

## PUBLIC PROCUREMENT COMMISSION





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COMPLAINTS

"Promoting fairness, transparency and efficiency in public procurement"

# The Public Procurement Commission (PPC) is an independent constitutional body established to-

"... monitor public procurement and the procedure therefor in order to ensure that the procurement of goods, services and execution of works are conducted in a fair, equitable, transparent, competitive and cost- effective manner according to law ..." –

Article 212W of the constitution of the Co-operative Republic of Guyana.

#### **COMPLAINTS**

As part of the execution of the aforesaid mandate, the PPC is empowered by the constitution of the Co-operative Republic of Guyana as enabled by S. 17 of the Procurement Act, Cap. 73:05 to investigate complaints from bidding contractors and suppliers and propose remedial action.

### DISSATISFIED WITH THE REJECTION OF YOUR BID? – APPLY FOR AN ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW

Complaints by bidders (contractors and suppliers) are investigated by way of "Administrative Review" pursuant to Part VII of the Procurement Act, Cap. 73:05.

# HOW TO LODGE A COMPLAINT FOR ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW

#### The Procurement Act provides that-

- A bidder whose tender or proposal has been rejected may submit a written protest to the procuring entity.
- The protest must be submitted within FIVE business days following the publication of the contract award decision.
- If the protest is not reviewed or the bidder is dissatisfied with the review, the bidder may submit a request for a review within THREE working days to the Public Procurement Commission (PPC).
- The PPC shall conduct the review of the decision of the procuring entity through an independent three person Bid Protest Committee.
- The said Committee must issue a written decision within fifteen days of the conclusion of the review stating the reason for the decision and the remedy awarded if any.
- Decisions on review are final and binding on the procuring entity.
- The final contract award is suspended during the period of review.

Forms for submission of a review can be accessed on the PPC's website: www.ppc.org.gy