## **EBCONT - EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

INVESTIGATION RESULTS - BACKGROUND SEARCHES				
SUMMARY OF MAJOR FINDINGS & CONCLUSIONS				
Verification	Finding	Conclusion		
CIPC		Ebcont is a foreign company with a South-African representative		
Links to PRASA		We conducted various background searches on PRASA official involved in the tender award process, however we		
officials		could not find any links between these officials an Ebcont and its directors		
SARS		Ebcont is register for VAT		
BEE		Due to the fact that Ebcont is a foreign company with merely a South-African representative, they do not comply with BEE		
Treasury Register – Restricted Suppliers		Ebcont is not listed as a restricted supplier on Treasury's database of restricted suppliers		
SAFPS		Ebcont is not listed on SAFPS database		
Parliament Registry		Ebcont is not listed on the MP's database as one of the companies/individuals linked to MP's		

INVESTIGATION RESULTS - PROCUREMENT PROCESSES			
SUMMARY OF MAJOR FINDINGS & CONCLUSIONS	RECOMMENDATIONS		
Ebcont was awarded the big data implementation and strategy contract (on the Marklogic platform) on a confinement basis. The supplier has unique expertise, in this case the procurement of a big data strategy with reference implementation on the Marklogic platform from Ebcont, the EMEA distributor and preferred partner for Marklogic software.  Procurement on the basis of confinement is justifiable.  There have been significant delays with the submission of information relating to procurement and contract management. This information has been requested on a repetitive basis since April 2016. Some information we only received in the week prior to our reporting deadline, 31 October 2016.	It was not within our scope to investigate where documentation is, or who is directly responsible for the delay in providing the documentation and data, or for misplacing / destroying / losing the documentation / data.  The PRASA Board should investigate the root causes for the delay or omission in providing the required data / documentation; and act accordingly.		
INVESTIGATION RESULTS - PAYMENT VERIFICATION			
SUMMARY OF MAJOR FINDINGS & CONCLUSIONS	RECOMMENDATIONS		
The payments affected to Ebcont was in line with the contractual terms between PRASA and Ebcont for milestones delivered			