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**WATER AND SANITATION**

**DEPARTMENT**

**CUSTOMER SERVICES**

**PROCUREMENT DOCUMENT**

**GOODS / SERVICES**

Documents are to be obtained, free of charge, in electronic format, from the [National Treasury's eTenders website](#) or the [eThekweni Municipality's website](#).

**Tender No: WS-7761**

**Supply, install, commission 15mm and 25mm plastic smart water meters as and when required for the period of 36 months to eThekweni Municipality**

**CLARIFICATION MEETING AND QUERIES**

**Clarification Meeting:**

There will be no clarification meeting. Bidders will be required to email queries relating to the bid. All queries are to be submitted no later than 18 April 2024. Emailed questions and answers will be consolidated and posted on e-Tenders/Municipal website for the benefit of all tenderers by the 25 April 2024

**Queries can be addressed to:**

**General / Contractual:** [Thando Mkhize; Tel: 031-322-2540; eMail: Thando.Mkhize@durban.gov.za](#)

**Technical:** [Fisaphile Buthelezi; Tel: 031-311-1870; eMail: Fisaphile.Buthelezi@durban.gov.za](#)

**DELIVERY OF TENDERS**

Sealed Tenders, addressed to the City Manager and marked with the Tender Number, are to be placed in the Tender Box **located in the ground floor foyer of the Municipal Buildings, 166 KE Masinga Road (Old Fort Rd), Durban** (and not any other municipal department), no later than:

**Closing Date: Friday, 03 May 2024**

**Time: 11:00am**

**FACSIMILE, eMAIL or POSTED TENDERS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED**

**Issued by:**

ETHEKWINI MUNICIPALITY

Deputy Head: **CUSTOMER SERVICES**

Issued: **March 2024**

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**NAME OF TENDERER:** .....

**Tender Price: R** .....

**VAT Registered: YES / NO**  
(circle applicable)

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**SECTION 1: GENERAL INFORMATION**

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<b>YOU ARE HEREBY INVITED TO TENDER FOR REQUIREMENTS OF THE ETHEKWINI MUNICIPALITY</b>
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TENDER No.: **WS-7761**DESCRIPTION: **Supply, install, commission 15mm and 25mm plastic smart water meters as and when required for the period of 36 months to eThekweni Municipality**CLOSING DATE / TIME: **Friday, 03 May 2024 at 11:00am**

All tenders must be submitted on official tender documentation issued (in electronic format) by the eThekweni Municipality from:

- the National Treasury's eTenders website ( <https://www.etenders.gov.za/> ), or
- the eThekweni Municipality's website ( <https://www.durban.gov.za/pages/business/procurement> ).

Electronically downloaded documentation should be printed by the tenderer.

Tenderers are required to be registered on the **National Treasury Central Supplier Database** (CSD) as a service provider. In the case of a Joint Venture, this requirement will apply individually to each party in the Joint Venture.

Registration on the **eThekweni Municipality's Database** can be done via website: <https://ethekwinivendor.durban.gov.za/>

Tenderers should ensure that tenders are delivered timeously to the correct address as stated in the Conditions of Tender. If a tender is late, it will not be accepted for consideration.

The Municipality will consider a tender submitted in response to this request for tender to be an offer from your company to perform the supply on the basis of that tender. Accordingly, please review the attached General and Special Terms and Conditions which will form the basis for any supply arrangement entered into between the Municipality and your company.

The Municipality is seeking tenders from potential suppliers only and makes no representation or promise in relation to procuring work from a supplier or suppliers. The Municipality will not be responsible for any costs associated with preparing and submitting a tender.

The Municipality does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender. It reserves the right to accept the whole or any part of a tender to place orders. Bidders shall not bind the Municipality to any minimum quantity per order. The successful Tenderer (s) shall be bound to provide any quantities stipulated in the specification.

The successful tenderer will be required to fill in and sign a written Contract Form (MBD 7).

**NB: NO TENDER WILL BE CONSIDERED FROM PERSONS IN THE SERVICE OF THE STATE**  
**(as defined in Regulation 44 of the Local Government: Municipal Supply Chain Management Regulations).**

**THE FOLLOWING PARTICULARS MUST BE FURNISHED  
(Failure to do so may result in your tender being disqualified)**

Name of Tenderer: .....

Postal Address: .....

Street Address: .....

E-Mail Address: .....

Telephone Number: 

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Cell phone Number: 

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Facsimile Number: 

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**Circle Applicable**Is your entity registered on the **eThekweni Municipality's supplier database?** YES / NO• **If YES insert** your PR Number: ..... **PR** .....Is your entity registered on the **National Treasury Central Supplier Database (CSD)?** YES / NO• **If YES, insert** your MAAA Number: ..... **MAAA** .....

Insert a SARS Tax Compliance Status PIN .....

Is your entity VAT registered? YES / NO

• **If YES insert** Vat Registration Number: .....Has a **Declaration of Municipal Fees** been submitted? YES / NOHas a **Declaration of Interest** (MBD 4) been submitted? YES / NOHas a **Declaration for Procurement Above R10 Million** (MBD 5) been submitted? YES / NOHas a **Preference Points Claim** (MBD 6.1) been submitted? YES / NOHas a **Declaration of Bidder's Past SCM Practices** (MBD 8) been submitted? YES / NOHas a **Certificate of Independent Bid Determination** (MBD 9) been submitted? YES / NO**Are you the accredited representative** in South Africa for the goods / services / works offered? **If YES, enclose proof** at the back of the tender submission. YES / NO

Signature of Tenderer: ..... Date: .....

Name / Surname: ..... (in block capitals)

Capacity under which this tender is signed: .....

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**SECTION 2 : CONDITIONS OF TENDER – (Goods / Services : June 2019)**


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**SPECIAL / ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS OF TENDER**

## **STANDARD CONDITIONS OF TENDER (Goods / Services)**

### **1. DEFINITIONS**

#### **General:**

- (1) Defined words / phrases are printed in *Italic font*.
- (2) Definitions apply to the singular as well as the plural.
- (3) Any reference to the masculine gender shall be taken to include the feminine and any reference to the feminine gender shall be taken to include the masculine.
- (4) The words “bid” and “tender”, and “bidder” and “tenderer” can be used interchangeably.
- (5) All definitions as defined in the ***General Conditions of Contract*** are applicable to these ***Standard Conditions of Tender***. These definitions include:
  - “Closing time”
  - “Contract”
  - “Contract Price”
  - “Corrupt practice”
  - “Countervailing duties”
  - “Country of origin”
  - “Day”
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  - “Project site”
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  - “Republic”
  - “SCC”
  - “Services”
  - “Supplier”
  - “Tort”
  - “Turnkey”
  - “Written” or “in writing”
- (6) **Bid or Tender:** The offer submitted in respect of an invitation to submit such an offer.
- (7) **Bidder or Tenderer:** An entity (company, close corporation, partnership, joint venture, sole proprietor) which submits a *bid/tender*.
- (8) **Municipality:** The eThekweni Municipality, as represented by the duly authorised delegate, official or committee.
- (9) **SCT:** Special Conditions of Tender (found in Section 3).
- (10) **Week:** A period of seven (7) consecutive *days*.
- (11) **Material Deviation:** A material deviation or qualification is one which, in the *Municipality’s* opinion, would:
  - (a) Detrimentally affect the scope, quality, or performance of the services or supply identified in the Scope;
  - (b) Significantly change the *Municipality’s* or the *Tenderer’s* risks and responsibilities under the contract; or
  - (c) Affect the competitive position of other *Tenderers* presenting responsive *tenders*, if it were to be rectified.

### **2. CONDITIONS OF TENDER & CONTRACT**

The specification will be governed by the ***Standard Conditions of Tender*** (Goods and Services), ***Special Conditions of Tender (SCT)***, ***General Conditions of Contract (GCC)*** (Government Procurement General Conditions (July 2010), as amended by National Treasury Circular 52 dated 30 July 2010), the ***Special Conditions of Contract (SCC)***, the ***Occupational Health and Safety Act*** (Act No. 85 of 1993), and the ***eThekwini Code of Conduct***.

#### **Complete Acceptance of Conditions**

Unless otherwise expressly stipulated in a letter covering the *tender*, every *Tenderer* shall be deemed to have waived, renounced, and abandoned any conditions printed or written upon any stationery used for the purpose of, or in connection with, the submission of their *tender*, which are in conflict with the ***General Conditions of Contract*** and ***Special Conditions of Contract***. *Tenderers* are advised that any *material divergences / qualifications* from the official Conditions or Specification will render their *tenders* liable to disqualification.

### **3. TENDER INFORMATION**

#### **(1) General**

- (a) *Tenders* will be liable for rejection unless made out on the official tendering documentation.
- (b) Any alterations effected upon any of the tendering documents must be clearly shown by means of a hand written (black, non-erasable ink), or typed, entry and must be signed in full by the *Tenderer*. **The use of correction fluid is not permitted.**
- (c) *Tenderers* may submit alternative solutions that, in the *Tenderer’s* opinion, are to the *Municipality’s* advantage economically and technically. Full technical details of the alternative *tender(s)* shall be submitted with the tender documents. Alternative *tender(s)* shall be submitted separately.

#### **(2) Obtaining Tender Documentation**

All tenders must be submitted on official tender documentation issued, in electronic format, by the eThekwini Municipality. Electronically downloaded documentation (obtainable free of charge) should be printed and suitably bound by tenderer.

#### **(3) Queries Relating to this Tender**

Queries can be directed to the person / Department as stated in the ***SCT***.

#### **(4) Briefing Session (Clarification Meeting)**

Details of the briefing session are stated in the ***SCT***. Failure to attend a **compulsory** briefing session will invalidate the *tender*. *Tenderers* must sign the attendance list in the name of the tendering entity. Tenders will only be evaluated from those tendering entities appearing on the attendance list.

**(5) Closing Date and Delivery of Tender Submissions**

Sealed *tenders* made out on the enclosed Official Tender Form, which shall be signed by or on behalf of the *Tenderer*, and addressed to the City Manager, marked with the appropriate Tender number, must be placed in the **Tender Box** as stated in the **SCT** not later than the **date and time** as stated in the **SCT**, where after they will be opened publicly.

All tender documents **must** be placed directly into the Tender Box and should not be delivered to any other Municipal Department. *Bidders* are advised that *tenders* submitted by post, fax or email **will not** be considered. All couriered documents must be placed directly into the Tender Box and should not be delivered to any other Municipal Department.

Any *tender* received after the closing date and time stated for the receipt thereof **shall not** be accepted for consideration and shall be returned to the *Tenderer*.

**(6) Tender Validity and Withdrawal of Tenders**

*Tenders* must hold good until 16:00 of the 5th week following the date on which *tenders* are opened, or during such other period as may be specified in the **SCT**. The *Municipality* may, during the period for which *tenders* are to remain open for acceptance, authorize a *Tenderer* to withdraw their *tender* in whole or in part on condition that the *Tenderer* pays to the *Municipality* on demand, a sum of one thousand Rand (R1,000.00). The *Municipality* may, if it thinks fit, waive payment of such sum in whole or in part.

**4. RETURNABLE SCHEDULES, FORMS, CERTIFICATES**

Each *Tenderer* shall complete fully and accurately the following documents and submit these documents with the *tender*:

- (1) **Authority of Signatory:** In terms of Clause 4(5)(c) of the Conditions of Tender.
- (2) **Tax Compliance Status PIN / Tax Clearance Certificate:** SARS has introduced a new Tax Compliance Status System. Tenderers can submit a Tax Compliance Status PIN (TCS PIN) instead of an original Tax Clearance Certificate. This TCS PIN can be used by third parties to certify the taxpayer's real-time compliance status.
- (3) **Declaration of Municipal Fees:** Only those *Bidders* whose municipal fees are fully paid, or those that have concluded acknowledgement of debt agreements with the *Municipality*, are eligible to *tender*.  
All *Bidders* must sign the Declaration of Municipal Fees returnable form, declaring that their municipal fees are in order or that acknowledgement of debt agreements have been concluded, and include the relevant account numbers in the declaration. Failure to include account numbers or sign will invalidate the *tender*. The completion of the declaration is also applicable to *Bidders* outside of the eThekweni Municipal Area.
- (4) **Declaration with respect to the Occupational Health and Safety Act:** Acceptance of undertaking in terms of the Occupational Health and Safety Act (Act 85 of 1993) and the relevant Regulations.

**(5) Municipal Bidding Documents (which includes):**

- (a) **MBD 4: Declaration of Interest:** All *Bidders* are to sign the Declaration of Interest wherein they declare any relationship that may exist with an official of the *Municipality* involved in the evaluation process.  
Regulation 44 of the Supply Chain Management Regulations states that a *Municipality* or *Municipal Entity* may not make any award to a person:
  - (i) Who is in the service of the state;
  - (ii) If that person is not a natural person, of which any Director, Manager, Principal, Shareholder or Stakeholder is a person in the service of the state; or
  - (iii) Who is an advisor or consultant contracted with the *Municipality* or *municipal entity*.
 Should a contract be awarded, and it is subsequently established that Regulation 44 has been breached, the *Municipality* shall have the right to terminate the contract with immediate effect.
- (b) **MBD 5: Declaration for Procurement Above R10 Million (if applicable):** For all procurement expected to exceed R10 million (all applicable taxes included), tenderers must complete this questionnaire.
- (c) **MBD 6.1: Preference Points Claim Form:** For the awarding of Preference Points, *Bidders* are required to complete the attached MBD 6.1 form and return it with their tender submission. Failure on the part of a tenderer to complete and submit this form will be interpreted to mean that preference points for **Specific Goals** are not claimed.  
The *Municipality* reserves the right to require of a tenderer, either before a bid is adjudicated or at any time subsequently, to substantiate any claim in regard to preferences, in any manner required by the *Municipality*.
- (d) **MBD 8: Declaration of Bidders Past Supply Chain Management Practices Form:** This form serves as a declaration to be used by municipalities and municipal entities 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.
- (e) **MBD 9: Certificate of Independent Bid Determination:** Section 4(1)(b)(iii) of the Competition Act No. 89 of 1998, as amended, prohibits an agreement between, or concerted practice by, firms if it involves collusive tendering or tender rigging. In order to give effect to this, the Certificate of Bid Determination must be completed and submitted with the tender.

**(5) Official Tender Form** (see Section 9)**(a) Legal Status of Tenderer**

It is essential for the purpose of entering into a legal contract that *Bidders* state on the Official Tender Form, under "Name and Address of Tenderer ", their full legal status:

- (i) the full registered name of the company making a *tender*; or
- (ii) if the *Tenderer* is a person conducting business under a recognised trading name then:
  - State the name of the person(s);
  - State recognised trading name; and
  - State whether an owner, co-owner, proprietor, etc.

**(b) Signing of Official Tender Form**

Failure of a *Tenderer* to complete, in its entirety, and sign the Official Tender Form will invalidate the *tender*.

**(c) Authority of Signatory**

*Bidders* are to complete and sign the Authority of Signatory returnable document, and attach the required additional documents.

**(d) Differences or Discrepancies**

Should there be any difference or discrepancy between the prices or price contained in the Official Tender Form and those contained in any covering letter from the *Tenderer*, the prices or price contained in the Official Tender Form shall prevail.

**(6) Any additional Schedules, Forms, or Certificates as stated in the *SCT*.****5. INFORMATION TO BE SUPPLIED REGARDING SUB-CONTRACTORS**

*Bidders* are to state in their *tenders*, or covering letters, whether, if the contract were to be awarded to them, the whole of the work would be executed by them in their own workshop / factory. If the answer is in the negative, they are required to state which part(s) would be handed to sub-contractors and the name and address of such sub-contractors.

**6. SAMPLES**

*Bidders* may be required to state where samples of the full range of products can be inspected or be required to submit samples for inspection prior to the closing date of the *tender*.

**7. MANUFACTURERS**

The names of the manufacturers of the goods or equipment offered must be stated in the *tender*.

*Bidders* who are not manufacturers, accredited distributors, or agents must provide a valid agreement / Joint Venture Agreement, entered into with the manufacturer, accredited distributors, or agents, with their submission. This agreement must meet all the requirements as laid down in the *tender* document, and must cover the contract period.

**8. CLARIFICATION**

The Head: Supply Chain Management Unit, or an authorized representative, may request clarification or further information on any aspect of the *tender*. The *Tenderer* **must** supply the requested information within the time specified. Failure to comply will render the *tender* non-responsive.

**9. PRICING**

*Bidders* would be precluded from this *tender* if their pricing structure deviates from the Official Tender Form.

**(1) Nett Prices**

All prices shall be quoted in South African currency (Rand) after deduction of any brokerage or discount allowed to the Municipality.

**(2) Unit Prices**

*Bidders* shall quote only one price in respect of each item. Such price is to hold good for the full duration of the contract period, being subject to variation only in accordance with specified criteria, as stated in the *Conditions of Contract*.

**(3) Firm Tenders**

*Bidders* may submit firm prices for each 12 month period. These prices shall be free from all fluctuations, including any statutory increases.

**(4) Value Added Tax (V.A.T)**

Prices exclusive and inclusive of VAT must be stated separately on the Official Tender Form.

**10. ESTIMATED QUANTITIES**

The estimated quantities are set out in Section 8 : Bill of Quantities / Schedule of Rates/Activities which forms part of the official tender documents. The quantities are stated purely for the information of the *Bidders* and are in order to ascertain an estimated total contract price. The *Supplier* will, however, be bound to supply whatever quantity or quantities the *Municipality* may actually require, and may exceed, or be less than, the estimated quantities stated.

**11. DELIVERY, RISK, PACKAGES, ETC**

- (1) Unless otherwise provided, all goods are to be supplied only against the form of order issued by the *Municipality*.
- (2) *Bidders* shall quote a unit price which shall include delivery to the specified delivery point, as stated in the *SCT*.
- (3) The risk in all goods purchased by the *Municipality* under the contract shall remain with the *Supplier* until such goods shall have been duly delivered.
- (4) *Bidders* shall clearly state the period within which delivery will be made after receipt of the official order, as this may be material in the adjudication of the *tender*.

**12. RATES OF EXCHANGE**

- (1) Where the goods are imported the *Supplier* shall, within seven days of date of official Purchase Order, arrange through their bankers for the foreign commitment to be covered forward down to the Rand in order to fix the rate of exchange. The *Supplier* shall notify the *Municipality* as soon as possible thereafter regarding the rate which has been fixed on such forward exchange.

Any increase or decrease between the basic rate of exchange as at a date seven days prior to the date of closing of *tenders* and that existing at the date of establishment of the forward exchange cover within the period stipulated above shall be paid or deducted by the *Municipality*. Upon the failure of the *Supplier* to arrange forward exchange cover, the *Supplier* shall be liable should there be any increase in the basic rate of exchange occurring after the last mentioned date.

The bank charges incurred in obtaining the forward exchange cover shall be for the *Municipality's* account.

- (2) The *Supplier* shall on request:
- Submit documentary proof of the rate of exchange; and
  - When an adjustment is claimed in terms of this sub-clause, whether by the *Supplier* or the *Municipality*, submit documentary proof to the satisfaction of the Deputy City Manager: Treasury in respect of such claim.

**13. IMPORT PERMITS**

- (1) In order to minimise special importation, *Bidders* should, where possible, have recourse to local suppliers and / or manufacturers.
- (2) *Bidders* must state whether their *tender* is dependent upon the issue of a special import permit or whether they are able to supply the goods by making use of the import facilities available to them.
- (3) In the event of a tender being dependent upon the issue of a special import permit, application for such special import permit shall be made by the *Tenderer*, unless otherwise provided for in the *SCT*.

**14. EVALUATION PROCESS**

The procedure for evaluation of responsive Tender Offers will be in accordance with the eThekweni Municipality's current SCM Policy and the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act (5 of 2000), and the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act Regulations (November 2022).

**Details of additional evaluation criteria, if applicable, are stated in the *SCT*.**

Evaluation points for price and preference will only be calculated for *Bidders* who comply with the contractual and technical specification, and if applicable, have attained the minimum Functionality Score as stated in the *SCT*.

The evaluation process of responsive *tenders* will be as follows:

- Score each *tender* in respect of the financial offer made and preferences claimed (if any);
- Calculate the total number of evaluation points ( $T_{EV}$ ) in accordance with the following formula:  
 $T_{EV} = N_{FO} + N_P$  where:  $N_{FO}$ : is the number of evaluation points awarded for the financial offer; and  $N_P$ : is the number of evaluation points awarded for preferences claimed.
- Rank *tenders* from the highest number of evaluation points to the lowest.
- Recommend the *Tenderer* with the highest number of evaluation points for the award of the contract, unless there are compelling and justifiable reasons not to do so.
- Rescore and re-rank all *Bidders* should there be compelling and justifiable reasons not to recommend the *Tenderer* with the highest number of evaluation points, and recommend the *Tenderer* with the highest number of evaluation points, unless there are compelling and justifiable reasons not to do so, and the process set out in this sub-clause is repeated.

**(1) Evaluation points awarded for the financial offer:**

Reference is to be made to the Special Conditions of Tender (*SCT*), and returnable form 5(c) in Section 4.

**INCOME-GENERATING CONTRACTS**

The financial offer will be scored using the formula:

$$N_{FO} = W \left( 1 + \frac{Pt - P_{max}}{P_{max}} \right)$$

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The financial offer will be scored using the formula:

$$N_{FO} = W \left( 1 - \frac{Pt - P_{min}}{P_{min}} \right)$$

Where the value of W is:

- 90** where the financial value inclusive of VAT of all responsive *tenders* received have a value in excess of R 50,000,000; OR  
**80** where the financial value inclusive of VAT of one or more responsive *tenders* offers have a value that equals or is less than R 50,000,000.  
**It is unclear** (at the time of advertising) which of the two preference point systems applies. Either the 80/20 or 90/10 preference point system will apply, determined by the price offered by the lowest acceptable tender.

(b) **P<sub>max</sub>** is the comparative offer of the most favourable comparative offer (highest acceptable tender).

(c) **P<sub>min</sub>** is the comparative offer of the most favourable comparative offer (lowest acceptable tender).

(d) **P<sub>t</sub>** is the comparative offer of the *tender* offer under consideration.

**(2) Evaluation points awarded for preference:**

The **Specific Goals** for Preference Points are specified in the *SCT*.

**15. BRIBERY AND COMMUNICATION WITH COUNCILLORS / OFFICIALS****(1) Bribery**

No *Tenderer* shall offer, promise or give to any person or person connected with a *tender* or the awarding of a contract, any gratuity, bonus or discount etc, in connection with the obtaining of a contract.

**(2) Communication, Councillors and Officials**

A *Tenderer* shall not in any way communicate with a member of the *Municipality* or with any official of the *Municipality* on a question affecting any contract for the supply of goods or for any work, undertaking or services which is the subject of a *tender* during the period between the closing date for receipt of *tenders* and the dispatch of the written notification of the *Municipality's* decision on the award of the contract; provided that a *Tenderer* shall not hereby be precluded:

- (a) At the request of the Head: SCM Unit, or an authorized representative, from furnishing him with additional information or with a sample or specimen for testing purposes or otherwise from giving a demonstration so as to enable the recommendation to the Bid Committee on the award of the contract to be formulated;
- (b) From obtaining from the Head : SCM Unit, or an authorised representative, information as to the date upon which the award of the contract is likely to be made, or, after the decision upon the award has been made by the *Municipality* or any Committee to which the *Municipality* has delegated its powers, information as to the nature of the decision or such information as was publicly disclosed at the opening of *tenders* or from submitting to the Accounting Officer in writing any communication relating to their *tender* or the award of the contract or a request for leave to withdraw their *tender*; and
- (c) Provided further that nothing contained herein shall be construed so as to prevent information being sought and obtained from an Official in regard to any decision taken at an open Municipal meeting, or any Committee to which the *Municipality* has delegated its powers.

A contravention of subsection (1) and / or (2), or an attempt to contravene such subsection, shall be reported to the Accounting Officer, who may on receipt of such report disqualify the *tender* of the *Tenderer* concerned.

**16. NEGOTIATIONS WITH PREFERRED BIDDERS**

The *Municipality* reserves the right to invoke Regulation 24 of Municipal Finance Management Act if required.

- (1) The Accounting Officer may negotiate the final terms of a contract with *Bidders* identified through a competitive tendering process as preferred *Bidders*, provided that such negotiation:
  - Does not allow any preferred *Tenderer* a second or unfair opportunity;
  - Is not to the detriment of any other *Tenderer* ; and
  - Does not lead to a higher price than the *tender* as submitted.
- (2) Minutes of such negotiations must be kept for record purposes.
- (3) Such negotiation may be delegated by the Accounting Officer.

**17. CANCELLATION OF TENDER PROCESS**

The municipality is entitled to cancel the tender at any time before the award of a tender and the decision to cancel the tender shall be published in the same manner in which the original tender invitation was advertised. The Municipality shall, in no way, be liable for any damages whatsoever, including, without limitation, damages for loss of profit, in any way connected with the cancellation of this bid.

**18. ACCEPTANCE OF BID**

- (1) The *Municipality* does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any *tender*, and reserves the right to accept the whole or any part of a *tender* to place orders.
- (2) The *Municipality* reserves the right to accept more than one technically and contractually compliant *tender* for part or the whole of the contract and to place orders on the price and availability.
- (3) *Bidders* shall not bind the *Municipality* to any minimum quantity per order.
- (4) The successful *Tenderer (s)* shall be bound to provide any quantities stipulated in the specification.
- (5) Tenders will only be accepted on condition that:
  - (a) The *tender* is signed by a person authorised to sign on behalf of the *Tenderer* .
  - (b) A valid (at time of close of tenders), original, Tax Clearance Certificate OR Tax Compliance Status PIN is included with the *tender* submission. Both should have sufficient validity to ensure the process is adequately covered;
  - (c) A *Tenderer* who submitted their *tender* as a Joint Venture has included an acceptable Joint Venture Agreement and a B-BBEE Certificate pertaining to the Joint Venture with their *tender*.
- (6) Financial Standing: The Head: Supply Chain Management reserves the right to require *Bidders* to submit evidence that their financial standing is adequate to meet their obligations under the contract should they be successful.
- (7) Change of Ownership or Major Policy: Where it is known to a *Tenderer* that a change in ownership or major policy (of the tendering entity) will occur, or is likely to occur, during a specified contract period, the scope and effect thereof must be fully defined in a covering letter to be submitted with the *tender*.
- (8) Purchase of Goods From Other Sources: Nothing contained in this contract shall be held to restrain the *Municipality* from purchasing from persons other than the *Supplier*, any of the goods described or referred to in this contract, if it shall in its discretion think fit to do so.
- (9) Capability and Breach of Contract: Tenderers that do not have the capability of undertaking this enquiry in terms of the requirements of the contract or have been in breach of contract previously will not be considered.

**19. PAYMENT and FACTORING**

Payment conditions will be as per the **Conditions of Contract**.

Payment will be made only to the *Supplier(s)*. Factoring arrangements will not be accepted.

**20. APPEALS**

In terms of Regulation 49 of the Municipal Supply Chain Management Regulations persons aggrieved by decisions or actions taken by the *Municipality*, may lodge an appeal within 14 days of the decision or action, in writing to the *Municipality*. The appeal (clearly setting out the reasons for the appeal) and queries with regard to decision of award are to be directed to the office of the City Manager, attention:

Ms. S. Pillay, P.O. Box 1394, Durban, 4000;  
eMail: Simone.Pillay@durban.gov.za.

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## **SECTION 3: SPECIAL / ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS OF TENDER**

### **3.1 SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF TENDER (SCT)**

The ***Standard Conditions of Tender*** (Goods / Services) make several references to the ***Special Conditions of Tender*** (SCT) for details that apply specifically to this tender. The ***Special Conditions of Tender*** shall have precedence in the interpretation of any ambiguity or inconsistency between it and the ***Standard Conditions of Tender***.

Each item below is cross-referenced to the clause in the ***Standard Conditions of Tender*** to which it mainly applies.

#### **SCT 3(1) TENDER INFORMATION: General**

The tender document comprises of a cover page and **50** pages.

#### **SCT 3(2) TENDER INFORMATION: Obtaining Tender Documentation**

Documents are issued by the eThekweni Municipality electronic format.

Electronically downloaded documentation is obtainable from:

- the National Treasury's eTenders website
  - ( <https://www.etenders.gov.za/> ), or
- the eThekweni Municipality's website
  - ( <https://www.durban.gov.za/pages/business/procurement> ) **free of charge**.

The entire document should be printed on A4 paper (one sided), and suitably bound by the tenderer.

#### **SCT 3(3) TENDER INFORMATION: Queries Relating to this Tender**

General and Contractual Queries are to be directed to:

**Thando Mkhize; Tel: 031-322-2540; eMail: [Thando.Mkhize@durban.gov.za](mailto:Thando.Mkhize@durban.gov.za)**

Technical Queries are to be directed to:

**Fisaphile Buthelezi; Tel: 031-311-1870; eMail: [Fisaphile.Buthelezi@durban.gov.za](mailto:Fisaphile.Buthelezi@durban.gov.za)**

#### **SCT 3(4) TENDER INFORMATION: Briefing Session**

**There will be no clarification meeting. Bidders will be required to email queries relating to the bid. All queries are to be submitted no later than 18 April 2024. Emailed questions and answers will be consolidated and posted on e-Tenders/Municipal website for the benefit of all tenderers by the 25 April 2024**

#### **SCT 3(5) TENDER INFORMATION: Closing Date and Delivery of Tender Submissions**

Sealed Tenders, addressed to the City Manager and marked with the Tender Number, are to be placed in the Tender Box **located in the ground floor foyer of the Municipal Buildings, 166 KE Masinga Road (Old Fort Rd), Durban** (and not any other municipal department), no later than: **Friday, 03 May 2024 at 11:00am**.

Bidders are to include, with their “hard copy” submission, a memory-stick containing an electronically scanned (300 dpi resolution) Public Document Format (PDF) copy of their complete bid submission. This PDF file should be named using the contract number and the bidder’s name, eg. “**WS.7761 – Tenderers Name.PDF**”. The memory-stick must be securely fixed to the paper submission.

**SCT 3(6) TENDER INFORMATION: Tender Validity and Withdrawal of Tenders**

Tenders must hold good for 120 days following the date on which tenders are opened.

**SCT 4(6) RETURNABLE SCHEDULES, FORMS, CERTIFICATES**

The additional returnable schedules, forms, which can be found in Section 10

**SCT 11(2) DELIVERY, RISK, PACKAGES, ETC**

The specified delivery points are within the eThekweni Municipality area of water supply. The municipality employee responsible for the installation of smart meters will give the addresses where the installation will take place. Goods defects prior installation will be checked by the eThekweni municipality responsible employee and if there are any goods with defects they will be returned to supplier. The smart meters must be packed in such a way that they are not exposed to heavy load which can lead to damage of the smart meters.

**SCT 14 EVALUATION PROCESS**

**Mandatory Requirements**

Responsive tenders are those deemed to have complied with the technical specification, which include all the required declarations and certificates and include signed Form of Offer.

Before tenders are scored and ranked based on Financial and Preference points, they will be evaluated for compliance with the mandatory requirements, specified below.

**The following requirements are mandatory:**

**14.1. ISO Requirement**

All meters supplied must meet ISO 9001 Certification or SANAS Metering Methodology Certification. Proof of such compliance, for meters proposed must be provided at time of tender.

**14.2. Technical Specification**

Evaluation will be based on the lowest price to specification. Item tendered on must comply with the latest relevant technical specification.

**14.3. The Meter Data Management System**

- The Meter Data Management System should be able to integrate with the eThekweni Municipality billing system.
- Bidders to submit an integration proposal demonstrating the MDMS integration capabilities to the eThekweni billing system (RMS).
- 1 project (successfully completed) consisting of a minimum of 1,000 meters. Successfully completed will include supply, installation, commissioning and integrating the smart water meter over the last 10 years.

#### **14.4. Samples**

- Two Samples will be requested from each tenderer.
- Samples shall be submitted to the eThekweni Water and Sanitation Pinetown Depot, 14 Scott Road, Pinetown, marked sample and company name before **03 May 2024 at 16:00 pm**.
- One sample of each type 15mm, 25mm and Wall Mounted smart water meters will be required
- Samples will be checked against the technical specification requirements (valve specifications, water meter body to be plastic etc.it is described in technical specification found in Section 9)

#### **14.5. Qualifications and experience of artisan plumbers**

The Curriculum Vitae of two artisan plumbers with the minimum of three years experienced in meter installations, trade test certificates, Durban tickets certificates must be submitted.

#### **14.6. Price and Preference**

The procedure for the evaluation of responsive tenders is **PRICE AND PREFERENCE** in accordance with the Employer's current SCM Policy, the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act (5 of 2000), and the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act Regulations (2022).

The **80/20** preference points system will be applied. The Formula used to calculate the **Price Points (max. 80)** will be according to that specified Regulation 5.1.

#### **Preference Point System and Specific Goals**

**The definitions as per the SCM Policy are applicable.**

Preference Points (10) will be derived from points claimed on Returnable Document **MBD 6.1: "Preference Points Claim Form"** (in Section 4 of this procurement document) for the **Specific Goal(s)** as indicated on the table(s) below, and according to the specified **Goal Weightings**.

**Ownership Goal**

The tendering entity's **Percentage Ownership**, in terms of the **Ownership Category(s)** listed below, is to be used in the determination of the tenderer's claim for **Preference Points**.

Goal Weighting 70%		
<b>Ownership Categories</b>	<b>Criteria</b>	<b>80/20</b>
Race: Black (w1)	0%	0
	>0% and <51%	5
	≥51% and <100%	10
	100%	20
<b>Proof of claim as declared on MBD 6.1</b> (1 or more of the following will be used in verifying the tenderer's status) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Companies and Intellectual Property Commission registration document (CIPC)</li> <li>• CSD report.</li> <li>• B-BBEE Certificate of the tendering entity.</li> <li>• Consolidated B-BBEE Certificate if the tendering entity is a Consortium, Joint Venture, or Trust (Issued by verification agency accredited by the South African Accreditation System).</li> <li>• Agreement for a Consortium, Joint Venture, or Trust.</li> </ul>		
The <b>Category Weightings</b> of the Ownership Categories will be: w1 = 100%		

**RDP Goal: The promotion SMMEs with a minimum of 51%black ownership – Contracts > R5m**

The tendering entity's **Commitment to Sub-Contracting** (to Sub-Contractors conforming to the specified ownership demographics) the **percentage works**, as specified below, is to be used in the determination of the tenderer's claim for **Preference Points** for this Specific Goal.

Goal Weighting 30%	
<b>Contract Participation Goal</b>	<b>80/20</b>
Sub-contracting 0%	0
Sub-contracting <25%	5
Sub-contracting 25%	10
Sub-contracting ≥25% and <50%	20
<b>Proof of claim as declared on MBD 6.1</b> (1 or more of the following will be used in verifying the tenderer's status) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contract Participation Goal Plan (% work to be allocated)</li> </ul>	

**3.2 ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS OF TENDER (ACT)****ACT 1 ELIGIBILITY – CSD REGISTRATION**

Tenderers are required to be registered on the National Treasury Central Supplier Database (CSD) as a service provider. In the case of a Joint Venture, this requirement will apply individually to each party in the Joint Venture. Tenderers not so registered, at time of closing of tenders, will not be eligible to submit tenders.

The Tenderer's CSD Supplier Number (starting with "MAAA") is to be provided on the information table in Section 1.

Tenderers who wish to register on the CSD may do so via web address <https://secure.csd.gov.za>.

**SECTION 4: RETURNABLE TENDER DOCUMENTS**

The required returnable documents are as detailed in [Section 2 \(Clause 4\)](#): “Returnable Schedules, Forms, Certificates” of the Conditions of Tender / Special Conditions of Tender.

- 1) Authority of Signatory
- 2) Declaration of Municipal Fee
- 3) Declaration with respect to the Occupational Health and Safety
- 4) Consolidate Municipal Bidding Documents
- 5) General Enterprise Information
- 6) Tax Clearance Certificate Requirements
- 7) Declaration of Interest
- 8) Declaration of Procurement above R 10Million
- 9) Preference Points Claim ITO the Preferential Regulations
- 10) Declaration Certificate for Local Production and Content for Designated Sectors
- 11) Declaration of Bidder’s Past Supply Chain Management Practices
- 12) Certificate of Independent BID Determination
- 13) Confirmation, Authorities, Certification, Acknowledgements and Signature

The Tender Form can be found in [Section 9](#): “Official Tender Form”, and any additional schedules, forms, certificates can be found in [Section 10](#): “Annexures”.

**1) AUTHORITY OF SIGNATORY**

Reference is made to the Conditions of Tender: [Clause 4\(5\)\(c\)](#).

Indicate the status of the tenderer by ticking the appropriate box hereunder.

<b>COMPANY</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>CLOSE CORPORATION</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>PARTNERSHIP</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>JOINT VENTURE</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>SOLE PROPRIETOR</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Refer to Notes at the bottom of the page									

I / We, the undersigned, being the Chairperson (Company), Member(s) (Close Corporation), Partners (Partnership), Sole Owner (Sole Proprietor), Lead Partner (JV), in the company / business trading as:

.....

hereby authorise Mr/Mrs/Ms .....

acting in the capacity of .....

to sign all documents in connection with the tender for Contract No. **WS-7761** and any contract resulting from it on our behalf.

NAME	ADDRESS	SIGNATURE	DATE

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**Notes**

**Tenderers are to include, at the back of their tender submission document, a printout of the following documents:**

If a Company : a "Resolution of the Board" in this regard.

If a Joint Venture : a "Power of Attorney" signed by the legally authorised signatories of all the partners to the Joint venture.

2) **TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS PIN / TAX CLEARANCE CERTIFICATE**

SARS has introduced a new Tax Compliance Status System. Tenderers can submit a Tax Compliance Status PIN (TCS PIN) instead of an original Tax Clearance Certificate. This TCS PIN can be used by third parties to certify the taxpayer's real-time compliance status.

Separate Tax Clearance Certificates / TCS PINs are required for each entity in a Joint Venture.

The TCS PIN(s) are to be entered on the information table in **SECTION 1: GENERAL INFORMATION**.

**Tenderers are to include, at the back of their tender submission document, a printout of their Tax Compliance Status PIN (TCS PIN) OR an original Tax Clearance Certificate.**

**Failure to include the required document will make the tender submission non-responsive.**

*I, the undersigned, who warrants that they are authorised to sign on behalf of the Tenderer, confirms that the information contained in this form is within my personal knowledge and is to the best of my belief both true and correct, **and that the requested documentation has been included in the tender submission.***

**NAME (Block Capitals):**

**Date**

**SIGNATURE:**

**3) DECLARATION OF MUNICIPAL FEES**

I, the undersigned, do hereby declare that the Municipal fees of

.....  
 (full name of Company / Close Corporation / partnership / sole proprietary/Joint Venture)

(hereinafter referred to as the TENDERER) are, as at the date hereunder, fully paid or an Acknowledgement of Debt has been concluded with the Municipality to pay the said charges in instalments.

The following account details relate to property of the said TENDERER:

<u>Account</u>	<u>Account Number</u> : to be completed by tenderer.																				
Consolidated Account No.	<table border="1" style="display: inline-table; border-collapse: collapse; width: 100%; height: 15px;"><tr><td style="width: 20px; height: 15px;"></td><td style="width: 20px; height: 15px;"></td></tr></table>																				
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Water	<table border="1" style="display: inline-table; border-collapse: collapse; width: 100%; height: 15px;"><tr><td style="width: 20px; height: 15px;"></td><td style="width: 20px; height: 15px;"></td></tr></table>																				
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Other	<table border="1" style="display: inline-table; border-collapse: collapse; width: 100%; height: 15px;"><tr><td style="width: 20px; height: 15px;"></td><td style="width: 20px; height: 15px;"></td></tr></table>																				

I acknowledge that should the aforesaid Municipal charges fall into arrears, the Municipality may take such remedial action as is required, including termination of any contract, and any payments due to the Contractor by the Municipality shall be first set off against such arrears.

- Where the TENDERER'S place of business or business interests are outside the jurisdiction of eThekweni Municipality, a copy of the accounts/agreements from the relevant municipality must be attached (to the back inside cover of this document).
- Where the tenderer's Municipal Accounts are part of their lease agreement, then a copy of the agreement, or official letter to that effect is to be attached (to the back inside cover of this document).

**Tenderers are to include, at the back of their tender submission document, a printout of the above account's and or agreements signed with the municipality.**

**Failure to include the required document will make the tender submission non-responsive.**

<b>NAME (Block Capitals):</b>	<b>Date</b>
.....	.....
<b>SIGNATURE:</b>	
.....	.....

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**4) DECLARATION WITH RESPECT TO THE OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY ACT****Definitions**

The Act: The Occupational Health and Safety Act No 85 of 1993 (as amended by the Occupational Health and Safety Amendment Act No 181 of 1993), and any associated / applicable Regulations.

**Declaration by Tenderer**

1. I, the undersigned, hereby declare and confirm that I am fully conversant with the Act.
2. I hereby declare that my company has the competence and the necessary resources to safely carry out the work / supply / services under this contract in compliance with the Act, and the Employer's / Purchaser's / Client's Health and Safety Specifications.
3. I hereby undertake, if my tender is accepted, to provide on request a suitable and sufficiently documented Health and Safety Plan which plan shall be subject to approval by the Employer / Purchaser / Client.
4. I hereby confirm that adequate provision has been made in my tendered rates to cover the cost of all resources, actions, training and all health and safety measures envisaged in the Act, and that I will be liable for any penalties that may be applied by the Employer / Purchaser / Client for failure to comply with the provisions of the Act.
5. I agree that my failure to complete and execute this declaration to the satisfaction of the Employer / Purchaser / Client will mean that I am unable to comply with the requirements of the Act and accept that my tender will be prejudiced and may be rejected at the discretion of the Employer / Purchaser / Client.

**NAME (Block Capitals):****Date****SIGNATURE:**

**5(a) MBD 4: DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

**NOTES**  
 MSCM Regulations: “in the service of the state” means to be:  
 (a) a member of:  
     (i) any municipal council.  
     (ii) any provincial legislature.  
     (iii) the national Assembly or the national Council of provinces.  
 (b) a member of the board of directors of any municipal enterprise.  
 (c) an official of any municipality or municipal enterprise.  
 (d) an employee of any national or provincial department, national or provincial public enterprise or constitutional institution within the meaning of the Public Finance Management Act, 1999 (Act No.1 of 1999).  
 (e) a member of the accounting authority of any national or provincial public enterprise.  
 (f) an employee of Parliament or a provincial legislature.  
 “Shareholder” means a person who owns shares in the company and is actively involved in the management of the company or business and exercises control over the company.

- 1 No bid will be accepted from persons **in the service of the state**.
  
- 2 Any person, having a kinship with persons **in the service of the state**, including a blood relationship, may make an offer or offers in terms of this invitation to bid. In view of possible allegations of favouritism, should the resulting bid, or part thereof, be awarded to persons connected with or related to **persons in service of the state**, it is required that the bidder or their authorised representative declare their position in relation to the evaluating/adjudicating authority and/or take an oath declaring his/her interest.
  
- 3 In order to give effect to the above, the following questionnaire must be completed and submitted with the bid.

3.1 Name of enterprise	
Name of enterprise’s representative	
3.2 ID Number of enterprise’s representative	
3.3 Position enterprise’s representative occupies in the enterprise	
3.4 Company Registration number	
3.5 Tax Reference number	
3.6 VAT registration number	

3.7 The names of all directors / trustees / shareholders / members / sole proprietors / partners in partnerships, their individual identity numbers and state employee numbers must be indicated in paragraph 4 below. In the case of a joint venture, information in respect of each partnering enterprise must be completed and submitted.

	Circle Applicable	
3.8 Are you presently in the service of the state?	YES	NO
If yes, furnish particulars:		
.....		
.....		

	YES		NO	
3.9 Have you been in the service of the state for the past twelve months?	YES	NO		
If yes, furnish particulars:				
.....				
.....				

3.10 Do you have any relationship (family, friend, other) with persons in the service of the state and who may be involved with the evaluation and or adjudication of this bid? If yes, furnish particulars: ..... .....	YES	NO
3.11 Are you, aware of any relationship (family, friend, other) between any other bidder and any persons in the service of the state who may be involved with the evaluation and or adjudication of this bid? If yes, furnish particulars: ..... .....	YES	NO
3.12 Are any of the company's directors, trustees, managers, principle shareholders or stakeholders in service of the state? If yes, furnish particulars: ..... .....	YES	NO
3.13 Are any spouse, child or parent of the company's directors, trustees, managers, principle shareholders or stakeholders in service of the state? If yes, furnish particulars: ..... .....	YES	NO
3.14 Do you or any of the directors, trustees, managers, principle shareholders, or stakeholders of this company have any interest in any other related companies or business whether or not they are bidding for this contract? If yes, furnish particulars: ..... .....	YES	NO

4 The names of all directors / trustees / shareholders / members / sole proprietors / partners in partnerships, their individual identity numbers and state employee numbers must be indicated below. In the case of a joint venture, information in respect of each partnering enterprise must be completed and submitted

Full Name	Identity No.	State Employee No.	Personal income tax No.
Use additional pages if necessary			

*I, the undersigned, who warrants that they are authorised to sign on behalf of the Tenderer, confirms that the information contained in this form is within my personal knowledge and is to the best of my belief both true and correct.*

**NAME (Block Capitals):** .....

**Date**

**SIGNATURE:** .....

5(b) **MBD 5: DECLARATION FOR PROCUREMENT ABOVE R10 MILLION**  
**(ALL APPLICABLE TAXES INCLUDED)**

For all procurement expected to exceed R10 million (all applicable taxes included), bidders must complete the following questionnaire.

	Circle Applicable	
1.0 Are you by law required to prepare annual financial statements for auditing?	YES	NO
1.1 If YES, submit audited annual financial statements for the past three years or since the date of establishment if established during the past three years.		
2.0 Do you have any outstanding undisputed commitments for municipal services towards any municipality for more than three months or any other service provider in respect of which payment is overdue for more than 30 days?	YES	NO
2.1 If NO, this serves to certify that the bidder has no undisputed commitments for municipal services towards any municipality for more than three months or other service provider in respect of which payment is overdue for more than 30 days.		
2.2 If YES, provide particulars.	..... .....	
3.0 Has any contract been awarded to you by an organ of state during the past five years, including particulars of any material non-compliance or dispute concerning the execution of such contract?	YES	NO
3.1 If YES, provide particulars.	..... .....	
4.0 Will any portion of goods or services be sourced from outside the Republic, and, if so, what portion and whether any portion of payment from the municipality / municipal entity is expected to be transferred out of the Republic?	YES	NO
4.1 If YES, provide particulars.	..... .....	

**If required by 1.1 above, tenderers are to include, at the back of their tender submission document, a printout of their audited annual financial statements.**

*I, the undersigned, who warrants that they are authorised to sign on behalf of the Tenderer, confirms that the information contained in this form is within my personal knowledge and is to the best of my belief both true and correct, and, if required, that the requested documentation has been included in the tender submission.*

**NAME (Block Capitals):** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**SIGNATURE:** \_\_\_\_\_

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5(c) **MBD 6.1: PREFERENCE POINTS CLAIM**  
**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**

**1.0 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 below R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included).
- 1.2 The applicable preference point system for this tender is the **80/20 preference point system**.
- 1.3 Preference Points for this tender shall be awarded for:
- **Price and Specific Goals:** 80 (price) and 20 (specific goals), in terms of 1.2 above.
  - The total Preference Points, for Price and Specific Goals, is 100.
- 1.4 Failure on the part of the tenderer to submit the required proof or documentation, in terms of the requirements in the (Special) Conditions of Tender for claiming **Specific Goal** preference points, will be interpreted that preference points for **Specific Goals** are not claimed.
- 1.5 The Municipality 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 of preferences, in any manner required by the Municipality.

**2.0 DEFINITIONS**

- 2.1 “**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.
- 2.2 “**price**” means an amount of money tendered for goods or services and includes all applicable taxes less all unconditional discounts.
- 2.3 “**rand value**” means the total estimated value of a contract in Rand, calculated at the time of bid invitation, and includes all applicable taxes.
- 2.4 “**tender for income-generating contracts**” means a written offer in the form determined by Municipality 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 Municipality and a third party that produces revenue for the Municipality, 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.
- 2.5 “**the Act**” means the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act, 2000 (Act No. 5 of 2000).

### 3.0 FORMULA FOR CALCULATION OF PREFERENCE PRICE POINTS

#### 3.1 PROCUREMENT OF GOODS AND SERVICES

**PRICE POINTS:** A maximum of 90 points is allocated for price on the following basis:

##### **80 / 20 Points System**

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

Where:

P<sub>s</sub> = Points scored for price of tender under consideration

P<sub>t</sub> = Price of tender under consideration

P<sub>min</sub> = Price of lowest acceptable tender

#### 4.0 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 **points claimed** for the goal(s) stated in **Table 1** below, as supported by proof/ documentation stated in the **Conditions of Tender**:

4.2 In cases where the municipality intends 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, the municipality 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 the 80/20 or preference point system will apply and that the lowest acceptable tender will be used to determine the applicable preference point system,

then the municipality must indicate the points allocated for specific goals for the 80/20 preference point system.

**TABLE 1:** Specific Goals for the tender and points claimed are indicated per the table below.

**Tenderers are to indicate their points claim for each of the Specific Goals.**

The Specific Goals to be allocated points in terms of this tender	Number of points ALLOCATED (80/20 system)	Number of points ALLOCATED (90/10 system)	Number of points CLAIMED (80/20 system)	Number of points CLAIMED (90/10 system)
Ownership Goal: <b>SPECIFY</b>	14	n/a		n/a
RDP Goal: The promotion of SMMEs owned by 51% black ownership (contracts >R5m)	6	n/a		n/a
Should the municipality apply a combination of Specific Goals, the <b>points for the individual goals</b> will be weighted according to the <b>Goal Weightings</b> specified in the Tender Data to arrive at the final points for <b>Preferential Points for Specific Goals</b> .				

I, the undersigned, who warrants that they are authorised to sign on behalf of the Tenderer, certify that the points claimed, based on the specific goals as specified in the tender, qualifies the tendering entity for the preference(s) shown.

I acknowledge that:

- 1) The information furnished is true and correct.
- 2) The preference points claimed are in accordance with the General Conditions as indicated in paragraph 1 of this form.
- 3) 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.
- 4) 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.

**NAME (Block Capitals):****Date****SIGNATURE:**

**5(d) MBD 8: DECLARATION OF BIDDER'S PAST SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT PRACTICES**

- 1.0 This Municipal Bidding Document must form part of all bids invited.
- 2.0 It serves as a declaration to be used by municipalities and municipal entities 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 rejected if that bidder, or any of its directors have:
  - a) abused the municipal entity's supply chain management system or committed any improper conduct in relation to such system.
  - b) been convicted for fraud or corruption during the past five years.
  - c) wilfully neglected, reneged on or failed to comply with any government, municipal or other public sector contract during the past five years.
  - d) been listed in the Register for Tender Defaulters in terms of section 29 of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act (No 12 of 2004).
- 4.0 In order to give effect to the above, the following questions must be completed and submitted with the bid.

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 audi alteram partem rule was applied.)

The Database of Restricted Suppliers now resides on the National Treasury's website ([www.treasury.gov.za](http://www.treasury.gov.za)) and can be accessed by clicking on its link at the bottom of the home page.

4.1.1 If YES, provide particulars.

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Circle Applicable	
YES	NO

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)?

The Register for Tender Defaulters can be accessed on the National Treasury's website ([www.treasury.gov.za](http://www.treasury.gov.za)) by clicking on its link at the bottom of the home page.

4.2.1 If YES, provide particulars.

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YES	NO
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4.3 Was the bidder or any of its directors convicted by a court of law (including a court of law outside the Republic of South Africa) for fraud or corruption during the past five years?

4.3.1 If YES, provide particulars.

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YES	NO
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4.4 Does the bidder or any of its directors owe any municipal rates and taxes or municipal charges to the municipality / municipal entity, or to any other municipality / municipal entity, that is in arrears for more than three months?

YES	NO
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4.4.1 If YES, provide particulars.

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4.5 Was any contract between the bidder and the municipality / municipal entity or any other organ of state terminated during the past five years on account of failure to perform on or comply with the contract?

YES	NO
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4.5.1 If YES, provide particulars.

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*I, the undersigned, who warrants that they are authorised to sign on behalf of the Tenderer, confirms that the information contained in this form is within my personal knowledge and is to the best of my belief both 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.*

**NAME (Block Capitals):**

**Date**

**SIGNATURE:**

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**5(e) MBD 9: CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT BID DETERMINATION****NOTES**

- <sup>1</sup> Includes price quotations, advertised competitive bids, limited bids and proposals.
- <sup>2</sup> 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.
- <sup>3</sup> 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.

- 1.0 This Municipal Bidding Document (MBD) must form part of all **bids**<sup>1</sup> invited.
- 2.0 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**).<sup>2</sup> Collusive bidding is a *pe se* prohibition meaning that it cannot be justified under any grounds.
- 3.0 Municipal Supply Regulation 38 (1) prescribes that a supply chain management policy must provide measures for the combating of abuse of the supply chain management system, and must enable the accounting officer, among others, to:
- a. take all reasonable steps to prevent such abuse;
  - b. reject the bid of any bidder if that bidder or any of its directors has abused the supply chain management system of the municipality or municipal entity or has committed any improper conduct in relation to such system; and
  - c. cancel a contract awarded to a person if the person committed any corrupt or fraudulent act during the bidding process or the execution of the contract.
- 4.0 This MBD 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**.
- 5.0 In order to give effect to the above, the attached Certificate of Bid Determination (MBD 9) must be completed and submitted with the bid.

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**CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT BID DETERMINATION**

I, the undersigned, in submitting the accompanying bid:

**Supply, install, commission 15mm and 25mm plastic smart water meters as and when required for the period of 36 months to eThekweni Municipality**

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(Bid Number and Description)

in response to the invitation for the bid made by:

EThekweni Municipality

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(Name of Municipality / Municipal Entity)

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

I certify, on behalf of:

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(Name of Bidder)

that:

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.
  - (c) provides the same goods and services as the bidder and/or is in the same line of business as the bidder.
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 consortium<sup>3</sup> will not be construed as collusive bidding.

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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.
    - (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.
  
  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.

**NAME (Block Capitals):**

**Date**

**SIGNATURE:**

## **SECTION 5: CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT**

### **GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT: CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT (July 2010)**

The **Conditions of Contract** are the **General Conditions of Contract** as published by the National Treasury titled "Government Procurement: General Conditions of Contract (July 2010), as amended by National Treasury Circular 52 dated 30 July 2010, hereinafter referred to as **GCC**.

**THE NATIONAL TREASURY**

**Republic of South Africa**



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**GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT:  
GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT**

July 2010

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**1. Definitions**

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 anything 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 goods 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 goods 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 "Supplier" means the successful bidder who is awarded the contract to maintain and administer the required and specified service(s) to the State.
- 1.26 "Tort" means in breach of contract.
- 1.27 "Turnkey" means a procurement process where one service provider assumes total responsibility for all aspects of the project and delivers the full end product / service required by the contract.
- 1.28 "Written" or "in writing" means hand-written in ink or any form of electronic or mechanical writing.

**2. Application**

- 2.1 These general conditions are applicable to all bids, contracts and orders including bids for functional and professional services (excluding professional services related to the building and construction industry), sales, hiring, letting and the granting or acquiring of rights, but excluding immovable property, unless otherwise indicated in the bidding documents.
- 2.2 Where applicable, special conditions of contract are also laid down to cover specific goods, services or works.
- 2.3 Where such special conditions of contract are in conflict with these general conditions, the special conditions shall apply.

**3. General**

- 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.
- 3.2 Invitations to bid are usually published in locally distributed news media and on the municipality/municipal entity website.

- 4. Standards**
- 4.1 The goods supplied shall conform to the standards mentioned in the bidding documents and specifications.
- 5. Use of contract documents and information inspection**
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 6. Patent Rights**
- 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.
- 6.2 When a supplier developed documentation / projects for the municipality / municipal entity, the intellectual, copy and patent rights or ownership of such documents or projects will vest in the municipality / municipal entity.
- 7. Performance security**
- 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**.
- 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**.
- 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 goods to be produced or services to be rendered should at any stage be subject to inspections, tests and analyses, the bidder or contractor's premises shall be open, at all reasonable hours, for inspection by a representative of the purchaser or organization acting on behalf of the purchaser.
- 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 goods 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 goods or services referred to in clauses 8.2 and 8.3 do not comply with the contract requirements, irrespective of whether such goods or services are accepted or not, the cost in connection with these inspections, tests or analyses shall be defrayed by the supplier.
- 8.6 Goods 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 goods may on or after delivery be inspected, tested or analysed and may be rejected if found not to comply with the requirements of the contract. Such rejected goods 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 goods, which do comply with the requirements of the contract. Failing such removal the rejected goods shall be returned at the suppliers cost and risk. Should the supplier fail to provide the substitute goods forthwith, the purchaser may, without giving the supplier further opportunity to substitute the rejected goods, purchase such goods 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 22 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 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, and in any subsequent instructions ordered by the purchaser.
- 10. Delivery and documents**
- 10.1 Delivery of the goods and arrangements for shipping and clearance obligations, shall be made by the supplier in accordance with the terms **specified in the contract**.
- 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**.
- 12. Transportation**
- 12.1 Should a price other than an all-inclusive delivered price be required, **this shall be specified**.

**13. Incidental Services**

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

- (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
- (e) 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, 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.

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 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, 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.

**16. Payment**

16.1 The method and conditions of payment to be made to the supplier under this contract shall be specified.

16.2 The supplier shall furnish the purchaser with an invoice accompanied by a copy of the delivery note and upon fulfilment of other obligations stipulated in the contract.

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.

16.4 Payment will be made in Rand unless otherwise stipulated.

**17. Prices**

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 or in the purchaser's request for bid validity extension, as the case may be.

**18. Variation orders**

18.1 In cases where the estimated value of the envisaged changes in purchase does not vary more than 15% of the total value of the original contract, the contractor may be instructed to deliver the goods or render the services as such. In cases of measurable quantities, the contractor may be approached to reduce the unit price, and such offers may be accepted provided that there is no escalation in price.

**19. Assignment**

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.

**20. Subcontracts**

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.

**21. Delays in the supplier's performance**

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.

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.

21.3 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 goods are required, or the supplier's services are not readily available.

- 21.4 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 22.2 without the application of penalties.
- 21.5 Upon any delay beyond the delivery period in the case of a goods contract, the purchaser shall, without cancelling the contract, be entitled to purchase goods 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:
- 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;
  - if the supplier fails to perform any other obligation(s) under the contract; or
  - if the supplier, in the judgement 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 supplier as having no objection and proceed with the restriction.
- 23.5 Any restriction imposed on any person by the purchaser will, at the discretion of the purchaser, 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 purchaser 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:
- the name and address of the supplier and / or person restricted by the purchaser;
  - the date of commencement of the restriction
  - the period of restriction; and
  - 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. Antidumping 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 supplier to the purchaser or the purchaser may deduct such amounts from moneys (if any) which may otherwise be due to the supplier in regard to goods 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 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 for goods delivered and / or services rendered according to the prescripts of the contract.

**28. Limitation of Liability**

- 28.1 Except in cases of criminal negligence or wilful 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.

**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 SARS must have certified that the tax matters of the preferred bidder are in order.
- 32.4 No contract shall be concluded with any bidder whose municipal rates and taxes and municipal services charges are in arrears.

**33. Transfer of Contracts**

- 33.1 The contractor shall not abandon, transfer, cede assign or sublet a contract or part thereof without the written permission of the purchaser.

**34. Amendment of contracts**

- 34.1 No agreement to amend or vary a contract or order or the conditions, stipulations or provisions thereof shall be valid and of any force unless such agreement to amend or vary is entered into in writing and signed by the contracting parties. Any waiver of the requirement that the agreement to amend or vary shall be in writing, shall also be in writing.

**35. Prohibition of restrictive practices**

- 35.1 In terms of section 4 (1) (b) (iii) of the Competition Act No. 89 of 1998, as amended, an agreement between, or concerted practice by, firms, or a decision by an association of firms, is prohibited if it is between parties in a horizontal relationship and if a bidder(s) is / are or a contractor(s) was / were involved in collusive bidding.
- 35.2 If a bidder(s) or contractor(s) based on reasonable grounds or evidence obtained by the purchaser has / have engaged in the restrictive practice referred to above, the purchaser may refer the matter to the Competition Commission for investigation and possible imposition of administrative penalties as contemplated in section 59 of the Competition Act No 89 Of 1998.
- 35.3 If a bidder(s) or contractor(s) has / have been found guilty by the Competition Commission of the restrictive practice referred to above, the purchaser may, in addition and without prejudice to any other remedy provided for, invalidate the bid(s) for such item(s) offered, and / or terminate the contract in whole or part, and / or restrict the bidder(s) or contractor(s) from conducting business with the public sector for a period not exceeding ten (10) years and / or claim damages from the bidder(s) or contractor(s) concerned.

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**SECTION 6: SPECIAL / ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT**

The **Conditions of Contract** make reference to the **Special Conditions of Contract (SSC)** for details that apply specifically to this bid. The **Special Conditions of Contract** shall have precedence in the interpretation of any ambiguity or inconsistency between it and the **Conditions of Contract**.

Each item below is cross-referenced to the clause in the **Conditions of Contract** to which it mainly applies.

**SCC 1.2 CONTRACT**

This is a thirty-six (36) months contract

**SCC 7.1 PERFORMANCE SECURITY**

For contracts of value greater than R 1,000,000 and less than R 10,000,000 (incl.) the liability of the Performance Security shall be 5% of the total tender value.

**SCC 9.2 PACKING**

The supplier shall provide such packing of the goods as is required to prevent their damage or deterioration during transit to their destination, as indicated in the contract, or to act in terms of Clause 9.1 of GCC

**SCC 10.1 DELIVERY AND DOCUMENTS**

Delivery shall be to eThekweni Water and Sanitation, Materials Management Stores, at 14 Scott Road, Pinetown or any other depot within the eThekweni Municipal area as and when required by the purchaser.

**SCC 11.1 INSURANCE**

Goods are to be insured against damage during transportation, storage and delivery to the Municipality.

**SCC 15.2 WARRANTY**

Warranty period shall be 12 months and the period for the repair or replacement of goods shall be 14 days.

**SCC 16.1 PAYMENT**

The Contractor shall submit to the Department concerned a detailed account which shall reflect the identifying number of each item / service. Payment will be made on this account when checked and substantiated by the authorised official.

Payment for goods received and accepted by the Municipality shall be made no later than 30 days after submission of invoice or claim, provided however that all the terms of the contract are duly complied with.

Payment will be made only to the supplier. Factoring arrangements will not be accepted.

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**SCC 17**    **PRICES**

Tenderers must submit fixed prices for Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3 as specified on the Official Tender Form.

Quoted prices must be in **Unit Price**, **exclusive** of Value Added Tax. Unit Prices **must be inclusive of delivery charges**.

**Unit prices must not be multiplied with estimated quantity.**

Tenderers are advised to take into consideration all anticipated price escalations when submitting their rates. **No price adjustments will be considered after contract award.**

**SCC 21.1**    **DELAYS IN THE SUPPLIER'S PERFORMANCE**

The time schedule for the delivery of goods and performance of services is:

Initial order: 7 days

Subsequent order: 5 days

Suppliers that fail to deliver will be terminated in terms of terms of Clauses 21, 22 and 23 of the General Conditions of Contract and be blacklisted from the Municipal Database.

**SCC 22.1**    **PENALTIES**

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 penalty of 5% per day for each day delivery is delayed.

The purchaser may also consider termination of the contract pursuant to GCC Clause 23.”

**ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT****ACC1 PERFORMANCE MONITORING & ASSESSMENT OF SERVICE PROVIDERS**

For contract awards that are greater than R10m, the Contractor shall be subjected to "Performance Monitoring" assessments in terms of the applicable Section of the Council's current Supply Chain Management Policy.

**ACC2 QUALITY OF PRODUCTS**

No inferior products will be accepted under this enquiry.

Should there be any cause for complaint against the standard of service or quality of products offered which is not resolved within a period of 10 working days, the Municipality reserves the right to cancel the contract after serving one month's notice, in writing, to the supplier involved. Should such notice be given, the supplier shall nevertheless be obliged to perform the duties covered by the contract up to the date of expiration of the period of notice.

**ACC3 SATISFACTORY PERFORMANCE**

The supplier shall employ for the purpose of this contract only such personnel as are careful and competent and the Municipality shall be at liberty to object to and require the supplier to remove from the job forthwith any person, including supervisory staff, employed by the supplier who, in the opinion of the Municipality, misconducts himself/herself or is incompetent or negligent in the proper performance of his/her duties and such person shall not again be employed upon this contract without the permission of the Municipality.

**ACC4 OCCUPATIONAL INJURIES AND DISEASES ACT**

This act replaces the Workmen's Compensation Act:

**The supplier shall, before commencement of work, produce documentary proof to the Deputy Municipal Manager, Treasury: Finance that he has complied in all respects with the provisions of the Occupational Injuries and Diseases Act.** The supplier undertakes that he/she will perform and comply with all provisions of the Occupational Injuries and Diseases Act and more particularly that he/she will render all returns and pay all assessments for which he/she is liable in terms of such Act.

**ACC5 DAMAGE TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY**

- (1) The supplier **shall** indemnify and keep indemnified the Council against any claim for death, injury, damage or loss to any person or property whatsoever in respect thereof or in relation thereto.
- (2) The supplier enters into this contract as an independent contractor and shall be solely liable in respect of any claim for death, injury, damage or loss to any person or property whatsoever in respect thereof or in relation thereto.

**ACC6 ESTIMATED QUANTITIES**

The quantities stated in Section 8 are applicable for evaluation purposes only. The final quantity of goods and services required shall vary, depending on the total number of actual instances a service/goods will be required over the Contract Period. The rates tendered shall be applicable, irrespective of the total quantity of goods and services procured over the contract duration.

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**ACC7      SERVICE PROVIDER OFFICE REQUIREMENTS**

The service provider must have, for the duration of the contract, a local presence (within the geographical eThekweni boundary).

**ACC8.      CONTRACT PARTICIPATION GOALS (CPG)**

The tenderer will be required to sub-contract a minimum of 20% of the contract value to entities with a minimum of 51% black ownership.

A CPG implementation Plan must be submitted together with this tender, demonstrating how the above CPG will be achieved.

**ACC9      EMPOWERMENT REQUIREMENT: CPG PENALTY**

Failure to meet the contract participation goal shall result in the application of penalties, payable in Rands, equal to one and a half times the difference between the tendered and achieved participation goals multiplied by the Award Value and divided by one hundred.

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## **SECTION 7: SCOPE AND SPECIFICATION OF REQUIRED SUPPLY / SERVICES**

### **1. SCOPE OF SUPPLY / SERVICES**

ETHEKWINI MUNICIPALITY hereby invites prospective suppliers to supply, deliver and training of the eThekwini Municipality of Smart Water Meters for domestic and industrial properties.

ETHEKWINI MUNICIPALITY aims to renew its water Infrastructure, Water Meters and introduce Smart Water Metering System to eradicate water losses and to increase the revenue derived from water as a trading service. Following International Water Association (IWA) best practices, the ETHEKWINI MUNICIPALITY is aiming to:

- Reduce Recoverable Real Losses (RRL) that will reduce daily demand
- Reduce consumer over consumption that will protect the critical resource.
- Ensure that that revenue is realized upfront.
- Improve the cost recovery performance of the municipality.
- Recover and eliminate arrears from the Debtors Book.
- Provide a prepayment vending platform for sales of water.
- Provide the functionality of allocating and accounting for Free Basic Water.

The works will comprise of the following: Supply and deliver of an estimated **10 000** Smart Water Meters in ETHEKWINI MUNICIPALITY over a period of 36 months. The description listed hereunder is merely an outline of the works to be offered in terms of the Contract and shall not limit the work to be carried out by the service provider.

### **2. TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION**

#### **SECTION A**

##### **2.1. SMART WATER METER TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION**

The equipment supplied should be designed for the commercial accounting of the amount of water consumed in the municipal, household, enterprise of various industries and in other human activity that require metering of water consumed, aims to reduce labor cost, and improve working efficiency for meter data collection and monitoring.

##### **2.2. SMART WATER METER REQUIREMENTS**

The Smart Water Meter should be integrated with latest communication module to realize stable communication between Smart Water Meter and Meter Management System (MMS) for real-time monitoring and automatic meter data collection.

The Smart Water Meter supplied should be STS6 compliance for integration with the existing eThekwini Municipality vending system.

##### **2.3. CERTIFICATES AND STANDARDS**

The Smart water Meter must have been designed, developed and manufactured by a company that has been certified as having complied with all the requirements of ISO9001:2015. It should also have a Measuring Instruments Directive (MID) certificate that conforms to 2004/22/EC, EN14154, and any related certification should be submitted together with the bid.

The Manufacture should have done similar smart water meters project in the last Three (3) years in the similar Water Services Authority, adopting latest communication technologies.

Be certified by the NRCS to be compliant with regulations relating to water meters in terms of the national standard for water meters: SANS 1529 - 1:2003 or the latest applicable national standard.

## **2.4. NORMATIVE REFERENCES AND OPERATING CONDITIONS**

The following standards contain provisions, which through reference in this text, constitute requirements of this specification. At the time of publication, the editions indicated were valid.

	ISO9001:2015	Quality Management System
	NRCS	National Regulator for Compulsory Specifications
	SANS 1529-12003	National Standard – Compliance

## **2.5. MECHANICAL PART OF WATER METER**

**2.5.1.** Mechanical Type of water meter  
Preferably a Multi-jet Velocity type.

**2.5.2.** Valve

- The valve shall be integrated inside the meter body, separate valve won't be accepted.
- It should be a Ball Valve
- The valve lifetime should take a minimum of seven thousand (7000) times to open and close sessions.
- The valve should have a facility to open and close periodically to facilitate self-ball cleaning.

## **2.6. WATER METER BODY**

The body material for prepaid water meter shall be engineering plastic and cast iron for industrial and commercial meters.

## **2.7. WATER METER BOX AND ASSEMBLY (*FOR INFORMATION*)**

The assembling of water meter into the water meter box and associated pipework will be done by the eThekweni Municipality, specification and dimensions shall be as follows:

- a. The material should be white plastic.
- b. The meter box shall be waterproof.
- c. The opening angle of the hinged cover shall be max 90 degrees to the horizontal.
- d. The box shall have lock to protect the meter from illegal access.

## **2.8. Technical Data**

Diameter	15 & 20
Q3	2.5m <sup>3</sup> /h an 4m <sup>3</sup> /h
R(Q3/Q1)	100/160
Working temperature	0.1 to 30 degrees
IP level	IP68
Strainer	Yes
Non-return Valve	Yes
Installation position	Horizontal

## **3. CUSTOMER INTERFACE UNIT (CIU) FOR METER RECHARGE**

CIU, shall be used for Meter Recharge by adopting LoRa RF Wireless Com. Technology, with communication distance not less than 100m in residential area.

CIU Specification:

- Touchpad with Number Key (0-9), Enter Key and Backspace Key should be available.
- Dot Matrix Type LCD with back lights for information display, support local language for easy understanding.
- Specific LOGO of eThekwini must be printed on the keypad.
- Both Battery Power Supply via 4\* AAA Dry Battery and AC Power Supply through USB Port Should Port be supported.
- Firmware Upgrade Port should be reserved in CIU for firmware upgrading is necessary.

Leakage Detection: if specific customer has continuous water consumption for 24 hours (the time interval should be programmable as Water Authority's request) the meter shall detect it as possible leakage thus give audible alarm and record this event.

#### **4. COMMUNICATION**

The latest Communication Technology should be adopted for the smart water meters supplied and it must support all bands of communication frequency to comply with local SIM card. The latest Communication Module integrated should meet the requirements of CE certificate from European Conformity, corresponding certificate should be submitted together with the bid.

#### **5. SMART WATER METER FUNCTION REQUIREMENT**

##### **5.1. AMI Function for Meter Data Collection**

The meter's data should be uploaded to Multi Vending System (MVMS) via latest communication channel everyday automatically (prefer at midnight of each day) the data uploaded are listed but not limited as follows:

- Meter Type (domestic/ Commercial etc)
- Customer information including Customer name, ID and Address etc.
- Meter Serial number/ meter number
- Hourly Consumption Data Records
- Total water consumed
- Battery Voltage of the water meter
- Water Meter Running Status
- Tamper Event Record if any
- Remaining Water in meter if it is in a Prepaid Working Mode.

##### **5.2. Security Features of the Smart Water Meter**

- a. Anti-magnetic: if external magnetic tampering happens, the meter valve should be closed, and this event should be recoded in meter memory and uploaded to Meter Data Management System automatically.
- b. Unique security seals should be equipped to prevent the illegal meter cover open.
- c. Meter valve should be closed when battery runs out and all data stored in a non-erasable memory.

##### **5.3. Security Features of the Water Meter**

- a. The water meter shall use Lithium Battery and Lithium-ion capacitor is mandatory as a compensation to ensure the lifespan of not less than 5 years.
- b. The meter should have two levels of low battery warning for end-users, 1<sup>st</sup> level at 20% of original battery voltage and 2<sup>nd</sup> level at 10% of original battery voltage, valve closing, and audible alarm is requested.
- c. The battery should be able to be replaced in field without removing the meter.

##### **5.4. Data Logging**

- a. Event Record Function: The metering device must be able to store all program parameters and metering data on a non-volatile memory in case of power failure.
- b. Data logging: 10 years of Hourly Consumption Data and Monthly Consumption Data should be stored on a non-volatile memory for further analyzing.
- c. The metering device must be able to monitor and indicate consumer side leaks.

#### **5.5. Data inquiry at end-user**

- a. Button on meter is required for end-user to query the meter information like remaining water in a meter, total consumed water etc. for the meter side whenever they want. Touchable Query Button is preferable for better user experience.
- b. Suppliers who could provide the mobile application for end-users should be given priority. The mobile application is installed on a smart mobile phone for meter data easily querying.
  - Unique user login and PIN details required by the application to allow access for meter data.
  - Real-time meter data query from meter including Total Purchased, Total Consumed, Remaining Water, Battery Voltage etc.
  - Historical meter recharge record for prepaid mode.
  - Historical Water consumption record.

#### **5.6. Prepaid Function when requested**

- a. Step Tariff: Max 10 steps water tariff should be supported.
- b. Multiple Meter Recharge: the meter shall allow remote meter recharge function via latest communication channel and reserved at least one (1) backup recharge way. The detailed backup recharge way options and corresponding documents of user guide should be provided by the supplier.
- c. Meter Reset: the meter shall allow for the clearing all the customer details in the meter using a 20-digits token, taking back to factory mode.
- d. Overdraft Function: The meter shall allow for overdraft water consumption to be programmed. The water meter valve shall be switched off after the overdraft water volume has been exceeded.

#### **5.7. Alarm Function**

A Low Credit alarm: Once the available credit fall below a programmed level a visual alarm must be triggered. The alarm value must be configurable using tokens.

#### **5.8. Alarm Function**

- a. Friendly Time Period: Meter valve should not be closed during predefined holidays, weekend and off-duty to ensure continuous water usage.
- b. Social Amount: The smart water meter should provide for free basic water allocation on corporate social responsibility basis.

### **6. METER DATA MANAGEMENT SYSTEM FOR SMART WATER METER**

#### **6.1. Critical Performance Parameters**

The Meter Data Management System should have the ability of integrating with the eThekwini Municipality billing system, corresponding integrating proposal or similar successful implementation experience should be provided.

The system should be diverse enough to cater and handle all installation, maintenance and replacement of assets which are to be captured and loaded onto the system electronically via a mobile hand-held device from the field technician.

### **7. EXPANDED SOCIAL PROGRAM**

The system should provide for free water allocation on corporate social responsibility and allocate water as per different water levels of services as may be applicable for each consumer in order to fulfil the City's corporate social responsibility.

#### **8. TRAINING (INSTALLATION AND COMMISSIONING)**

The bidder shall offer training for all levels of system users including installation, commissioning and system administration.

Three (3) training sessions per annum and Certificates shall be provided to all personnel who have attended the training.

#### **9. INSTALLATION OF SMART WATER METER**

- a. The installation of smart water meters will be done by the eThekweni Municipality, Water and Sanitation, Technical Customer Services Artisan Plumbers and shall install the service connection including road crossings where necessary.

### **SECTION B**

#### **1. TESTING, TRAINING AND SUPPORT REQUIREMENTS**

eThekweni Municipality is intending to appoint up to five smart water meter supplier and therefore all suppliers shall be required to provide and host their own integrated Head End System for the duration of 36 months as part of testing and training environment.

This Head End System shall provide communication directly to metering infrastructure also allows administration to create users and grant those users permission to see/use the required data. All user activities should be transparent to the system administrator, allowing for user activity audits and it is preferable that the Head End System must be LDAP.

Below is the minimum set of functional levels at which the User permissions are to be set: (take note: This is not an exhaustive list)

- User security administration
- System settings administration, i.e. Task Cycles and System Task Management.
- Configuration data editing at various levels, i.e. Customer Configuration, Account Configuration, TOU Schedule Configuration etc.
- Task Scheduling
- Aggregation
- Remote interrogation
- Billing exports
- GUI Client reports access
- Exiting task modification
- Viewing task monitor
- View time of use definitions
- View running tasks
- Failed logins

### **Main functions of the Head End System**

The Head End System is responsible for all requests that require an action to be performed on a meter. These actions may occur either on a scheduled or ad hoc basis and can be summarised by the following functional requirements:

Head End System Functional Requirement	Description
Meter Command Management (Multi Meter support)	Proven ability to communicate with and manage meter commands for meters as well as capability of building adapters for new meters.
Meter Data Collection	Collection and storage of meter data with the capability of exporting the data to other systems according to variable/configurable schedules.
Usage Control Management	Ability to manage usage control based on triggers and controlling the balance of supply of water to multiple meters.
Query and Update Meter Configurations	Management functions for the configuration of meters. This includes the querying of any meter at a given time as well as the ability to send configurations such as firmware updates.
On-Demand requests for Meter Usage Data	Ability to query Meter Usage Data from any meter type within the City's environment in Real-time/ near real-time.
On-Demand requests for Meter Event Log Data	Ability to query Meter Event Log Data from any meter type within eThekweni environment in Real-time/ near real-time

### 1.1 Use Cases

The section lists the Head End System use cases relevant to eThekweni Municipality. Use cases provide a structured organization of expected Head End System behavior in the context of the solution.

All use cases will be implemented as part of an immediate or successive release. High-level release plan below.

Name	Description
AMI Equipment Registration	Process of remotely discovering and incorporating AMI equipment (concentrators, meters, customer interface units, multi-utility measurement unit, and appliance control devices into the AMI platform.
Remote Tariff programming	Process of remotely programming in the meter those parameters related to tariff, registers, calendars and usage limit. Support for advanced tariffs shall be supported, for example, time of use (TOU), critical peak day, etc.
Meter Reading (On demand)	Process of gathering and providing on demand meter readings for a specific request.
Meter Reading (for billing)	Process of gathering and providing meter readings for the customer billing process (cycle reading).
Remote Disconnection and Reconnection	Process to remotely disconnect or reconnect the electrical supply of a customer by activating a contactor within the meter.
Usage/Demand Limiting	Process of activating or deactivating the demand control of the meter (usage limiting) on demand or scheduled
Remote Clock Synchronization	Process of synchronizing the internal clocks of AMI equipment with the Master Station.
Remote firmware update	Process of remote update of AMI Equipment Firmware

Alarm and event management	Process of management of events and alarms from the operation of the AMI equipment.
Outage information	Process of obtaining water interruption information
Fraud/Tamper detection	Process to detect any possible fraud or tamper events
Remote Access of Data Concentrators	Process of remotely registering, programming, reading and updating Concentrator firmware
Load Profile Management	The current use case describes the process of remote programming and subsequently gathering the load profiles registered by the meter.
Automatic Network adaption	Process of AMI equipment to automatically adapt to changes in the AMI network
Equipment availability	Process of checking availability of AMI Equipment
Customer device management	Process of gathering power quality measurements from the applicable AMI equipment
Prepayment	Process of managing the prepayment functionality of the meter and switching between conventional and prepayment modes of operation

**SECTION 8: BILL OF QUANTITIES / SCHEDULE OF RATES / ACTIVITIES**

Item	Description / Item Code	Unit of Measure	Year 1 Price excluding VAT		VAT		Year 2 Price excluding VAT		VAT		Year 3 Price excluding VAT		VAT	
			R	c	R	c	R	c	R	c	R	c	R	c
1	15mm water meter	each												
2	25mm water meter	each												
3	Token	each												
4	Training session (3 per annum)	Rate												

**SECTION 9: OFFICIAL TENDER FORM**

**Part A: OFFER BY TENDERER** - In response to **Tender Number : WS-7761** I / we hereby offer to supply the goods / services detailed hereunder in accordance with the Technical Specification, and subject to the Standard and Special Conditions of Tender (Goods/Services), and General and Special Conditions of Contract, which accompanied your Tender (with which I / we acknowledge myself / ourselves to be fully acquainted) at the price stated below, or in the case of individual rates are indicated in Section 8 : Bill Of Quantities / Schedule of Rates / Activities.

TENDERED PRICE EXCLUSIVE OF VAT	VAT AMOUNT	TENDERED PRICE INCLUSIVE OF VAT
R	R	* R
* AMOUNT IN WORDS (incl. VAT): .....		

I / We hereby agree that this tender will hold good and remain open for acceptance as specified in the Conditions of Tender or during such other period as may be specified in the Special Conditions of Tender.

eThekwini Vendor Portal Registration Number: PR

C.S.D Registration Number: MAAA

S.A.R.S Pin Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Completion of the following is compulsory. Failure to declare the following will invalidate your offer.**

**Declaration of Interest**

Are any of the entity's directors, managers, principle shareholder or stakeholders currently in the service of the state or have been in the service of the state in the past twelve (12) months?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	
Is any spouse, child or parent of the entity's directors, managers, principle shareholder or stakeholder currently in the service of the state or have been in the service of the state in the past twelve (12) months?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	
Name of entity's member	Position in Entity	Name of Relative (if applicable)	Name of State Institution	Nature of Relationship
Do you or any other directors, managers, principle shareholder or stakeholder of your entity have any relationship (spouse, family, friend, associate) with persons in the service of the state and/or who may be involved with the evaluation of this quotation? If yes please furnish particulars below		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	
Name of entity's member	Position in Entity	Name of Relative (if applicable)	Name of State Institution	Nature of Relationship

Refer to the Consolidated MBD Documents in Section 4(d) for the definition of "in service of the State"

\* **Signature** : \_\_\_\_\_ \* **Name (capitals)**: \_\_\_\_\_

**Date**: \_\_\_\_\_ **Capacity**: \_\_\_\_\_

\* **Name of Business**: \_\_\_\_\_ **Tel**: \_\_\_\_\_

**Address**: \_\_\_\_\_ **Fax**: \_\_\_\_\_

\* Denotes Mandatory Information

**Failure to complete the Mandatory Information and sign this Tender Form will invalidate the tender**

**Part B: ACCEPTANCE BY PURCHASER** - The Purchaser, as represented by the following Official, hereby accepts the Tenderer's offer in terms of the Conditions of Tender, Specifications, and Conditions of Contract.

**Signature**: \_\_\_\_\_ **Name (capitals)**: \_\_\_\_\_

**Date**: \_\_\_\_\_ **Capacity**: \_\_\_\_\_