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Our Reference: COVID19 – Onsite Visits
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Dear Nominated Representatives,

Considering the number of requests and correspondences in reference to the COVID-19 pandemic, SANAS has reviewed the R47-02 procedures in order to accommodate B-BBEE Verification Agencies.

In terms of Paragraph 18.1.1 of the R47-02, the following is stated:

18.1.1 The BEE Verification Agency shall verify, evaluate and validate to verify measured entities based on the principles encapsulated in the BBBEE Codes of Good Practice and this document and shall include all relevant elements of the Broad-Based BEE scorecard. All verifications are to be based on information that has been verified by an on-site visit to the measured entity. No score can be given without an on-site assessment of the entity.

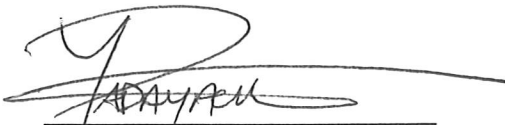
Based on the extraordinary pandemic that South Africa is currently facing, in the interim, the following shall be implemented by B-BBEE Verification Agencies when conducting B-BBEE Verifications of Measured Entities:

- The normal engagement processes between the Accredited Agency and the Measured Entity shall be conducted.
- Onsite Visits may be conducted remotely via any suitable recorded video communications channel, if the Onsite assessment is not viable.
- All necessary documentation that is required by the B-BBEE Verification Agency shall be obtained to support the accreditation process.
- Where documents that cannot be obtained, the B-BBEE Verification Agency shall view these documents via any suitable video communications channel, and which must be recorded appropriately.
- All interviews to be conducted via any suitable video / teleconferencing communications channel, which will be recorded and saved internally.

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- A Director of a Measured Entity to provide Sworn Affidavits confirming physical location as well as all information provided in relation to the B-BBEE Verification as true and accurate.
- Measured Entities to provide proof of physical address not older than 3 months.
- The B-BBEE Verification Agency shall identify all risks and mitigate these risks with regards to Onsite Visits during this time.
- During this interim measure, the B-BBEE Verification Agency takes full responsibility of the results of the B-BBEE Verification Certificate and Report.
- It should be noted that this is not a permanent solution, and it will be reviewed on a monthly basis from date of signature and will be implemented until further notice.



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