

BID SPECIFICATION

INVITATION FOR BIDS

APPOINTMENT OF A PANEL OF LEGAL PRACTITIONERS

BID NUMBER:	MPA/20252026/CEO/02
NAME OF THE BIDDER	
TOTAL BID AMOUNT	R
TENDER LEVY	R200.00
CLOSING DATE:	14 OCTOBER 2025
CLOSING TIME:	11h00 AM
BID REQUIREMENT	
BID DOCUMENT DELIVERY ADDRESS:	SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT UNIT PROCUREMENT OFFICE HALLS' GATEWAY, MATAFFIN MPA FINANCE BLOCK E MBOMBELA, 1200
BID VALIDITY PERIOD:	90 DAYS (COMMENCING FROM THE ADVERT CLOSING DATE)
TECHNICAL RELATED QUERIES	Mpinane.Nhlabathi@mtpa.co.za 013 065 0599
SCM RELATED QUERIES	Evans.Ngwenya@mtpa.co.za 013 065 0886
DESCRIPTION OF THE BID	APPOINTMENT OF A PANEL OF LEGAL PRACTITIONERS

Bidders should ensure that bids are delivered timeously to the correct address. If the bid is late, it will not be accepted for consideration.

Bidders shall submit proposal responses in accordance with the prescribed manner of submissions as specified above. Bids received after the time stipulated shall not be considered.

Bidders are not allowed to contact any other MTPA staff in the context of this BID other than the indicated officials under SBD 1 or as indicated above.

NB: No proposal shall be accepted by MTPA if submitted in any manner other than as prescribed above.

PART A

INVITATION TO BID

YOU ARE HEREBY INVITED TO BID FOR REQUIREMENTS OF THE (MPUMALANGA TOURISM AND PARKS AGENCY)						
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DESCRIPTION	APPOINTMENT OF A PANEL OF LEGAL PRACTITIONERS					
BID RESPONSE DOCUMENTS MAY BE DEPOSITED IN THE BID BOX SITUATED AT (STREET ADDRESS)						
SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT UNIT, PROCUREMENT OFFICE (MTPA FINANCE BLOCK E)						
N4 NATIONAL ROAD,HALLS' GATEWAY MATAFFIN						
MBOMBELA						
1200						
BIDDING PROCEDURE ENQUIRIES MAY BE DIRECTED TO			TECHNICAL ENQUIRIES MAY BE DIRECTED TO:			
CONTACT PERSON	EVANS NGWENYA		CONTACT PERSON	Adv. Mpinane Nhlabathi		
TELEPHONE NUMBER	013 065 0886		TELEPHONE NUMBER	013 065 0599		
FACSIMILE NUMBER			FACSIMILE NUMBER			
E-MAIL ADDRESS	EVANS.NGWENYA@MTPA.CO.ZA		E-MAIL ADDRESS	Mpinane.Nhlabathi@mtpa.co.za		
SUPPLIER INFORMATION						
NAME OF BIDDER						
POSTAL ADDRESS						
STREET ADDRESS						
TELEPHONE NUMBER	CODE		NUMBER			
CELLPHONE NUMBER						
FACSIMILE NUMBER	CODE		NUMBER			
E-MAIL ADDRESS						
VAT REGISTRATION NUMBER						
SUPPLIER COMPLIANCE STATUS	TAX COMPLIANCE SYSTEM PIN:		OR	CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE No:	MAAA	
ARE YOU THE ACCREDITED REPRESENTATIVE IN SOUTH AFRICA FOR THE GOODS /SERVICES OFFERED?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No [IF YES ENCLOSE PROOF]		ARE YOU A FOREIGN BASED SUPPLIER FOR THE GOODS /SERVICES OFFERED? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No [IF YES, ANSWER THE QUESTIONNAIRE BELOW]			

QUESTIONNAIRE TO BIDDING FOREIGN SUPPLIERS

IS THE ENTITY A RESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA (RSA)? ☐ YES ☐ NO

DOES THE ENTITY HAVE A BRANCH IN THE RSA? ☐ YES ☐ NO

DOES THE ENTITY HAVE A PERMANENT ESTABLISHMENT IN THE RSA? ☐ YES ☐ NO

DOES THE ENTITY HAVE ANY SOURCE OF INCOME IN THE RSA? ☐ YES ☐ NO

IS THE ENTITY LIABLE IN THE RSA FOR ANY FORM OF TAXATION? ☐ YES ☐ NO

IF THE ANSWER IS "NO" TO ALL OF THE ABOVE, THEN IT IS NOT A REQUIREMENT TO REGISTER FOR A TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS SYSTEM PIN CODE FROM THE SOUTH AFRICAN REVENUE SERVICE (SARS) AND IF NOT REGISTER AS PER 2.3 BELOW.

PART B

TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR BIDDING

1. BID SUBMISSION:

- 1.1. BIDS MUST BE DELIVERED BY THE STIPULATED TIME TO THE CORRECT ADDRESS. LATE BIDS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED FOR CONSIDERATION.
- 1.2. **ALL BIDS MUST BE SUBMITTED ON THE OFFICIAL FORMS PROVIDED (NOT TO BE RE-TYPED) OR IN THE MANNER PRESCRIBED IN THE BID DOCUMENT.**
- 1.3. THIS BID IS SUBJECT TO THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT POLICY FRAMEWORK ACT, 2000 AND THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS, THE GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT (GCC) AND, IF APPLICABLE, ANY OTHER SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT.
- 1.4. **THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER WILL BE REQUIRED TO FILL IN AND SIGN A WRITTEN CONTRACT FORM (SBD7).**

2. TAX COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS

- 2.1 BIDDERS MUST ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THEIR TAX OBLIGATIONS.
- 2.2 BIDDERS ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT THEIR UNIQUE PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (PIN) ISSUED BY SARS TO ENABLE THE ORGAN OF STATE TO VERIFY THE TAXPAYER'S PROFILE AND TAX STATUS.
- 2.3 APPLICATION FOR TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS (TCS) PIN MAY BE MADE VIA E-FILING THROUGH THE SARS WEBSITE WWW.SARS.GOV.ZA.
- 2.4 BIDDERS MAY ALSO SUBMIT A PRINTED TCS CERTIFICATE TOGETHER WITH THE BID.
- 2.5 IN BIDS WHERE CONSORTIA / JOINT VENTURES / SUB-CONTRACTORS ARE INVOLVED; EACH PARTY MUST SUBMIT A SEPARATE TCS CERTIFICATE / PIN / CSD NUMBER.
- 2.6 WHERE NO TCS PIN IS AVAILABLE BUT THE BIDDER IS REGISTERED ON THE CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE (CSD), A CSD NUMBER MUST BE PROVIDED.
- 2.7 NO BIDS WILL BE CONSIDERED FROM PERSONS IN THE SERVICE OF THE STATE, COMPANIES WITH DIRECTORS WHO ARE PERSONS IN THE SERVICE OF THE STATE, OR CLOSE CORPORATIONS WITH MEMBERS PERSONS IN THE SERVICE OF THE STATE."

NB: FAILURE TO PROVIDE / OR COMPLY WITH ANY OF THE ABOVE PARTICULARS MAY RENDER THE BID INVALID.

SIGNATURE OF BIDDER:

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CAPACITY UNDER WHICH THIS BID IS SIGNED:

(Proof of authority must be submitted e.g. company resolution)

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DATE:

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THE MTPA PANEL OF LEGAL PRACTITIONERS

1. BACKGROUND

The Mpumalanga Tourism and Parks Agency (the MTPA) was established in terms of the Mpumalanga Tourism and Parks Agency, Act No. 5 of 2005, (MTPA Act) and listed as a schedule 3C Public Entity under the Public Finance Management Act No.1 of 1999 ("PFMA"). The MTPA came into existence on 01 April 2006 following the merger of the now defunct Mpumalanga Parks Board and Mpumalanga Tourism Authority.

Section 3 of the MTPA Act defines the objects of the MTPA as follows:

1.1 The objective of the Agency shall be to provide for sustainable management and promotion of Tourism and nature conservation in the Province and ensure the sustainable utilization of natural resources.

1.1 In pursuing its objects, the Agency shall –

- (a) Provide for effective management and conservation of biodiversity and ecosystem within the Province;*
- (b) Develop and ensure effective management and market tourism;*
- (c) Foster; promote and sustainably develop and market tourism; and*
- (d) Promote and create socio – economic growth and transformation with the tourism and conservation industry, thereby creating economic and employment opportunities for previously disadvantaged individuals and local communities in the Province.*

2. PURPOSE

The MTPA wishes to appoint its new Panel of Legal Practitioners with suitable experience to render legal services to the MTPA for a period of 3 years from their appointment.

3. SCOPE OF WORK

To be considered for selection of the MTPA's new Panel of Legal Practitioners, the interested law firms or legal practitioners must clearly indicate their relevant areas of specialization and areas of expertise.

The interested law firms or legal practitioners will be required to have experience and skills in the following legal areas:

4.2.1.1 Administrative Law

4.2.1.2 Advertising and marketing related legislation

4.2.1.3 Banking and Financial Law

4.2.1.4 Civil Law and procedure

4.2.1.5 Commercial Law

4.2.1.6 Competition Law

4.2.1.7 Constitutional Law

4.2.1.8 Contractual Law

4.2.1.9 Consumer Protection Laws

4.2.1.10 Corporate Law

4.2.1.11 Criminal law and procedure

4.2.1.12 Debt collection

4.2.1.13 Engineering and Construction Law

4.2.1.14 Environmental related Laws (Biodiversity, Conservation, Protected Areas, Wildlife, Fauna & Flora, Veld fires, Water laws, Hunting, Heritage, etc.)

4.2.1.15 Governance, risk and compliance legislation applicable to the RSA public entities

4.2.1.16 Health and Safety legislation

4.2.1.17 Human Rights Law

4.2.1.18 Information communication Technology and systems related legislation

4.2.1.19 Insurance Law

4.2.1.20 Intellectual Property Law

4.2.1.21 International Trade Laws

4.2.1.22 Labour and Employment Laws

4.2.1.23 Legislation relevant to and governing procurement of RSA public entities (Constitution, Public Procurement Act, PFMA, PPPFA, BBBEE, Treasury Regulations, etc.)

4.2.1.24 Land related legislation (Restitution of Land Rights Act, Communal Property Association Act, Land Reform Act, etc.)

4.2.1.25 Litigation

4.2.1.26 Media Law

4.2.1.27 Mining Law

4.2.1.28 Pension Law

4.2.1.29 Property laws/Conveyancing/ Notarial Services

4.2.1.30 Public Law

4.2.1.31 Security related legislation applicable to RSA public entities

4.2.1.32 Tax Laws

4.2.1.33 Tourism Laws

4.2.1.34 Transport Law

4. SELECTION OF THE PANEL OF LEGAL PRACTITIONERS

Appointed law firms or legal practitioners who will comprise MTPA's new panel of legal practitioners shall be informed/ notified of such in writing. The new panel will be valid for a period of 3 (Three) years from their appointment.

5. ALLOCATION OF WORK

The allocation of work to the panel of legal practitioners will generally be done on a rotational basis, depending on the urgency and/or the nature of the matter as well as the skills required for the relevant matter on hand.

In the event that no appropriate skills are identified in the panel, the MTPA reserves the right to source the required skills from alternative sources, as may be necessary leaning on a competitive approach as permitted by relevant prescripts.

Appointed law firms or legal practitioners will be required to furnish reports relating to matters allocated to them as and when requested by the MTPA.

6. CONFIDENTIALITY

In addition to technical and professional requirements, panel members will be expected and required to maintain strict confidentiality over all matters handled on behalf of the MTPA. This includes, but is not limited to:

- 6.1 Legal advice and or opinions;
- 6.2 Case strategies;
- 6.3 Internal documentation;
- 6.4 Sensitive or proprietary information accessed in the course of engagement.

A confidentiality clause will be explicitly included in the service-level agreement to be signed with each appointed practitioner or firm. Breach of confidentiality may lead to immediate termination of services and potential legal consequences.

7. PERFORMANCE MONITORING

- 7.1 Panel members shall be subject to annual evaluation by the Legal Services Unit based on quality, responsiveness, and compliance.
- 7.2 Poor performance may result in written warnings, suspension of assignments, or removal from the Panel.

- 7.3 The external auditors of the MTPA shall audit the work undertaken by the appointed practitioners on an annual basis. To that effect, they may send out legal confirmations to the appointed legal practitioners for their attention and response.

8. PRICING/PAYMENTS

Generally, the fees for services rendered will be in accordance with the MTPA's Legal Tariff and shall be inclusive of VAT and disbursements.

Alternatively, in exceptional circumstances where the MTPA's Legal Tariff is not used, the MTPA and the law firms or legal practitioners appointed will specifically agree on hourly rates that shall be used in respect of the services to be rendered.

Further, the appointed law firms or legal practitioners will be required to comply to the guidelines and prescripts applicable to the public entities regarding payments of their validly submitted fees that are due. That would include confirmation of the listing of the appointed law firms or legal practitioners on the Central Supplier Database (CSD), valid tax clearance certificate, etc. No payments will be made until full compliance is attained in this regard.

9. EVALUATION

A preferential point system shall apply in accordance with the procedure for evaluation of tenders as stated in the MTPA's Supply Chain Policy where the 80/20 point of system shall be applicable and the threshold for functionality will be **60 Points**. Tenders that do not meet the minimum participation goals in the General Conditions of Contract will be disqualified, which includes the following:

- Company registration documents;
- ID Copies of Directors
- Valid Tax Compliance Status (TCS Pin to be supplied)
- Organogram
- CV of Legal Practitioners
- CSD Registration
- List of Experience in Relation to Scope of Work.
- Letter confirming affiliation on professional body/ Association
- SBD Forms
- Signed Terms of Reference

9.1 Table one: Evaluation Criteria

CRITERIA	MAXIMUM TO BE AWARDED
1. Experience Number of years of experience of directors and /or senior legal consultants in the related specialist area. (the category and the number of years should be listed as well as a minimum of 3 (three) contactable references) Sound knowledge and expertise through proven cited examples within the related specialist area.	100
2. Capacity Proven ability and capacity to provide the MTPA with the required legal services. What expertise does the company have with reference to public sector legal matters, and the knowledge of public sector rules and regulations?	100
TOTAL SCORE	200
3. Preference Points	20
Specific Goals	
THRESHOLD SCORE	60

9.2 Table two: Evaluation Criteria (Experience)

GENERAL QUALIFICATION OF PROFESSIONALS	Name of profession and their qualifications (LLB, LLM etc) Admission as attorney and/or advocate affiliated to the Legal Practice Council or equivalent professional body.	Weight 10
AREAS OF LAW AS PER SCOPE OF WORK THAT A LAW FIRM PROVIDES	List/indicate areas of law as per the scope of work. (please fill in the attached table, as annexure B)	20
NUMBER OF YEARS A LAW FIRM HAS PROVIDED LEGAL SERVICES AS PER SCOPE OF WORK	Details (concise) of relevant experience in relation to the scope of work.	30
YEARS OF EXPERIENCE OF PROFESSIONALS, RELEVANT	CVs of professionals (partners and directors)	30

TO THE SCOPE OF WORK		
PROVEN TRACK RECORD	Letters from clients indicate the area of law the firm was involved in and must be in the client's company letter head. A minimum of 4 letters.	10
Total		100

9.3 Table three: Evaluation Criteria (Capacity)

Experience of staff (assigned personnel) in relation to the scope of work; reference of decided and/or reported cases that your firm was involved in will be an added advantage	General qualifications	limited levels of general experience	reasonable levels of general experience	extensive levels of general experience	exceptional levels of general experience	20	60
	Adequacy for the specific field	limited levels of specific qualifications, training and experience	reasonable levels of specific qualifications, training and experience	Extensive levels of specific qualifications, training and experience	Outstanding levels of specific qualifications, training and experience	20	
	Knowledge and expertise in the field	limited knowledge and expertise in the field	Reasonable knowledge and expertise in field	extensive knowledge and expertise in the field	Outstanding knowledge and expertise in the field	20	
Proven track record	List of contactable references provided but with no letter or reference	Reference letters from relevant clients where similar services have been provided (letters on client letterheads)	Less than 3 reference letters from relevant clients where similar services were rendered in the last 2 years	Between 4 & 5 reference letters from relevant clients where similar services were rendered in the last 2 years	More than 5 reference letters from relevant clients where similar services were rendered in last 2 years	20	20
			5	10	20		
Conflict of interest situations i.e. if your firm were to receive instructions to act against MTPA whilst on the MTPA panel?						5	20
Value Added Services (those that offer clients something <i>more</i> than legal answers - post case support and advice, pro bono services, client education and legal literacy, etc.)						10	
A disaster recovery plan and systems back up procedure if any disaster should occur on your business premises (all systems, personnel, and processes related to client data storage, case management software, communication systems (email, phones), office operations (on-site and remote). Time taken to restore critical the system						5	
TOTAL POINTS						100	100

The threshold for functional evaluation is set at **60 Points** and bidders scoring above the **60 Points threshold** will be further evaluated for price.

Price: 80%

$$P_s = 80 \left(1 - \frac{P_t - P_{\min}}{P_{\min}} \right)$$

Where:

- Ps = points scored for competitive price of bid under consideration
 Pt = comparative price of bid under consideration
 P min = comparative price of lowest acceptable bid

Preference points **(20)** will be allocated utilizing the below specific goals;

SPECIFIC GOALS	POINTS ALLOCATED
Historically disadvantaged by unfair discrimination on the basis of race,	6
Gender (Women)	5
Disability	5
Youth	4

In order for the points to be allocated to a bidder, the ownership status must at least be equal to or above 50 + 1% on any of the above specific goals.

BIDDERS MUST SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENT, FAILURE TO DO SO WILL RESULT TO DISQUALIFICATION

- Duly completed and signed bid document including all the attached SBD forms.
- A valid company tax clearance certificate (or in case of a joint venture, of all partners in the joint venture) must be submitted with the bid documentation.
- Certified Copies of Directors / Shareholders/ Partners
- Company registration certificate issued by CIPC (CIPRO) and copies of share certificates or Members Interests in a case of a Close Corporation (CC)
- Bidders who have public sector (i.e. national, provincial or local government) officials as directors / shareholders / partners shall be disqualified if they fail to submit approvals from their executing authorities authorising them to undertake remunerative work outside their employments as public servants.
- In bids where Consortia / Joint Venture are involved, each party must submit copy of a business registration certificate and valid Tax Clearance Certificate.
- Duly signed Joint Venture agreement (In case of JV)
- Bids must be submitted in South African Rand, on fixed all-inclusive price basis

- Including VAT in the event the bidder is a VAT vendor.
- The Agency is not bound to accept any of the bid submitted.
- The Agency reserves the right to call for Best and Final Offers from short-listed bidders before final selection.
- The Agency reserves the right to negotiate price with preferred bidder/s.
- Only bids who have submitted with a valid Tax Clearance issued by SARS will be considered.
- The lowest or any bid will not necessarily be accepted, and the Agency reserves the right to accept the whole or part of any bid.

Areas of Law.

AREAS OF LAW	
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
1. Administrative Law	
2. Advertising & marketing related legislation	
3. Banking and Financial Law	
4. Civil Law and procedure	
5. Commercial Law	
6. Competition Law	
7. Constitutional Law	
8. Contractual Law	
9. Consumer Protection Law	
10. Corporate Law	
11. Criminal Law and procedure	
12. Debt collection	
13. Engineering and Construction Law	
14 Environmental related Laws (Biodiversity, Conservation, Protected Areas, Wildlife, Fauna& flora, Veld fires, Water laws, Hunting, Heritage, etc.)	
15 Governance, risk and compliance legislation applicable to SA public entities	
16. Health and Safety legislation	
17 Human Rights Law	

18.	Information communication Technology and systems related legislation	
19.	Insurance Law	
20.	Intellectual Property Law	
21.	International Trade Laws	
22.	Labour and Employment related Laws	
23.	Legislation relevant to and governing activities of SA public entities (PFMA, PPPFA, BBBEE, Treasury Regulations, etc.)	
24.	Land related legislation (Restitution of Land Rights Act, Communal Property Associations Act, Land Reform Act, etc.)	
25.	Litigation	
26.	Media Law	
27.	Mining Law	
28.	Pension Law	
29.	Property Laws / Conveyancing/ Notarial Services	
30.	Public Law	
31.	Security related legislation applicable to SA public entities	
32.	Tax Laws	
33.	Tourism Laws	
34.	Transport Law	

10. PROCEDURE FOR SUBMITTING BID

The law firms or legal practitioners' bid documents should be accompanied by a company profile, company registration papers, CVs of the person/s or team/s that will be rendering assistance on such legal work, letters of good standing from the Legal Practice Council or equivalent body, valid Tax Compliance Status (TCS Pin to be supplied). The CVs of the person/s or team/s should display a clear understanding of the regulatory frameworks that govern the specific category that the legal practitioner wants to be considered for as well as proven experience in those relevant fields of law.

Bidders must provide traceable information and references on their ability to provide such services. Should bidders fail to comply with this requirement, the MTPA will assume that the bid is not in compliance with the requirements as specified in the terms of reference and will be disqualified.

11. SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS

All proposals and supporting documents must be clearly marked **"MTPA PANEL OF LEGAL PRACTITIONERS"** and submitted to the senior Manager Supply Chain Management, Office of the Chief Financial Officer, Private Bag X11338, Nelspruit, 1200 or hand delivered to Block E (E4) at MTPA Office Complex, N4 National Road, Hall's Gateway, Mafaffin: by no later than **14 OCTOBER 2025**. Late, emailed proposals will not be accepted.

12. COMPULSORY BRIEFING SESSION

A virtual compulsory briefing session will be held from **(10:00 to 11:00) on the 18 SEPTEMBER 2025** via Microsoft Teams (link posted in to be requested from Evans.Ngwenya@mtpa.co.za). Bidders must log in 15 minutes before the start of the meeting.

Enquiries of the tender may be directed as follows:

Submission of bids and enquiries:

Mr. Evans Ngwenya
Evans.Ngwenya@mtpa.co.za

013 065 0886

Technical Enquiries
Adv. Mpinane Nhlabathi
Mpinane.Nhlabathi@mtpa.co.za

013 13 065 0599

13. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

All appointed law firms or legal practitioners on the MTPA's new Panel of Legal Practitioners shall sign a service level agreement (SLA) with the MTPA immediately after their appointment.

Each law firm or legal practitioner who is appointed for a particular matter will be provided with the written instructions or mandate by the MTPA containing the terms and conditions of their appointment by the MTPA pertaining to such a particular matter.

The selection of any law firm or legal practitioner to the MTPA's new panel of legal practitioners does not guarantee allocation of work to any law firm or legal practitioner on the panel.

14. FINANCIAL IMPLICATION

Payment of the legal fees to any enlisted law firm or legal practitioner shall be paid within the allocated litigation budget at Legal Services.

Similarly, any payment of legal costs awarded against the MTPA in any litigation shall be covered from the budget allocated to Legal Services.

BIDDER'S DISCLOSURE

1. PURPOSE OF THE FORM

Any person (natural or juristic) may make an offer or offers in terms of this invitation to bid. In line with the principles of transparency, accountability, impartiality, and ethics as enshrined in the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa and further expressed in various pieces of legislation, it is required for the bidder to make this declaration in respect of the details required hereunder.

Where a person/s are listed in the Register for Tender Defaulters and / or the List of Restricted Suppliers, that person will automatically be disqualified from the bid process.

2. Bidder's declaration

2.1 Is the bidder, or any of its directors / trustees / shareholders / members / partners or any person having a controlling interest in the enterprise employed by the state? **YES/NO**

2.1.1 If so, furnish particulars of the names, individual identity numbers, and, if applicable, state employee numbers of sole proprietor/ directors / trustees / shareholders / members/ partners or any person having a controlling interest in the enterprise, in table below.

Full Name	Identity Number	Name of State institution

2.2 Do you, or any person connected with the bidder, have a relationship with any person who is employed by the procuring institution? **YES/NO**

2.2.1 If so, furnish particulars:

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- 2.3 Does the bidder or any of its directors / trustees / shareholders / members / partners or any person having a controlling interest in the enterprise have any interest in any other related enterprise whether or not they are bidding for this contract? **YES/NO**

- 2.3.1 If so, furnish particulars:

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3 DECLARATION

I,....the undersigned,
(name)..... in submitting
the accompanying bid, do hereby make the following statements that I certify to
be true and complete in every respect:

- 3.1 I have read and I understand the contents of this disclosure;
- 3.2 I understand that the accompanying bid will be disqualified if this disclosure is found not to be true and complete in every respect;
- 3.3 The bidder has arrived at the accompanying bid independently from, and without consultation, communication, agreement or arrangement with any competitor. However, communication between partners in a joint venture or consortium¹ will not be construed as collusive bidding.
- 3.4 In addition, there have been no consultations, communications, agreements or arrangements with any competitor regarding the quality, quantity, specifications, prices, including methods, factors or formulas used to calculate prices, market allocation, the intention or decision to submit or not to submit the bid, bidding with the intention not to win the bid and conditions or delivery particulars of the products or services to which this bid invitation relates.
- 3.5 The terms of the accompanying bid have not been, and will not be, disclosed by the bidder, directly or indirectly, to any competitor, prior to the date and time of the official bid opening or of the awarding of the contract.
- 3.6 There have been no consultations, communications, agreements or arrangements made by the bidder with any official of the procuring institution in relation to this procurement process prior to and during the bidding process except to provide clarification on the bid submitted where so required by the institution; and the bidder was not involved in the drafting of the specifications or terms of reference for this bid.

¹ Joint venture or Consortium means an association of persons for the purpose of combining their expertise, property, capital, efforts, skill and knowledge in an activity for the execution of a contract.

- 3.7 I am aware that, in addition and without prejudice to any other remedy provided to combat any restrictive practices related to bids and contracts, bids that are suspicious will be reported to the Competition Commission for investigation and possible imposition of administrative penalties in terms of section 59 of the Competition Act No 89 of 1998 and or may be reported to the National Prosecuting Authority (NPA) for criminal investigation and or may be restricted from conducting business with the public sector for a period not exceeding ten (10) years in terms of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act No 12 of 2004 or any other applicable legislation.
- I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION FURNISHED IN PARAGRAPHS 1, 2 and 3 ABOVE IS CORRECT.
- I ACCEPT THAT THE STATE MAY REJECT THE BID OR ACT AGAINST ME IN TERMS OF PARAGRAPH 6 OF PFMA SCM INSTRUCTION 03 OF 2021/22 ON PREVENTING AND COMBATING ABUSE IN THE SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT SYSTEM SHOULD THIS DECLARATION PROVE TO BE FALSE.

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Signature	Date
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Position	Name of bidder

PREFERENCE POINTS CLAIM FORM IN TERMS OF THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS 2022

This preference form must form part of all tenders invited. It contains general information and serves as a claim form for preference points for specific goals.

NB: BEFORE COMPLETING THIS FORM, TENDERERS MUST STUDY THE GENERAL CONDITIONS, DEFINITIONS AND DIRECTIVES APPLICABLE IN RESPECT OF THE TENDER AND PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS, 2022

1. GENERAL CONDITIONS

1.1 The following preference point systems are applicable to invitations to tender:

- the 80/20 system for requirements with a Rand value of up to R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included); and
- the 90/10 system for requirements with a Rand value above R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included).

1.2 To be completed by the organ of state

(delete whichever is not applicable for this tender).

- a) The applicable preference point system for this tender is the **90/10** preference point system.
- b) The applicable preference point system for this tender is the **80/20** preference point system.
- c) Either the **90/10 or 80/20 preference point system** will be applicable in this tender. The lowest/ highest acceptable tender will be used to determine the accurate system once tenders are received.

1.3 Points for this tender (even in the case of a tender for income-generating contracts) shall be awarded for:

- (a) Price; and
- (b) Specific Goals.

1.4 To be completed by the organ of state:

The maximum points for this tender are allocated as follows:

	POINTS
PRICE	80
SPECIFIC GOALS	20
Total points for Price and SPECIFIC GOALS	100

- 1.5 Failure on the part of a tenderer to submit proof or documentation required in terms of this tender to claim points for specific goals with the tender, will be interpreted to mean that preference points for specific goals are not claimed.
- 1.6 The organ of state reserves the right to require of a tenderer, either before a tender is adjudicated or at any time subsequently, to substantiate any claim in regard to preferences, in any manner required by the organ of state.

2. DEFINITIONS

“tender” means a written offer in the form determined by an organ of state in response to an invitation to provide goods or services through price quotations, competitive tendering process or any other method envisaged in legislation;

- (a) **“price”** means an amount of money tendered for goods or services, and includes all applicable taxes less all unconditional discounts;
- (b) **“rand value”** means the total estimated value of a contract in Rand, calculated at the time of bid invitation, and includes all applicable taxes;
- (c) **“tender for income-generating contracts”** means a written offer in the form determined by an organ of state in response to an invitation for the origination of income-generating contracts through any method envisaged in legislation that will result in a legal agreement between the organ of state and a third party that produces revenue for the organ of state, and includes, but is not limited to, leasing and disposal of assets and concession contracts, excluding direct sales and disposal of assets through public auctions; and
- (d) **“the Act”** means the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act, 2000 (Act No. 5 of 2000).

3. FORMULAE FOR PROCUREMENT OF GOODS AND SERVICES

3.1. POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE

3.1.1 THE 80/20 OR 90/10 PREFERENCE POINT SYSTEMS

A maximum of 80 or 90 points is allocated for price on the following basis:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbf{80/20} & \mathbf{or} & \mathbf{90/10} \\ \\ \mathbf{Ps = 80 \left(1 - \frac{Pt - P_{min}}{P_{min}} \right)} & \mathbf{or} & \mathbf{Ps = 90 \left(1 - \frac{Pt - P_{min}}{P_{min}} \right)} \end{array}$$

Where

Ps = Points scored for price of tender under consideration

Pt = Price of tender under consideration

Pmin = Price of lowest acceptable tender

3.2. FORMULAE FOR DISPOSAL OR LEASING OF STATE ASSETS AND INCOME GENERATING PROCUREMENT

3.2.1. POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE

A maximum of 80 or 90 points is allocated for price on the following basis:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbf{80/20} & \mathbf{or} & \mathbf{90/10} \\ \\ \mathbf{Ps = 80 \left(1 + \frac{Pt - P_{max}}{P_{max}} \right)} & \mathbf{or} & \mathbf{Ps = 90 \left(1 + \frac{Pt - P_{max}}{P_{max}} \right)} \end{array}$$

Where

Ps = Points scored for price of tender under consideration

Pt = Price of tender under consideration

Pmax = Price of highest acceptable tender

4. POINTS AWARDED FOR SPECIFIC GOALS

- 4.1. In terms of Regulation 4(2); 5(2); 6(2) and 7(2) of the Preferential Procurement Regulations, preference points must be awarded for specific goals stated in the tender. For the purposes of this tender the tenderer will be allocated points based on the goals stated in table 1 below as may be supported by proof/ documentation stated in the conditions of this tender:
- 4.2. In cases where organs of state intend to use Regulation 3(2) of the Regulations, which states that, if it is unclear whether the 80/20 or 90/10 preference point system applies, an organ of state must, in the tender documents, stipulate in the case of—
- (a) an invitation for tender for income-generating contracts, that either the 80/20 or 90/10 preference point system will apply and that the highest acceptable tender will be used to determine the applicable preference point system; or
 - (b) any other invitation for tender, that either the 80/20 or 90/10 preference point system will apply and that the lowest acceptable tender will be used to determine the applicable preference point system,
- then the organ of state must indicate the points allocated for specific goals for both the 90/10 and 80/20 preference point system.

Table 1: Specific goals for the tender and points claimed are indicated per the table below.

(Note to organs of state: Where either the 90/10 or 80/20 preference point system is applicable, corresponding points must also be indicated as such.)

Note to tenderers: The tenderer must indicate how they claim points for each preference point system.)

The specific goals allocated points in terms of this tender	Number of points allocated (90/10 system) (To be completed by the organ of state)	Number of points allocated (80/20 system) (To be completed by the organ of state)	Number of points claimed (90/10 system) (To be completed by the tenderer)	Number of points claimed (80/20 system) (To be completed by the tenderer)
HDI		6		
Youth		4		
Gender (Women)		5		
Disability		5		

In order for the points to be allocated to a bidder, the ownership status must at least be equals to or above 50 + 1% on any of the above specific goals.

DECLARATION WITH REGARD TO COMPANY/FIRM

4.3. Name _____ of
company/firm.....

4.4. Company _____ registration _____ number:
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4.5. TYPE OF COMPANY/ FIRM

Partnership/Joint Venture / Consortium
One-person business/sole propriety

Close corporation
Public Company
Personal Liability Company
(Pty) Limited
Non-Profit Company
State Owned Company

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4.6. I, the undersigned, who is duly authorised to do so on behalf of the company/firm, certify that the points claimed, based on the specific goals as advised in the tender, qualifies the company/ firm for the preference(s) shown and I acknowledge that:

- i) The information furnished is true and correct;
- ii) The preference points claimed are in accordance with the General Conditions as indicated in paragraph 1 of this form;
- iii) In the event of a contract being awarded as a result of points claimed as shown in paragraphs 1.4 and 4.2, the contractor may be required to furnish documentary proof to the satisfaction of the organ of state that the claims are correct;
- iv) If the specific goals have been claimed or obtained on a fraudulent basis or any of the conditions of contract have not been fulfilled, the organ of state may, in addition to any other remedy it may have –
 - (a) disqualify the person from the tendering process;
 - (b) recover costs, losses or damages it has incurred or suffered as a result of that person's conduct;
 - (c) cancel the contract and claim any damages which it has suffered as a result of having to make less favourable arrangements due to such cancellation;
 - (d) recommend that the tenderer or contractor, its shareholders and directors, or only the shareholders and directors who acted on a fraudulent basis, be restricted from obtaining business from any organ of state for a period not exceeding 10 years, after the *audi alteram partem* (hear the other side) rule has been applied; and
 - (e) forward the matter for criminal prosecution, if deemed necessary.

	SIGNATURE(S) OF TENDERER(S)
SURNAME AND NAME:
DATE:
ADDRESS:

Annexure A

GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

NOTES

The purpose of this document is to:

- (i) Draw special attention to certain general conditions applicable to government bids, contracts and orders; and
- (ii) To ensure that clients be familiar with regard to the rights and obligations of all parties involved in doing business with government.

In this document words in the singular also mean in the plural and vice versa and words in the masculine also mean in the feminine and neuter.

- The General Conditions of Contract will form part of all bid documents and may not be amended.
- Special Conditions of Contract (SCC) relevant to a specific bid, should be compiled separately for every bid (if applicable) and will supplement the General Conditions of Contract. Whenever there is a conflict, the provisions in the SCC shall prevail.

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General Conditions of Contract

1. Definitions

1. The following terms shall be interpreted as indicated:
 - 1.1 “Closing time” means the date and hour specified in the bidding documents for the receipt of bids.
 - 1.2 “Contract” means the written agreement entered into between the purchaser and the supplier, as recorded in the contract form signed by the parties, including all attachments and appendices thereto and all documents incorporated by reference therein.
 - 1.3 “Contract price” means the price payable to the supplier under the contract for the full and proper performance of his contractual obligations.
 - 1.4 “Corrupt practice” means the offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting of any thing of value to influence the action of a public official in the procurement process or in contract execution.
 - 1.5 "Countervailing duties" are imposed in cases where an enterprise abroad is subsidized by its government and encouraged to market its products internationally.
 - 1.6 “Country of origin” means the place where the goods were mined, grown or produced or from which the services are supplied. Goods are produced when, through manufacturing, processing or substantial and major assembly of components, a commercially recognized new product results that is substantially different in basic characteristics or in purpose or utility from its components.
 - 1.7 “Day” means calendar day.
 - 1.8 “Delivery” means delivery in compliance of the conditions of the contract or order.
 - 1.9 “Delivery ex stock” means immediate delivery directly from stock actually on hand.
 - 1.10 “Delivery into consignees store or to his site” means delivered and unloaded in the specified store or depot or on the specified site in compliance with the conditions of the contract or order, the supplier bearing all risks and charges involved until the supplies are so delivered and a valid receipt is obtained.
 - 1.11 "Dumping" occurs when a private enterprise abroad market its goods on own initiative in the RSA at lower prices than that of the country of origin and which have the potential to harm the local industries in the RSA.
 - 1.12 "Force majeure" means an event beyond the control of the supplier and not involving the supplier's fault or negligence and not foreseeable.

Such events may include, but is not restricted to, acts of the purchaser in its sovereign capacity, wars or revolutions, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions and freight embargoes.

- 1.13 “Fraudulent practice” means a misrepresentation of facts in order to influence a procurement process or the execution of a contract to the detriment of any bidder, and includes collusive practice among bidders (prior to or after bid submission) designed to establish bid prices at artificial non-competitive levels and to deprive the bidder of the benefits of free and open competition.
- 1.14 “GCC” means the General Conditions of Contract.
- 1.15 “Goods” means all of the equipment, machinery, and/or other materials that the supplier is required to supply to the purchaser under the contract.
- 1.16 “Imported content” means that portion of the bidding price represented by the cost of components, parts or materials which have been or are still to be imported (whether by the supplier or his subcontractors) and which costs are inclusive of the costs abroad, plus freight and other direct importation costs such as landing costs, dock dues, import duty, sales duty or other similar tax or duty at the South African place of entry as well as transportation and handling charges to the factory in the Republic where the supplies covered by the bid will be manufactured.
- 1.17 “Local content” means that portion of the bidding price which is not included in the imported content provided that local manufacture does take place.
- 1.18 “Manufacture” means the production of products in a factory using labour, materials, components and machinery and includes other related value-adding activities.
- 1.19 “Order” means an official written order issued for the supply of goods or works or the rendering of a service.
- 1.20 “Project site,” where applicable, means the place indicated in bidding documents.
- 1.21 “Purchaser” means the organization purchasing the goods.
- 1.22 “Republic” means the Republic of South Africa.
- 1.23 “SCC” means the Special Conditions of Contract.
- 1.24 “Services” means those functional services ancillary to the supply of the goods, such as transportation and any other incidental services, such as installation, commissioning, provision of technical assistance, training, catering, gardening, security, maintenance and other such obligations of the supplier covered under the contract.
- 1.25 “Written” or “in writing” means handwritten in ink or any form of electronic or mechanical writing.

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| 2. Application | <p>2.1 These general conditions are applicable to all bids, contracts and orders including bids for functional and professional services, sales, hiring, letting and the granting or acquiring of rights, but excluding immovable property, unless otherwise indicated in the bidding documents.</p> <p>2.2 Where applicable, special conditions of contract are also laid down to cover specific supplies, services or works.</p> <p>2.3 Where such special conditions of contract are in conflict with these general conditions, the special conditions shall apply.</p> |
| 3. General | <p>3.1 Unless otherwise indicated in the bidding documents, the purchaser shall not be liable for any expense incurred in the preparation and submission of a bid. Where applicable a non-refundable fee for documents may be charged.</p> <p>3.2 With certain exceptions, invitations to bid are only published in the Government Tender Bulletin. The Government Tender Bulletin may be obtained directly from the Government Printer, Private Bag X85, Pretoria 0001, or accessed electronically from www.treasury.gov.za</p> |
| 4. Standards | <p>4.1 The goods supplied shall conform to the standards mentioned in the bidding documents and specifications.</p> |
| 5. Use of contract documents and information; inspection. | <p>5.1 The supplier shall not, without the purchaser's prior written consent, disclose the contract, or any provision thereof, or any specification, plan, drawing, pattern, sample, or information furnished by or on behalf of the purchaser in connection therewith, to any person other than a person employed by the supplier in the performance of the contract. Disclosure to any such employed person shall be made in confidence and shall extend only so far as may be necessary for purposes of such performance.</p> <p>5.2 The supplier shall not, without the purchaser's prior written consent, make use of any document or information mentioned in GCC clause 5.1 except for purposes of performing the contract.</p> <p>5.3 Any document, other than the contract itself mentioned in GCC clause 5.1 shall remain the property of the purchaser and shall be returned (all copies) to the purchaser on completion of the supplier's performance under the contract if so required by the purchaser.</p> <p>5.4 The supplier shall permit the purchaser to inspect the supplier's records relating to the performance of the supplier and to have them audited by auditors appointed by the purchaser, if so required by the purchaser.</p> |
| 6. Patent rights | <p>6.1 The supplier shall indemnify the purchaser against all third-party claims of infringement of patent, trademark, or industrial design rights arising from use of the goods or any part thereof by the purchaser.</p> |
| 7. Performance security | <p>7.1 Within thirty (30) days of receipt of the notification of contract award, the successful bidder shall furnish to the purchaser the performance security of the amount specified in SCC.</p> |

- 7.2 The proceeds of the performance security shall be payable to the purchaser as compensation for any loss resulting from the supplier's failure to complete his obligations under the contract.
- 7.3 The performance security shall be denominated in the currency of the contract, or in a freely convertible currency acceptable to the purchaser and shall be in one of the following forms:
- (a) a bank guarantee or an irrevocable letter of credit issued by a reputable bank located in the purchaser's country or abroad, acceptable to the purchaser, in the form provided in the bidding documents or another form acceptable to the purchaser; or
 - (b) a cashier's or certified cheque
- 7.4 The performance security will be discharged by the purchaser and returned to the supplier not later than thirty (30) days following the date of completion of the supplier's performance obligations under the contract, including any warranty obligations, unless otherwise specified in SCC.

**8. Inspections,
tests and
analyses**

- 8.1 All pre-bidding testing will be for the account of the bidder.
- 8.2 If it is a bid condition that supplies to be produced or services to be rendered should at any stage during production or execution or on completion be subject to inspection, the premises of the bidder or contractor shall be open, at all reasonable hours, for inspection by a representative of the Department or an organization acting on behalf of the Department.
- 8.3 If there are no inspection requirements indicated in the bidding documents and no mention is made in the contract, but during the contract period it is decided that inspections shall be carried out, the purchaser shall itself make the necessary arrangements, including payment arrangements with the testing authority concerned.
- 8.4 If the inspections, tests and analyses referred to in clauses 8.2 and 8.3 show the supplies to be in accordance with the contract requirements, the cost of the inspections, tests and analyses shall be defrayed by the purchaser.
- 8.5 Where the supplies or services referred to in clauses 8.2 and 8.3 do not comply with the contract requirements, irrespective of whether such supplies or services are accepted or not, the cost in connection with these inspections, tests or analyses shall be defrayed by the supplier.
- 8.6 Supplies and services which are referred to in clauses 8.2 and 8.3 and which do not comply with the contract requirements may be rejected.
- 8.7 Any contract supplies may on or after delivery be inspected, tested or analyzed and may be rejected if found not to comply with the requirements of the contract. Such rejected supplies shall be held at the cost and risk of the supplier who shall, when called upon, remove them immediately at his own cost and forthwith substitute them with

supplies which do comply with the requirements of the contract. Failing such removal the rejected supplies shall be returned at the suppliers cost and risk. Should the supplier fail to provide the substitute supplies forthwith, the purchaser may, without giving the supplier further opportunity to substitute the rejected supplies, purchase such supplies as may be necessary at the expense of the supplier.

- 8.8 The provisions of clauses 8.4 to 8.7 shall not prejudice the right of the purchaser to cancel the contract on account of a breach of the conditions thereof, or to act in terms of Clause 23 of GCC.

9. Packing

- 9.1 The supplier shall provide such packing of the goods as is required to prevent their damage or deterioration during transit to their final destination, as indicated in the contract. The packing shall be sufficient to withstand, without limitation, rough handling during transit and exposure to extreme temperatures, salt and precipitation during transit, and open storage. Packing, case size and weights shall take into consideration, where appropriate, the remoteness of the goods' final destination and the absence of heavy handling facilities at all points in transit.

- 9.2 The packing, marking, and documentation within and outside the packages shall comply strictly with such special requirements as shall be expressly provided for in the contract, including additional requirements, if any, specified in SCC, and in any subsequent instructions ordered by the purchaser.

10. Delivery and documents

- 10.1 Delivery of the goods shall be made by the supplier in accordance with the terms specified in the contract. The details of shipping and/or other documents to be furnished by the supplier are specified in SCC.

- 10.2 Documents to be submitted by the supplier are specified in SCC.

11. Insurance

- 11.1 The goods supplied under the contract shall be fully insured in a freely convertible currency against loss or damage incidental to manufacture or acquisition, transportation, storage and delivery in the manner specified in the SCC.

12. Transportation

- 12.1 Should a price other than an all-inclusive delivered price be required, this shall be specified in the SCC.

13. Incidental services

- 13.1 The supplier may be required to provide any or all of the following services, including additional services, if any, specified in SCC:

- (a) performance or supervision of on-site assembly and/or commissioning of the supplied goods;
- (b) furnishing of tools required for assembly and/or maintenance of the supplied goods;
- (c) furnishing of a detailed operations and maintenance manual for each appropriate unit of the supplied goods;
- (d) performance or supervision or maintenance and/or repair of the supplied goods, for a period of time agreed by the parties, provided that this service shall not relieve the supplier of any warranty obligations under this contract; and

- (c) training of the purchaser's personnel, at the supplier's plant and/or on-site, in assembly, start-up, operation, maintenance, and/or repair of the supplied goods.

13.2 Prices charged by the supplier for incidental services, if not included in the contract price for the goods, shall be agreed upon in advance by the parties and shall not exceed the prevailing rates charged to other parties by the supplier for similar services.

14. Spare parts

14.1 As specified in SCC, the supplier may be required to provide any or all of the following materials, notifications, and information pertaining to spare parts manufactured or distributed by the supplier:

- (a) such spare parts as the purchaser may elect to purchase from the supplier, provided that this election shall not relieve the supplier of any warranty obligations under the contract; and
- (b) in the event of termination of production of the spare parts:
 - (i) Advance notification to the purchaser of the pending termination, in sufficient time to permit the purchaser to procure needed requirements; and
 - (ii) following such termination, furnishing at no cost to the purchaser, the blueprints, drawings, and specifications of the spare parts, if requested.

15. Warranty

15.1 The supplier warrants that the goods supplied under the contract are new, unused, of the most recent or current models, and that they incorporate all recent improvements in design and materials unless provided otherwise in the contract. The supplier further warrants that all goods supplied under this contract shall have no defect, arising from design, materials, or workmanship (except when the design and/or material is required by the purchaser's specifications) or from any act or omission of the supplier, that may develop under normal use of the supplied goods in the conditions prevailing in the country of final destination.

15.2 This warranty shall remain valid for twelve (12) months after the goods, or any portion thereof as the case may be, have been delivered to and accepted at the final destination indicated in the contract, or for eighteen (18) months after the date of shipment from the port or place of loading in the source country, whichever period concludes earlier, unless specified otherwise in SCC.

15.3 The purchaser shall promptly notify the supplier in writing of any claims arising under this warranty.

15.4 Upon receipt of such notice, the supplier shall, within the period specified in SCC and with all reasonable speed, repair or replace the defective goods or parts thereof, without costs to the purchaser.

15.5 If the supplier, having been notified, fails to remedy the defect(s) within the period specified in SCC, the purchaser may proceed to take such remedial action as may be necessary, at the supplier's risk and expense and without prejudice to any other rights which the purchaser may have against the supplier under the contract.

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| 16. Payment | <p>16.1 The method and conditions of payment to be made to the supplier under this contract shall be specified in SCC.</p> <p>16.2 The supplier shall furnish the purchaser with an invoice accompanied by a copy of the delivery note and upon fulfillment of other obligations stipulated in the contract.</p> <p>16.3 Payments shall be made promptly by the purchaser, but in no case later than thirty (30) days after submission of an invoice or claim by the supplier.</p> <p>16.4 Payment will be made in Rand unless otherwise stipulated in SCC.</p> |
| 17. Prices | <p>17.1 Prices charged by the supplier for goods delivered and services performed under the contract shall not vary from the prices quoted by the supplier in his bid, with the exception of any price adjustments authorized in SCC or in the purchaser's request for bid validity extension, as the case may be.</p> |
| 18. Contract amendments | <p>18.1 No variation in or modification of the terms of the contract shall be made except by written amendment signed by the parties concerned.</p> |
| 19. Assignment | <p>19.1 The supplier shall not assign, in whole or in part, its obligations to perform under the contract, except with the purchaser's prior written consent.</p> |
| 20. Subcontracts | <p>20.1 The supplier shall notify the purchaser in writing of all subcontracts awarded under this contracts if not already specified in the bid. Such notification, in the original bid or later, shall not relieve the supplier from any liability or obligation under the contract.</p> |
| 21. Delays in the supplier's performance | <p>21.1 Delivery of the goods and performance of services shall be made by the supplier in accordance with the time schedule prescribed by the purchaser in the contract.</p> <p>21.2 If at any time during performance of the contract, the supplier or its subcontractor(s) should encounter conditions impeding timely delivery of the goods and performance of services, the supplier shall promptly notify the purchaser in writing of the fact of the delay, its likely duration and its cause(s). As soon as practicable after receipt of the supplier's notice, the purchaser shall evaluate the situation and may at his discretion extend the supplier's time for performance, with or without the imposition of penalties, in which case the extension shall be ratified by the parties by amendment of contract.</p> <p>21.3 No provision in a contract shall be deemed to prohibit the obtaining of supplies or services from a national department, provincial department, or a local authority.</p> <p>21.4 The right is reserved to procure outside of the contract small quantities or to have minor essential services executed if an emergency arises, the supplier's point of supply is not situated at or near the place where the supplies are required, or the supplier's services are not readily available.</p> |

21.5 Except as provided under GCC Clause 25, a delay by the supplier in the performance of its delivery obligations shall render the supplier liable to the imposition of penalties, pursuant to GCC Clause 22, unless an extension of time is agreed upon pursuant to GCC Clause 21.2 without the application of penalties.

21.6 Upon any delay beyond the delivery period in the case of a supplies contract, the purchaser shall, without canceling the contract, be entitled to purchase supplies of a similar quality and up to the same quantity in substitution of the goods not supplied in conformity with the contract and to return any goods delivered later at the supplier's expense and risk, or to cancel the contract and buy such goods as may be required to complete the contract and without prejudice to his other rights, be entitled to claim damages from the supplier.

22. Penalties

22.1 Subject to GCC Clause 25, if the supplier fails to deliver any or all of the goods or to perform the services within the period(s) specified in the contract, the purchaser shall, without prejudice to its other remedies under the contract, deduct from the contract price, as a penalty, a sum calculated on the delivered price of the delayed goods or unperformed services using the current prime interest rate calculated for each day of the delay until actual delivery or performance. The purchaser may also consider termination of the contract pursuant to GCC Clause 23.

23. Termination for default

23.1 The purchaser, without prejudice to any other remedy for breach of contract, by written notice of default sent to the supplier, may terminate this contract in whole or in part:

- (a) if the supplier fails to deliver any or all of the goods within the period(s) specified in the contract, or within any extension thereof granted by the purchaser pursuant to GCC Clause 21.2;
- (b) if the Supplier fails to perform any other obligation(s) under the contract; or
- (c) if the supplier, in the judgment of the purchaser, has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for or in executing the contract.

23.2 In the event the purchaser terminates the contract in whole or in part, the purchaser may procure, upon such terms and in such manner as it deems appropriate, goods, works or services similar to those undelivered, and the supplier shall be liable to the purchaser for any excess costs for such similar goods, works or services. However, the supplier shall continue performance of the contract to the extent not terminated.

23.3 Where the purchaser terminates the contract in whole or in part, the purchaser may decide to impose a restriction penalty on the supplier by prohibiting such supplier from doing business with the public sector for a period not exceeding 10 years.

23.4 If a purchaser intends imposing a restriction on a supplier or any person associated with the supplier, the supplier will be allowed a time period of not more than fourteen (14) days to provide reasons why the envisaged restriction should not be imposed. Should the supplier fail to respond within the stipulated fourteen (14) days the purchaser may regard

the intended penalty as not objected against and may impose it on the supplier.

23.5 Any restriction imposed on any person by the Accounting Officer / Authority will, at the discretion of the Accounting Officer / Authority, also be applicable to any other enterprise or any partner, manager, director or other person who wholly or partly exercises or exercised or may exercise control over the enterprise of the first-mentioned person, and with which enterprise or person the first-mentioned person, is or was in the opinion of the Accounting Officer / Authority actively associated.

23.6 If a restriction is imposed, the purchaser must, within five (5) working days of such imposition, furnish the National Treasury, with the following information:

- (i) the name and address of the supplier and / or person restricted by the purchaser;
- (ii) the date of commencement of the restriction
- (iii) the period of restriction; and
- (iv) the reasons for the restriction.

These details will be loaded in the National Treasury's central database of suppliers or persons prohibited from doing business with the public sector.

23.7 If a court of law convicts a person of an offence as contemplated in sections 12 or 13 of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act, No. 12 of 2004, the court may also rule that such person's name be endorsed on the Register for Tender Defaulters. When a person's name has been endorsed on the Register, the person will be prohibited from doing business with the public sector for a period not less than five years and not more than 10 years. The National Treasury is empowered to determine the period of restriction and each case will be dealt with on its own merits. According to section 32 of the Act the Register must be open to the public. The Register can be perused on the National Treasury website.

24. Anti-dumping and countervailing duties and rights

24.1 When, after the date of bid, provisional payments are required, or anti-dumping or countervailing duties are imposed, or the amount of a provisional payment or anti-dumping or countervailing right is increased in respect of any dumped or subsidized import, the State is not liable for any amount so required or imposed, or for the amount of any such increase. When, after the said date, such a provisional payment is no longer required or any such anti-dumping or countervailing right is abolished, or where the amount of such provisional payment or any such right is reduced, any such favourable difference shall on demand be paid forthwith by the contractor to the State or the State may deduct such amounts from moneys (if any) which may otherwise be due to the contractor in regard to supplies or services which he delivered or rendered, or is to deliver or render in terms of the contract or any other contract or any other amount which may be due to him

25. Force Majeure

25.1 Notwithstanding the provisions of GCC Clauses 22 and 23, the supplier shall not be liable for forfeiture of its performance security,

damages, or termination for default if and to the extent that his delay in performance or other failure to perform his obligations under the contract is the result of an event of force majeure.

- 25.2 If a force majeure situation arises, the supplier shall promptly notify the purchaser in writing of such condition and the cause thereof. Unless otherwise directed by the purchaser in writing, the supplier shall continue to perform its obligations under the contract as far as is reasonably practical, and shall seek all reasonable alternative means for performance not prevented by the force majeure event.

**26. Termination
for insolvency**

- 26.1 The purchaser may at any time terminate the contract by giving written notice to the supplier if the supplier becomes bankrupt or otherwise insolvent. In this event, termination will be without compensation to the supplier, provided that such termination will not prejudice or affect any right of action or remedy which has accrued or will accrue thereafter to the purchaser.

**27. Settlement of
Disputes**

- 27.1 If any dispute or difference of any kind whatsoever arises between the purchaser and the supplier in connection with or arising out of the contract, the parties shall make every effort to resolve amicably such dispute or difference by mutual consultation.
- 27.2 If, after thirty (30) days, the parties have failed to resolve their dispute or difference by such mutual consultation, then either the purchaser or the supplier may give notice to the other party of his intention to commence with mediation. No mediation in respect of this matter may be commenced unless such notice is given to the other party.
- 27.3 Should it not be possible to settle a dispute by means of mediation, it may be settled in a South African court of law.
- 27.4 Mediation proceedings shall be conducted in accordance with the rules of procedure specified in the SCC.
- 27.5 Notwithstanding any reference to mediation and/or court proceedings herein,
- (a) the parties shall continue to perform their respective obligations under the contract unless they otherwise agree; and
 - (b) the purchaser shall pay the supplier any monies due the supplier.

**28. Limitation of
liability**

- 28.1 Except in cases of criminal negligence or willful misconduct, and in the case of infringement pursuant to Clause 6;
- (a) the supplier shall not be liable to the purchaser, whether in contract, tort, or otherwise, for any indirect or consequential loss or damage, loss of use, loss of production, or loss of profits or interest costs, provided that this exclusion shall not apply to any obligation of the supplier to pay penalties and/or damages to the purchaser; and

		(b) the aggregate liability of the supplier to the purchaser, whether under the contract, in tort or otherwise, shall not exceed the total contract price, provided that this limitation shall not apply to the cost of repairing or replacing defective equipment.
29. Governing language	29.1	The contract shall be written in English. All correspondence and other documents pertaining to the contract that is exchanged by the parties shall also be written in English.
30. Applicable law	30.1	The contract shall be interpreted in accordance with South African laws, unless otherwise specified in SCC.
31. Notices	31.1	Every written acceptance of a bid shall be posted to the supplier concerned by registered or certified mail and any other notice to him shall be posted by ordinary mail to the address furnished in his bid or to the address notified later by him in writing and such posting shall be deemed to be proper service of such notice
	31.2	The time mentioned in the contract documents for performing any act after such aforesaid notice has been given, shall be reckoned from the date of posting of such notice.
32. Taxes and duties	32.1	A foreign supplier shall be entirely responsible for all taxes, stamp duties, license fees, and other such levies imposed outside the purchaser's country.
	32.2	A local supplier shall be entirely responsible for all taxes, duties, license fees, etc., incurred until delivery of the contracted goods to the purchaser.
	32.3	No contract shall be concluded with any bidder whose tax matters are not in order. Prior to the award of a bid the Department must be in possession of a tax clearance certificate, submitted by the bidder. This certificate must be an original issued by the South African Revenue Services.
33. National Industrial Participation Programme	33.1	The NIP Programme administered by the Department of Trade and Industry shall be applicable to all contracts that are subject to the NIP obligation.