundation in adopting these improvements at the operations level
- b. Improve other aspects of the procurement process that can most effectively be addressed by explicitly amending relevant provisions or proposing additional provisions of DPWH issuances, the IRR of RA 9184, and/or RA 9184 itself, to enhance transparency, competitiveness, efficiency, and public accountability in Government procurement.

The Committee shall consult with various concerned agencies and stakeholders in performing its tasks.



A Technical Working Group (TWG) is hereby created to assist the Committee in the discharge of its functions. The TWG shall be composed of the following:

Chair : NIMFA E. POTANTE
Director, Procurement Service

Vice-Chair : MARY GRACE N. OBJA-AN
OIC-Chief, Consultancy Services Division, Procurement Service

Members : MELROSE PAILMA
Chief, Project Monitoring Group, Bureau of Construction

CHERYL ANTONIO DAVID
Head, TWG, BAC for Foreign-Assisted Projects

EVELYN D. YAP
OIC-Chief, Civil Works Division, Procurement Service

ONOFRE B. LLANES
OIC-Chief, Goods and Services Division, Procurement Service


The Procurement Service will provide the Secretariat services for the Committee and the TWG.

The tasks of the members of the Committee and the TWG under this Order shall be in addition to the regular functions and responsibilities in the DPWH.

Consultants from the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) - Advancing Philippine Competitiveness (COMPETE) Project may provide technical assistance to the Ad Hoc Committee.

The Committee shall submit to the Secretary its initial report on the abovementioned tasks, including the recommended action program, on or before 30 January 2015.

This Order shall take effect immediately.


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Secretary

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