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**For immediate Release**

**PRESS STATEMENT ON REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON THE NUMBER OF COMPANIES  
SECURING PUBLIC CONTRACTS AS PROVIDED FOR IN BOTH THE CEEC ACT NO. 9 OF 2006  
AND SI NO. 36 OF 2011**

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The Zambia Public Procurement Authority (ZPPA) wishes to inform the general public and the public sector that Government through the Citizens Economic Empowerment Commission (CEEC) is in the process of reviewing the policy relating to reservation and preferential schemes.

ZPPA is therefore, requesting all government Controlling Officers, Permanent Secretaries, Chief Executive Officers of parastatals and statutory bodies, all Town Clerks and Council Secretaries of Local Authorities to submit information relating to records of contracts awarded to companies registered under the Citizens Economic Empowerment Act and Statutory Instrument No. 36 of 2011 during the period 2012 to 2017.

The objective of the review of the policy on reservation and preferential schemes is to assess how effective the policy has been and make improvements where necessary. This information is required from all government institutions that undertake public procurement involving works, goods, and services invited under tenders reserved as per statutory Instrument No. 36 of 2011.

Preference and reservation schemes are formulated by the Authority in consultation with Government bodies responsible for economic and social policy and issued by the Minister of Finance by statutory instrument. The target groups for any preference or reservation schemes determined in accordance with set government economic and social policies include the following:

- a) Citizens or local suppliers;
- b) Goods, works, or services manufactured in or provided from Zambia or a particular region or performed by Zambians or persons from a particular region;
- c) Zambian suppliers in a particular industry or economic sector;
- d) Small and medium sized enterprises;
- e) enterprises owned by women; or

f) any other group designated by Government Policy.

**In view of the above, all government institutions are required to submit to the Authority the requested information in the prescribed format. The deadline for the submission of the requested information is 14<sup>th</sup> May, 2018.**

This is contained in Circular No. 2 of 2018 issued by the Authority dated 27<sup>th</sup> March, 2018.



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