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REQUEST FOR QUOTATION (RFQ)

RFQ/RAD/2024/10244444/45 - PROVISION OF ON-AIR IMAGING & PRODUCTION SERVICES FOR LESEDI FM, IKWEKWEZI FM AND LIGWALAGWALA FM

RFQ PROCESS	EXPECTED DATES
Advertisement Date	27 June 2024
RFQ Documents Available From	National Treasury's tender portal (http://www.etenders.gov.za) SABC Website (http://www.sabc.co.za/sabc/tenders/)
Briefing session	None
Closing Date and Time	05 July 2024 AT 12H00 Noon
Contact details	tenderqueries@sabc.co.za

Submissions must be emailed to: SABC RFQSubmissions@sabc.co.za on or before the closing date of this RFQ.

The SABC requests your quotation on the services listed above. Please furnish us with all the information as requested and return your quotation on the date and time stipulated above. Late and incomplete submissions will invalidate the quote submitted.

SUPPLIER NAME: _____

POSTAL ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE NO: _____

FAX NO.: _____

E MAIL ADDRESS: _____

CONTACT PERSON: _____

CELL NO: _____

SIGNATURE OF BIDDER: _____

NOTES ON QUOTATIONS AND PROPOSALS SUBMISSION

1. All electronic submissions must be submitted in a **PDF** format that is protected from any modifications, deletions or additions.
2. Financial/pricing information must be presented in a **separate** attachment from the Technical / Functional Response information.
3. The onus is on the Bidder to further ensure that all mandatory and required documents are included in the electronic submission.
4. All electronic submissions should be prominently marked with the full details of the tender in the email subject line.
5. Bidders are advised to email electronic submissions at least thirty minutes before the bid closing time to cater for any possible delay in transmission or receipt of the bid. The onus is on bidder to ensure that the bid is submitted on time via email.
6. Tender submission emails received after submission date and time will be considered late bid submissions and will not be accepted for consideration by SABC.
7. SABC will not be responsible for any failure or delay in the email transmission or receipt of the email including but not limited to:
 - receipt of incomplete bid
 - file size
 - delay in transmission receipt of the bid
 - failure of the Bidder to properly identify the bid.
 - illegibility of the bid; or
 - Security of the bid data.

1. REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

- 1.1 Central Supplier Database (CSD) Registration details
- 1.2 SARS "Pin" to validate supplier's tax matters
- 1.3 Original or Certified copy of Valid BBEE Certificate (from SANAS accredited Verification Agency)
- 1.4 All EME's and 51% black Owned QSE's are only required to obtain a **sworn affidavit** on an annual basis, confirming the following;
 - 1.4.1. Annual Total Revenue of R10 Million or less (EME) or Revenue between R10 Million and R50 Million for QSE
 - 1.4.2. Level of Black Ownership

Note 1:

Verification Agencies and Auditors who are accredited by the IRBA (Independent Regulatory Board for Auditors) are no longer the 'approved regulatory bodies' for B-BBEE verification and therefore IRBA auditors are not allowed to issue B-BBEE certificates after 30 September 2016.

Note 2:

Any misrepresentation in terms of the above constitutes a criminal offence as set out in the B-BBEE act as amended.

- 1.5 Proof of Valid TV License Statement (Company's, Shareholders and all Directors'), or affidavit proving that company and/or officials are not in possession of TV licence. Verification will also be done by the SABC internally.
- 1.6 Certified copy of Company Registration Document that reflect Company Name, Registration number, date of registration and active Directors or Members.
- 1.7 Certified copy of Shareholders' certificates.
- 1.8 Certified copy of ID documents of the Directors or Members.

NB: NO CONTRACT WILL BE AWARDED TO ANY BIDDERS WHO'S TAX MATTERS ARE NOT IN ORDER.

NO CONTRACT WILL BE AWARDED TO ANY BIDDERS WHO'S TV LICENCE STATEMENT ACCOUNT IS NOT VALID.

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DOCUMENT A**RFQ/RAD/2024/10244444/45 - PROVISION OF ON-AIR IMAGING & PRODUCTION SERVICES FOR LESEDI FM, IKWEKWEZI FM AND LIGWALAGWALA FM****DETAILED TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION****1. BACKGROUND**

PBS has had a long-standing relationship with Premier Radio Network who provided the station with audio recordings, imaging & sound effects and music elements that included the following:

- Audio Production – Editing, Video Production – Live streaming, Video Production – Editing, Video Production – stock library, Music Library and Sound effects. Also, Sound EFX, Beds, Stings, Artist's voiceover elements, Sweeps and promo shell.
- Audio production is a key element for any radio station and allows the brand to produce a unique and identifiable on-air sound. This helps the station to set itself apart from the competition by creating a sonic image listeners can identify with.
- This is especially relevant for commercial radio stations where competition is fierce, and a high number of similarly formatted stations compete for available audiences in a broadcast area.

To this end, an RFQ for the Provision of on-air imaging and production services for Lesedi FM, Ikwekwezi FM and Ligwalagwala FM will be issued to the market.

2. SCOPE OF WORK

The stations urgently require a clear audio identity and the production elements to be provided:

- PBS Radio also requires the services of a video company to provide expert services and tools to assist the stations with high quality production of daily LIVE streaming and podcast deliverables.
 - Produce 32 (thirty-two) sweepers per month.
 - Produce 30 (thirty) beat sweeps per month.
- Provide continuous On-Air Imaging Technology service to LESEDI FM, IKWEKWEZI FM and LIGWALAGWALA FM, including but not limited to sweeper packages, drops, jingle packages, music matching imaging and voice for production packages.

On-Air Production

For each of the following stations (LESEDI FM, IKWEKWEZI FM & LIGWALAGWALA FM)

- Provide sound EFX packages for Urban, Rhythmic & CHR formatted stations
- Stings
 - 36 per station, per season
 - 24 per campaign

- Music Beds
- Radio Station Promos (per station)
 - 6 promos per campaign
- Sweepers (per station)
 - 36 per station, per season
 - 24 per campaign
- Beat Sweeps (per station)
 - 36 per station, per season
 - 24 per campaign
- Providing creative direction for seasonal imaging
- The stations will require two voices (Male and Female)
 - Contract Voice Over Artists for each station
 - Music Artist Voice over elements
- Available for daily/weekly recording sessions
- Digital Backup of all work completed and offer timeous access as and when required for a stipulated duration of the contract.

Operationally

- Emails should be responded to in 24 – 48 hours
- Audio requests briefed in should require the following turnaround time
 - 1 week: For Station Promos
 - 2 weeks: For Campaign related
 - 3 weeks: For Seasonal related

3. RFQ Response Information

Effective Date of Bid

Vendors should state in writing in its quotation to the SABC that all furnished information, including price, will remain valid and applicable for 90 days from the date the vendor quotation is received by the SABC.

4. COSTING

The quotation must reflect a detailed cost breakdown, and any indirect costs associated with the rendering of required service.

5. DURATION OF THE CONTRACT

The contract will run for 18 months.

6. EVALUATION CRITERIA

6.1 Technical Evaluation

6.1.1 The tender submission will be technically evaluated out of **90 points**.

6.1.2 All bidders achieving less than the set threshold of **60 points out of 90 points** will be declared non-responsive and therefore will not continue to be evaluated for Specific goals & Price Preference.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Partially linked idea for the stations = 10 points ▪ No link = 0 point <p>Execution of Creative alignment to the brand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Quality of creative work: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Fresh interpretation of On-Air sounds = 15 points ▪ Partially Interpretation of on-air sounds = 10 points 	10	15
Credentials	<p>How many years in the industry and Clients they have worked with:</p> <p>Profile detailing the existence of the company:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5 Years' Experience in the industry with 3 contactable clients reference letters = 15 points • 4 Years' Experience in the industry with 2 contactable clients reference letters = 10 points • 3 Years' Experience in the industry with 1 contactable clients reference letters = 5 points <p>The SABC further reserves the right to call the referee and verify the information. Any incorrect information will be regarded as deliberate misrepresentation and be dealt with in terms of the prescripts and law.</p>	5	15
Total		60	90

6.2 Price and Specific goals

The RFQ responses will be evaluated on the **80/20**-point system.

- 80 = Price
- 20 = Specific goals

6.3. Objective Criteria

- 6.3.1. The SABC reserve the right not to consider proposals from bidders who are currently in litigation with the SABC.
- 6.3.2. The SABC further reserve the right not to award this tender to any bidder based on the proven poor record of accomplishment of the bidder in previous projects within the SABC.
- 6.3.3. Bidders who are blacklisted or have committed other acts of fraud and misrepresentation of facts e.g. tax compliance, BBBEE, company financials, etc. will be eliminated from the bid process.

- 6.3.4. Vetting process will be conducted in line with the laws of RSA with the successful bidder.
- 6.3.5. Former employees, SABC's Non-Executive members and Independent Contractors:
- 6.3.6. No SABC former employees shall be awarded contracts with the SABC within 24 months after termination of employment with the SABC.
- 6.3.7. Should employees resign or retire from the employment of the SABC and become directors of other businesses tendering with the SABC, such tender shall not be considered until the cooling off period of 6 (six) months has expired.
- 6.3.8. Should the employee be dismissed from the SABC employment, such employee shall be prohibited from conducting business with SABC for a period of 5 (five) years from the date of dismissal.
- 6.3.9. Should the employee be found guilty in a court of law due to criminal conduct/act, such employee will not be considered to do/conduct business with SABC, until the criminal record has been legally expunged.
- 6.3.10. The SABC shall not procure any goods, services, works or Content from any Board member or Board member owned business, to ensure that suppliers competing for the SABC's business have confidence in the integrity of SABC's selection process.
- 6.3.11. Should the SABC's Board members no longer serve on the SABC Board but become directors of other companies, the SABC shall not conduct business with those companies until the cooling off period of 6 (six) months has expired.
- 6.3.12. Should the Board member be found guilty in a court of law due to criminal conduct/act, such Board member will not be considered to do/conduct business with SABC, until the criminal record has been legally expunged.
- 6.3.13. The SABC shall not procure any goods, services, works or Content from any independent contractor or independent contractor owned business, to ensure that suppliers competing for the SABC's business have confidence in the integrity of SABC's selection process.
- 6.3.14. Should the Independent Contractor no longer be contracted to the SABC but become directors of other companies, the SABC shall not conduct business with those companies until the cooling off period of 6 (six) months has expired.
- 6.3.15. Should the Independent Contract be found guilty in a court of law due to criminal conduct/act, such employee will not be considered to do/conduct business with SABC, until the criminal record has been legally expunged.
- 6.3.16. The SABC reserve the right not to consider proposals from bidders who are currently in litigation with the SABC.
- 6.3.17. The SABC further reserve the right not to award this tender to any bidder based on the proven poor record of accomplishment of the bidder in previous projects within the SABC.
- 6.3.18. Bidders who are blacklisted or have committed other acts of fraud and misrepresentation of facts e.g. tax compliance, BBBEE, company financials, etc. will be eliminated from the bid process.
- 6.3.19. Vetting process will be conducted in line with the laws of RSA with the successful bidder.

DOCUMENT B**DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

1. Any legal or natural person, excluding any permanent employee of SABC, may make an offer or offers in terms of this tender invitation. In view of possible allegations of favouritism, should the resulting tender, or part thereof be awarded to-
 - (a) any person employed by the SABC in the capacity of Tenderer, consultant or service provider; or
 - (b) any person who acts on behalf of SABC; or
 - (c) any person having kinship, including a blood relationship, with a person employed by, or who acts on behalf of SABC; or
 - (d) any legal person which is in any way connected to any person contemplated in paragraph (a), (b) or (c),

it is required that:

The Tenderer or his/her authorised representative shall declare his/her position *vis-à-vis* SABC and/or take an oath declaring his/her interest, where it is known that any such relationship exists between the Tenderer and a person employed by SABC in any capacity.

Does such a relationship exist? [YES/NO]

If YES, state particulars of all such relationships (if necessary, please add additional pages containing the required information):

	[1]	[2]
NAME	:
POSITION	:
OFFICE WHERE EMPLOYED	:
TELEPHONE NUMBER	:
RELATIONSHIP	:

2. Failure on the part of a Tenderer to fill in and/or sign this certificate may be interpreted to mean that an association as stipulated in paragraph 1, *supra*, exists.
3. In the event of a contract being awarded to a Tenderer with an association as stipulated in paragraph 1, *supra*, and it subsequently becomes known that false information was provided in response to the above question, SABC may, in addition to any other remedy it may have:
 - recover from the Tenderer all costs, losses or damages incurred or sustained by SABC as a result of the award of the contract; and/or
 - cancel the contract and claim any damages, which SABC may suffer by having to make less favourable arrangements after such cancellation.

SIGNATURE OF DECLARANT

TENDER NUMBER

DATE

POSITION OF DECLARANT

NAME OF COMPANY OR TENDERER

DOCUMENT C**CONFIDENTIALITY**

All information related to this bid both during and after completion is to be treated with strict confidence. Should the need however arise to divulge any information gleaned from the service which is either directly or indirectly related to the SABC, written approval to divulge such information will have to be obtained from SABC.

The bidders must ensure that confidential information is: maintained confidential; not disclosed to or used by any unauthorised person; so as to prevent any disclosure or unauthorised use with at least the standard of care that bidders maintain to protect their own confidential information; only used for the purpose of considering and responding to this RFP; and not reproduced in any form except as required for the purpose of considering and responding to this bid. Bidders must ensure that: access to confidential information is only given to those of its partners, officers, employees and advisers who require access for the purpose of considering and responding to this RFP; and those partners, officers, employee and advisers are informed of the confidential information section and keep that information confidential. This bid remains at all times the property of the SABC. No rights other than as provided in this bid and in respect of the confidential information are granted or conveyed to bidder/s

NAME OF BIDDER: _____

PHYSICAL ADDRESS: _____

Bidder's contact person:

Name : _____

Telephone : _____

Mobile : _____

Fax.: _____

E-mail address : _____

DOCUMENT D**SBD 6.1****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

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

- the 80/20 system for requirements with a Rand value below R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included).

1.1 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 80/20 preference point system.
- b) Either the 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.

1.2 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.

1.3 To be completed by the organ of state:

The maximum points for this tender are allocated as follows:

SPECIFIC GOALS	80/20
EME/SME 51% owned by Black people	10
51% owned by Black people;	5
51% owned by Black people who are women	3
Black Youth	2

1.4 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.

1.5 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

- (a) **“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;

- (b) “**price**” means an amount of money tendered for goods or services, and includes all applicable taxes less all unconditional discounts;
- (c) “**rand value**” means the total estimated value of a contract in Rand, calculated at the time of bid invitation, and includes all applicable taxes;
- (d) “**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
- (e) “**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 PREFERENCE POINT SYSTEMS

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

80/20

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

Where

- P_s = Points scored for price of tender under consideration
- P_t = Price of tender under consideration
- P_{min} = 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 points is allocated for price on the following basis:

80/20

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

Where

- P_s = Points scored for price of tender under consideration
- P_t = Price of tender under consideration
- P_{max} = 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 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 (80/20 system) (To be completed by the organ of state)	Number of points claimed. (80/20 system) (To be completed by the tenderer)
SMMEs (inclusive of QSEs and EMEs) 51% owned by Black people	10	
51% owned by Black people;	5	
51% owned by Black people who are women	3	
Black Youth	2	

NB: All tenders will be issued to the market with all specific goals, and these will be scored in accordance with the evidence as submitted by the bidder. The bidder who does not meet the specific goals will not be disqualified but score zero

Source Documents to be submitted with the Bid

Specific Goals	Acceptable Evidence
B-BBEE	Valid BEE Certificate / Sworn Affidavit (in case of JV, a consolidated scorecard will be accepted)
Black Women Owned	Certified ID Documents of the Owners/shareholder
Black Youth owned	Certified ID Documents of the Owners

EME or QSE 51% Black Owned	Annual Financial/ Management Accounts/ B-BBEE Certificate / Affidavit/ Certified ID Documents of the Owners/shareholder
51% Black Owned	CIPC Documents / B-BBEE Certificate/Affidavit/ Certified ID Documents of the Owners/shareholder
South African Enterprises	CIPC Documents

DECLARATION WITH REGARD TO COMPANY/FIRM

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

4.4. Company registration number:

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

[TICK APPLICABLE BOX]

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:

DOCUMENT E

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DECLARATION OF BIDDER'S PAST SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

- 1.0** This Standard Bidding Document must form part of all bids invited.
- 2.0** It serves as a declaration to be used by institutions in ensuring that when goods and services are being procured, all reasonable steps are taken to combat the abuse of the supply chain management system.
- 3.0** The bid of any bidder may be disregarded if that bidder, or any of its directors have-
- a. abused the institution's supply chain management system;
 - b. committed fraud or any other improper conduct in relation to such system; or
 - c. failed to perform on any previous contract.
- 4.0** In order to give effect to the above, the following questionnaire must be completed and submitted with the bid.

Item	Question	Yes	No
4.1	Is the bidder or any of its directors listed on the National Treasury's Database of Restricted Suppliers as companies or persons prohibited from doing business with the public sector? (Companies or persons who are listed on this Database were informed in writing of this restriction by the Accounting Officer/Authority of the institution that imposed the restriction after the <i>audi alteram partem</i> rule was applied). The Database of Restricted Suppliers now resides on the National Treasury's website(www.treasury.gov.za) and can be accessed by clicking on its link at the bottom of the home page.	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
4.1.1	If so, furnish particulars:		
4.2	Is the bidder or any of its directors listed on the Register for Tender Defaulters in terms of section 29 of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act (No 12 of 2004)? Register for Tender Defaulters can be accessed on the National Treasury's website (www.treasury.gov.za) by clicking on its link at the bottom of the home page.	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
4.2.1	If so, furnish particulars:		
4.3	Was the bidder or any of its directors convicted by a court of law (including a court outside of the Republic of South Africa) for fraud or corruption during the past five years?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>

4.4	Was any contract between the bidder and any organ of state terminated during the past five years on account of failure to perform on or comply with the contract?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
4.4.1	If so, furnish particulars:		

CERTIFICATION

I, THE UNDERSIGNED (FULL NAME).....

CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION FURNISHED ON THIS DECLARATION FORM IS TRUE AND CORRECT.

I ACCEPT THAT, IN ADDITION TO CANCELLATION OF A CONTRACT, ACTION MAY BE TAKEN AGAINST ME SHOULD THIS DECLARATION PROVE TO BE FALSE.

.....
Signature

.....
Date

.....
Position

.....
Name of Bidder

DOCUMENT F

**SBD 9
CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT BID DETERMINATION**

- 1 This Standard Bidding Document (SBD) must form part of all bids¹ invited.
- 2 Section 4 (1) (b) (iii) of the Competition Act No. 89 of 1998, as amended, prohibits an agreement between, or concerted practice by, firms, or a decision by an association of firms, if it is between parties in a horizontal relationship and if it involves collusive bidding (or bid rigging).² Collusive bidding is a *pe se* prohibition meaning that it cannot be justified under any grounds.
- 3 Treasury Regulation 16A9 prescribes that accounting officers and accounting authorities must take all reasonable steps to prevent abuse of the supply chain management system and authorizes accounting officers and accounting authorities to:
 - a. disregard the bid of any bidder if that bidder, or any of its directors have abused the institution's supply chain management system and or committed fraud or any other improper conduct in relation to such system.
 - b. cancel a contract awarded to a supplier of goods and services if the supplier committed any corrupt or fraudulent act during the bidding process or the execution of that contract.
- 4 This SBD serves as a certificate of declaration that would be used by institutions to ensure that, when bids are considered, reasonable steps are taken to prevent any form of bid-rigging.
- 5 In order to give effect to the above, the attached Certificate of Bid Determination (SBD 9) must be completed and submitted with the bid:

¹ Includes price quotations, advertised competitive bids, limited bids and proposals.

² Bid rigging (or collusive bidding) occurs when businesses, that would otherwise be expected to compete, secretly conspire to raise prices or lower the quality of goods and / or services for purchasers who wish to acquire goods and / or services through a bidding process. Bid rigging is, therefore, an agreement between competitors not to compete.

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CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT BID DETERMINATION

I, the undersigned, in submitting the accompanying bid:

(Bid Number and Description)

in response to the invitation for the bid made by:

(Name of Institution)

do hereby make the following statements that I certify to be true and complete in every respect:

I certify, on behalf of: _____ that:

(Name of Bidder)

1. I have read and I understand the contents of this Certificate;
2. I understand that the accompanying bid will be disqualified if this Certificate is found not to be true and complete in every respect;
3. I am authorized by the bidder to sign this Certificate, and to submit the accompanying bid, on behalf of the bidder;
4. Each person whose signature appears on the accompanying bid has been authorized by the bidder to determine the terms of, and to sign the bid, on behalf of the bidder;
5. For the purposes of this Certificate and the accompanying bid, I understand that the word "competitor" shall include any individual or organization, other than the bidder, whether or not affiliated with the bidder, who:
 - (a) has been requested to submit a bid in response to this bid invitation;
 - (b) could potentially submit a bid in response to this bid invitation, based on their qualifications, abilities or experience; and
 - (c) provides the same goods and services as the bidder and/or is in the same line of business as the bidder

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6. 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 consortium³ will not be construed as collusive bidding.
7. In particular, without limiting the generality of paragraphs 6 above, there has been no consultation, communication, agreement or arrangement with any competitor regarding:
 - (a) prices;
 - (b) geographical area where product or service will be rendered (market allocation)
 - (c) methods, factors or formulas used to calculate prices;
 - (d) the intention or decision to submit or not to submit, a bid;
 - (e) the submission of a bid which does not meet the specifications and conditions of the bid; or
 - (f) bidding with the intention not to win the bid.
8. In addition, there have been no consultations, communications, agreements or arrangements with any competitor regarding the quality, quantity, specifications and conditions or delivery particulars of the products or services to which this bid invitation relates.
9. 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 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.

10. 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.

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Signature

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Date

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Position

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Name of Bidder