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Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment 15 Stout Street Wellington 6011

Via email: <u>nzgprulesreview@mbie.govt.nz</u>.

Re: Government Procurement Rules Consultation

To Whom It May Concern:

The Association of Digital Service Providers Australia New Zealand (DSPANZ) welcomes the opportunity to make this submission on behalf of our members and the business software industry.

About DSPANZ

Digital Service Providers Australia New Zealand is the gateway for the government into the dynamic, world-class business software sector in Aotearoa New Zealand and Australia. <u>Our members</u> range from large, well-established companies to new and nimble innovators working at the cutting edge of business software and app development on both sides of the Tasman.

DSPANZ welcomes and strongly supports the New Zealand Government's proposed update to the Government Procurement Rules and the introduction of Rule 44: *elnvoicing Capability*.

Including *elnvoicing Capability* as a core capability represents a significant step forward in driving the broader adoption of elnvoicing across the New Zealand economy. We support the inclusion of a mandatory requirement for large suppliers to send elnvoices to New Zealand government agencies as we believe this will further drive the uptake of elnvoicing across the private sector.

DSPANZ members providing elnvoicing solutions to the market are well-placed to support agencies and suppliers in meeting the proposed new requirements under the Government Procurement Rules. We welcome the opportunity to work with MBIE to support any engagements surrounding these changes.

DSPANZ commends the Government for taking this step to drive elnvoicing adoption in New Zealand. We look forward to supporting the continued growth of elnvoicing in New Zealand and Australia as part of the trans-Tasman approach.

Please contact Maggie Leese at <u>maggie@dspanz.org</u> to discuss this submission in further detail.

Yours faithfully,

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