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REQUEST FOR QUOTATION (RFQ)

RFQ NUMBER:	RFQ/LOG/2022/164
TENDER ISSUE DATE	14 NOVEMBER 2022
NON-COMPULSORY BRIEFING SESSION	N/A
RFQ DESCRIPTION	APPOINTMENT OF AN ENGINEERING COMPANY TO SERVICE THREE HEAT EXCHANGERS AT SABC RADIO CAMPUS FOR THE PERIOD OF THREE YEARS – RADIO PARK CAMPUS, AUCKLAND PARK.
CLOSING DATE & TIME	29 NOVEMBER 2022 AT 12H00

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

The Tenderer shall have a CIDB Grading of minimum **1ME. The Tenderer shall provide a valid and active certificate at the time of closing and at the time of award.**

For queries, please contact Ayanda Danca via email: Tenderqueries@sabc.co.za

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

SUPPLIER NAME : _____

POSTAL ADDRESS : _____

TELEPHONE NO : _____

FAX. NO. : _____

E MAIL ADDRESS : _____

CONTACT PERSON : _____

CELL NO : _____

SIGNATURE OF BIDDER: _____

NOTES ON QUOTATIONS AND PROPOSALS SUBMISSION

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

NB: THE BIDDER SHOULD ENSURE THAT LINKS FOR WETRANSFER AND GOOGLE DROP BOX EXPIRE AFTER 30 DAYS OF THEIR SUBMISSIONS INSTEAD OF SEVEN DAYS

FIRST PHASE – PREQUALIFICATION CRITERIA: MANDATORY DOCUMENTS

All bid respondents must submit mandatory documents that comply with all mandatory requirements. Bids that do not fully comply with the mandatory requirements will be disqualified and will not be considered for further evaluation.

MANDATORY REQUIREMENT		COMPLY/NOT COMPLY
1.	The Pressure Testing needs to be witnessed and signed off by the approved inspection authority (AIA).	
2.	Service provider must have a valid CIDB grading of 1ME (minimum). NB: The Tenderer shall provide a valid and active certificate at the time of closing and at the time of award.	

NON-SUBMISSION OF THE MANDATORY DOCUMENTS WILL RESULT IN AUTOMATIC DISQUALIFICATION.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

- 1.1 Submit proof of CSD Registration (Bidder must be registered with CSD to do business with the SABC)
- 1.2 Proof of Valid TV License Statement for the Company; all active Directors and Shareholder must have valid TV Licenses.
(Verification will also be done by the SABC internally).
- 1.3 Valid Tax Clearance Certificate or SARS “Pin” to validate supplier’s tax matters
- 1.4 Original or Certified copy of Valid BBEE Certificate (from SANAS accredited Verification Agency)
- 1.5 All EME’s and 51% black Owned QSE’s are only required to obtain a **sworn affidavit** on an annual basis, confirming the following;
 - 1.4.1 Annual Total Revenue of R10 Million or less (EME) or Revenue between R10 Million and R50 Million for QSE
 - 1.4.2 Level of Black Ownership

Note 1:

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

Note 2:

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

- 1.6 Certified copy of Company Registration Document that reflect Company Name, Registration number, date of registration and active Directors or Members.
- 1.7 Certified copy of Shareholders’ certificates.
- 1.8 Certified copy of ID documents of the Directors or Members.

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

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

DETAILED TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION

1. COMPANY OVERVIEW

South African Broadcasting Corporation (SABC) is a Public Entity founded in August 1936 and listed in terms of Schedule 2 of the Public Finance Management Act, Act No. 1 of 1999, as a public broadcaster in South Africa, and provides 19 radio stations as well as five television broadcasts to the general public.

2. BACKGROUND

At Radio Park there are three plate type heat exchangers, on the secondary chilled water loop, that supply the chilled water to the cooling coil of the air-handling unit. The air-handling unit cools the air that is then supplied to the building to cool workspaces. The chilled water leaving the heat exchanger to the cooling coil of the air-handling unit should be about 6 °C. If the heat exchanger plates are dirty, the strainers are also dirty there will not be a proper heat transfer hence the water going to the coils will not be cold enough as a result the air going to the building through air ducting will not be chilled enough. Therefore, the thermal comfort in the building will decrease and the broadcasting equipment will overheat and crash resulting to broadcasting blackout.

Since these three heat exchangers were installed, in 2014, they have not been cleaned nor strainers replaced. The heat exchanger plates and strainers are bound to be dirty and clogged by now. This is starting to affect the heat transfer, because the supply and return temperatures are now high. We had to start the second main water-cooled chiller today because the one was not coping with the load. This could mean that the chilled water flow is restricted because the strainers are blocked. We do not have the skillset internally to do the work. The work is risky because when the heat exchanger is boxed up, it must be boxed up properly. The plates must follow the correct sequence otherwise the water flow would be disturbed, the clip-on rubber linings must be fitted correctly otherwise the heat exchanger would leak, then the heat exchanger must be pressure tested thereafter using pressure testing pump to ensure that it is leak free.

3. REQUIREMENTS

- a) Open the heat exchanger, high pressure-wash the plates
- b) replace the clip-on rubber linings
- c) Box it up
- d) clean or replace the worn strainers
- e) Pressure-test the heat exchanger
- f) provide a service report
- g) Service provider must provide their own high-pressure cleaner for washing the plates, clip-on rubber linings and other consumables that might be required for the service.

4. HEAT EXCHANGERS INFORMATION

- a) Name: ThermoLine PTL-0850KCKL-1750 – Elgin Cooling System
- b) Heat Exchanger Type: Plate Type Heat Exchanger (PTL0850KCKL750)
- c) Media: Chilled Water
- d) Direction of Flow: Counterflow
- e) Number of plates installed: 203 (Maximum - 208)

N.B: The appointed company must have proven experience in servicing plate type heat exchangers. Service should be conducted once a year.

5. CONTRACT PERIOD

Three (03) years

6. COSTING

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

7. RFQ RESPONSE INFORMATION

Effective Date of Bid

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

8. EVALUATION CRITERIA

8.1 BBBEE and Price

- The RFQ responses will be evaluated on the 80/20-point system
- Responses received will be evaluated on Price and BBBEE Scorecard

8.2 Technical Evaluation

- The RFQ submission will be technically evaluated out of a maximum of 90.
- A threshold of 60 points out of 90 has been set.
- Bidder who obtains less than 60 points that will not be considered for the next phase of evaluation.

8.3 Objective Criteria

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

SECOND PHASE EVALUATION CRITERIA: PAPER BASED

Evaluation Area	Evaluation Criteria	Max Points	Min Points
Turnaround time	<p>Indicate the turnaround time for service and repairs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 – 1 day (10) 2 – 3 days (5) More than 3 days (0) 	10	5
Warranty on repairs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clearly indicate the warranty period No warranty (0) 0-6 months (5) or 7-12 months and above (10) 	10	5
Capacity to provide service	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>Bidder to inform in detail on existing capacity of the following:</u> Capacity to service and maintain Heat Exchangers and supply emergency equipment anywhere inside Gauteng region. (Specify detailed breakdown of financial implication to the SABC). (10) Mobile workshop for services and repairs. (10) Availability of the following emergency responses (10) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ emergency contact number = 5 ➤ turnaround time = 5 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ less than 1 hour = 3 ○ more than 1 hour but less than 2 hrs. = 2 ○ more than 2 hours = 0 	30	30
Service Provider Relevant Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>Bidder to provide proof of industry experience.</u> Experience of 5 years or more (10). Less than 5 years (0) Provide reference letters from at least 3 clients. (10) Less than 3 clients. (0) 	20	10

	N.B: The reference letter must be on the client's letter head duly signed, must have contact person, contact number and email address, must have the start and end date.		
Competency of service provider to provide service and repairs to Heat Exchangers.	<u>The technical person that will be doing the service and repairs need to have the following:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More than 5 years working experience on similar equipment. (10) • 3 - 4 years working experience on similar equipment. (5) • Less than 3 years working experience on similar equipment. (0) 	10	5
Legal Compliant Safety File	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Bidder to provide a legal compliant safety file containing the following:</u> • Letter of good standing (2.5) • Risk Assessments (2.5) • Emergency plan (2.5) • Proof of educating staff in health safety (2.5) 	10	5
TOTAL		90	60

9. ADJUDICATION USING A POINT SYSTEM

9.1. The bidder obtaining the highest number of total points will be awarded the contract

9.2. Preference points shall be calculated after process has been brought to a comparative basis taking into account all factors of non-firm prices.

9.3. In the event that two or more bids have scored equal points, the successful bid must be the one scoring the highest number of preference points for B-BBEE.

9.4. However, when functionality is part of the evaluation process and two or more bids have scored equal points for B-BBEE, the successful bid must be the one scoring the highest score for functionality

9.5. Should two or more bids be equal in all respects, the award shall be decided by the drawing of lots.

10. POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE

THE 80/20 PREFERENCE POINT SYSTEMS

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

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

Where

P_s = Points scored for comparative price of bid under consideration

P_t = Comparative price of bid under consideration

P_{\min} = Comparative price of lowest acceptable bid

BBEE PREFERENTIAL POINTS WILL BE AWARDED AS FOLLOWS:

B-BBEE Status level of Contributor	Number of points (80/20 point system)
1	20
2	18
3	14
4	12
5	8
6	6
7	4
8	2
Non-compliant contributor	0

- 10.1. Bidders who qualify as EME's in terms of the B-BBEE Act must submit a certificate issued by a verification Agency accredited by SANAS for the purpose of conducting verification and issuing EMEs with B-BBEE Status Level Certificates or DTI Affidavit.
- 10.2. Bidders other than EMEs must submit their original and valid B-BBEE status levels verification certificate or a certified copy thereof, substantiating their B-BBEE rating issued by a verification agency accredited by SANAS.
- 10.3. A trust, consortium or joint venture will qualify for points for their B-BBEE status level as a legal entity, provided that the entity submits their B-BBEE status level certificate
- 10.4. A trust, consortium or joint venture will qualify for points for their B-BBEE status level as an unincorporated entity, provided that the entity submits their consolidated B-BBEE scorecard

as if they were a group structure and that such a consolidated B-BBEE scorecard is prepared for every separate bid.

10.5. Tertiary institutions and public entities will be required to submit their B-BBEE status level certificates in terms of the specialized scorecard contained in the B-BBEE Codes of Good Practice.

10.6. A tenderer will not be awarded points for B-BBEE status level if it is indicated in the bid documents that such a bidder intend sub-contracting more than 25% of the value of the contract to any other enterprise that does not qualify for at least the points that such a bidder qualifies for, unless the intended Sub-contractor is an EME that has the capacity and the ability to execute the sub-contract.

10.7. A tenderer awarded a contract may not sub-contract more than 25% of the value of the contract to any other enterprise that does not have equal or higher B-BBEE status level than the person concerned, unless the contract is sub-contracted to an EME that has the capacity and the ability to execute the sub-contract.

11. COMMUNICATION

Respondents are warned that a response will be disqualified should any attempt be made by a tenderer either directly or indirectly to canvass any officer(s) or employees of SABC in respect of a RFQ, between the closing date and the date of the award of the business. **All enquiries relating to this RFQ should be emailed two days before the closing date.**

12. CONDITIONS TO BE OBSERVED WHEN TENDERING

12.1. The Corporation does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender, nor shall it be responsible for or pay any expenses or losses which may be incurred by the Tenderer in the preparation and delivery of his tender. The Corporation reserves the right to accept a separate tender or separate tenders for any one or more of the sections of a specification. The corporation also reserves the right to withdraw the tender at any stage.

12.2. No tender shall be deemed to have been accepted unless and until a formal contract / letter of intent is prepared and executed.

12.3. The Corporation reserves the right to:

12.3.1 Not evaluate and award tenders that do not comply strictly with this tender document.

12.3.2 Make a selection solely on the information received in the tenders and

12.3.3 Enter into negotiations with any one or more of preferred Tenderer(s) based on the criteria specified in the evaluation of this tender.

12.3.4 Contact any Tenderer during the evaluation process, in order to clarify any information, without informing any other Tenderers. During the evaluation process, no change in the content of the tender shall be sought, offered or permitted.

12.3.5 Award a contract to one or more Tenderer(s).

12.3.6 Accept any tender in part or full at its own discretion.

12.3.7 Cancel this RFQ or any part thereof at any time.

12.3.8 Should Tenderer(s) be selected for further negotiations, they will be chosen on the basis of the greatest benefit to the Corporation and not necessarily on the basis of the lowest costs.

12.4 SABC shall not be liable for any loss or injuries or damages or death of the bidder representative while travelling for SABC auction business

13. COST OF BIDDING

The Tenderer shall bear all costs and expenses associated with preparation and submission of its tender or RFQ, and the Corporation shall under no circumstances be responsible or liable for any such costs, regardless of, without limitation, the conduct or outcome of the bidding, evaluation, and selection process.

14. PAYMENT TERMS

SABC will effect payment sixty (60) days after the service provider has submitted an invoice.

END OF RFQ DOCUMENT

Annexed to this document for completion and return with the document:

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| Annexure A | - | Declaration of Interest |
| Annexure B | - | Consortiums, Joint Ventures and Sub-Contracting Regulations |
| Annexure C | - | Previous completed projects/Current Projects |
| Annexure D | - | SBD 8 & 9 Forms |

ANNEXURE A

CONSORTIUMS, JOINT VENTURES AND SUB-CONTRACTING REGULATIONS

1 CONSORTIUMS AND JOINT VENTURES

- 1.1 A trust, consortium or joint venture will qualify for points for their B-BBEE status level as a legal entity, provided that the entity submits their B-BBEE status level certificate.
- 1.2 A trust, consortium or joint venture will qualify for points for their B-BBEE status level as an unincorporated entity, provided that the entity submits their consolidated B-BBEE scorecard as if they were a group structure and that such a consolidated B-BBEE scorecard is prepared for every separate tender.

2 SUB-CONTRACTING

- 2.1 A tenderer will not be awarded points for B-BBEE status if it is indicated in the tender documents that such a tenderer intends sub-contracting more than 25% of the value of the contract to any other enterprise that does not qualify for at least the points the tenderer qualifies for, unless the intended sub-contractor is an exempted micro enterprise that has the capacity and ability to execute the sub-contract.
- 2.2 A tenderer awarded a contract may not sub-contract more than 25% of the value of the contract to any other enterprise that does not have an equal or higher B-BBEE status level than the tenderer concerned, unless the contract is sub-contracted to an exempted micro enterprise that has the capability and ability to execute the sub-contract.
- 2.3 A tenderer awarded a contract in relation to a designated sector, may not sub-contract in such a manner that the local production and content of the overall value of the contract is reduced to below the stipulated minimum threshold.

3 DECLARATION OF SUB-CONTRACTING

- 3.1 Will any portion of the contract be sub-contracted? YES / NO
- 3.2 If yes, indicate:
- 3.2.1 The percentage of the contract will be sub-contracted%
- 3.2.2 The name of the sub-contractor
- 3.2.3 The B-BBEE status level of the sub-contractor
- 3.2.4 whether the sub-contractor is an EME YES / NO

SIGNATURE OF DECLARANT

TENDER NUMBER

DATE

POSITION OF DECLARANT NAME OF COMPANY OR TENDERER

ANNEXURE B

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

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

it is required that:

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

Does such a relationship exist? [YES/NO]

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

[1]

[2]

NAME :

POSITION :

OFFICE WHERE EMPLOYED :

TELEPHONE NUMBER

RELATIONSHIP :

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

SIGNATURE OF DECLARANT

TENDER NUMBER

DATE

POSITION OF DECLARANT

NAME OF COMPANY OR TENDERER

ANNEXURE “C”

Previous completed projects (preferably provide a detailed company profile, detailed the below mentioned information)

Project Descriptions	Client	Contact no	Contact person	Email address	Period of projects	Value of projects	Project Commence date	Completed date

Current projects (preferably provide a detailed company profile, detailed the below mentioned information)

Project Descriptions	Client	Contact no	Contact person	Email address	Period of projects	Value of projects	Project Commence date	Completion date

DECLARATION OF BIDDER'S PAST SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

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

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

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

SBD 8

CERTIFICATION

**I, THE UNDERSIGNED (FULL NAME).....
CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION FURNISHED ON THIS DECLARATION FORM IS TRUE
AND CORRECT.**

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

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Signature

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Date

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Position

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Name of Bidder

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CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT BID DETERMINATION

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

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

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

CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT BID DETERMINATION

I, the undersigned, in submitting the accompanying bid:

(Bid Number and Description)

in response to the invitation for the bid made by:

(Name of Institution)

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

I certify, on behalf of: _____ that:

(Name of Bidder)

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

6. The bidder has arrived at the accompanying bid independently from, and without consultation, communication, agreement or arrangement with any competitor. However communication between partners in a joint venture or consortium³ will not be construed as collusive bidding.
7. In particular, without limiting the generality of paragraphs 6 above, there has been no consultation, communication, agreement or arrangement with any competitor regarding:
 - (a) prices;
 - (b) geographical area where product or service will be rendered (market allocation)
 - (c) methods, factors or formulas used to calculate prices;
 - (d) the intention or decision to submit or not to submit, a bid;
 - (e) the submission of a bid which does not meet the specifications and conditions of the bid; or
 - (f) bidding with the intention not to win the bid.
8. In addition, there have been no consultations, communications, agreements or arrangements with any competitor regarding the quality, quantity, specifications and conditions or delivery particulars of the products or services to which this bid invitation relates.
9. The terms of the accompanying bid have not been, and will not be, disclosed by the bidder, directly or indirectly, to any competitor, prior to the date and time of the official bid opening or of the awarding of the contract.

³ Joint venture or Consortium means an association of persons for the purpose of combining their expertise, property, capital, efforts, skill and knowledge in an activity for the execution of a contract.

10. I am aware that, in addition and without prejudice to any other remedy provided to combat any restrictive practices related to bids and contracts, bids that are suspicious will be reported to the Competition Commission for investigation and possible imposition of administrative penalties in terms of section 59 of the Competition Act No 89 of 1998 and or may be reported to the National Prosecuting Authority (NPA) for criminal investigation and or may be restricted from conducting business with the public sector for a period not exceeding ten (10) years in terms of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act No 12 of 2004 or any other applicable legislation.

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Signature

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Date

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Position

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Name of Bidder

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