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26th August, 2024

CIRCULAR NO. 19 OF 2024

To: All Permanent Secretaries and Controlling Officers
All Chief Executive of Parastatal and Statutory Bodies
All Town Clerks and Council Secretaries of Local Authorities

RE: SUSPENSION OF ORBIT DRILLING AND EXPLORATION LIMITED FROM PARTICIPATING IN PUBLIC PROCUREMENT

In exercise of the powers vested in the Zambia Public Procurement Authority by section 97 of the Public Procurement Act, No. 8 of 2020 as amended by the Public Procurement (Amendment) Act No. 17 of 2023, be advised that **Orbit Drilling and Exploration Limited** situated at Plot No. 22 Poplar Avenue, Avondale, Lusaka, has been suspended from participating in public procurement in Zambia for a period of one (1) year with effect from the date of this circular for submitting a fraudulent Workers' Compensation Fund Control Board Employer Compliance Certificate in the tender for the provision of borehole drilling services at National Pensions Scheme Authority (NAPSA) buildings in Kawambwa, Zambezi, Solwezi, Chingola, Monze and Chipata - (NAPSA/D1/11/24).

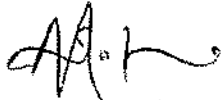
You are therefore expected to enforce this suspension by ensuring that you do not:

1. award contracts to Orbit Drilling and Exploration Limited;
2. sell or issue solicitation documents to Orbit Drilling and Exploration Limited or in any other way invite bids from the company; and
3. enter into any other dealings or communications with Orbit Drilling and Exploration Limited except in respect of existing contracts placed prior to this suspension.

This suspension includes any "successor in interest" including any entity which employs, or is associated with any partners, directors or any other officers considered as successors in interest.

Be advised that the suspension does not in any way limit Orbit Drilling and Exploration Limited from performing outstanding contracts that were entered into before the date of this Circular. Procuring Entities shall not enter into any new contracts with Orbit Drilling and Exploration Limited after the date of this Circular and during the period the suspension is in force.

All addressees are urged to ensure that the contents of this circular are implemented and brought to the attention of all staff under their supervision.



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ACTING DIRECTOR GENERAL

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