

<b>CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TECHNOLOGY</b> <b>TECHNOLOGY LETTER</b>	NUMBER: <b>TL 19-02</b>	DATE ISSUED: <b>December 2019</b>
SUBJECT: <b>Post Evaluation for IT Services Contracts</b>	REFERENCES: Assembly Bill (AB) No. 971 (CHAPTER 496, STATS 2019) Public Contract Code (PCC) Section 12102.3 State Administrative Manual (SAM) Section 5230.3 Statewide Contracting Manual (SCM) Volumes 3 and F	

## BACKGROUND

Pursuant to Public Contract Code (PCC) section 12100, the California Department of Technology (CDT) has procurement authority for the acquisition of information technology (IT) goods and services related to non-delegated information technology projects, as defined in Chapter 4800 of the SAM. In an effort to increase the state's oversight of IT services contracts, AB 971 (Chapter 496, Statutes of 2019), which added PCC section 12102.3, requires state departments receiving IT services totaling \$500,000 or more AND associated with an IT project to complete a post evaluation of the contractor's performance.

AB 971 requires state departments receiving IT services to base a post evaluation on objective facts and support them with program and contract performance data. The post evaluation shall be prepared within 60 calendar days of the completion of the contract and shall remain on file for a period of 36 months. CDT will act as a central depository for the post evaluations submitted by state departments.

Statutory changes set forth in AB 971 will be effective January 1, 2020 and apply to all IT services contracts of \$500,000 or more related to an IT project completed after January 1, 2020. The SCM Volumes 3 and F as well as SAM Section 5230.3 have been updated to include the process whereby state departments are required to complete, file, and submit the newly created Post Evaluation for IT Services Contracts (STD. 971) form. A post evaluation and contractor response pursuant to this section is exempt from the Public Records Act. For additional instructions, see SCM Volumes 3 and F.

## PURPOSE

The purpose of this Technology Letter (TL) is to announce:

- Updated SAM Section 5230.3, to include post evaluation policy.
- Updated SCM Volumes 3 and F, to include the process and procedures to complete and file Post Evaluation for IT Services Contracts (STD 971).
- New Post Evaluation for IT Services Contracts form (STD 971).

## QUESTIONS

Questions regarding this Technology Letter should be directed to the CDT, Office of Statewide Technology Procurement at: [Form971@state.ca.gov](mailto:Form971@state.ca.gov).

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