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Roy E. Barnes
GOVERNOR

Memorandum

To: Agency Heads, Fiscal Managers, and Agency Information Officers
From: Roy E. Barnes *REB*
Date: May 8, 2000
Re: Executive Order EDP Review Committee

This memorandum is to remind you that until the Georgia Technology Authority becomes effective, all agency purchases of information technology equipment and services (including consulting, systems development, programming, software, computer time, data preparation and related services) exceeding \$100,000 (\$250,000 for the Board of Regents) must continue to be approved by the Electronic Data Processing Review Committee. The definition of "purchases" includes extensions of present contracts and leases.

A copy of an executive order to that effect is attached. If you have any questions, please contact Jim Flowers at 404-463-7772 or Chuck Freedman at 404-656-6510.

REB:cf
Enclosure



THE STATE OF GEORGIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER

BY THE GOVERNOR:

WHEREAS: By Executive Orders issued on January 19, 1983, and May 1, 1991, the Electronic Data Processing Review Committee was created and established with the responsibility of overseeing comprehensive planning in the area of electronic data processing for executive branch agencies to ensure that users' needs are met while existing and future resources are fully utilized to take maximum advantage of the economies and efficiencies available, and for resolving conflicts between departments relating to electronic data processing matters; and

WHEREAS: Senate Bill 465 (Act No. 497) enacted in 2000 created the Georgia Technology Authority ("the Authority") to provide for procurement of technology resources, technology enterprise management, and technology portfolio management;

WHEREAS: Senate Bill 465 invested in the Authority the power to set technology policy for all agencies except those under the authority, direction, or control of the General Assembly or state-wide elected officials other than the Governor, and the power to establish and enforce standard specifications which shall apply to all technology and technology supplies, materials, and equipment purchased or to be purchased for the use of the state government or any of its agencies; and

WHEREAS: Senate Bill 465 does not become effective until July 1, 2000; and

WHEREAS: It is sound business practice to have in place a process for reviewing acquisition of all information technology equipment and services until the Authority is established and to have the ability to discharge the statutory mandates of the Authority during the interim.

NOW, THEREFORE PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME AS GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA, IT IS HEREBY

ORDERED: That the Electronic Data Processing Review Committee ("the Committee") is created.

IT IS FURTHER

ORDERED: The Committee shall consist of:

Mike Hale, Chief Information Officer of the Office of Information Technology Policy who shall serve as Chair of this Committee;
Jim Flowers, Governor's Advisor on Information Technology Policy;
Dana Russell, Commissioner of Administrative Services;
Bill Tomlinson, Director of the Office of Planning and Budget; and
Russell Hinton, State Auditor.

IT IS FURTHER

ORDERED: No board, department, or agency of state government shall acquire electronic data processing or computing equipment or shall obtain data processing or computer services, including consulting, systems development, programming, software, computer time, data preparation and related services, from any entity other than an agency of state government without the approval of the Committee unless such acquisition of equipment, software, or services is less than \$100,000 (less than \$250,000 for acquisition of equipment or services for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia).

IT IS FURTHER

ORDERED: That when the Committee considers matters relating to any agency represented on the Committee, the user agency members shall be non-voting members.

IT IS FURTHER

ORDERED: That the Committee shall be charged with the responsibility of resolving conflicts between entities relating to electronic data processing matters.

IT IS FURTHER

ORDERED: That all boards, departments, and agencies of state government shall submit to the Committee such information as the Committee may require in order to maintain a detailed inventory of all data processing and computing equipment in use by any state agency.

IT IS FURTHER

ORDERED: That the Committee shall adopt such rules of procedure and schedule its meetings as it sees fit consistent with all applicable federal and state laws and regulations.

IT IS FURTHER

ORDERED: That the Committee shall obtain the necessary staff support to perform its duties from the agencies which are permanent members of the Committee.

IT IS FURTHER

ORDERED: That upon July 1, 2000, the Committee shall cease to exist and the powers and duties of the Committee shall be immediately transferred to the Authority on that date.

This 1st day of May, 2000


GOVERNOR

ATTEST:


EXECUTIVE SECRETARY