# ADDENDUM TO THE BUY LOCAL POLICY October 2018

#### This addendum deals with the:

 removal of the requirement to consider Local Content as a weighted selection criterion in all quotation and tender evaluations.

#### This addendum:

 applies to all purchases covered by the Buy Local Policy which commence after 1 October 2018.

This addendum applies in addition to the *Addendum to the Buy Local Policy – December 2017*. Where there is inconsistency between the *Buy Local Policy* and this addendum, the terms of this addendum prevail.

### **Local Content**

One measure included in the *Buy Local Policy* is the requirement for Government agencies to include "local content" as a weighted selection criterion for all tenders with an estimated cost of \$750,000 and above and the "local content" selection criterion must have a minimum weighting of 20% (Local Content Weighted Selection Criterion).<sup>1</sup>

The measures provided for by the *Western Australian Jobs Act 2017* and the Western Australian Industry Participation Strategy<sup>2</sup> will functionally replicate the Local Content Weighted Selection Criterion and as a consequence, it is no longer required as a measure within the *Buy Local Policy*.

Government agencies are not required to use or apply the Local Content Weighted Selection Criterion or to follow its associated administrative requirements.

Government agencies are not required to discuss with the Industry Link Advisory Service within the Department of Jobs, Tourism, Science and Innovation, the approach taken to the section of a procurement plan that addresses maximizing local content.<sup>3</sup>

## **FURTHER ADVICE AND ASSISTANCE**

The *Buy Local Policy* is a Western Australian Government policy administered by the State Supply Commission. Further advice on the requirements of the *Buy Local Policy* can be obtained from the State Supply Commission on (08) 6551 1500.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Refer to pages 6, 12, 25 and 29 of the *Buy Local Policy*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Refer to the WA Industry Link portal.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Refer to pages 6, 12 and 29 of the *Buy Local Policy*. The *Buy Local Policy* refers to the Local Content within the Department of Industry and Technology, which no longer exists. A number of its functions are incorporated within the Department of Jobs, Tourism, Science and Innovation.