## GOVERNMENT NOTICE

#### NATIONAL TREASURY

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# PUBLIC FINANCE MANAGEMENT ACT, 1999: AMENDMENT OF TREASURY REGULATIONS IN TERMS OF SECTION 76

The Minister of Finance has, in terms of Section 76 of the Public Finance Management Act, 1999 (Act No. 1 of 1999), amended Chapter 5 of the Treasury Regulations that were published in Government Gazette No. 27388 dated 15 March 2005 as set out in the Schedule.

# **SCHEDULE**

# Chapter 5 of the Treasury Regulations for departments, trading entities, constitutional institutions and public entities

# Issued in terms of the Public Finance Management Act, 1999

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# **Strategic Planning**

#### 5.1 Preparation of strategic plans

5.1.1 The accounting officer of an institution must prepare a strategic plan that is consistent with the period covered by the Medium Term Expenditure Framework for approval by the relevant executive authority.

#### 5.2 Submission and contents of strategic plans

- 5.2.1 In order to facilitate the annual discussion of individual votes, accounting officers must provide Parliament or the relevant legislature with their respective institution's medium-term strategic plan, and where applicable, with its annual performance plan,
- 5.2.2 Parliament or the relevant legislature should receive the plans of departments at least 10 days prior to the discussion of the department's budget vote.

#### 5.2.3 The strategic plan must –

- cover a period of at least three years and be consistent with the institution's published medium term expenditure estimates;
- (b) include specific Constitutional and other legislative, functional and policy mandates that indicate the output deliverables for which the institution is responsible;
- (c) include policy developments and legislative changes that influence programme spending plans over the MTEF period;
- include the measurable objectives, expected outcomes, programme outputs, indicators (measures) and targets of the institution's programmes;
- (e) include details of proposed acquisitions of fixed or movable capital assets, planned capital investments and rehabilitation and maintenance of physical assets;
- (f) include details of proposed acquisitions of financial assets or capital transfers and plans for the management of financial assets and liabilities;
- (g) include multi-year projections of income and projected receipts from the sale of assets;
- (h) include details of the Service Delivery Improvement Programme;
- (i) include details of proposed information technology acquisition or expansion in reference to an information technology plan;
- (j) for departments, include the requirements of Chapter 1, Part III B of the *Public Service Regulations*, 2001; and
- (k) include details of specific plans that the executive authority, Parliament or the relevant provincial legislature may direct the institution to report on.
- 5.2.4 The strategic plan must form the basis for the annual reports of accounting officers as required by sections 40(1)(d) and (e) of the Act.

### **5.3** Evaluation of performance [Section 27(4) read with 36(5) of the PFMA]

5.3.1 The accounting officer of an institution must establish procedures for quarterly reporting to the executive authority to facilitate effective performance monitoring, evaluation and corrective action.