

REQUEST FOR BID PROFESSIONAL SERVICES



BID DETAILS

BID NUMBER: NERSA/2223/RAR/EMI/BID004

CLOSING Date: 01 JULY 2022

Time: 11:00

DESCRIPTION: THE APPOINTMENT A SERVICE PROVIDER TO CONDUCT EX-ANTE ECONOMIC IMPACT ASSESSMENTS (PRICE AND MACROECONOMIC MODELS) OF TARIFF/PRICE INCREASE APPLICATIONS RECEIVED FROM ELECTRICITY, PIPED-GAS AND PETROLEUM PIPELINES LICENSEES FOR 5 YEARS.

**NON-COMPULSORY
VIRTUAL BRIEFING
SESSION:**

Yes

No

See Section A Part 1: Bid Submission Conditions and Instructions.

DETAILS OF BIDDER

Organisation/individual:

Contact person:

Date:

Email address:

Telephone Number:

Cellular Number:

Fax Number:

Please indicate whether it is the original or copy, tick the applicable block.

ORIGINAL

COPY

Please do not retype the bid document.

SECTION A

GLOSSARY

AWARD	Conclusion of the procurement process and final notification to the effect to the successful bidder
B-BBEE	Broad-based Black Economic Empowerment Act, 2003 (Act No. 53 of 2003) and the Codes of Good Practice issued there under by the Department of Trade and Industry
BID	Written offer in a prescribed or stipulated form in response to an invitation by NERSA for the provision of services, works or goods
CONTRACTOR	Contracting entity with whom NERSA will conclude a formal contract and potential service level agreement subsequent to the final award of the contract based on this Request for Bid
DTI	Department of Trade and Industry
GCC	General Conditions of Contract
IP	Intellectual Property
NIPP	National Industrial Participation Programme
ORIGINAL BID	Original document signed in ink Copies of original document signed in ink Facsimile of original document signed in ink
SCM	Supply Chain Management
SLA	Service Level Agreement

SECTION A

DOCUMENTS IN THIS BID DOCUMENT PACK

Bidders are to ensure that they have received all pages (pp. 65) of this document, which consist of the following sections:

SECTION A

Note: Documents in this section must be returned with bids.

- Bid Submission Conditions and Instructions
- Evaluation Process / Criteria
- Terms of Reference
- Contract Form (Rendering of Services Parts 1 & 2) - The pro forma contract is only included for bidders to take note of the contents of the contract that will be entered into with the successful contractor)

SECTION B

Note: Documents in this section must be fully completed, signed and returned or supplied with bids.

- Special Conditions of Bid and Contract – Special conditions that the bidder needs to accept
- SARS Tax Compliance Status Pin Letter or Printed Tax Clearance Certificate
- Bidder's Disclosure
- Declaration of bidder's past SCM practices
- Preference Points Claim Form in terms of the Preferential Procurement Regulations 2001 (Purchases) And Declaration Certificate for Local Production and Content Designated Sector Form
- B-BBEE Certificate, Sworn Affidavit for Exempted Micro Enterprises (EME)
- Invitation to Bid
- Technical Proposal
- Experience in this field
- Team Details (CV's)
- Pricing Schedule/Financial Proposal (Services: Professional)
- Certificate of independence
- Labour Legislative Requirements (CIPC)
- Membership of professional bodies (Institutes, Affiliates, Accreditations or Associates)
- National Treasury CSD registration summary report

SECTION A

BID SUBMISSION CONDITIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS

CONDITIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS THAT BIDDERS NEED TO TAKE NOTE OF

1 FRAUD AND CORRUPTION

- 1.1 All service providers are to take note of the implications of contravening the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act, Act No 12 of 2004 and any other Act applicable.

2 NON-COMPULSORY VIRTUAL BRIEFING SESSION

The non- compulsory virtual briefing session will be held on **20 June 2022** at 10:00, MS TEAMS. Bidders who would like to participate in the meeting, must send their request/confirmation to: briefingsessions@nersa.org.za by **20 June 2022** at 09:00.

2 CLARIFICATIONS/ QUERIES

- 2.1 Any clarification required by a bidder regarding the meaning or interpretation of the Terms of Reference, or any other aspect concerning the bid, is to be requested **from the date of bid publication** in writing (letter, facsimile or e-mail) from scm@nersa.org.za not later than 12:00 on the **21 June 2022**. No clarification will be attended to after this closing time.
- 2.2 A reply will be forwarded on **22 June 2022**. The bid reference number should be mentioned in all correspondence. Telephonic requests for clarification will not be accepted. If appropriate, the clarifying information will be made available to all bidders by e-mail only.

3 SUBMITTING BIDS

- 3.1 One (1) original of the bid document plus one (1) **memory stick** that contains the duplicate of the original submission to be handed in / delivered to:

The Procurement Manager, NERSA, Kulawula House, 526 Madiba (Vermeulen) Street, Arcadia, Pretoria

- 3.2 The original version of the bid must be submitted with one (1) memory stick. Failure to submit the original plus one (1) memory stick and to include all attachments in the memory stick will result in automatic disqualification. Bidder(s) will also be disqualified for submitting a blank memory stick.
- 3.3 The original bid document must be fully completed and/or signed in ink and thereafter duplicate the original in the memory stick with all its attachments.
- 3.4 **NB:** Bidder(s) will be disqualified for failing to submit the original plus one (1) memory stick. Failure to include all attachments in the memory stick will result in automatic disqualification. Bidder(s) will also be disqualified for submitting a blank memory stick
- 3.5 An original bid document may not be converted into word format or retyped, however, may be completed/filled in ink.

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- 3.6 In addition, Bidders must submit a memory stick sealed in a closed envelope for submission.
- 3.7 **The financial proposal should be submitted separately in a sealed envelope.**
- 3.8 Bids should be submitted in a sealed envelope, marked with:
- Bid number **NERSA/2223/RAR/EMI/BID004**
 - Closing date and time (**01 JULY 2022 at 11:00**)
 - The name and address of the bidder.
 - Bids received in an envelope that is not sealed may be disqualified.
- 3.9 Documents submitted on time by bidders shall not be returned.
- 3.10 Bidders will be required to observe NERSA COVID 19 protocols when entering the building.
- 3.11 A strict policy of **"No mask, no entry"** will be maintained for the safety of all NERSA stakeholders.
- 3.12 Bidders must maintain a minimum of 1,5 meters social distancing from any other person encountered in the building.

4 LATE BIDS

- 4.1 Bids received late shall not be considered. A bid will be considered late if it arrived even one second after 11:00 or any time thereafter. The tender (bid) box shall be locked at exactly 11:00 and bids arriving late will not be considered under any circumstances. Bids received late shall be returned unopened to the bidder. Bidders are therefore strongly advised to ensure that bids be despatched allowing enough time for any unforeseen events that may delay the delivery of the bid.
- 4.2 The official Telkom time (Dial 1026) will be used to verify the exact closing time.
- 4.3 Bids sent to NERSA via normal post or any other mechanism shall be deemed to be received at the date and time of arrival at the NERSA premises (in tender box in reception area or if too big for the tender box, over the counter in the reception area). Bids received at the physical address after the closing date and time of the bid, shall therefore be deemed to be received late.

5 DIRECTIONS TO NERSA OFFICES FOR DELIVERY OF BIDS

Physical Address

NERSA, Kulawula House, 526 Madiba (Vermeulen) Street, Arcadia, Pretoria

Bidders should allow time to access the premises due to security arrangements that need to be observed.

3 NEGOTIATION AND CONTRACTING

- 3.1 NERSA has the right to enter into negotiation with one or more bidders regarding any terms and conditions, including price(s), of a proposed contract.
- 3.2 NERSA shall not be obliged to accept the lowest of any quotation, offer or proposal.
- 3.3 A contract will only be deemed to be concluded when reduced to writing in a formal contract and Service Level Agreement signed by the designated responsible person of both parties. The designated responsible person of NERSA is the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) or his/her written authorised delegate.
- 3.4 Under no circumstances will negotiation with any bidders constitute an award or promise / undertaking to award the contract.

4 ACCESS TO INFORMATION

- 4.1 All bidders will be informed of the status of their bid once the procurement process has been completed.
- 4.2 Requests for information regarding the bid process will be dealt with in line with the NERSA procurement policy and relevant legislation.

5 REASONS FOR REJECTION

- 5.1 NERSA shall reject a proposal for the award of a contract if the recommended bidder has committed a proven corrupt or fraudulent act in competing for the particular contract.
- 5.2 NERSA may disregard the bid of any bidder if that bidder, or any of its directors:
- 5.2.1 Have abused the SCM system of NERSA.
- 5.2.2 Have committed proven fraud or any other improper conduct in relation to such system.
- 5.2.3 Have failed to perform on any previous contract and the proof exists.
- 5.3 Such actions shall be communicated to the National Treasury.

6 PAYMENTS

- 6.1 NERSA will pay the contractor the fees set out in the final contract according to the table of deliverables. No additional amounts will be payable by NERSA to the contractor.
- 6.2 The contractor shall from time to time during the currency of the contract, invoice NERSA for the services rendered.

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- 6.3 The invoice must be accompanied by supporting source document(s) containing detailed information, as NERSA may reasonably require, for the purposes of establishing the specific nature, extent and quality of the services which were undertaken by the contractor.
- 6.4 No payment will be made to the contractor unless an original tax invoice complying with section 20 of the VAT Act No 89 of 1991, as amended, has been submitted to NERSA.
- 6.5 Payment shall be made by bank transfer into the Contractor's bank account normally 30 days after receipt of an acceptable, original, valid tax invoice. Money will only be transferred into a South African bank account. (Banking details must be submitted as soon as the bid is awarded).
- 6.6 The Contractor shall be responsible for accounting to the appropriate authorities for its income tax, VAT or other moneys required to be paid in terms of the applicable law.
- 6.7 Method of Payment in respect of services delivered by the Contractor will be made monthly, subject to the submission of detailed invoices, and verification by NERSA staff or person designated.

Invoices must be forwarded to:

Information Resources Management Department

NERSA

Postal Address:
P.O. Box 40343
Arcadia
South Africa
0007

Physical Address:
Kulawula House
526 Madiba Street
Arcadia
Pretoria
0083

7 CANCELLATION OF PROCUREMENT PROCESS

- 7.1 This procurement process can be postponed or cancelled at any stage provided that such cancellation or postponement takes place prior to entering into a contract with a specific service provider to which the bid relates.

BIDDERS MUST TAKE NOTE OF THE EVALUATION PROCESS THAT WILL BE FOLLOWED**1 EVALUATION PROCESS****1.1 COMPLIANCE WITH MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS CRITERIA**

1.1.1 All bids duly lodged as specified in this Request for Bid will be examined to determine compliance with bidding requirements and conditions. Bids with deviations from the requirements / conditions, will be eliminated from further consideration.

1.2 FUNCTIONALITY, PRICE AND PREFERENCE POINTS

1.2.1 All remaining bids as per paragraph 1.1.1 will be evaluated as follows:

1.2.2 Bids will be evaluated first for functionality and then in accordance with the 80/20 reference points system prescribed in Preferential Procurement Regulations.

1.2.3 The First stage, bids will be evaluated on functionality, of which (100 points) shall be awarded for functionality.

1.2.4 Bids will be considered further if it achieves the minimum prescribed qualifying score for functionality (60.00 points out of 100). Bids that failed to achieve the minimum qualifying score for functionality will be disqualified for further evaluation.

1.2.5 The Second stage, bids will be evaluated in terms of the 80/20 preference point systems. Only bids that achieve the minimum qualifying score/percentage for functionality will be evaluated in accordance with the 80/20 preference point system.

1.3 DETERMINATION OF PERCENTAGE FOR FUNCTIONALITY

1.3.1 The evaluation criteria and weights for functionality as indicated in the table in paragraph 2, will apply.

1.3.2 The percentage scored for functionality should be calculated as follows:

- Each panel member shall award values for each individual criterion on a score sheet. The value scored for each criterion shall be multiplied with the specified weighting for the relevant criterion to obtain the marks scored for the various criteria. These marks should be added to obtain the total score. The following formula should then be used to convert the total score to a percentage for functionality:

$$Ps = \frac{So}{Ms} \times Ap$$

where

Ps = percentage scored for functionality by bid/proposal under consideration

So = total score of bid/proposal under consideration

Ms = maximum possible score

Ap = percentage allocated for functionality

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- The percentages of each panel member shall be added together and divided by the number of panel members to establish the average percentage obtained by each individual bidder for functionality.

1.4 ELIMINATION OF PROPOSALS ON GROUNDS OF FUNCTIONALITY

- 1.4.1 Bids that score less than **60%** of the marks available for functionality will be eliminated from further consideration **which is 60.00 points out of 100 points.**
- 1.4.2 If appropriate, implied contract price adjustments will be made to the cost proposals of all remaining bids.
- 1.4.3 The percentage scored for price shall be calculated as follows:

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

80/20

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

Where

- P_s = Points scored for comparative price of bid under consideration
 P_t = Comparative price of bid under consideration
 P_{\min} = Comparative price of lowest acceptable bid

1.5 AWARDING OF POINTS FOR B-BBEE

- 1.5.1 Points for B-BBEE will be determined out of 20.
- 1.5.2 Points scored by the bidder in respect of the level of contribution will be added to the points scored for price.
- 1.5.3 Points to be awarded to a bidder based on his or her B-BBEE status of level of Contribution. E.g. Level 1 contributor would receive 20 points whilst level 4 contributor would receive 12 points out of a maximum of 20 points as follows.

B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor	Number of points (80/20 system)
1	20
2	18
3	16
4	12
5	8
6	6
7	4
8	2
Non-compliant contributor	0

1.6 COMBINING PRICE AND B-BBEE MARKS

- 1.6.1 The B-BBEE marks for each bid will now be added to the price.
- 1.6.2 Only the bid with the highest number of points scored may be selected for award.
- 1.6.3 The Bid Adjudication Committee will consider the recommendations and make the final award. The successful bidder will usually be the bidder scoring the highest number of points or it may be a lower scoring bid on justifiable grounds or no award at all.

1.7 PRESENTATIONS (optional)

- 1.7.1 NERSA reserves the right to invite bidders for presentations before the award of the bid.
- 1.7.2 NERSA may decide to have compulsory presentations made either by all bidders who have obtained at least **60%** of the marks for functionality, or by the bidders ranked first, to third once the functionality, price and preference marks have been combined.
- 1.7.3 Presentations shall only affect the marks awarded for functionality. If NERSA wishes to use presentations to discriminate between bidders, the evaluation criteria to be affected shall be determined in advance and due allowance made in the mark scheme and indicated in paragraph 1.2 above.
- 1.7.4 If the date of the presentation meeting is not indicated in the bid document, at least three days' notice will be given to bidders required to attend a presentation as well as the detail of the venue for the presentation.
- 1.7.5 Presentations will be made to the full Bid Evaluation Committee.
- 1.7.6 Points determined by the presentation will be awarded to each bidder by each member of the Bid Evaluation Committee and then an average calculated.
- 1.7.7 Under no circumstances will a presentation by any bidder constitute an award or promise / undertaking to award the contract.

1.8 ADJUDICATION OF BID

- 1.8.1 The Bid Adjudication Committee will consider the recommendations and make the final award. The successful bidder will usually be the bidder scoring the highest number of points or it may be a lower scoring bid on justifiable grounds or no award at all.

2 EVALUATION CRITERIA

All bidders will be evaluated in accordance with the Supply Chain Management Policies, as well as the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework, 2000 (Act No. 5 of 2000), Preferential Procurement Regulations of 2017.

2.1 Stage 1: Pre-qualification criteria for preferential procurement

2.1.1 In order to qualify, bidders must have the following minimum qualification requirements:

- a) The bidder must have a B-BBEE status of level 4 contributor; or
- b) A B-BBEE Improvement Plan as an additional document with your proposal. NERSA reserves the right to reject an implementation plan, which does not meet the requirements or appears unrealistic. The improvement plan should indicate the extent to which the bidder's ownership, skills development, enterprise and supplier development will be improved with the status (%) and future targets (%) over the contract period. Bidders should note that the B-BBEE Improvement Plan level four (4) would form part of the contract. NERSA will impose penalties should the bidder fail to meet the preference targets. Furthermore, failure to achieve the Improvement Plan targets will result in breach of contract and may lead to termination/cancellation of the contract.

2.1.2 A bidder that fails to meet the above-stipulated pre-qualifying criteria will be disqualified from the bidding process.

2.2 Stage 2: Compliance with minimum requirements

Bidders will be examined to determine compliance with the bid requirements and conditions. Non-compliant bidders will be eliminated from further evaluation.

- Failure to meet the pre-qualification criteria level 4 and above or not submitting a B-BBEE Improvement Plan if not a level 4 contributor
- Failure to submit one (1) original plus one (1) memory stick that contains the duplicate of the original version.
- National Treasury CSD registration summary report or Central Supplier Database Number on the Invitation to Bid.
- SARS pin letter to enable NERSA to view the taxpayer's profile and tax status. Bidders may also submit a printed TCS together with the bid.
- A valid B-BBEE sworn affidavit or certificate from a Verification Agency accredited by the South African Accreditation System (SANAS) or a Registered Auditor approved by the Independent Regulatory Board of Auditors (IRBA) or an Accounting Officer.
- All standard bidding forms must be fully completed and signed in ink, namely Bidder's Disclosure; Declaration of bidder's past SCM practices; Preference Points Claim; Declaration Certificate for Local Production & Content Designated Sector; Invitation to Bid and Certificate of independence.
- Accept the Special Conditions of Bid and Contract.
- Pricing schedule/Financial Proposal

2.3 Stage 3: Evaluation of functionality

All bidders will be evaluated by an evaluation panel and will be evaluated independently in terms of the evaluation criteria for functionality, which will be made up of 100 points, as follows:

Functionality	Points
Track Record. The prospective service provider should submit documentary proof of similar projects in conducting Ex-Ante Impact Assessment (IA) undertaken with contactable references	20
No similar projects submitted	0
1-3 similar projects conducted supported with contactable references	5
4-6 similar projects conducted supported with contactable references	15
7+ similar projects conducted supported with contactable references	20
Project plan demonstrating how the bidder proposes to conduct impact assessments in line with the terms of reference	20
No Project Plan	0
Project Plan is not aligned with the timelines indicated in the terms of reference	5
Project Plan is aligned however there are gaps with the timelines indicated in the terms of reference	10
Project Plan aligned with the timelines indicated in the terms of reference	20
Methodology and Technical approach	30
No methodology, no technical approach, no deliverables	0
The methodology and technical approach does not comply with the requirements in the ToR	5
The methodology and technical approach is inconsistent and not appropriately presented. The bidder does not have a proper understanding of the requirements of the ToR	10
The methodology and technical approach is standard and does not address the entire scope of work/deliverables in detail	15
The methodology and technical approach is discussed in detail and properly address the entire scope of work/deliverables and the bidder has aligned the approach with the requirements in the ToR	25
The methodology and technical approach is comprehensive, advanced and innovative on how to address the requirements in the ToR and have raised important issues and possible problems and proposed solutions	30
Overall Project Team Qualification and Competency in conducting similar services	30
No experience and no similar projects completed with no qualification	0
2-3 years' experience with similar projects completed with contactable references	10
4 years' experience with similar projects completed with contactable references	25
5 years or more experience with similar projects completed with contactable references	30
Total for Functionality	100

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All bidders who score less than 60% (which is 60 points out of 100 points) on functionality will not be considered further and will be regarded as having submitted a non-responsive bid and will be disqualified for evaluation on phase 4 (Presentations).

2.4 Phase 4: Evaluation based on a Presentation of existing models

Only bidders that achieved the minimum qualifying percentage for functionality will be evaluated for site visit assessment as follows:

Functionality	MAXIMUM POINTS
Economic Impact Model: The prospective service provider should demonstrate their existing models through the presentation for NERSA to determine their capabilities in enhancing the models to incorporate NERSA's requirements	50
• No existing similar model	0
• 1-2 similar existing models applied with contactable references	10
• 2-3 similar existing models applied with contactable references	30
• 4+ similar existing models applied with contactable references	50
Timelines required to enhance/develop the new Economic Impact Model	50
• No timelines specified	0
• 4 months + timeline required to develop/enhance the economic impact model	10
• 3-4 months' timeline required to develop/enhance the economic impact model	30
• 1-2 months' timeline required to develop/enhance the economic impact model	50

All bidders who score less than 60% (which is 60 points out of 100 points) on evaluation of the current existing economic impact models, will not be considered for further evaluation and will be regarded as having submitted a non-responsive bid and will be disqualified.

2.5 Stage 5: Evaluation in terms of 80/20 preference point system

Only those bidders that achieve the minimum of 60% for presentations will be evaluated further in accordance with the 80/20 preference point system.

Price	POINTS
<input type="checkbox"/> Relative competitiveness of proposed price. The lowest acceptable bid will score 80 points for price.	80
B-BBEE	
<input type="checkbox"/> Status Level of contribution	20
TOTAL SCORE FOR PRICE AND B-BBEE	100

The bid will be awarded to the bidder who scored the highest total number of points in terms of the preference point system.

TERMS OF REFERENCE (TOR)

THE APPOINTMENT A SERVICE PROVIDER TO CONDUCT EX-ANTE ECONOMIC IMPACT ASSESSMENTS (PRICE AND MACROECONOMIC MODELS) OF TARIFF/PRICE INCREASE APPLICATIONS RECEIVED FROM ELECTRICITY, PIPED-GAS AND PETROLEUM PIPELINES LICENSEES FOR 5 YEARS.

1. INTRODUCTION

The National Energy Regulator of South Africa (NERSA) is the regulatory authority established in terms of the National Energy Regulator Act, 2004 (Act No. 40 of 2004). According to Section 4 of this Act NERSA's mandate is to regulate the electricity industry in terms of the Electricity Regulation Act, 2006 (Act No. 4 of 2006), regulate the piped-gas industry in terms of the Gas Act, 2001 (Act No. 48 of 2001), and regulate the petroleum pipelines industry in terms of the Petroleum Pipelines Act, 2003 (Act No. 60 of 2003).

NERSA's Vision is:

To be a recognised world-class leader in energy regulation

NERSA's Mission is:

To regulate the energy industry in accordance with government laws and policies, standards and international best practices in support of sustainable and orderly development

2. BACKGROUND, OBJECTIVE AND CONTEXT

The use of a pre-assessment (pre-Regulatory Impact Assessment) of tariff decisions has become an important part of regulatory processes in most countries. NERSA's regulatory decisions affect a wide range of stakeholders in the economy and society. Mitigating such impacts is imperative for any regulatory authority. This can be achieved by ensuring that the impacts of regulatory decisions on the economy are fully assessed and understood before decisions are made. This requirement is also enshrined in the Energy Regulator's governing legislation which requires it to take decisions that are not at variance with the objectives of the country.

It is critical for NERSA to continuously improve its approach and strategies to become a recognised world-class leader in energy regulation. To achieve this, NERSA must assess the impact of all major tariff/pricing decisions covering the electricity, piped-gas and petroleum pipelines industries. Currently, the Energy Regulator undertakes pre-assessments of all its major revenue decisions in the electricity (Eskom's Multi-Year Price Determination (MYPD) and Regulatory Clearing Account (RCA) applications) and petroleum pipelines (Transnet Revenue applications) regulated entities.

3. PURPOSE

The National Energy Regulator seeks to invite proposals from competent service providers to undertake ex-ante economic impact assessments of tariff/price increase applications for electricity, piped-gas and petroleum pipelines regulated entities over five (5) years.

4. SCOPE OF WORK

The National Energy Regulator invites proposals from service providers;

- a) To undertake from time to time ex-ante economic impact assessments of tariff/price increases for electricity, piped-gas and petroleum pipelines licensees using a combination of quantitative (economic impact models) and qualitative techniques.
- b) Assess the impact of proposed tariff/pricing increases on Producer Price Index (PPI), total Consumer Price Index (CPI), CPI for low, medium and high-income households and export prices;
- c) Assess the impact of tariff/pricing applications on the Gross Domestic Product (GDP), investment, economic sectors, Small, Medium and Micro Enterprises (SMMEs);
- d) Assess the impact of tariff/pricing applications on employment and household income (low, medium and high-income household);
- e) Assess the responsiveness of demand to changes in electricity, piped-gas and petroleum pipelines tariff or price increases (Elasticity of demand); and
- f) Assess any other economic impact or variables that the Energy Regulator may find important to be included in the analysis.

5. PROJECT DELIVERABLES

The following deliverables are envisaged;

- a) Produce comprehensive reports on the economic impact assessments of tariff/price increases for electricity, piped-gas and petroleum pipelines for NERSA licensees (i.e separate report for each industry); and
- b) Provide training and transfer of skills to NERSA staff on economic models used in the assessment of the proposed tariff/price increase as and when required.

6. TRANSFER OF SKILLS TO NERSA STAFF

The successful service provider is required to provide comprehensive training in developing and using economic impact models to five (5) NERSA staff members. The training content must be agreed to between NERSA and the service provider.

7. TIME FRAMES

The commitment period will be for five (5) years from the date of signing the Memorandum of Agreement with NERSA upon successful negotiation of the contract. NERSA shall draft the contract to initiate negotiations with the successful bidder. The successful service provider, shall not commence with any work before the conclusion of the written agreement. However, each assessment of tariff/pricing increase application is expected to take one (1) month.

This bid is subjected to the General Conditions of Contract (GCC). The GCC can be downloaded from the NERSA website at www.nersa.org.za or from National treasury website at <http://www.treasury.gov.za>. Bids' should not be qualified by own terms & conditions. Failure to withdraw/waive or to renounce the bidder's own terms & conditions of bid, when called upon to do so, may invalidate the bid.

8. INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE PROPOSAL

Service providers are requested to provide their proposals in two (2) parts i.e. Technical and Financial. NERSA reserves the right not to consider any proposal that does not include at least the following information:

a. Technical requirements

A company or consortium profile that includes a technical proposal which must contain the following information:

- I. Detailed technical approach and methodology to address the terms of reference;
- II. A detailed work plan with milestones and deliverables;
- III. Project list demonstrating the involvement of the proposed project team in similar assignments;
- IV. Demonstrate existing models through a presentation for NERSA to determine capabilities in enhancing the models to incorporate NERSA's requirements; Timelines required to enhance/develop the new Economic Impact Model; and

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- V. Demonstrate a track record of projects in conducting Ex-Ante Impact Assessment (IA) undertaken in similar assignments. The list of completed contracts/current projects should include contactable references, viz, name of institution, description of the contract, value of contract, date of contract, contract persons and contact details for the project as per Table 1 below:

Table 1:

Name of Institution	Description of Service	Value of Contract	Date of Contract	Contact Persons	Contact Details
					Tel: Email:

Attach annexure to complete full details.

- VI. Submit testimonial/confirmation letters of appointment as documentary proof of services rendered.
- VII. Summarized CV's of the proposed project team members, project management and availability of project team members. The CV's should highlight the minimum roles, experience of resources and description of similar projects with references as per Table 2 below:

Table 2:

Name of Team Member/s	Minimum roles in the Project	Qualifications, Years of Experience/skills	Description of similar projects with contactable references

Attach annexure to complete full details.

- VIII. It is important that the consultants/consortium demonstrate a firm commitment to black economic empowerment. This extends to the composition of the team of consultants that will perform the work.

b. Financial requirements

The financial proposal/pricing schedule must be submitted separately in a sealed envelope.

- I. The financial proposal should indicate a ceiling price for completing the project during the contract duration of five (5) years.
- II. The financial proposal should also include a cost breakdown of the ceiling price that includes all the activity associated with resources to render services as per the scope of work and project deliverables.
- III. All monetary amounts must be in South African Rand and inclusive of Value Added Tax (VAT) for registered vendors.

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- IV. The financial proposal should be completed in the following format as per the pricing schedule on the bid document to render services as per **Table 3** below.
- V. It is envisaged that a minimum of two (2) ex-ante economic impact assessments (i.e. one each for Electricity and Petroleum Pipelines) will be required per year. The Piped Gas assessments will be done as and when required and the successful service provide will be notified in time.

TABLE 3: PRICE PER ASSESSMENT

1st Assessment Report (Electricity Industry)	TOTAL COST PER ASSESSMENT (EXCL. VAT)	TOTAL COST PER ASSESSMENT (INCL. VAT)
	R.....	R.....
Subsequent Assessment Report (Electricity Industry)	TOTAL COST PER ASSESSMENT (EXCL. VAT)	TOTAL COST PER ASSESSMENT (INCL. VAT)
	R.....	R.....
1st Assessment Report (Petroleum Pipelines)	TOTAL COST PER ASSESSMENT (EXCL. VAT)	TOTAL COST PER ASSESSMENT (INCL. VAT)
	R.....	R.....
Subsequent Assessment Report (Petroleum Pipelines)	TOTAL COST PER ASSESSMENT (EXCL. VAT)	TOTAL COST PER ASSESSMENT (INCL. VAT)
	R.....	R.....
Training		TOTAL COST (INCL. VAT)
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9. SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS

Service providers must furnish the following information as part of the response:

- (i) One (1) original plus one (1) memory stick that contains the duplicate of the original submission i.e. that includes the bid document with all its attachments. Service providers must also furnish one (1) copy of the financial proposal/pricing schedule which must be separately submitted in a sealed envelope bearing the bid number, company name, closing date and time.
 - The original version of the bid must be submitted with one (1) memory stick. Failure to submit the original plus one (1) memory stick and to include all attachments in the memory stick will result in automatic disqualification. Bidder(s) will also be disqualified for submitting a blank memory stick.
 - The original bid document must be fully completed and/or signed in ink and thereafter duplicate the original in the Memory stick with all its attachments. Failure to include all attachments in the memory stick will result in automatic disqualification.

SECTION A Part 4: Terms of Reference

- (ii) Submit their unique personal identification number (pin letter) issued by SARS to enable NERSA to view the taxpayer's profile and tax status. Bidders may also submit a printed TCS together with the bid. In bids where consortia / joint ventures / sub-contractors are involved, each party must submit a separate proof of TCS / pin / CSD Number.
- (iii) A B-BBEE sworn affidavit or certificate from a Verification Agency accredited by the South African Accreditation System (SANAS) or a Registered Auditor approved by the Independent Regulatory Board of Auditors (IRBA) or an Accounting Officer. In case of a consortium / joint venture, a consolidated B-BBEE certificate should be submitted.
- (iv) A copy of a company registration certificate as issued by (CIPC) as well as share certificate(s) for (Pty) Limited companies.
- (v) Service providers must be registered on the National Treasury Central Supplier Database (CSD) prior to submitting their bids. Proof of CSD registration summary report must be submitted together with the bid document. Failure to submit proof of CSD registration (CSD registration summary report) will invalidate the bid. Registration requirements may be found online at <https://secure.csd.gov.za>.
- (vi) All Standard bidding forms must be fully completed and signed in ink, namely Bidder's Disclosure; Declaration of bidder's past SCM practices; Preference Points Claim; Declaration Certificate for Local Production & Content Designated Sector; Invitation to Bid and Certificate of independence.
- (vii) Please note that failure to comply with these conditions will invalidate the bid.

10. RIGHT TO APPOINT

NERSA reserves the right, at its discretion, not to appoint a bidder and/or to cancel this bid, at its sole discretion, if it is of the opinion that the bids submitted do not meet the requirements of the bid document, the service is no longer required or for any other reason NERSA may deem fit.

NERSA reserves the right to contact the references provided. In the event that the majority of references contacted provide negative feedback on the bidder, NERSA reserves the right not to appoint that specific bidder.

Although NERSA wishes to enter into a contract with the appointed service provider/s, NERSA reserves the right to procure the services outside the contract where it is deemed necessary.

CONTRACT FORM: RENDERING OF SERVICES

THIS FORM MUST BE FILLED IN DUPLICATE BY BOTH THE SERVICE PROVIDER (PART 1) AND THE PURCHASER (PART 2). BOTH FORMS MUST BE SIGNED IN THE ORIGINAL SO THAT THE SERVICE PROVIDER AND THE PURCHASER WOULD BE IN POSSESSION OF ORIGINALLY SIGNED CONTRACTS FOR THEIR RESPECTIVE RECORDS.

PART 1 (TO BE FILLED IN BY THE SERVICE PROVIDER)

1. I/we hereby undertake to render services described in the attached bidding documents to NERSA in accordance with the requirements and task directives/proposals terms of references stipulated in Bid Number **NERSA/2223/RAR/EMI/BID004** at the price/s quoted. My/our offer/s remain binding upon me/us and open for acceptance by the Purchaser during the validity period indicated and calculated from the closing date of the bid.

2. The following documents shall be deemed to form and be read and construed as part of this agreement:
 - 2.1 Bidding documents, viz
 - Invitation to bid
 - SARS Tax Compliance Status Pin Letter / Printed Tax clearance certificate
 - Pricing schedule(s)
 - Proposal / filled in Terms of Reference as per my/our bid dated (date)
 - Preference certificates in terms of the Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2001
 - Declaration Certificate for Local Production and Content Designated Sector Form
 - Bidder's Disclosure
 - Declaration of bidder's past SCM practices
 - Certificate of independent bid determination
 - Special Conditions of Contract
 - 2.2 General Conditions of Contract
 - 2.3 Other (specify)

3. I/we confirm that I/we have satisfied myself as to the correctness and validity of my/our bid; that the price(s) and rate(s) quoted cover all the services specified in the bidding documents; that the price(s) and rate(s) cover all my obligations and I accept that any mistakes regarding price(s) and rate(s) and calculations will be at my own risk.

4. I/we accept full responsibility for the proper execution and fulfilment of all obligations and conditions devolving on me/us under this agreement as the principal liable for the due fulfilment of this contract.

5. I/we declare that I/we have no participation in any collusive practices with any bidder or any other person regarding this or any other bid.

6. I confirm that I am duly authorised to sign this contract.

NAME (PRINT) _____

CAPACITY _____

SIGNATURE _____

NAME OF FIRM _____

DATE _____

WITNESSES	
1	_____
2	_____
DATE:	_____

CONTRACT FORM: RENDERING OF SERVICES

PART 2 (TO BE FILLED IN BY THE PURCHASER)

1. I in my capacity as accept your bid under reference number **NERSA/2223/RAR/EMI/BID004** dated For the rendering of services indicated hereunder and/or further specified in the annexures.

2. An official order indicating service delivery instructions is forthcoming.

3. I undertake to make payment for the services rendered in accordance with the terms and conditions of the contract within 30 (thirty) days after receipt of an invoice.

DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE	PRICE (VAT INCL)	COMPLETION DATE	PREF/POINTS CLAIMED FOR B-BBEE
THE APPOINTMENT A SERVICE PROVIDER TO CONDUCT EX-ANTE ECONOMIC IMPACT ASSESSMENTS (PRICE AND MACROECONOMIC MODELS) OF TARIFF/PRICE INCREASE APPLICATIONS RECEIVED FROM ELECTRICITY, PIPED-GAS AND PETROLEUM PIPELINES LICENSEES FOR 5 YEARS.			

4. I confirm that I am duly authorised to sign this contract.

SIGNED AT _____ ON _____

NAME (PRINT) _____

SIGNATURE _____

OFFICIAL STAMP

WITNESSES

1 _____

2 _____

DATE: _____

SECTION B

SECTION B

SECTION B Part 1: Special Conditions of Bid and Contract

SPECIAL CONDITIONS THAT THE BIDDER NEEDS TO ACCEPT

	SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF BID	CONFIRMATION			
		Yes	No	N/A	If no, indicate deviation
1	GENERAL				
1.1	Bidders must indicate a confirmation response against each paragraph in this part of Section B covering both the Special Conditions of Bid and the Special Conditions of Contract by marking the YES box or by marking the NO box. The bidder must clearly state if a deviation from these special conditions are offered and the reason therefore. If an explanatory note is provided, the paragraph reference must be indicated in a supporting appendix to this part of the bid submission. Answering questions or supplying detail by referring to other sections will not be accepted.				
1.2	Some of the confirmation blocks in this part are shaded. Choosing a response in one of the shaded blocks will deem your bid to be non-responsive in line with the instructions in this part.				
1.3	Should bidders fail to indicate a confirmation response, NERSA will assume that the bidder is not in compliance or agreement with the statement(s) as specified in this bid document.				
1.4	Bids not completed in this manner may be considered incomplete and rejected.				
1.5	The client shall not be liable for any expense incurred in the preparation and submission of a bid.				
2	BID SUBMISSION CONDITIONS, INSTRUCTIONS AND EVALUATION PROCESS / CRITERIA				
2.1	Submission conditions and Instructions as well as the evaluation process / criteria have been noted.				
3	SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF BID AND CONTRACT				
3.1	The Special Conditions of Bid and the Special Conditions of Contract of this Request for Bid must be accepted. Non-acceptance may be deemed to be non-responsive.				
4	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REQUIREMENTS				
4.1	During evaluation of the bids, additional information may be requested in writing from bidders. Replies to such request must be submitted, within 3 (three) working days or as otherwise indicated. Failure to comply, may lead to your bid being disregarded.				

SECTION B Part 1: Special Conditions of Bid and Contract

	SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF BID	CONFIRMATION			
		Yes	No	N/A	If no, indicate deviation
5	VENDOR INFORMATION				
5.1	The successful bidder will be required to complete a vendor information form detailing the organisation's complete profile.				
6	FORMAT OF BIDS				
6.1	Bidders must complete all the necessary bid documents and undertakings required in this bid document. Bidders are advised that their proposal should be concise, written in plain English and simply presented. Bidders are to set out their proposal in the format prescribed hereunder:				
6.2	Special conditions of bid and contract				
6.2.1	Bidders must complete and return the Special Conditions of Bid and Contract.				
6.3	SARS Tax Clearance Certificate(s)/ Compliance				
6.3.1	Bidders are required to submit their unique personal identification number (pin) issued by SARS to enable NERSA to view the taxpayer's profile and tax status. Bidders <u>may</u> also submit a printed Tax Compliance Status (TCS) together with the bid. In bids where consortia / joint ventures / sub-contractors are involved, each party must submit a separate proof of TCS / pin / CSD number.				
6.4	Bidder's Disclosure				
6.4.1	Each party to the bid must complete and return the Bidder's Disclosure. Bids submitted without a completed and signed Bidder's Disclosure may be deemed to be non-responsive.				
6.5	Declaration of bidder's past Supply Chain Management practices				
6.5.1	Each party to the bid must complete and return "Declaration of bidder's past Supply Chain Management practices". Bids submitted without a completed and signed Declaration of bidder's past Supply Chain Management practices may be deemed to be non-responsive.				

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	SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF BID	CONFIRMATION			
		Yes	No	N/A	If no, indicate deviation
6.6	Preference Points Claim Form in terms of the Preferential Procurement Regulations 2001 (Purchases)				
6.6.1	Bidders must complete and return the Preference Points Claim Form (Purchases).				
6.6.2	For a consortium or joint venture: <input type="checkbox"/> Each member organisation wishing to claim points should complete a separate Preference Points Claim Form (Purchases).				
6.7	Invitation to Bid				
6.7.1	Bidders must complete, sign and return the full "Invitation to Bid" document. Bids submitted without a completed and signed Invitation to Bid may be deemed to be non-responsive.				
6.8	Technical Proposal				
6.8.1	Bidders must, at least cover the under-mentioned in their technical approach and return as part of their submission:				
	<input type="checkbox"/> Describe, in detail, exactly how they propose to carry out the activities to achieve the outcomes identified in the terms of reference. They should identify any possible problems that might hinder delivery and indicate how they will avoid, or overcome such problems. <input type="checkbox"/> Describe how the work will be managed. Provide an organisation chart clearly indicating: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The lines of reporting and supervision within the bidder's team ▪ The lines of reporting between the bidder and NERSA and other stakeholders, if applicable <input type="checkbox"/> <u>Demonstrate how the services will be rendered by addressing the scope of work.</u>				
6.9	Team details				
6.9.1	In this part the bidders must provide allocate an account manager to manage the NERSA contract.				
6.9.2	Summarised CV's of the proposed team members. The CV's should highlight minimum roles, experience of resources and description of similar projects with references.				

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	SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF BID	CONFIRMATION			
		Yes	No	N/A	If no, indicate deviation
6.9.3	Membership of professional bodies (Institutes, Affiliates, Accreditations or Associates)? Attach company registration certificates.				
6.10	Experience in this field				
6.10.1	Bidders should provide in this part, and return as part the submission, at least the following information: <input type="checkbox"/> Demonstrate relevant experience and highlight the company's record of accomplishment with references on similar projects in conducting Ex-Ante Impact Assessment (IA) undertaken in similar assignments.				
6.11	Samples				
6.11.1	No samples required.				
6.12	Pricing Schedule				
6.12.1	The bidder must take the following into consideration when completing the Pricing Schedule: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reference must be made to the scope of work on the Terms of Reference. Price(s) has to be in line with the Guide on Hourly Fee Rates for Consultants as regulated by the Department of Public Service (DPSA). The Latest Consultants Fees can be downloaded from DPSA website at http://www.dpsa.gov.za/dpsa2g/documents.asp#consultants_fees 				
6.12.2	Bidders are required to include one (1) copy of the financial proposal/pricing schedule , which must be submitted separately in a sealed envelope.				
6.13	B-BBEE Certificate				
6.13.1	Bidders should provide their original and valid B-BBEE certificate or a certified copy thereof as part of the bid document as issued by verification agencies accredited by SANAS or registered auditors approved by IRBA. In case of a consortium / joint venture, a consolidated B-BBEE certificate should be submitted.				
6.13.2	All Exempted Micro Enterprises (EMEs) must submit a certified sworn affidavit as prescribed by the DTI or certificate issued by the Companies & Intellectual Properties Commission (CICP) confirming annual turnover of R10M or less and level of black ownership.				

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	SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF BID	CONFIRMATION			
		Yes	No	N/A	If no, indicate deviation
6.13.3	Bidders who do not submit a valid B-BBEE Status Level Verification Certificates as part of the bid document do not qualify for preference points for B-BBEE.				
6.14	SUB-CONTRACTING				
6.14.1	Bidders are welcome to sub-contract. However, the contract will be awarded to the main bidder as the primary contractor. No separate contracts will be entered into with any sub-contractors.				
6.15	VETTING OF BIDDERS				
6.15.1	NERSA reserves the right to subject any bidder for a security clearance through the State Security Agency (South Africa) and if a negative security screening report is issued the services of the bidders will be terminated with immediate effect.				
6.16	LABOUR LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS				
6.16.1	Proof of company registration as issued by (CIPC) as well as share certificate(s) for (Pty) limited companies with other legislative requirements such as UIF, COIDA and PAYE must be submitted together with bid document.				
6.17	CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE				
6.17.1	Bidders must be registered on the National Treasury Central Supplier Database (CSD) prior to the submission of this bid. Proof of CSD registration summary report must be submitted together with the bid document or Central Supplier Database Number must be provided on the Invitation to Bid form.				
6.17.2	Failure to submit proof of CSD registration (CSD registration summary report or MA Number) will invalidate the bid. Registration requirements may be found online at https://secure.csd.gov.za .				

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	SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF BID	CONFIRMATION			
		Yes	No	N/A	If no, indicate deviation
1	GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT				
1.1	<p>The bid is subjected to the General Conditions of Contract (GCC). The GCC can be downloaded from the NERSA website at www.nersa.org.za or from National treasury website at http://www.treasury.gov.za</p> <p>Bids' should not be qualified by own terms & conditions.</p> <p>Failure to withdraw/waive or to renounce the bidder's own terms & conditions of bid, when called upon to do so, may invalidate the bid.</p>				
2	CONFIDENTIALITY				
2.1	<p>The bid and all information in connection therewith shall be held in strict confidence by bidders and usage of such information shall be limited to the preparation of the bid.</p> <p>Bidders shall undertake to limit the number of copies of this document.</p>				
2.2	All bidders are bound by a confidentially agreement preventing the unauthorised disclosure of any information regarding NERSA or of its activities to any other organisation or individual. The bidders may not disclose any information, documentation, data or products to other clients without written approval of the Energy Regulator or the delegate.				
2.3	"Confidential information" includes any information or knowledge whatsoever relating to NERSA or any of its divisions, including but not limited to all information in whatever form (tangible or intangible), reports (whether generated by NERSA or service providers to NERSA), documentation, specifications, know-how, accounts and computer readable data relating or pertaining to the project, NERSA or any of its divisions.				
3	INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY, INVENTIONS AND COPYRIGHT				
3.1	Copyright of all documentation relating to this contract belongs to the client. The successful bidder may not disclose any information, documentation or products to other clients without the written approval of the Energy Regulator or the delegate.				

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	SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF BID	CONFIRMATION			
		Yes	No	N/A	If no, indicate deviation
3.2	All the intellectual property rights arising from the execution of this contract shall vest in NERSA who shall be entitled to cede and assign such to the Department of Energy and the contractor undertakes to honour such intellectual property rights and all future rights by keeping the know-how and all published and unpublished material confidential.				
3.3	In the event that the contractor or any project team member would like to use information or data generated by the project, for academic or any other purpose, prior written permission must be obtained from the client. Such permission will not be unreasonably withheld and if it is withheld, written reasons will be provided.				
3.4	NERSA shall own all deliverables produced by the Contractor during the course of, or as part of the contract whether capable of being copyrighted or not ("IP") and which are or may become eligible for copyright under the laws of the Republic of South Africa and which relates to the contract or which arises directly from this contract. This IP NERSA shall be entitled to freely cede and assign to the Department of Energy. No other document needs to be executed to give effect to this cession, assignment or transfer.				
3.5	The provisions of this clause 3 shall only apply to such IP that is created during the course and scope in terms of this contract.				
3.6	The Contractor acknowledges and agrees that each provision of clause 3 is separate, severally and separately enforceable from any other provisions of this contract.				
3.7	The invalidity or non-enforceability of any one or more provision hereof, shall not prejudice or effect the enforceability and validity of the remaining provisions of this contract.				
3.8	This clause 3 shall survive termination of this contract.				
3.9	Non-acceptance of clause 3 may deem your bid to be non-responsive.				
4	NON-COMPLIANCE WITH DELIVERY TERMS				

SECTION B Part 1: Special Conditions of Bid and Contract

	SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF BID	CONFIRMATION			
		Yes	No	N/A	If no, indicate deviation
4.1	As soon as it becomes known to the contractor that he / she will not be able to deliver the services within the delivery period and / or against the quoted price and / or as specified, NERSA must be given immediate written notice to this effect. NERSA reserves the right to implement remedies as provided for in the GCC.				
5	WARRANTS				
5.1	The contractor warrants that it has the capability, experience, expertise and skills necessary and is able to conclude this Agreement to the satisfaction of NERSA.				
5.2	The contractor undertakes to perform the services in a professional manner.				
5.3	Although the contractor will be entitled to provide services to persons other than NERSA, the contractor shall not without the prior written consent of NERSA, be involved in any manner whatsoever, directly or indirectly, in any business or venture which competes or conflicts with the obligations of the contractor to provide services.				
6	PARTIES NOT AFFECTED BY WAIVER OR BREACHES				
6.1	The waiver (whether express or implied) by any Party of any breach of the terms or conditions of this contract by the other Party shall not prejudice any remedy of the waiving party in respect of any continuing or other breach of the terms and conditions hereof .				
6.2	No favour, delay, relaxation or indulgence on the part of any Party in exercising any power or right conferred on such Party in terms of this contract shall operate as a waiver of such power or right nor shall any single or partial exercise of any such power or right under this agreement.				
7	OBLIGATION				
7.1	The contractor shall perform all aspects of the services as more fully described in the terms of reference and shall comply with all reasonable instructions, requests and/or directions as may be issued by NERSA from time to time.				

SECTION B Part 1: Special Conditions of Bid and Contract

	SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF BID	CONFIRMATION			
		Yes	No	N/A	If no, indicate deviation
8	PROJECT PLAN				
8.1	The contractor shall within 2 (two) weeks after signing this contract, submit to NERSA, a draft project plan for consideration and approval.				
8.2	The approved project plan submitted in terms of clause 8.1 above shall be binding on the contractor.				
9	RETENTION				
9.1	On termination of this agreement, or at the end of the contract period, the contractor shall, on demand hand over all documentation provided as part of the project and all deliverables, etc., without the right of retention, to NERSA.				
9.2	No agreement to amend or vary a contract or order or the conditions, stipulations or provisions thereof shall be valid and of any force and effect 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.				
10	INDEMNITY				
10.1	The contractor hereby indemnifies and holds harmless NERSA's employees, agents or its duly authorized representatives from and against any and all claims, liabilities, losses, costs, expenses (including attorneys' fees) and damages, which NERSA may suffer and/or incur arising out of and/or resulting from wilful misconduct, negligent act or omission by the contractor in performance of the Services in terms of this agreement.				
10.2	The indemnification under this clause shall survive termination of this agreement.				
11	UNDERTAKINGS BY THE CONTRACTOR				
11.1	The contractor shall not, during the contract period or extended contract period, directly or indirectly entice away any employee of NERSA.				
12	FORCE MAJEURE				
12.1	Should the affected Party be unable to fulfil its obligations in terms of this agreement for a period of fourteen (14) days or such other reasonable period from the date of notification to the other Party of a <i>force majeure</i> , then the other Party shall be entitled to terminate this agreement forthwith if justifiable under the circumstances, by written notice to that effect to the affected Party.				

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	SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF BID	CONFIRMATION			
		Yes	No	N/A	If no, indicate deviation
13	INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR				
13.1	The contractor agrees and acknowledges that it is an independent contractor and that this agreement shall not be construed as creating any relationship of employment, agency, partnership or joint venture between the Parties. Accordingly the contractor has no authority to represent, act on behalf of or bind NERSA in anyway whatsoever.				
13.2	The contractor shall not issue any press release, make or publish any statement or other communication relating to, connected with or arising out of this agreement or the rendering of the Services without the prior written consent of NERSA.				
14	ASSIGNMENT				
14.1	The provisions of this agreement shall automatically transfer to and continue to exist to any legal successors of the Parties.				

TAX CLEARANCE CERTIFICATE REQUIREMENT

- 2.1 Bidders must ensure compliance with their tax obligations.
- 2.2 Bidders are required to submit their unique personal identification number (pin) issued by SARS to enable the organ of state to view the taxpayer's profile and tax status.
- 2.3 Application for Tax Compliance Status (TCS) or pin may also be made via e-filing. In order to use this provision, taxpayers will need to register with SARS as e-filers through the website www.sars.gov.za.
- 2.4 Bidders may also submit a printed TCS together with the bid.
- 2.5 In bids where consortia / joint ventures / sub-contractors are involved, each party must submit a separate proof of TCS / pin / CSD number.
- 2.6 Where no TCS is available but the bidder is registered on the Central Supplier Database (CSD), a CSD number must be provided.

BIDDER'S DISCLOSURE

1. PURPOSE OF THE FORM

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

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

2. Bidder's declaration

2.1 Is the bidder, or any of its directors / trustees / shareholders / members / partners or any person having a controlling interest¹ in the enterprise, employed by the state? **YES/NO**

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

¹ the power, by one person or a group of persons holding the majority of the equity of an enterprise, alternatively, the person/s having the deciding vote or power to influence or to direct the course and decisions of the enterprise.

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

2.2.1 If so, furnish particulars:

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

2.3.1 If so, furnish particulars:

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3 DECLARATION

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

- 3.1 I have read and I understand the contents of this disclosure;
- 3.2 I understand that the accompanying bid will be disqualified if this disclosure is found not to be true and complete in every respect;
- 3.3 The bidder has arrived at the accompanying bid independently from, and without consultation, communication, agreement or arrangement with any competitor. However, communication between partners in a joint venture or consortium² will not be construed as collusive bidding.
- 3.4 In addition, there have been no consultations, communications, agreements or arrangements with any competitor regarding the quality, quantity, specifications, prices, including methods, factors or formulas used to calculate prices, market allocation, the intention or decision to submit or not to submit the bid, bidding with the intention not to win the bid and conditions or delivery particulars of the products or services to which this bid invitation relates.
- 3.5 The terms of the accompanying bid have not been, and will not be, disclosed by the bidder, directly or indirectly, to any competitor, prior to the date and time of the official bid opening or of the awarding of the contract.
- 3.6 There have been no consultations, communications, agreements or arrangements made by the bidder with any official of the procuring institution in relation to this procurement process prior to and during the bidding process except to provide clarification on the bid submitted where so required by the institution; and the bidder was not involved in the drafting of the specifications or terms of reference for this bid.

² 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.

SECTION B Part 3: **Bidder's Disclosure**

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

I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION FURNISHED IN PARAGRAPHS 1, 2 and 3 ABOVE IS CORRECT.

I ACCEPT THAT THE STATE MAY REJECT THE BID OR ACT AGAINST ME IN TERMS OF PARAGRAPH 6 OF PFMA SCM INSTRUCTION 03 OF 2021/22 ON PREVENTING AND COMBATING ABUSE IN THE SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT SYSTEM SHOULD THIS DECLARATION PROVE TO BE FALSE.

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Signature

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Date

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Position

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Name of bidder

SECTION B Part 4: Declaration Of Bidder's past SCM Practices

DECLARATION OF BIDDER'S PAST SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

- 1 This declaration will be used by institutions to ensure that when goods and services are being procured, all reasonable steps are taken to combat the abuse of the supply chain management system.
- 2 The bid of any bidder may be disregarded if that bidder, or any of its directors have:
 - a. abused NERSA'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.
- 3 In order to give effect to the above, the following questionnaire must be completed and submitted with the bid.

Item	Question	Yes	No
3.1	Is the bidder or any of its directors listed on the National Treasury's database 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 National Treasury after the <i>audi alteram partem</i> rule was applied).	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
3.1.1	If so, furnish particulars:		
3.2	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)? To access the Register enter the National Treasury's website, www.treasury.gov.za click on the icon "Register for Tender Defaulters" or submit your written request for a hard copy of the Register to facsimile number 012-3265445.	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
3.2.1	If so, furnish particulars:		
3.3	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"/>
3.3.1	If so, furnish particulars:		
3.4	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"/>
3.4.1	If so, furnish particulars:		

CERTIFICATION

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

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

 Signature

 Date

 Position

 Name of Bidder

PREFERENCE POINTS CLAIM FORM IN TERMS OF THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS 2011

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, 2011.

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 equal to or above R30 000 and up to R50 million (all applicable taxes included).

1.2 Preference points for this bid shall be awarded for:

- (a) Price;
- (b) B-BBEE Status Level of Contribution; and
- (c) Financial Sustainability

1.3 The maximum points for this bid are allocated as follows:

POINTS

1.3.1 PRICE 80

1.3.2 B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL OF CONTRIBUTION 20

Total points for Price and B-BBEE must not exceed 100

1.4 Failure on the part of a bidder to fill in and/or to sign this form and submit a B-BBEE Verification Certificate from a Verification Agency accredited by the South African Accreditation System (SANAS) or a Registered Auditor approved by the Independent Regulatory Board of Auditors (IRBA) or an Accounting Officer as contemplated in the Close Corporation Act (CCA) together with the bid, will be interpreted to mean that preference points for B-BBEE status level of contribution are not claimed.

1.5. 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

2.1 **“all applicable taxes”** includes value-added tax, pay as you earn, income tax, unemployment insurance fund contributions and skills development levies;

2.2 **“B-BBEE”** means broad-based black economic empowerment as defined in section 1 of the Broad -Based Black Economic Empowerment Act;

- 2.3 **“B-BBEE status level of contributor”** means the B-BBEE status received by a measured entity based on its overall performance using the relevant scorecard contained in the Codes of Good Practice on Black Economic Empowerment, issued in terms of section 9(1) of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act;
- 2.4 **“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 services, works or goods, through price quotations, advertised competitive bidding processes or proposals;
- 2.5 **“Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act”** means the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act, 2003 (Act No. 53 of 2003);
- 2.6 **“comparative price”** means the price after the factors of a non-firm price and all unconditional discounts that can be utilized have been taken into consideration;
- 2.7 **“consortium or joint venture”** 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;
- 2.8 **“contract”**Error! Bookmark not defined. means the agreement that results from the acceptance of a bid by an organ of state;
- 2.9 **“EME”** means any enterprise with an annual total revenue of R5 million or less.
- 2.10 **“Firm price”** means the price that is only subject to adjustments in accordance with the actual increase or decrease resulting from the change, imposition, or abolition of customs or excise duty and any other duty, levy, or tax, which, in terms of the law or regulation, is binding on the contractor and demonstrably has an influence on the price of any supplies, or the rendering costs of any service, for the execution of the contract;
- 2.11 **“functionality”** means the measurement according to predetermined norms, as set out in the bid documents, of a service or commodity that is designed to be practical and useful, working or operating, taking into account, among other factors, the quality, reliability, viability and durability of a service and the technical capacity and ability of a bidder;
- 2.12 **“non-firm prices”** means all prices other than “firm” prices;
- 2.13 **“person”** includes a juristic person;
- 2.14 **“rand value”** means the total estimated value of a contract in South African currency, calculated at the time of bid invitations, and includes all applicable taxes and excise duties;
- 2.15 **“sub-contract”** means the primary contractor’s assigning, leasing, making out work to, or employing, another person to support such primary contractor in the execution of part of a project in terms of the contract;
- 2.16 **“total revenue”** bears the same meaning assigned to this expression in the Codes of Good Practice on Black Economic Empowerment, issued in terms of section 9(1) of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act and promulgated in the *Government Gazette* on 9 February 2007;

- 2.17 **“trust”** means the arrangement through which the property of one person is made over or bequeathed to a trustee to administer such property for the benefit of another person; and
- 2.18 **“trustee”** means any person, including the founder of a trust, to whom property is bequeathed in order for such property to be administered for the benefit of another person.

3. ADJUDICATION USING A POINT SYSTEM

- 3.1 The bidder obtaining the highest number of total points will be awarded the contract.
- 3.2 Preference points shall be calculated after prices have been brought to a comparative basis taking into account all factors of non-firm prices and all unconditional discounts;
- 3.3 Points scored must be rounded off to the nearest 2 decimal places.
- 3.4 In the event that two or more bids have scored equal total points, the successful bid must be the one scoring the highest number of preference points for B-BBEE.
- 3.5 However, when functionality is part of the evaluation process and two or more bids have scored equal points including equal preference points for B-BBEE, the successful bid must be the one scoring the highest score for functionality.
- 3.6 Should two or more bids be equal in all respects, the award shall be decided by the drawing of lots.

4. POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE

4.1 THE 80/20 PREFERENCE POINT SYSTEMS

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

80/20

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

Where

P_s = Points scored for comparative price of bid under consideration

P_t = Comparative price of bid under consideration

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

5. POINTS AWARDED FOR B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL OF CONTRIBUTION

- 2.1.2 Points to be awarded to a bidder based on his or her B-BBEE status of level of Contribution. E.g. Level 1 contributor would receive 20 points whilst level 4 contributor would receive 12 points out of a maximum of 20 points as follows.

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B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor	Number of points (80/20 system)
1	20
2	18
3	16
4	12
5	8
6	6
7	4
8	2
Non-compliant contributor	0

- 5.2 Bidders who qualify as EMEs in terms of the B-BBEE Act must submit a certificate issued by an Accounting Officer as contemplated in the CCA or a Verification Agency accredited by SANAS or a Registered Auditor. Registered auditors do not need to meet the prerequisite for IRBA's approval for the purpose of conducting verification and issuing EMEs with B-BBEE Status Level Certificates.
- 5.3 Bidders other than EMEs must submit their original and valid B-BBEE status level verification certificate or a certified copy thereof, substantiating their B-BBEE rating issued by a Registered Auditor approved by IRBA or a Verification Agency accredited by SANAS.
- 5.4 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.
- 5.5 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.
- 5.6 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.
- 5.7 A person will not be awarded points for B-BBEE status level if it is indicated in the bid documents that such a bidder 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 that such a bidder qualifies for, unless the intended sub-contractor is an EME that has the capability and ability to execute the sub-contract.
- 5.8 A person 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 person concerned, unless the contract is sub-contracted to an EME that has the capability and ability to execute the sub-contract.

6. BID DECLARATION

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

7. B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL OF CONTRIBUTION CLAIMED IN TERMS OF PARAGRAPHS 1.3.1.2 AND 5.1

7.1 B-BBEE Status Level of Contribution: = (Maximum of 20 points)
(Points claimed in respect of paragraph 7.1 must be in accordance with the table reflected in paragraph 5.1 and must be substantiated by means of a B-BBEE certificate issued by a Verification Agency accredited by SANAS or a Registered Auditor approved by IRBA or an Accounting Officer as contemplated in the CCA).

8. SUB-CONTRACTING

8.1 Will any portion of the contract be sub-contracted? YES / NO (delete which is not applicable)

8.1.1 If yes, indicate:

- (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-contractor?
- (iv) whether the sub-contractor is an EME? YES / NO (delete which is not applicable)

9. DECLARATION WITH REGARD TO COMPANY/FIRM

9.1 Name of firm :

9.2 VAT registration number:

9.3 Company registration number:

9.4 TYPE OF COMPANY/ FIRM

- Partnership/Joint Venture / Consortium
- One person business/sole propriety
- Close corporation
- Company
- (Pty) Limited

[TICK APPLICABLE BOX]

9.5 DESCRIBE PRINCIPAL BUSINESS ACTIVITIES

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9.6 COMPANY CLASSIFICATION

- Manufacturer
 - Supplier
 - Professional service provider
 - Other service providers, e.g. transporter, etc.
- [TICK APPLICABLE BOX]

9.7 MUNICIPAL INFORMATION

Municipality where business is situated

Registered Account Number.....

Stand Number.....

9.8 Total number of years the company/firm has been in business?

9.9 I/we, the undersigned, who is / are duly authorised to do so on behalf of the company/firm, certify that the points claimed, based on the B-BBE status level of contribution indicated in paragraph 7 of the foregoing certificate, qualifies the company/ firm for the preference(s) shown and I / we acknowledge that:

- (i) The information furnished is true and correct;
- (ii) The preference points claimed are in accordance with the General Conditions as indicated in paragraph 1 of this form.
- (iii) In the event of a contract being awarded as a result of points claimed as shown in paragraph 7, the contractor may be required to furnish documentary proof to the satisfaction of the purchaser that the claims are correct;
- (iv) If the B-BBEE status level of contribution has been claimed or obtained on a fraudulent basis or any of the conditions of contract have not been fulfilled, the purchaser may, in addition to any other remedy it may have –
 - (a) disqualify the person from the bidding 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) restrict the bidder or contractor, its shareholders and directors, or only the shareholders and directors who acted on a fraudulent basis, 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

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(e) forward the matter for criminal prosecution

Signature(s) of Bidder(s): _____ Date: _____

Address _____

WITNESSES: 1. _____ 2. _____

DECLARATION CERTIFICATE FOR LOCAL PRODUCTION AND CONTENT FOR DESIGNATED SECTORS

This Standard Bidding Document (SBD) must form part of all bids invited. It contains general information and serves as a declaration form for local content (local production and local content are used interchangeably).

Before completing this declaration, bidders must study the General Conditions, Definitions, Directives applicable in respect of Local Content as prescribed in the Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2011, the South African Bureau of Standards (SABS) approved technical specification number SATS 1286:2011 (Edition 1) and the Guidance on the Calculation of Local Content together with the Local Content Declaration Templates [Annex C (Local Content Declaration: Summary Schedule), D (Imported Content Declaration: Supporting Schedule to Annex C) and E (Local Content Declaration: Supporting Schedule to Annex C)].

1. General Conditions

- 1.1. Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2011 (Regulation 9) makes provision for the promotion of local production and content.
- 1.2. Regulation 9.(1) prescribes that in the case of designated sectors, where in the award of bids local production and content is of critical importance, such bids must be advertised with the specific bidding condition that only locally produced goods, services or works or locally manufactured goods, with a stipulated minimum threshold for local production and content will be considered.
- 1.3. Where necessary, for bids referred to in paragraph 1.2 above, a two stage bidding process may be followed, where the first stage involves a minimum threshold for local production and content and the second stage price and B-BBEE.
- 1.4. A person 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.
- 1.5. The local content (LC) expressed as a percentage of the bid price must be calculated in accordance with the SABS approved technical specification number SATS 1286:2011 as follows:

$$LC = [1 - x / y] * 100$$

Where

x is the imported content in Rand

y is the bid price in Rand excluding value added tax (VAT)

Prices referred to in the determination of x must be converted to Rand (ZAR) by using the exchange rate published by South African Reserve Bank (SARB) at 12:00 on the date of advertisement of the bid as indicated in paragraph 4.1 below.

The SABS approved technical specification number SATS 1286:2011 is accessible on http://www.dti.gov.za/industrial_development/ip.jsp. at no cost.

1.6 A bid may be disqualified if –

- (a) this Declaration Certificate and the Annex C (Local Content Declaration: Summary Schedule) are not submitted as part of the bid documentation; and
- (b) the bidder fails to declare that the Local Content Declaration Templates (Annex C, D and E) have been audited and certified as correct.

2. Definitions

- 2.1. **“bid”** includes written price quotations, advertised competitive bids or proposals;
- 2.2. **“bid price”** price offered by the bidder, excluding value added tax (VAT);
- 2.3. **“contract”** means the agreement that results from the acceptance of a bid by an organ of state;
- 2.4. **“designated sector”** means a sector, sub-sector or industry that has been designated by the Department of Trade and Industry in line with national development and industrial policies for local production, where only locally produced services, works or goods or locally manufactured goods meet the stipulated minimum threshold for local production and content;
- 2.5. **“duly sign”** means a Declaration Certificate for Local Content that has been signed by the Chief Financial Officer or other legally responsible person nominated in writing by the Chief Executive, or senior member / person with management responsibility(close corporation, partnership or individual).
- 2.6. **“imported content”** means that portion of the bid price represented by the cost of components, parts or materials which have been or are still to be imported (whether by the supplier or its subcontractors) and which costs are inclusive of the costs abroad (this includes labour or intellectual property costs), plus freight and other direct importation costs, such as landing costs, dock duties, import duty, sales duty or other similar tax or duty at the South African port of entry;
- 2.7. **“local content”** means that portion of the bid price which is not included in the imported content, provided that local manufacture does take place;
- 2.8. **“stipulated minimum threshold”** means that portion of local production and content as determined by the Department of Trade and Industry; and
- 2.9. **“sub-contract”** means the primary contractor’s assigning, leasing, making out work to, or employing another person to support such primary contractor in the execution of part of a project in terms of the contract.

3. The stipulated minimum threshold(s) for local production and content (refer to Annex A of SATS 1286:2011) for this bid is/are as follows:

<u>Description of services, works or goods</u>	<u>Stipulated minimum threshold</u>
_____	_____ %
_____	_____ %
_____	_____ %

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4. Does any portion of the services, works or goods offered have any imported content?
(Tick applicable box)

YES	<input type="checkbox"/>	NO	<input type="checkbox"/>
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- 4.1 If yes, the rate(s) of exchange to be used in this bid to calculate the local content as prescribed in paragraph 1.5 of the general conditions must be the rate(s) published by SARB for the specific currency at 12:00 on the date of advertisement of the bid.

The relevant rates of exchange information is accessible on www.reservebank.co.za. Indicate the rate(s) of exchange against the appropriate currency in the table below (refer to Annex A of SATS 1286:2011):

Currency	Rates of exchange
US Dollar	
Pound Sterling	
Euro	
Yen	
Other	

NB: Bidders must submit proof of the SARB rate (s) of exchange used.

5. Were the Local Content Declaration Templates (Annex C, D and E) audited and certified as correct?
(Tick applicable box)

YES	<input type="checkbox"/>	NO	<input type="checkbox"/>
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- 5.1. If yes, provide the following particulars:

- (a) Full name of auditor:
- (b) Practice number:
- (c) Telephone and cell number:
- (d) Email address:

(Documentary proof regarding the declaration will, when required, be submitted to the satisfaction of the Accounting Officer / Accounting Authority)

6. Where, after the award of a bid, challenges are experienced in meeting the stipulated minimum threshold for local content the dti must be informed accordingly in order for the dti to verify and in consultation with the AO/AA provide directives in this regard.

LOCAL CONTENT DECLARATION
(REFER TO ANNEX B OF SATS 1286:2011)

LOCAL CONTENT DECLARATION BY CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER OR OTHER LEGALLY RESPONSIBLE PERSON NOMINATED IN WRITING BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OR SENIOR MEMBER/PERSON WITH MANAGEMENT RESPONSIBILITY (CLOSE CORPORATION, PARTNERSHIP OR INDIVIDUAL)

IN RESPECT OF BID NO.

ISSUED BY: (Procurement Authority / Name of Institution):
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NB

1 The obligation to complete, duly sign and submit this declaration cannot be transferred to an external authorized representative, auditor or any other third party acting on behalf of the bidder.

2 Guidance on the Calculation of Local Content together with Local Content Declaration Templates (Annex C, D and E) is accessible on http://www.dti.gov.za/industrial_development/ip.jsp. Bidders should first complete Declaration D. After completing Declaration D, bidders should complete Declaration E and then consolidate the information on Declaration C. **Declaration C should be submitted with the bid documentation at the closing date and time of the bid in order to substantiate the declaration made in paragraph (c) below.** Declarations D and E should be kept by the bidders for verification purposes for a period of at least 5 years. The successful bidder is required to continuously update Declarations C, D and E with the actual values for the duration of the contract.

I, the undersigned, (full names),

do hereby declare, in my capacity as

of (name of bidder entity), the following:

- (a) The facts contained herein are within my own personal knowledge.
- (b) I have satisfied myself that:
 - (i) the goods/services/works to be delivered in terms of the above-specified bid comply with the minimum local content requirements as specified in the bid, and as measured in terms of SATS 1286:2011; and
 - (ii) the declaration templates have been audited and certified to be correct.
- (c) The local content percentage (%) indicated below has been calculated using the formula given in clause 3 of SATS 1286:2011, the rates of exchange indicated in paragraph 4.1 above and the information contained in Declaration D and E which has been consolidated in Declaration C:

Bid price, excluding VAT (y)	R
Imported content (x), as calculated in terms of SATS 1286:2011	R
Stipulated minimum threshold for local content (paragraph 3 above)	
Local content %, as calculated in terms of SATS 1286:2011	

If the bid is for more than one product, the local content percentages for each product contained in Declaration C shall be used instead of the table above.

The local content percentages for each product has been calculated using the formula given in clause 3 of SATS 1286:2011, the rates of exchange indicated in paragraph 4.1 above and the information contained in Declaration D and E.

(d) I accept that the Procurement Authority / Institution has the right to request that the local content be verified in terms of the requirements of SATS 1286:2011.

(e) I understand that the awarding of the bid is dependent on the accuracy of the information furnished in this application. I also understand that the submission of incorrect data, or data that are not verifiable as described in SATS 1286:2011, may result in the Procurement Authority / Institution imposing any or all of the remedies as provided for in Regulation 13 of the Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2011 promulgated under the Preferential Policy Framework Act (PPPFA), 2000 (Act No. 5 of 2000).

SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____

WITNESS No. 1 _____

DATE: _____

WITNESS No. 2 _____

DATE: _____

SECTOR DESIGNATION**STIPULATED MINIMUM THRESHOLD LOCAL CONTENT**

Designated Sector	Stipulated minimum threshold
Textile, Clothing, Leather and Footwear	100%
Top set, top boxes	30%
Electrical and Telecom cables:	90%
Electrical cables used for power transmission	
Low Voltage	90%
Low cost reticulation	90%
Medium & High voltage	90%
ACR	90%
Telecom cables used for telecommunication:	
Optical Fibre cables	90%
Copper Telecom cables	90%
Office Furniture:	85%
Melamine office desk with drawers	70%
Office desk (drawers) with timber top on steel frame	90%
Office desk (drawers) with supawood (MDF) top on steel frame	90%
Melamine/Paper foil office desk with drawers	70%
Stacker upholstered chair – 4 legged without arms	100%
Stacker upholstered chair – sleigh base with arms	70%
High back upholstered chair with arms on 5 star base	65%
Steel stationery cupboard	100%
Steel drawer(s) filing cabinet	100%
Wood stationery cupboard	100%
Wood drawer(s) filing cabinet	100%
The amendment of the stipulated minimum threshold for local production and content is not allowed.	
Only bidders that achieved the stipulated minimum threshold for local production and content will be considered for evaluation purposes.	
The declaration certificate for local production and content for designated sectors together with Annex C, D and E must be completed, duly signed and submitted as part of the bid.	
The successful bidder's copies of the declaration certificate for local production and content for designated sectors together with Annex C, D and E will be provided to The dti to conduct compliance audits.	
The dti has the right, as and when necessary, to request for auditors certificates confirming the authenticity of the declarations made in respect of local content.	

INVITATION TO BID PART A

YOU ARE HEREBY INVITED TO BID FOR REQUIREMENT OF NERSA

BID NUMBER	<u> NERSA/2223/RAR/EMI/BID004 </u>	CLOSING DATE	<u> 01 JULY 2022 </u>	CLOSING TIME	<u> 11:00 </u>
DESCRIPTION	<u> THE APPOINTMENT A SERVICE PROVIDER TO CONDUCT EX-ANTE ECONOMIC IMPACT ASSESSMENTS (PRICE AND MACROECONOMIC MODELS) OF TARIFF/PRICE INCREASE APPLICATIONS RECEIVED FROM ELECTRICITY, PIPED-GAS AND PETROLEUM PIPELINES LICENSEES FOR 5 YEARS. </u>				
VALIDITY	<u> Offer to be valid for 120 (29 OCTOBER 2022) days from the closing date (01 JULY 2022). </u>				

The successful bidder will be required to fill in and sign a written Contract Form

BID DOCUMENTS MAY BE:

DEPOSITED IN THE BID/TENDER BOX SITUATED AT
(Street address)

 NERSA, Kulawula House, 526 Madiba (Vermeulen) Street, Arcadia, Pretoria

OR

* POSTED TO:

 The Procurement Manager, NERSA, PO Box 40343, Arcadia, 0007, South Africa

OR

HANDED IN AT RECEPTION SITUATED AT
(Street address)

 NERSA, Kulawula House, 526 Madiba (Vermeulen) Street, Arcadia, Pretoria, prior to the official closure time and the bidder must obtain a receipt, indicating the time of delivery, from the receptionist.

No faxed or e-mailed bids will be accepted

Bidders should ensure that bids are delivered to NERSA before the closing date and time to the correct physical address. If the bid is late, it will not be accepted for consideration.

*** Refer to Paragraph 6 of the "Special Conditions of Bid and Contract: Portion 1".**

- Bids can be delivered and deposited into the bid / tender box between 08:00 and 16:30, Mondays to Thursdays and 08:00 to 16:00 on Fridays, prior to the closing date, and between 08:30 and 11:00 on the closing date.
- All bids must be submitted on the official forms (not to be re-typed).
- This bid is subject to the General Conditions of Contract (GCC) and, if applicable, any other Special Conditions of Contract.
- Bids submitted that do not comply with the following may not be considered for evaluation:
 - A bid that is not in the format prescribed.
 - A bid without some or all of the required documents.
 - Pricing schedules not in the required format.
 - Bids without the required number of copies.
- Any queries regarding bidding procedures and technical information may be directed to:
 - e-Mail: scm@nersa.org.za
 - Tel.: 012 401 4795 / 012 401 4696 /
 - Fax: 012 401 4700

SECTION B Part 6: Invitation to Bid

YOU ARE HEREBY INVITED TO BID FOR REQUIREMENTS OF THE (NAME OF DEPARTMENT/ PUBLIC ENTITY)					
BID NUMBER:	NERSA/2223/RAR/EMI/BID004	CLOSING DATE:	01 JULY 2022	CLOSING TIME:	11:00
DESCRIPTION	THE APPOINTMENT A SERVICE PROVIDER TO CONDUCT EX-ANTE ECONOMIC IMPACT ASSESSMENTS (PRICE AND MACROECONOMIC MODELS) OF TARIFF/PRICE INCREASE APPLICATIONS RECEIVED FROM ELECTRICITY, PIPED-GAS AND PETROLEUM PIPELINES LICENSEES FOR 5 YEARS.				
BID RESPONSE DOCUMENTS MAY BE DEPOSITED IN THE BID BOX SITUATED AT NERSA, KULAWULA HOUSE, 526 MADIBA (VERMEULEN) STREET, ARCADIA, PRETORIA					
BIDDING PROCEDURE ENQUIRIES MAY BE DIRECTED TO			TECHNICAL ENQUIRIES MAY BE DIRECTED TO:		
CONTACT PERSON			CONTACT PERSON		
TELEPHONE NUMBER			TELEPHONE NUMBER		
FACSIMILE NUMBER			FACSIMILE NUMBER		
E-MAIL ADDRESS			E-MAIL ADDRESS		
SUPPLIER INFORMATION					
NAME OF BIDDER					
POSTAL ADDRESS					
STREET ADDRESS					
TELEPHONE NUMBER	CODE		NUMBER		
CELLPHONE NUMBER					
FACSIMILE NUMBER	CODE		NUMBER		
E-MAIL ADDRESS					
VAT REGISTRATION NUMBER					
SUPPLIER COMPLIANCE STATUS	TAX COMPLIANCE SYSTEM PIN:		OR	CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE No:	MAAA
B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE	TICK APPLICABLE BOX] <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL SWORN AFFIDAVIT	[TICK APPLICABLE BOX] <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
[A B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE/ SWORN AFFIDAVIT (FOR EMES & QSEs) MUST BE SUBMITTED IN ORDER TO QUALIFY FOR PREFERENCE POINTS FOR B-BBEE]					
ARE YOU THE ACCREDITED REPRESENTATIVE IN SOUTH AFRICA FOR THE GOODS /SERVICES /WORKS OFFERED?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No [IF YES ENCLOSE PROOF]		ARE YOU A FOREIGN BASED SUPPLIER FOR THE GOODS /SERVICES /WORKS OFFERED?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No [IF YES, ANSWER THE QUESTIONNAIRE BELOW]	
QUESTIONNAIRE TO BIDDING FOREIGN SUPPLIERS					
IS THE ENTITY A RESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA (RSA)?				<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	
DOES THE ENTITY HAVE A BRANCH IN THE RSA?				<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	
DOES THE ENTITY HAVE A PERMANENT ESTABLISHMENT IN THE RSA?				<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	
DOES THE ENTITY HAVE ANY SOURCE OF INCOME IN THE RSA?				<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	
IS THE ENTITY LIABLE IN THE RSA FOR ANY FORM OF TAXATION?				<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	
IF THE ANSWER IS "NO" TO ALL OF THE ABOVE, THEN IT IS NOT A REQUIREMENT TO REGISTER FOR A TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS SYSTEM PIN CODE FROM THE SOUTH AFRICAN REVENUE SERVICE (SARS) AND IF NOT REGISTER AS PER 2.3 BELOW.					

PART B
TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR BIDDING

1. BID SUBMISSION:
1.1. BIDS MUST BE DELIVERED BY THE STIPULATED TIME TO THE CORRECT ADDRESS. LATE BIDS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED FOR CONSIDERATION.
1.2. ALL BIDS MUST BE SUBMITTED ON THE OFFICIAL FORMS PROVIDED–(NOT TO BE RE-TYPED) OR IN THE MANNER PRESCRIBED IN THE BID DOCUMENT.
1.3. THIS BID IS SUBJECT TO THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT POLICY FRAMEWORK ACT, 2000 AND THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS, 2017, THE GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT (GCC) AND, IF APPLICABLE, ANY OTHER SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT.
1.4. THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER WILL BE REQUIRED TO FILL IN AND SIGN A WRITTEN CONTRACT FORM (SBD7).
2. TAX COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS
2.1 BIDDERS MUST ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THEIR TAX OBLIGATIONS.
2.2 BIDDERS ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT THEIR UNIQUE PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (PIN) ISSUED BY SARS TO ENABLE THE ORGAN OF STATE TO VERIFY THE TAXPAYER’S PROFILE AND TAX STATUS.
2.3 APPLICATION FOR TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS (TCS) PIN MAY BE MADE VIA E-FILING THROUGH THE SARS WEBSITE WWW.SARS.GOV.ZA.
2.4 BIDDERS MAY ALSO SUBMIT A PRINTED TCS CERTIFICATE TOGETHER WITH THE BID.
2.5 IN BIDS WHERE CONSORTIA / JOINT VENTURES / SUB-CONTRACTORS ARE INVOLVED, EACH PARTY MUST SUBMIT A SEPARATE TCS CERTIFICATE / PIN / CSD NUMBER.
2.6 WHERE NO TCS PIN IS AVAILABLE BUT THE BIDDER IS REGISTERED ON THE CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE (CSD), A CSD NUMBER MUST BE PROVIDED.
2.7 NO BIDS WILL BE CONSIDERED FROM PERSONS IN THE SERVICE OF THE STATE, COMPANIES WITH DIRECTORS WHO ARE PERSONS IN THE SERVICE OF THE STATE, OR CLOSE CORPORATIONS WITH MEMBERS PERSONS IN THE SERVICE OF THE STATE.”

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

SIGNATURE OF BIDDER:

CAPACITY UNDER WHICH THIS BID IS SIGNED:
(Proof of authority must be submitted e.g. company resolution)

DATE:

TECHNICAL PROPOSAL

Submit a detailed a project plan which must include the technical approach and methodology to be used, and demonstrate innovation to undertake ex-ante economic impact assessments of tariff/price increase applications for electricity, piped-gas and petroleum pipelines regulated entities.

SECTION B Part 8: Experience

EXPERIENCE IN THIS FIELD

The bidder should demonstrate experience and expertise in undertake ex-ante economic impact assessments of tariff/price increase applications for electricity, piped-gas and petroleum pipelines regulated entities that must be submitted in the following format:

Nr	Name of Institution	Description of services	Value of contract	Date of Contract	Contact Details
1					Name: Tel: Email:
2					Name: Tel: Email:
3					Name: Tel: Email:
4					Name: Tel: Email:
5					Name: Tel: Email:
6					Name: Tel: Email:
7					Name: Tel: Email:
8					Name: Tel: Email:
9					Name: Tel: Email:
10					Name: Tel: Email:

Please include a separate annexure to provide full details. Bidders are not limited to providing ten (10) projects (experience).

SECTION B Part 10: Pricing Schedule

COSTING TABLE 3 PRICE PER ASSESSMENT		
1st Assessment Report (Electricity Industry)	TOTAL COST PER ASSESSMENT (EXCL. VAT)	TOTAL COST PER ASSESSMENT (INCL. VAT)
	R.....	R.....
Subsequent Assessment Report (Electricity Industry)	TOTAL COST PER ASSESSMENT (EXCL. VAT)	TOTAL COST PER ASSESSMENT (INCL. VAT)
	R.....	R.....
1st Assessment Report (Petroleum Pipelines)	TOTAL COST PER ASSESSMENT (EXCL. VAT)	TOTAL COST PER ASSESSMENT (INCL. VAT)
	R.....	R.....
Subsequent Assessment Report (Petroleum Pipelines)	TOTAL COST PER ASSESSMENT (EXCL. VAT)	TOTAL COST PER ASSESSMENT (INCL. VAT)
	R.....	R.....
Training		TOTAL COST (INCL. VAT)
		R.....

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

SECTION B Part 11: Certificate of independence

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.

SECTION B Part 11: Certificate of independence

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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