HANDS ON IT (PTY) LTD 2006/029237/07

ACCESS TO INFORMATION MANUAL (PRIVATE BODY)

PREPARED IN TERMS OF SECTION 51 OF THE PROMOTION OF ACCESS TO INFORMATION ACT 2 OF 2000

1. Purpose of the Manual in terms of PAIA

The purpose of this Manual is to assist people wishing to access information in terms of the PAIA from *Hands on IT (Pty) Ltd*

2. Request for access to information

In the event that a person or entity requires access to information as contemplated in the Act, the requester must contact the Information Officer per para 4 & 5 below.

Section 25(2) states that:

(2) If the request for access is granted, the notice in terms of subsection (1)(b) must state-

(a) the access fee (if any) to be paid upon access;

(b) the form in which access will be given; and

(c) that the requester may lodge an internal appeal or an application with a court, as the case may be, against the access fee to be paid or the form of access 15 granted, and the procedure (including the period) for lodging the internal appeal or application, as the case may be.

(3) If the request for access is refused, the notice in terms of subsection (1)(b) must—

(a) state adequate reasons for the refusal, including the provisions of this Act relied upon;

(b) exclude, from such reasons, any reference to the content of the record; and

(c) state that the requester may lodge an internal appeal or an application with a court, as the case may be, against the refusal of the request, and the procedure (including the period) for lodging the internal appeal or application, as the case may be.

3. Terms used in this document

- Terms defined in the act shall have the meaning set out therein;
- Reference to sections shall be a reference to sections in the Act

4. Organisation Details

a. Name: Hands on IT (Pty) Ltd

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Postal address:	3 Langemere Street Edgemead 7441 Cape Town
Contact details:	Cell: +27 (0)82 770 7158 Fax: +27 (0) 86 661 7158 Email: Stephen@handsonit.co.za
Website address:	www.handsonit.co.za

5. Details of the information officer: Stephen Fourie

Cell: +27 (0)82 770 7158 Fax: +27 (0)86-661-7158 Email: <u>Stephen@handsonit.co.za</u> Website: www.handsonit.co.za

6. Section 51(1) (c)

In terms of Section 52, a private body may, on a voluntary and periodic basis, submit to the Minister a description of categories of records which are automatically available without a person having to request access in terms of this Act. This includes records which are available:

- for inspection
- for purchase or copying from the private body; and
- from the private body free of charge)

No records in terms of this section are available and a formal request is required by the organisation.

7. Section 51(1) (d)

Information is available in terms of the following legislation if and where applicable:

- Attorneys Act 53 of 1979
- Basic Conditions of Employment Act 75 of 1997
- Closed Corporation Act 69 of 1984
- Close Corporations amendment Act 25 of 2005
- Consumer Protection Act 68 of 2008
- Electronic Communications and Transactions Act 25 of 2002
- Employment Equity Act 55 of 1998
- Financial Advisory and Intermediary Services Act no 37 of 2002
- Financial Intelligence Centre Act 38 of 2001
- Income Tax Act 58 of 1962
- Insolvency Act 24 of 1936
- Labour Relations Act 66 of 1995
- Occupational Health and Safety Act 85 of 1993
- Prevention of Organised Crime Act 121 of 1998
- Skills Development Act 97 of 1998
- Skills Development Levies Act 9 of 1999
- The National Credit Act 34 of 2005
- Unemployment Insurance Act 63 of 2001
- Unemployment Insurance Contributions Act 4 of 2002
- Value Added Tax Act 89 of 1991

8. Section 51(1) (e)

Information and records available after following the correct channels of request and subsequent approval in terms of S51 and S52 of this Act are:

Administration:

- 1. Documentation
- 2. Correspondence

Human Resources:

- 1. Employment contracts where applicable
- 2. Remuneration records
- 3. Personnel records

Finances:

- 1. Accounting records
- 2. Annual Financial Statements
- 3. Statutory records

9. Requesting Procedure

A person who wants access to the records must complete the necessary request "Form C", as set out in Annexure 1, and the completed form must be sent to the address or fax number per para 4 & 5 above, and marked for the attention of the information officer.

The requester must indicate which form of access is required, and identify the right that is sought to be exercised or protected, and provide an explanation of which the requested record is required for the exercise or protection of that right. The requester should also provide proof of the capacity in which the requester is requesting the information

10.2 Availability of the Manual

10.2.1 This manual is available for inspection by the general public upon request during office hours and there is no charge for viewing the manual at our offices. Copies of the manual may be made available subject to the prescribed fees.

10.2.2 Copies may also be requested from the South African Human Rights Commission at the address indicated below.

10.3 Fees

A requester who seeks access to a record containing personal information about that requester is not required to pay the request fees. Any other requester who is not a personal requester must pay the required fee:

10.3.1 A fee will be required by the information officer before further processing of the request in terms of S54 of the Act

10.3.2 A requester fee of R50 should be paid, this amount will be refunded should the request for access be refused

10.3.3 A portion of the access fee (not more than one third) may be required before the request is considered

10.3.4 The requester may lodge an application with a court against the payment of the request fee in terms of S54(3)(b) of the Act

10.3.5 The information officer may withhold a record until the requester has paid the applicable fees

10.4 Details of the South African Human Rights Commission

Any queries with regard to this manual should be directed to:

The South African Human Rights Commission; PAIA Unit

Research and Documentation Department

Private Bag 2700

Houghton

2041

Phone: 011 484 8300

Fax: 011 484 0582

Email: PAIA@sarhc.org.za

Website:www.sahrc.org.za

ANNEXURE 1

FORM C:

REQUEST FOR ACCESS TO RECORD OF PRIVATE BODY (Section 53(1) of the Promotion of Access to Information Act, 2000) (Act. No. 2 of 2000) [Regulation 10] A. Particulars of private body The Head:

B. Particulars of person requesting access to the record

(a) The particulars of the person who requests access to the record must be given below.

(b) The address and/or fax number in the Republic to which the information is to be sent must be given.

(c) Proof of the capacity in which the request is made, if applicable, must be attached.

Full names and surname: _____

Identity number: _____

Postal Address: _____

Fax Number:

Telephone number:	E-mail Address:
Capacity in which the re-	quest is made, when made on behalf of
another person:	

C. Particulars of person on whose behalf request is made This section must be completed ONLY if requests for information is made on behalf of another person. Full names and surname: _____

Identity number: _____

D. Particulars of record

(a) Provide full particulars of the record to which access is requested, including the reference number if that is known to you, to enable the record to be located.

(b) In the provided space is inadequate, please continue on a separate folio and attach it to this form. The requester must sign all the additional folios.

1. Description of record or relevant part of the record:

2. Reference number, if available: ______

3. Any further particulars of record: _____

E. Fees

(a) A request for access to a record, other than a record containing personal information about yourself, will be processed only after a request fee has been paid.

(b) You will be notified of the amount required to be paid as the request fee.

(c) The fee payable for access to a record depends on the form in which access is required and the reasonable time required to search for and prepare a record.

(d) If you qualify for exemption of the payment of any fee, please state the reason for exemption.

Reason for exemption from payment of fees: _____