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GENERAL NOTICE**NOTICE 1093 OF 2013****NATIONAL TREASURY****PUBLIC FINANCE MANAGEMENT ACT, 1999:****PUBLICATION OF DRAFT AMENDMENT TO TREASURY REGULATIONS FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**

In terms of section 78 of the Public Finance Management Act, 1999 (Act No. 1 of 1999), a draft amendment to the Treasury Regulations (published under Government Notice R225 of 15 March 2005, as amended), as set out in the Schedule, is hereby published for public comment.

Any comment received within five days from the publication of this notice in the *Gazette* will be considered. Comments may be submitted by-

- (a) email: CD_Legislation@treasury.gov.za;
- (b) fax: 086 741 8648; or
- (c) hand: Room HB-02.03
40 Church Square
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The draft regulations are also available at www.treasury.gov.za.

SCHEDULE

It is intended to amend the Treasury Regulations (published under Government Notice R225 of 15 March 2005, as amended), in terms of section 76 of the Public Finance Management Act, 1999 (Act No. 1 of 1999), by-

(a) the substitution for regulation 13.1.5 of the following regulation:

“13.1.5 This regulation does not preclude the use of fleet management cards, petrol or garage cards or other credit facilities repayable within 30 days from the date of statement, but does not permit the implementation of a corporate credit card scheme or the use of a credit or debit card prohibited by regulation 15.10.3.3.”

(b) the addition to regulation 15.10.3 of the following paragraphs:

“15.10.3.3 With effect from 15 November 2013, no institution may implement a corporate credit card scheme or conclude an agreement for the issuance of a credit or debit card for the use of the executive authority or other office-bearer in relation to, or the accounting officer or other official of, the institution.

15.10.3.4 The accounting officer of an institution must cancel each credit or debit card issued before 15 November 2013 and valid on that date for the use of the executive authority or other office-bearer in relation to, or the accounting officer or other official of, the institution, with effect from-

(a) 15 November 2013; or

(b) if the terms for the credit card requires a longer period of notice, with effect from the earliest date in terms of those terms.”;

(c) by the addition to regulation 31.1 of the following paragraphs:

“31.2.5 With effect from 15 November 2013, no public entity may implement a corporate credit card scheme or conclude an agreement for the issuance of a credit or debit card for the use of the accounting authority, a member of the accounting authority or an official of the public entity.

31.2.6 The accounting authority of a public entity must cancel each credit card issued before 15 November 2013 and valid on that date for the use of the accounting authority, a member of the accounting authority or an official of the public entity, with effect from-

- (a) 15 November 2013; or
- (b) if the terms for the credit or debit card requires a longer period of notice, with effect from the earliest date in terms of those terms.”; and
- (d) substitute regulation 32.1.2 for the following regulation:

“32.1.2 This regulation does not preclude the use of fleet management cards, petrol or garage cards or other credit facilities repayable within 30 days from the date of statement, but does not permit the implementation of a corporate credit card scheme or the use of a credit or debit card prohibited by regulation 31.2.5.”.

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