

OUR REF RFQ 20502 **ENQUIRIES** Prince Hlongwane

TELEPHONE 012 428 6238 DATE 10 February 2022

The Bidder

RFQ 20502 Supply and delivery of Emission Reference Fuel; CEC-RF-06-03 (diesel) - 14 drums

Dear Sir/Madam

The South African Bureau of Standards hereby invites you to submit a quotation for the Supply and delivery of Emission Reference Fuel; CEC-RF-06-03 (diesel) - 14 drums.

The details of the services are provided in the attached request for Quote RFQ 20502 Please note the following:

- Scope of services specified on page 3
- Closing date specified on page 3
- Signed SABS Procurement terms and conditions
- Returnable documents are
 - Valid BBBEE certificate(certified)
 - Supplier must provide a Central Supplier Database Report (CSD)
 - The signed RFQ document
 - Detailed information as per specification/requirements and selection criteria

Yours sincerely,

Hleketa P Hlongwane

Procurement Specialist Strategic Sourcing

SOUTH AFRICAN BUREAU OF STANDARDS - Established in terms of Section 2 of the Standards Act, 1945, as amended



Request for Quotation (RFQ 20502)

The Bidder is requested to supply this quotation, in writing, by the date specified. Should The Bidder foresee any delay in the provision of the quotation or require any assistance or clarification herewith please contact the relevant Procurement Specialist at the abovementioned number.

1. Background

This Request for Quotation (RFQ) serves as an invitation to submit a quotation for the **Supply and delivery of Emission Reference Fuel; CEC-RF-06-03 (diesel) - 14 drums to** the South African Bureau of Standards (SABS), in accordance with the SABS Standard Terms and Conditions of which a copy is available on www.sabs.co.za.

2. Confidentiality

This document may not be used for any purpose by the supplier other than for developing their response to it, and all reasonable efforts must be taken by The Bidder to ensure confidentiality of any information provided. This document and any other information of a confidential nature provided to The Bidder during the course of the Request for Quotation (RFQ) process are and will be covered by the non-disclosure agreement to be signed between the SABS and The Bidder.

3. No contract

Bidders shall note that this RFQ does not commit the SABS to any course of action resulting from the receipt of Quotations and the SABS may, at its discretion reject any submission which does not conform to instructions and specifications which are contained herein or select a Bidder based upon its own unique set of criteria. SABS also reserves the right not to select a bidder.

Nothing in this document shall be construed as a contract between the parties and no communication, whether verbal or written, by the SABS personnel or agents during the course of this process shall create such a contract in respect of the requirements specified in this RFQ.

4. No obligation to proceed

The SABS reserves the right to discontinue the RFQ evaluation process at any time and will not be responsible for any losses incurred by the Bidder as a result of discontinuance of the RFQ process.

5. Validity of proposals

The quotation shall remain valid for a period of no less than hundred and twenty 120 days from the submission date.



6. Specification: Supply and delivery of Emission Reference Fuel; CEC-RF-06-03 (diesel) - 14 drums

DIESEL SPECIFICATION: EUROPE CEC-RF-06-08 B5 (EU V) – 4 DRUMS

Parameter	Method	Unit	Specification
Cetane number	EN ISO 5165		52.0 to 54.0
Density @ 15°C	ISO 12185	kg/m³	833.0 to 837.0
Density @ 4°C	EN ISO 12185	kg/m³	
Density @ 15°C	EN ISO 12185	kg/m³	
Distillation 50 % v/v	EN ISO 3405	°C	245.0 min
Distillation 95% v/v	EN ISO 3405	°C	345.0 to 350.0
Distillation FBP	EN ISO 3405	°C	370.0 max
Flash point	EN ISO 2719	°C	55
CFPP	EN 116	°C	-5 max
Viscosity @ 40°C	EN ISO 3104	mm²/s	2 300 to 3 300
Mono-Aromatics MAH	IP 391	% vol	
Di-Aromatics DAH	IP 391	% vol	
Poly-Aromatics PAH	IP 391	% vol	
Polycyclics DAH & PAH	IP 391	% wt	3.0 to 6.0
Total Aromatics	IP 391	% vol	
Sulphur	EN ISO 20846	mg/kg	10 max
Corrosion –copper	EN ISO 2160		
Carbon residue 10% dist residue	EN ISO 10370	% wt	0.2 max
Ash content	EN ISO 6245	% wt	0.010 max
Water	EN ISO 12937	% wt	200 max
Strong acid number KOH/g	ASTM D974	mg KOH/g	0.02 max
Oxidation stability, per 100 ml	EN ISO 12205	mg/100ml	2.5 max
HFRR (wsd 1.4)	EN ISO 12156-1	μ	400 max
Hydrogen	ASTM D3343	% wt	
Carbon	ASTM D3343	% wt	
C:H ratio (H=1)	ASTM D3343		
H:C ration (C=1)	ASTM D33438		
Net hearing value	ASTM D3338	MJ/kg	
Net hearing value	ASTM D3338	Btu/lb	



DIESEL SPECIFICATION: EUROPE CEC-RF-06-03 – 10 DRUMS

Parameter	Method	Unit	Specification
Cetane number	EN ISO 5165		52.0 to 54.0
Density @ 15°C	EN ISO 12185	kg/m³	833.0 to 837.0
Density @ 15°C	ISO 3675	kg/m³	
Gravity, API	ASTM D287		
Distillation IBP	EN ISO 3405		
Distillation 10 % v/v	EN ISO 3405	°C	
Distillation 50% v/v	EN ISO 3405	°C	245.0 min
Distillation 90 % v/v	EN ISO 3405	°C	
Distillation 95% v/v	EN ISO 3405	°C	345.0 to 350.0
Distillation FBP	EN ISO 3405	°C	370.0 max
Flash point	EN ISO 2719	°C	55
CFPP	EN 116	°C	-5 max
Cloud point	ISO 3015	°C	
Viscosity @ 30°C	EN ISO 3104	mm²/s	
Viscosity @ 40°C	EN ISO 3104	mm²/s	2 300 to 3 300
Aromatics, Total	IP 391	% wt	
Aromatics, Mono	IP 391	% wt	
Aromatics,Di	IP 391	% wt	
Aromatics,Tri+	IP 391	% wt	
Aromatics, Poly (2+)	IP 391	% wt	3.0 to 6.0
Sulphur	ASTM D5453	mg/kg	10 max
Corrosion –copper	EN ISO 2160		
Carbon residue 10% dist residue	EN ISO 10370	% wt	0.2 max
Ash content	EN ISO 6245	% wt	0.010 max
Water	EN ISO 12937	% wt	0.0200 max
Strong acid number KOH/g	ASTM D974	mg KOH/g	0.02 max
Oxidation stability, per 100 ml	EN ISO 12205	mg/ml	0.025 max
Hydrogen	ASTM D3343	% wt	
Carbon	ASTM D3343	% wt	
C:H ratio (H=1)	ASTM D3343		
H:C ration (C=1)	ASTM D33438		
Net hearing value	ASTM D3338	MJ/kg	
Net hearing value	ASTM D3338	Btu/lb	
HFRR (wsc 1,4)	CEC-F-06-A-96		400 max
FAME prohibited, none added			



7. The quotation must include:

- Delivery to SABS Delivery to SABS 1A Teichmann Place, Off Chester Road, Sunnyridge, East London
- Material Safety Data Sheet
- Prices should be in South African Rand and be fixed. Where foreign currencies are involved, the bidder should make provision for forward cover.
- Delivery date.

8. Evaluation

Bidders who submitted the quotation as per specification will be evaluated further on 80/20 preference point (BBBEE and Pricing).

9. Closing Date

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Responses should be submitted electronically to Prince.Hlongwane@sabs.co.za and Procurement.request@sabs.co.za on or before 18 February 2022 @11:00am. No late submissions will be accepted.

10. Contact information

All enquiries regarding this RFQ must be e-mailed to Prince.Hlongwane@sabs.co.za Do not contact any other SABS personnel regarding this RFQ. Also note that any canvassing by Bidders/Suppliers regarding this RFQ will result in disqualification.

APPENDIX A - DECLARATION OF INTEREST

- 1. Any legal person, including persons employed by the state¹, or persons having a kinship with persons employed by the state, including a blood relationship, may make an offer or offers in terms of this invitation to bid (includes an advertised competitive bid, a limited bid, a proposal or written price quotation). In view of possible allegations of favouritism, should the resulting bid, or part thereof, be awarded to persons employed by the state, or to persons connected with or related to them, it is required that the bidder or his/her authorised representative declare his/her position in relation to the evaluating/adjudicating authority where-
 - the bidder is employed by the state; and/or

Full Name of bidder or his or her representative:

the legal person on whose behalf the bidding document is signed, has a relationship with persons/a person who are/is involved in the evaluation and or adjudication of the bid(s), or where it is known that such a relationship exists between the person or persons for or on whose behalf the declarant acts and persons who are involved with the evaluation and or adjudication of the bid.

2.	In order to give effect to the above, the following questionnaire must be completed and
	submitted with the bid.

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2.2	Identity Number:



1"State" means -

- (a) any national or provincial department, national or provincial public entity or constitutional institution within the meaning of the Public Finance Management Act, 1999 (Act No. 1 of 1999);
- (b) any municipality or municipal entity;
- (c) provincial legislature;
- (d) national Assembly or the national Council of provinces; or
- (e) Parliament.

2.3	Position occupied in the Company (director, trustee, shareholder ² , member):
2.4	Registration number of company, enterprise, close corporation, partnership agreement or trust
2.5	Tax Reference Number:
2.6	VAT Registration Number:
2.6.1	The names of all directors / trustees / shareholders / members, their individual identity numbers, tax reference numbers and, if applicable, employee / PERSAL numbers must be indicated in paragraph 3
2.7	Are you or any person connected with the bidder presently employed by the state? YES / NO
2.7.1	If so, furnish the following particulars:
	Name of person / director / trustee / shareholder/ member:
	Name of state institution at which you or the person connected to the bidder is employed:
	Position occupied in the state institution: Any other particulars:
2.7.2	If you are presently employed by the state, did you obtain work outside employment in the
2.7.2	public sector? YES / NO
2.7.2.	1 If yes, did you attach proof of such authority to the bid document? YES / NO

²"Shareholder" means a person who owns shares in the company and is actively involved in the management of the enterprise or business and exercises control over the enterprise

(Note: Failure to submit proof of such authority, where applicable, may result in the disqualification of the bid.



2.7.2.2	2 If no, furnish reasons for n		ı proof: 	
2.8	Did you or your spouse, or or their spouses conduct			
2.8.1	If so, furnish particulars:			
2.9	Do you, or any person con with a person employed b adjudication of this bid? Y	y the state who may b		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
.9.1 l	f so, furnish particulars			
	so, furnish particulars.			
	you or any of the directors any other related companie			ct?
.11.1If s	so, furnish particulars:			
	<u>Full Name</u>	Identity Number	Personal Income Tax Reference Number	State Employee Nr / Persal Nr



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3 Full details of directors / trustees / members / shareholders.

Full Name	Identity Number	Personal Income Tax Reference Number

CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION	FURNISHED IN PARAGRAPHS 2 and 3 ABOVE IS CORRECT. JECT THE BID OR ACT AGAINST ME SHOULD THIS
DECLARATION PROVE TO BE FALSE	
Signature	Date
Position	Name of bidder



APPENDIX B

NON DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT: SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF Emission Reference Fuel; CEC-RF-06-03 (diesel) - 14 drums

THIS AGREEMENT is made

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The South African Bureau of Standards (SABS), an Public Entity that continues to exist in terms of section 3 of the Standards Act 2008, whose principle place of business is at 1 Dr Lategan Road, Groenkloof, Pretoria, 0001, South Africa.

AND	("the Supplier") whose registered office is at
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(Hereinafter referred to as the "parties")

WHEREAS in the course of discussions and/or negotiations with the South African Bureau of Standards, the Supplier has received or may receive in future information relating to (RFQ 20502) for the Supply and delivery of Emission Reference Fuel; CEC-RF-06-03 (diesel) - 14 drums to South Africa to the South African Bureau of Standards and other related information hereinafter referred to as "Confidential Information".

In consideration of the Supplier to-which the South African Bureau of Standards or any person affiliated with it, including its subsidiary, agent, representative(s) or such related entity may provide Confidential Information in connection with such discussions and/or negotiations to. Therefore the parties wish to agree as follows:

- 1. The Supplier will maintain strictly secret and confidential all information relayed or transmitted to it in any manner or form and will not divulge any part of the Confidential Information directly or indirectly to any person, firm or entity (other than such of its employees who have a need to know the Confidential Information for the purposes of fulfilling the Supplier's obligation to the South African Bureau of Standards.
- 2. The Supplier shall not make copies of the Confidential Information or otherwise disseminate any of the Confidential Information (except as may be required to fulfil specific obligations towards South African Bureau of Standards) without South African Bureau of Standards express prior written consent.
- 3. This agreement applies to information whether or not such information is marked as or appears to be confidential and whether or not such information is of commercial use to South African Bureau of Standards or any other party.
- 4. This agreement shall not apply to information which:-



- (a) the Supplier can show had been lawfully received by it prior to disclosure under this agreement.
- (b) is in the public domain or becomes so otherwise than through breach of this agreement;

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties hereto have executed this agreement in duplicate.

- (c) was disclosed to the Supplier by a third party who was under no obligation of confidence in respect thereof;
- 5. The South African Bureau of Standards retains ownership of Intellectual property rights on all material and processes relating to the service provided for and on its behalf by the supplier.
- 5. The Supplier shall observe its obligations under this agreement until expiry of a period of 12 months from the date of signature.

Signed aton thisday of2022
On behalf of the South African Bureau of Standards (signature) Prince Hlongwane
Witness 1
Witness 2
Signed at on thisday of2022
Signed on behalf of the Supplier, duly authorised thereto
(name) (title)
Witness 1
Witness 2



APPENDIXC - SBD 6.1

PREFERENCE POINTS CLAIM FORM IN TERMS OF THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS 2017

This preference form must form part of all bids invited. It contains general information and serves as a claim form for preference points for Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment (B-BBEE) Status Level of Contribution

NB: BEFORE COMPLETING THIS FORM, BIDDERS MUST STUDY THE GENERAL CONDITIONS, DEFINITIONS AND DIRECTIVES APPLICABLE IN RESPECT OF B-BBEE, AS PRESCRIBED IN THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS, 2017.

1. GENERAL CONDITIONS

- 1.1 The following preference point systems are applicable to all bids:
 - the 80/20 system for requirements with a Rand value of up to R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included); and
 - the 90/10 system for requirements with a Rand value above R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included).

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- a) The value of this bid is estimated to exceed/not exceed R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included) and therefore the _____ preference point system shall be applicable; or
- b) Either the 80/20 or 90/10 preference point system will be applicable to this tender (*delete whichever is not applicable for this tender*).
- 1.3 Points for this bid shall be awarded for:
 - (a) Price; and
 - (b) B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor.
- 1.4 The maximum points for this bid are allocated as follows:

	POINTS
PRICE	
B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL OF CONTRIBUTOR	
Total points for Price and B-BBEE must not exceed	100

1.5 Failure on the part of a bidder to submit proof of B-BBEE Status level of contributor together with the bid, will be interpreted to mean that preference points for B-BBEE status level of contribution are not claimed.



1.6 The purchaser reserves the right to require of a bidder, 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 purchaser.

2. **DEFINITIONS**

- (a) "B-BBEE" means broad-based black economic empowerment as defined in section 1 of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act;
- (b) "B-BBEE status level of contributor" means the B-BBEE status of an entity in terms of a code of good practice on black economic empowerment, issued in terms of section 9(1) of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act;
- (c) "bid" means a written offer in a prescribed or stipulated form in response to an invitation by an organ of state for the provision of goods or services, through price quotations, advertised competitive bidding processes or proposals;
- (d) "Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act" means the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act, 2003 (Act No. 53 of 2003);
- **(e) "EME"** means an Exempted Micro Enterprise in terms of a code of good practice on black economic empowerment issued in terms of section 9 (1) of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act;
- (f) "functionality" means the ability of a tenderer to provide goods or services in accordance with specifications as set out in the tender documents.
- (g) "prices" includes all applicable taxes less all unconditional discounts;
- (h) "proof of B-BBEE status level of contributor" means:
 - 1) B-BBEE Status level certificate issued by an authorized body or person;
 - 2) A sworn affidavit as prescribed by the B-BBEE Codes of Good Practice;
 - 3) Any other requirement prescribed in terms of the B-BBEE Act;
- (i) "QSE" means a qualifying small business enterprise in terms of a code of good practice on black economic empowerment issued in terms of section 9 (1) of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act;
- (j) "rand value" means the total estimated value of a contract in Rand, calculated at the time of bid invitation, and includes all applicable taxes;

3. POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE

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

A maximum of 80 or 90 points is allocated for price on the following basis: 80/20 or 90/10



$$Ps = 80 \left(1 - \frac{Pt - P\min}{P\min} \right)$$
 or $Ps = 90 \left(1 - \frac{Pt - P\min}{P\min} \right)$

Where

Ps = Points scored for price of bid under consideration

Pt = Price of bid under consideration
Pmin = Price of lowest acceptable bid

4. POINTS AWARDED FOR B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL OF CONTRIBUTOR

4.1 In terms of Regulation 6 (2) and 7 (2) of the Preferential Procurement Regulations, preference points must be awarded to a bidder for attaining the B-BBEE status level of contribution in accordance with the table below:

B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor	Number of points (90/10 system)	Number of points (80/20 system)
1	10	20
2	9	18
3	6	14
4	5	12
5	4	8
6	3	6
7	2	4
8	1	2
Non-compliant contributor	0	0

5. BID DECLARATION

5.1 Bidders who claim points in respect of B-BBEE Status Level of Contribution must complete the following:

6. B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL OF CONTRIBUTOR CLAIMED IN TERMS OF PARAGRAPHS 1.4 AND 4.1

6.1 B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor: =(maximum of 10 or 20 points)

(Points claimed in respect of paragraph 7.1 must be in accordance with the table reflected in paragraph 4.1 and must be substantiated by relevant proof of B-BBEE status level of contributor.

7. SUB-CONTRACTING

7.1 Will any portion of the contract be sub-contracted?

(Tick applicable box)



If yes, indicate:

7.1.1

YES NO

	i) What percentage of the contract will be subcontracted		
	ii) The name of the sub-contractor		
	iii) The B-BBEE status level of the sub-contractoriv) Whether the sub-contractor is an EME or QSE		
	(Tick applicable box)		
	YES NO		
	v) Specify, by ticking the appropriate box, if subcontracting wit	th an enterp	rise in terms of
	Preferential Procurement Regulations,2017:		
Desi	gnated Group: An EME or QSE which is at last 51% owned	EME	QSE
	by:	 √	$\sqrt{}$
Black			
	people who are youth		
	people who are women		
	people with disabilities people living in rural or underdeveloped areas or townships		
	rative owned by black people		
	people who are military veterans		
	OR		
Any El			
Any Q	SE		
8. I	DECLARATION WITH REGARD TO COMPANY/FIRM		
8.1	Name of company/firm:		
8.2	VAT registration number:		
8.3	Company registration number:		
8.4	TYPE OF COMPANY/ FIRM		
	□ Partnership/Joint Venture / Consortium		
	☐ One person business/sole propriety		
	□ Close corporation		
	□ Company ·		
	□ (Pty) Limited		
	[TICK APPLICABLE BOX]		
8.5	DESCRIBE PRINCIPAL BUSINESS ACTIVITIES		



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8.6		COMPANY CLASSIFICATION				
		Manı Supr	ufacturer			
			essional service provider			
		□ Other service providers, e.g. transporter, etc.				
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8.7	Total	num	ber of years the company/firm ha	as been in I	business:	
8.8 I/we, the undersigned, who is / are duly authorised to do so on behalf			do so on behalf of the company/firm,			
	certify	that	the points claimed, based on the	ne B-BBE s	tatus level of contributor indicated in	
		•			qualifies the company/ firm for the	
	preference(s) shown and I / we acknowledge			ge that:		
i) The information furnished is true and cor			formation furnished is true and c	orrect;		
	•		reference points claimed are in ed in paragraph 1 of this form;	n accordan	ce with the General Conditions as	
	 iii) In the event of a contract being awarded as a result of points claimed as shown paragraphs 1.4 and 6.1, the contractor may be required to furnish documentary pro to the satisfaction of the purchaser that the claims are correct; 				equired to furnish documentary proof	
	ba	asis d		ct have not	claimed or obtained on a fraudulent to been fulfilled, the purchaser may, in	
		(a)	disqualify the person from the b	oidding prod	cess;	
		(b)	recover costs, losses or damag of that person's conduct;	es it has in	curred or suffered as a result	
		(c)	cancel the contract and claim a result of having to make less cancellation;			
		(d)	recommend that the bidder or co or only the shareholders and di be restricted by the National Tre organ of state for a period not ex partem (hear the other side) rul	rectors who easury from cceeding 10	o acted on a fraudulent basis, o obtaining business from any O years, after the <i>audi alteram</i>	
		(e)	forward the matter for criminal p	orosecution	ı .	
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''					SIGNATURE(S) OF BIDDERS(S)	
2.				DATE:		
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APPENDIX D- SBD 9

CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT BID DETERMINATION

- 1 This Standard Bidding Document (SBD) must form part of all bids¹ invited.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.



SBD9

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 re-	spect:
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

SBD 9

- 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.
- 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.



SBD 9

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.

Signature	Date
Position	Name of Bidder

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