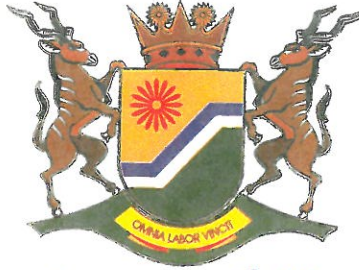


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SUBJECT: CUT OFF DATES FOR 2011/ 2012 FINANCIAL YEAR END

1 PURPOSE

The purpose of this circular is to outline the importance of establishing cut off dates for financial year end closure.

2 BACKGROUND

Challenges are often experienced in the systems (BAS and Logis) when payments are made up to and including the last day of the financial year 31 March, through disbursement and incorrect settlement dates being used which results in the budget for the next financial year being used for expenditure that relates to the current financial year without proper roll over approval being followed.

3 DISCUSSION

The cut off dates will assist Departments to minimize accruals and commitments. It will also minimize the risk for Departments using the following financial year (2012/13) budget to incur expenditure which relates to the current (2011/12) financial year without the roll over being approved and included in the budget for 2012/13.

In addition, the cut off dates will assist Departments to have time and clear old commitments on BAS as some are dating back to 2005. Provincial Treasury will provide the necessary assistance if needed.

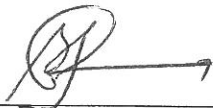
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Departments are advised to follow the following cut off dates in the process flow:-

DATES	ACTIVITIES TO BE DONE
1 February 2012 - 29 February 2012	Follow up all outstanding orders and finalise them or de-commit if Orders cannot be finalised De-commit old unsettled commitments on Logis and BAS
1 February 2012 - 29 February 2012	Follow-up, and Settlement of all outstanding invoices
16 March 2012	Stop creation of new Orders. No orders must be created after this date unless actions above have been completed New orders processing must not go beyond 31 March 2012. Roll over will only be approved (preliminary) around June.
19 March 2012 - 27 March 2012	Paying all outstanding and current invoices
27 March 2012	Last day for payments to be processed for 2011/12 financial year. No payment after this date must be processed.

Departments are urged to follow the above cut off dates without exception and no exemption will be granted for any Department.

Regards,



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DATE: 10 / 2 / 2012