

OFFICE OF HEALTH STANDARDS COMPLIANCE (OHSC)



BID NO: OHSC/01/APRIL /2024

APPOINTMENT OF A SERVICE PROVIDER FOR TENDER OF SUPPORT AND MAINTENANCE OF EXISTING SERVER INFRASTRUCTURE AND RENEWAL OF LICENSES FOR SERVER INFRASTRUCTURE FOR OFFICE OF HEALTH STANDARDS COMPLIANCE (OHSC) FOR A PERIOD OF ONE (1) YEAR.

CLOSING DATE: 26 APRIL 2024

TIME: 11:00 AM

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PART A INVITATION TO BID

YOU ARE HEREBY INVITED TO BID FOR REQUIREMENTS OF THE (NAME OF DEPARTMENT/ PUBLIC ENTITY)

BID NUMBER: **OHSC/01/APRIL/2024** CLOSING DATE: **26 APRIL 2024** CLOSING TIME: **11H00**

DESCRIPTION **TENDER FOR APPOINTMENT OF A SERVICE PROVIDER FOR SUPPORT AND MAINTENANCE OF EXISTING SERVER INFRASTRUCTURE AND RENEWAL OF LICENSES FOR SERVER INFRASTRUCTURE FOR OHSC FOR A PERIOD OF THREE YEARS.**

THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER WILL BE REQUIRED TO FILL IN AND SIGN A WRITTEN CONTRACT FORM (SBD7).

BID RESPONSE DOCUMENTS MAY BE DEPOSITED IN THE BID BOX

SITUATED AT (STREET ADDRESS)

OFFICE OF HEALTH STANDARDS COMPLIANCE, 79 STEVE BIKO RD, PRINSHOF 349-JR, ARCADIA, PRETORIA, 0084 OPPOSITE THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

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			
	☐		☐
	TCS PIN:	OR	CSD No:
B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE [TICK APPLICABLE BOX]	Yes	B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL SWORN AFFIDAVIT	Yes
	No		No
IF YES, WHO WAS THE CERTIFICATE ISSUED BY?			
AN ACCOUNTING OFFICER AS CONTEMPLATED IN THE CLOSE CORPORATION ACT (CCA) AND NAME THE APPLICABLE IN THE TICK BOX	☐	AN ACCOUNTING OFFICER AS CONTEMPLATED IN THE CLOSE CORPORATION ACT (CCA)	
	☐	A VERIFICATION AGENCY ACCREDITED BY THE SOUTH AFRICAN ACCREDITATION SYSTEM (SANAS)	
	☐	A REGISTERED AUDITOR	
	☐	NAME:	

[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]

1.1.1.1 ARE YOU THE ACCREDITED REPRESENTATIVE IN SOUTH AFRICA FOR THE GOODS /SERVICES /WORKS OFFERED?	☐ Yes ☐ No [IF YES ENCLOSE PROOF]	1.1.1.2 ARE YOU A FOREIGN BASED SUPPLIER FOR THE GOODS /SERVICES /WORKS OFFERED?	☒ Yes ☐ No [IF YES ANSWER PART B:3 BELOW]
1.1.1.3 SIGNATURE OF BIDDER		1.1.1.4 DATE	
1.1.1.5 CAPACITY UNDER WHICH THIS BID IS SIGNED (Attach proof of authority to sign this bid; e.g. resolution of directors, etc.)			
1.1.1.6 TOTAL NUMBER OF ITEMS OFFERED		1.1.1.7 TOTAL BID PRICE (ALL INCLUSIVE)	
BIDDING PROCEDURE ENQUIRIES MAY BE DIRECTED TO:		TECHNICAL INFORMATION MAY BE DIRECTED TO:	
DEPARTMENT/ PUBLIC ENTITY	OHSC	CONTACT PERSON	Jay Tulsee
CONTACT PERSON	Phemelo Kgwele	TELEPHONE NUMBER	012 942 7708
TELEPHONE NUMBER	012 942 7812	FACSIMILE NUMBER	N/A
FACSIMILE NUMBER	N/A	E-MAIL ADDRESS	jtulsee@ohsc.org.za
E-MAIL ADDRESS	pkgwele@ohsc.org.za		

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 ONLINE 1.3. BIDDERS MUST REGISTER ON THE CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE (CSD) TO UPLOAD MANDATORY INFORMATION NAMELY: (BUSINESS REGISTRATION/ DIRECTORSHIP/ MEMBERSHIP/IDENTITY NUMBERS; TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS; AND BANKING INFORMATION FOR VERIFICATION PURPOSES). B-BBEE CERTIFICATE OR A SWORN AFFIDAVIT FOR B-BBEE MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE BIDDING INSTITUTION. 1.4. WHERE A BIDDER IS NOT REGISTERED ON THE CSD, MANDATORY INFORMATION NAMELY: (BUSINESS REGISTRATION/ DIRECTORSHIP/ MEMBERSHIP/IDENTITY NUMBERS; TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS MAY NOT BE SUBMITTED WITH THE BID DOCUMENTATION. B-BBEE CERTIFICATE OR SWORN AFFIDAVIT FOR B-BBEE MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE BIDDING INSTITUTION. 1.5. 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 LEGISLATION OR SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF THE CONTRACT.																								
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3. QUESTIONNAIRE TO BIDDING FOREIGN SUPPLIERS																								
<table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 70%;">3.1. IS THE BIDDER A RESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA (RSA)?</td> <td style="width: 10%; text-align: center;">YES</td> <td style="width: 10%; text-align: center;">☒</td> <td style="width: 10%; text-align: center;">YES</td> <td style="width: 10%; text-align: center;">☐</td> <td style="width: 10%; text-align: center;">NO</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3.2. DOES THE BIDDER HAVE A BRANCH IN THE RSA?</td> <td style="text-align: center;">YES</td> <td style="text-align: center;">☐</td> <td style="text-align: center;"></td> <td style="text-align: center;">☐</td> <td style="text-align: center;">NO</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3.3. DOES THE BIDDER HAVE A PERMANENT ESTABLISHMENT IN THE RSA?</td> <td style="text-align: center;"></td> <td style="text-align: center;">☐</td> <td style="text-align: center;"></td> <td style="text-align: center;">☐</td> <td style="text-align: center;">NO</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3.4. DOES THE BIDDER HAVE ANY SOURCE OF INCOME IN THE RSA?</td> <td style="text-align: center;"></td> <td style="text-align: center;">☐</td> <td style="text-align: center;"></td> <td style="text-align: center;">☐</td> <td style="text-align: center;">NO</td> </tr> </table> IF THE ANSWER IS "NO" TO ALL OF THE ABOVE, THEN, IT IS NOT A REQUIREMENT TO OBTAIN A TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS / TAX COMPLIANCE SYSTEM PIN CODE FROM THE SOUTH AFRICAN REVENUE SERVICE (SARS) AND IF NOT REGISTER AS PER 2.3 ABOVE.	3.1. IS THE BIDDER A RESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA (RSA)?	YES	☒	YES	☐	NO	3.2. DOES THE BIDDER HAVE A BRANCH IN THE RSA?	YES	☐		☐	NO	3.3. DOES THE BIDDER HAVE A PERMANENT ESTABLISHMENT IN THE RSA?		☐		☐	NO	3.4. DOES THE BIDDER HAVE ANY SOURCE OF INCOME IN THE RSA?		☐		☐	NO
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NB: FAILURE TO PROVIDE ANY OF THE ABOVE PARTICULARS MAY RENDER THE BID INVALID.

STANDARD BID DOCUMENTATION
SECTION A INVITATION TO BID

PLEASE NOTE

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CONTRACT PERIOD	:	THREE YEARS
VALIDITY PERIOD	:	120 Days
NAME OF BIDDER	:	

DOCUMENTS SHALL BE ADDRESSED TO:

ENTITY:	OFFICE OF HEALTH STANDARD COMPLIANCE
MS/ Mr:	MS PHEMELO KGWELE/ MR NDAEDZO MUNYAI
TELEPHONE NO.:	012 942 7812/7847
TECHNICAL ENQUIRIES TO BE MADE TO:	JAY TULSEE
TELEPHONE NO:	012 942 7708

SECTION B

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS AND NOTICES TO BIDDERS REGARDING THE COMPLETION OF BIDDING FORMS

PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS BID IS SUBJECT TO TREASURY REGULATIONS 16A ISSUED IN TERMS OF THE PUBLIC FINANCE MANAGEMENT ACT 1999 AND THE GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT.

1. Unless inconsistent with or expressly indicated otherwise by the context, the singular shall include the plural and vice versa and with words importing the masculine gender shall include the feminine and the neuter.
2. Under no circumstances whatsoever may the bid forms be retyped or redrafted. Photocopies of the original bid documentation may be used, but an original signature must appear on such photocopies.
3. The bidder is advised to check the number of pages and to satisfy himself that none are missing or duplicated.
4. Bids submitted must be complete in all respects.
5. Bids shall be lodged at the address indicated not later than the closing time specified for their receipt, and in accordance with the directives in the bid documents.
6. Each bid shall be addressed in accordance with the directives in the bid documents and shall be lodged in a separate sealed envelope, with the name and address of the bidder, the bid number and closing date indicated on the envelope. The envelope shall not contain documents relating to any bid other than that shown on the envelope. If this provision is not complied with, such bids may be rejected as being invalid.
7. All bids received in sealed envelopes with the relevant bid numbers on the envelopes are kept unopened in safe custody until the closing time of the bids. Where, however, a bid is received open, it shall be sealed. If it is received without a bid number on the envelope, it shall be opened, the bid number ascertained, the envelope sealed and the bid number written on the envelope.
8. A specific box is provided for the receipt of bids, and no bid found in any other box or elsewhere subsequent to the closing date and time of bid will be considered.
9. No bid sent through the post will be considered if it is received after the closing date and time stipulated in the bid documentation, and proof of posting will not be accepted as proof of delivery.
10. No bid submitted by telefax, telegraphic or other electronic means will be considered.
11. Bidding documents must not be included in packages containing samples. Such bids may be rejected as being invalid.
12. Any alteration made by the bidder must be initialed.
13. Use of correcting fluid is prohibited
14. Bids will be opened in public as soon as practicable after the closing time of bid.
15. Where practical, prices are made public at the time of opening bids.
16. If it is desired to make more than one offer against any individual item, such offers should be given on a photocopy of the page in question. Clear indication thereof must be stated on the schedules attached.

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.

Full Name	Identity Number	Name of State institution

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:

.....

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:

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.

.....
.....

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.
- 3.4 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.
- 3.5 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.
- 3.6 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.

.....
Signature Date

.....
Position Name of bidder

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 D

TAX CLEARANCE CERTIFICATE REQUIREMENTS

It is a condition of a bid that the taxes of the successful bidder **must** be in order, or that satisfactory arrangements have been made with South African Revenue Service (SARS) to meet the bidder's tax obligations.

1. In order to meet this requirement, bidders are required to complete in full the attached form TCC 001 "Application for a Tax Certificate" and submit it to any SARS branch office nationally. The Tax Clearance Certificate Requirements are also applicable to foreign bidders/individuals who wish to submit bids.
2. SARS will then furnish the bidder with a Tax Clearance Certificate that will be valid for a period of 1 (one) year from the date of approval. Copies of TCC 001 "Application for a Tax Clearance Certificate" form are available from any SARS branch office nationally or on the website www.sars.gov.za.
3. The original or copy of a Tax Clearance Tender Certificate must be submitted together with the bid, tax compliance status pin and Central Supplier Database (CSD) number. Failure to submit the above required documents will result in the invalidation of the bid.
4. In bids where Consortia/Joint Ventures/Sub-contractors are involved, each party must submit a separate Tax Clearance Certificate.
5. Applications for the Tax Clearance Certificates may also be made via eFiling. In order to use this provision, taxpayers will need to register with SARS as eFilers through the website www.sars.gov.za.

SECTION E

COMPULSORY OFFICIAL BRIEFING SESSION

N. B.: THIS FORM IS ONLY TO BE INCLUDED AND COMPLETED WHEN APPLICABLE TO THE BID.

Site/building/institution involved:.

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SERVICE:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT (NAME)

ON BEHALF OF

ATTENDED THE BRIEFING SESSION ON: **17 April 2024 @ 11:00 am at Office of Health Standard Compliance, No 79 Steve Biko Road, Prinshoff, Arcardia, Pretoria next to Department of Environmental Affairs.**

AND IS THEREFORE FAMILIAR WITH THE CIRCUMSTANCES AND THE SCOPE OF THE SERVICE TO BE RENDERED.

.....
SIGNATURE OF BIDDER OR AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE (PRINT NAME)

DATE:

.....
SIGNATURE OF DEPARTMENTAL REPRESENTATIVE (PRINT NAME)

.....
DEPARTMENTAL STAMP:
(OPTIONAL)

DATE:

SECTION F AUTHORITY TO SIGN A BID

A. COMPANIES

If a Bidder is a company, a certified copy of the resolution by the board of directors, personally signed by the chairperson of the board, authorising the person who signs this bid to do so, as well as to sign any contract resulting from this bid and any other documents and correspondence in connection with this bid and/or contract on behalf of the company must be submitted with this bid, that is before the closing time and date of the bid

AUTHORITY BY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

By resolution passed by the Board of Directors on.....20....., Mr/Mrs.....

..... (whose signature appears

below) has been duly authorised to sign all documents in connection with this bid on behalf of (Name of Company)

IN HIS/HER CAPACITY AS:

SIGNED ON BEHALF OF COMPANY: (PRINT NAME)

SIGNATURE OF SIGNATORY: DATE:

WITNESSES: 1

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B. SOLE PROPRIETOR (ONE - PERSON BUSINESS)

I, the undersigned hereby confirm that I am the sole owner of the business trading as

.....

.....
SIGNATURE

.....
DATE

C. PARTNERSHIP

The following particulars in respect of every partner must be furnished and signed by every partner: Full

name of partner	Residential address	Signature
.....		
.....		
.....		
.....		

We, the undersigned partners in the business trading as..... hereby
authorise to sign this bid as well as any
contract resulting from the bid and any other documents and correspondence in connection with
this bid and /or contract on behalf of

..... SIGNATURE	 SIGNATURE	 SIGNATURE
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..... DATE	 DATE	 DATE
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D. CLOSE CORPORATION

In the case of a close corporation submitting a bid, a certified copy of the Founding Statement of such corporation shall be included with the bid, together with the resolution by its members authorising a member or other official of the corporation to sign the documents on their behalf.

By resolution of members at a meeting on 20..... at

.....Mr/Ms , whose

signature appears below, has been authorised to sign all documents in connection with this bid on

behalf of (Name of Close Corporation)

.....

SIGNED ON BEHALF OF CLOSE CORPORATION:

(PRINT NAME)

IN HIS/HER CAPACITY AS **DATE:**

SIGNATURE OF SIGNATORY:

WITNESSES: 1

2

E CO-OPERATIVE

A certified copy of the Constitution of the co-operative must be included with the bid, together with the resolution by its members authoring a member or other official of the co-operative to sign the bid documents on their behalf.

By resolution of members at a meeting on 20..... at Mr/Ms
....., whose signature appears below, has
been authorised to sign all documents in connection with this bid on behalf of (Name of co-
operative).....

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE/SIGNATORY:

.....

IN HIS/HER CAPACITY AS:..... DATE:

.....

SIGNED ON BEHALF OF CO-OPERATIVE:.....

NAME IN BLOCK LETTERS:.....

WITNESSES: 1

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SECTION G CONDITIONS OF BID

1. I/We hereby bid to supply all or any of the supplies and/or to render all or any of the services described in the attached documents to the Office Of Health Standard Compliance (herein after referred to as "the Entity") on the terms and conditions and be in accordance with the specifications stipulated in the bid documents (and which shall be taken as part of and be incorporated into this bid) at the prices and on the terms regarding time for delivery and/or execution inserted therein.
2. I/we agree that:
 - (a) the offer herein shall remain binding upon me and open for acceptance by the Entity during the validity period indicated and calculated from the closing time of the bid;
 - (b) this bid and its acceptance shall be subject to Treasury Regulations 16A issued in terms of the Public Finance Management Act, 1999, the National Treasury issued Practice Notes, and the National Treasury General Conditions of Contract, with which I/we am fully acquainted;
 - (c) if I/we withdraw my bid within the period for which I/we have agreed that the bid shall remain open for acceptance, or fail to fulfil the contract when called upon to do so, the Entity may, without prejudice to its other rights, agree to the withdrawal of my bid or cancel the contract that may have been entered into between me and the Entity. I/we will then pay to the Entity any additional expenses incurred by the Entity having either to accept any less favourable bid or, if fresh bids have to be invited, the additional expenditure incurred by the invitation of fresh bids and by the subsequent acceptance of any less favourable bid. The Entity shall have the right to recover such additional expenditure by set-off against monies which may be due to me under this or any other bid or contract or against any guarantee or deposit that may have been furnished by me or on my behalf for the due fulfilment of this or any other bid or contract and pending the ascertainment of the amount of such additional expenditure to retain such monies, guarantee or deposit as security for any loss the Entity may sustain by reason of my default;
 - (d) if my bid is accepted, the acceptance may be communicated to me by registered post, and that the South African Post Office Limited shall be treated as delivery agent to me;
 - (e) the law of the Republic of South Africa shall govern the contract created by the acceptance of my bid and I choose *domicilium citandi et executandi* in the Republic at (full physical address) :
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3. I/we furthermore confirm that I/we have satisfied myself as to the correctness and validity of my bid: that the price(s), rate(s) and preference quoted cover all of the work/item(s) and my obligations under a resulting contract, and I accept that any mistakes regarding the price(s) and calculations will be at my risk.
4. I/we hereby accept full responsibility for the proper execution and fulfilment of all obligations and conditions devolving on me under this agreement, as the Principal(s) liable for the due fulfilment of this contract.
5. I/we agree that any action arising from this contract may in all respects be instituted against me and I/we hereby undertake to satisfy fully any sentence or judgement which may be pronounced against me as a result of such action.
6. I/we confirm that I/we have declared all and any interest that I or any persons related to my business has with regard to this bid or any related bids by completion of the Declaration of Interest Section.

7. CERTIFICATION OF CORRECTNESS OF INFORMATION SUPPLIED IN THIS DOCUMENT

I/we, THE UNDERSIGNED, WHO WARRANT THAT I AM DULY AUTHORISED TO DO SO ON BEHALF OF THE BIDDER, CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION SUPPLIED IN TERMS OF THIS DOCUMENT IS CORRECT AND TRUE, THAT THE SIGNATORY TO THIS DOCUMENT IS DULY AUTHORISED AND ACKNOWLEDGE THAT:

- (1) The bidder will furnish documentary proof regarding any bidding issue to the satisfaction of the Entity, if requested to do so.
- (2) If the information supplied is found to be incorrect and/or false then the Entity, in addition to any remedies it may have, may:-
 - (a) Recover from the contractor all costs, losses or damages incurred or sustained by the Entity as a result of the award of the contract, and/or
 - (b) Cancel the contract and claim any damages which the Entity may suffer by having to make less favourable arrangements after such cancellation.

SIGNED ON THIS DAY OF 20 AT

.....
SIGNATURE OF BIDDER OR DULY
AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE

.....
NAME IN BLOCK LETTERS

ON BEHALF OF (BIDDER'S NAME)

CAPACITY OF SIGNATORY

NAME OF CONTACT PERSON (IN BLOCK LETTERS, PLEASE)

.....
POSTAL ADDRESS

.....
TELEPHONE NUMBER:

FAX NUMBER:

CELLULAR PHONE NUMBER:

E-MAIL ADDRESS:

SECTION H SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

SECTION 1: DEFINITION OF TERMS

1.1 SERVICE

The consultancy services to be rendered by a service provider for a period of 3 years in terms of this contract.

1.2 CONTRACTOR

The person or persons, partnership, close corporation, firm or company, whose bid for this service was accepted.

1.3 AGREEMENT

This comprises the agreement signed by parties, the conditions of bid, the bid and the specifications.

1.4 AGREEMENT PERIOD

The period during which the service is to be rendered and originally determined in the agreement, or as amended, extended or renewed in accordance with stipulations of the agreement.

1.5 PARTIES

The parties to this contract are The Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Office of health Standard Compliance in the National Government Administration and Contractor.

1.6 DEPARTMENT

The Office of health Standard Compliance: in the National Government Administration.

1.7 CURTAILMENT OF SERVICE

The Entity reserves the right to withdraw from the service any part/s of the contract as a whole, with one month's written notification to the contractor. In a case such as this, the contract sum will be adjusted *pro rata* from the date of withdrawal.

SECTION 2: INTRODUCTION AND RELEVANT INFORMATION

2.1 This bid is invited and will be awarded and administered in terms of the following:-

- Section 217 of the Constitution,
- The PFMA and its Regulations in general,
- The Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act,
- National Treasury guidelines, and
National Treasury Supply Chain Management Practice Notes and guidelines

2.2

REQUIRED COMPULSORY INFORMATION

The bidder shall ensure that all the required information is furnished; viz:-

- 2.2.1 Declaration of interest (SECTION C)
- 2.2.2 Tax Clearance Certificate Requirements (SECTION D),
- 2.2.3 Compulsory Briefing Session (SECTION E)
- 2.2.4 Authority to sign a bid (SECTION F),
- 2.2.5 Conditions of Bid (SECTION G),
- 2.2.6 Each party to a Consortium/Group of sub-contractors must obtain separate Tax Clearance Certificate(s) and also be registered on the Suppliers Database.
- 2.2.7 A valid B-BBEE Status Level Verification Certificate to be submitted with the proposal if available.

NOTE: Failure to submit the required information shall render the bid invalid.

SECTION 3: SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

1.1 ACCEPTANCE OF BID

- 1.1.1 This bid has been invited, and will be adjudicated in terms of the Treasury Regulation 16A9 and the National Treasury's Practice Notes. The Office of Health Standard Compliance (OHSC) Bid Adjudication Committee is under no obligation to accept the lowest or any bid.
- 1.1.2 The financial standing of bidders and their ability to manufacture or to supply goods or render services may be examined before their bids are considered for acceptance.

2.2 APPEALS

- 2.2.1 Entities aggrieved by a decision of a departmental Bid Adjudication Committee or a delegate of an accounting officer, may appeal to the Bid Appeals Tribunal in the prescribed manner by the Supply Chain Management Policy Framework

2.3 AMENDMENT OF CONTRACT

- 2.3.1 Any amendment to or renunciation of the provisions of the contract shall at all times be done in writing and shall be signed by both parties subject to the Legal Services screening the amendment before it is signed.

2.4 CHANGE OF ADDRESS

- 2.4.1 Bidders must advise the OHSC should their address (*domicilium citandi et executandi*) details change from the time of bidding to the expiry of the contract.

2.5 COMMUNICATION

- 2.5.1 All correspondence with regard to this bid must be addressed or hand delivered to the:

CFO- Supply chain manager No 79 Steve Biko
Road Prinshof, Acardia PRETORIA
0001

ENQUIRIES: Ms P. Kgwele/ Mr J.Tulsee

TEL.: 012 942 7812/ 7708

2.6 COMPLETENESS OF BID

- 2.6.1 Bids will only be considered if correctly completed and accompanied by all relevant certificates and other necessary applicable information.

2.7 COMPLETION OF SPECIFICATION

- 2.7.1 Where specifications are designed in such a way that responses would be required from bidders, these forms must be completed and submitted as part of the bid document.

2.8 CONDITIONS OF BID

- 2.8.1 The successful Contractor must be in a position to assume duty on the date stipulated in the letter of acceptance.
- 2.8.2 No bid received by telegram, telex, or facsimile will be considered.
- 2.8.3 It shall be noted that the Entity is under no obligation to accept the lowest or any bid.
- 2.8.4 The offer shall be made strictly according to the specification. No alternative offers will be considered.
- 2.8.5 Bidders must provide the following particulars about themselves as part of the bid:

- 2.8.5.1 Where they have their Headquarters
- 2.8.5.2 Where they have their Regional Office.
- 2.8.5.3 Name, address and telephone number of bankers together with their bank account number.
- 2.8.5.4 The names, identity numbers and street addresses of all partners

in cases where persons, a partnership, or a firm consists of a partnership.

- 2.9** In cases where a person or persons, a partnership, close corporation, firm or company enters business for the very first time, the following particulars shall be provided:

- 2.9.1 By whom, or with whose assistance, was the business plan drafted?
- 2.9.2 By whom, or with whose assistance, were the bid prices calculated?
- 2.9.3 Whose advice is relied on?
- 2.9.4 Who will provide financial support?

- 2.10** A list of references must accompany this bid. Particulars shall be submitted regarding similar agreements completed successfully or of projects which the bidder is engaged in.

2.11 CONFIDENTIALITY

The contractor's staff that comes into contact with OHSC's confidential information and documents may be required to sign confidentiality agreements so as to protect the Entity's information.

2.12 CONTRACT PERIOD

- 2.12.1 The contract period shall remain in force for a period of one **(1) year** from date of signing of official contracts. OHSC reserves the right to extend period of the contract for a period not exceeding 2 years.
- 2.12.2 The OHSC reserves the right to terminate the contract with any contractor should the contractor fail to fulfil his/her contractual obligations in terms of the contract.

2.13 DETAILS OF CURRENT CONTRACTS HELD BY THE BIDDER

2.13.1 The bidder must furnish the following details of all current contracts:

- (i) Date of commencement of contract/s;
- (ii) Expiry date/s;
- (iii) Value per contract; and
- (iv) Contract details. That is, with whom held, phone number and address/s of the company.

2.14 EQUAL BIDS

- 2.14.1 In the event that two or more bids have equal total points, the successful bid will be the one scoring the highest number of preference points for specified goals. Should two or more bids be equal in all respects, the Adjudication shall be decided by the drawing of lots.

2.15 EXECUTION CAPACITY

- 2.15.1 The bidder will be required to provide an efficient and effective service. Therefore, the bidder is required to submit proof that he/she has the required capacity to execute the contract tendered for successfully. The bidder must supply references or state his/her experience as a company to undertake the contract. References of past experience of owners/employees of new entities must accompany the bid document.

2.16 EXTENSION OF CONTRACT

- 2.16.1 An extension of contract may be considered. It is the normal policy that contracts are not extended. However, circumstances may arise whereby a contract cannot be renewed in time. If this is found to be the case, the right is reserved to approach existing contractor(s) to extend the contract for such period agreed to.

2.17 GENERAL EVALUATION CRITERIA

The Bid Evaluation Committee will assess offers and adhere to the following basic guidelines when evaluating.

- a. Whether all the required information called for in the bid document has been submitted by the bidder.
- b. Has the bidder supplied references or stated his/her experience as a Company to undertake the contract. References of past experience must accompany the bid document.
- c. The financial standing of the bidder and ability to render a service may be examined before an award of bid take place.
- d. Preferences will be taken into consideration by the Entity in terms of the B-BBEE Scorecard.
- e. Documented reports received from an institution/s pertaining to past bad performance by a company who is tendering, may be taken into consideration.
- f. Did the bidder attend the site inspection?
- g. Will the bidder be in a position to successfully execute the contract?
- h. The 80/20 Point System will apply in the evaluation of this bid.

2.18 IRREGULARITIES

- 2.18.1 Companies are encouraged to advise the Entity timeously of any possible irregularities which might come to their notice in connection with this or other contracts.

2.19 JOINT VENTURES

- 2.19.1 In terms of the Supply Chain Management Policy Framework, a consortium or joint venture may, based on the percentage of the contract value managed or executed by their HDI members, be entitled to equity ownership in respect of an HDI.
- 2.19.2 Should this bid be submitted by a joint venture, a certified copy of the joint venture agreement **must** accompany the bid document before the closing date and time of bid. The joint venture agreement must clearly specify the percentage of the contract to be undertaken by each company participating therein.
- 2.19.3 A trust, consortium or joint-venture must obtain and submit a **consolidated B-BBEE Status Level Verification Certificate**. The non-submission of a consolidated B-BBEE Certificate by a company will result in preference points not being allocated to such company. Failure to submit the joint venture Agreement will result in preference points not being allocated to all companies participating in the joint venture.

2.20 LATE BIDS

- 2.20.1 Bids are late if they are received at the address indicated in the bid documents after the closing date and time.
- 2.20.2 A late bid shall not be considered and, where practicable, shall be returned unopened to the Bidder, accompanied by an explanation.

2.21 NOTIFICATION OF ADJUDICATION OF BIDDER & ADVERTISING OF RESULTS

- 2.21.1 Notification of the Adjudication of bid shall be in writing by a duly authorized official of the OHSC.

2.22 PRO RATA DECREASE OF COMPENSATION

- 2.22.1 Should the services not be rendered to the satisfaction of the Entity and unsatisfactory items/ aspects/ events have already, in writing, been brought to the attention of the Contractor, the Entity reserves the right in terms of paragraph **2.21** hereunder, to retain payment to the Contractor for as long as the unsatisfactory service continues.

2.23 SUBMISSIONS AND COMPLETION OF SBD 6.1

- 2.23.1 Bidders are to complete SBD 6.1 document where applicable. Failure by the bidder to submit a valid B-BBEE status level verification certificate, will result in the bidder not being considered for preference points allocation. If the information required is not applicable to the business, clearly insert the symbols “N/A” in the appropriate space. If the space provided is left blank, it will be regarded as information that is still outstanding and the SBD 6.1 will not be processed further.

2.24 TERMINATION OF SERVICES

- 2.24.1 Should the Contractor fail to meet the conditions of this contract, or continue rendering unsatisfactory service, the Employer reserves the right to terminate the contract, after written notification has been served on the Contractor, with retention of the right to recover from the Contractor any losses which the Employer may suffer/ incur as a result of the failure, without prejudicing any other rights it may have.

2.25 TAX CLEARANCE CERTIFICATE

- 2.25.1 The original Tax Clearance Certificate must be submitted with the bid before the closing date and time of the bid. Failure to submit a valid Tax Clearance Certificate will invalidate your bid unless a valid, as at the closing date of this bid, original Tax Clearance Certificate is already in the possession of the Provincial Treasury's Supply Chain Management Unit. In this regard, a clear reference must be provided e.g. bid number.

- 2.26.1 Each party to a Joint Venture/Consortium must submit an original valid Tax Clearance Certificate together with the bid before the closing date and time of bid.

2.26 UNSATISFACTORY PERFORMANCE

- 2.26.1 Unsatisfactory performance occurs when performance is not in accordance with the contract conditions.

- 2.26.1.1 Before any action is taken, the Entity shall warn the contractor by registered/certified mail that action will be taken in accordance with the contract conditions unless the contractor complies with the contract conditions and delivers satisfactory supplies or services within a specified reasonable time (7 days minimum). If the contractor does not perform satisfactorily despite the warning the Entity will:

- take action in terms of its delegated powers
- make a recommendation for cancellation of the contract concerned.

2.27 VALIDITY PERIOD AND EXTENSION THEREOF

- 2.27.1 The validity (binding) period for the bid must be **120** days from close of bid. However, circumstances may arise whereby this Entity may request the bidders to extend the validity (binding) period. Should this occur, the Entity will request bidders to extend the validity (binding) period under the same terms and conditions as originally tendered for by bidders. This request will be done before the expiry of the original validity (binding) period.

2.28 VAT

2.28.1 Bid prices must be inclusive of VAT.

2.28.2 tax invoice shall be in the currency of the Republic of South Africa and shall contain the following particulars:

2.28.2.1 The name, address and registration number of the supplier;

2.28.2.2 the name and address of the recipient;

2.28.2.3 an individual serialized number and the date upon which the tax invoice is issued;

2.28.2.4 a description of the goods or services supplied;

2.28.2.5 the quantity or volume of the goods or services supplied;

2.28.2.6 either –(i)the value of the supply, the amount of tax charged and the consideration for the supply; or

2.28.2.7 where the amount of tax charged is calculated by applying the tax fraction to the consideration, the consideration for the supply and either the amount of the tax charged, or a statement that it includes a charge in respect of the tax and the rate at which the tax was charged.

Previous Experience

In terms of paragraph **2.13** the Bidder must furnish the following details of all current contracts.

- (i) Date of commencement of contract/s;
- (ii) A summary of the functions/activities that were performed as part of the contract.
- (ii) Expiry date/s;
- (iv) Value per contract; and
- (v) Contract details. That is, with whom held, phone number and address/s of the company.

2.29 Capacity

2.29.1 In terms of paragraph 2.15 the contractor will be required to provide an efficient and effective service. Therefore, the Bidder is required to submit proof that he/she has the required capacity to execute the contract tendered for successfully. The Bidder must supply references or state his/her experience as a company to undertake the contract. References of past experience of owners/employees of new entities must accompany the bid document.

REGISTERED ADDRESS

The Entity provides the following:

- 1. Street address as it's *domicillium citandi et executandi* in respect of any lawsuit which might result from or bears relevance to this contract, as well as for purposes of notice:

The Head: Office of Health Standard Compliance No 79 Steve Biko Road
Prinshof, Arcardia PRETORIA
0001

- 2. Postal Address for correspondence

Same as above

- 3. The Contractor shall provide the following:

Street address as his *domicillium citandi et executandi* in respect of any lawsuit which might result from or bears relevance to this contract, as well as for purposes of notices:

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- 4. Postal address for correspondence

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ANNEXURE A: GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

DEFINITIONS:

The following terms shall be interpreted as indicated:

- (a) "Closing time" means the date and hour specified in the bidding documents for the receipt of bids.
- (b) "Contract" means the written agreement entered into between the Entity and the Contractor, as recorded in the contract form signed by the parties, including all attachments and appendices thereto and all documents incorporated by reference therein.
- (c) "Contract price" means the price payable to the Contractor under the contract for the full and proper performance of his contractual obligations.
- (d) "Corrupt practice" means the offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting of anything of value to influence the action of a public official in the procurement process or in contract execution.
- (e) "Countervailing duties" are imposed in cases where an enterprise abroad is subsidized by its government and encouraged to market its products internationally.
- (f) "Country of origin" means the place where the goods were mined, grown or produced or from which the services are supplied. Goods are produced when, through manufacturing, processing or substantial and major assembly of components, a commercially recognized new product results that is substantially different in basic characteristics or in purpose or utility from its components.
- (g) "Day" means calendar day.
- (h) "Delivery" means delivery in compliance with the conditions of the contract or order.
- (i) "Delivery ex stock" means immediate delivery directly from stock actually on hand.
- (j) "Delivery into consignees store or to his site" means delivery and unloaded in the specified store or depot or on the specified site in compliance with the conditions of the contract or order, the Contractor bearing all risks and charges involved until the supplies are so delivered and a valid receipt is obtained.
- (k) "Dumping" occurs when a private enterprise abroad market its goods and services on own initiative in the RSA at lower prices than that of the country of origin and which have the potential to harm the local industries in the RSA.
- (l) "*Force majeure*" means an event beyond the control of the Contractor and not involving the Contractor's fault or negligence and not foreseeable. Such event may include, but is not restricted to, acts of the Entity in its sovereign capacity, wars or revolutions, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions and freight embargoes.
- (m) "Fraudulent practice" means a misrepresentation of facts in order to influence a procurement process or the execution of a contract to the detriment of any bidder, and includes collusive practice among bidders (prior to or after bid

submission) designed to establish bid prices at artificial non-competitive levels and to deprive the bidder of the benefits of free and open competition.

- (n) "GCC" means the General Conditions of Contract.
- (o) "Goods" means all the equipment, machinery, and/or other materials that the supplier is required to supply to the purchaser under the contract.
- (p) "Imported content" means that portion of the bidding price represented by the cost of components, parts or materials which have been or are still to be imported (whether by the Contractor or his subcontractors) and which costs are inclusive of the costs abroad, plus freight and other direct importation costs such as landing costs, dock dues, import duty, sales duty or other similar tax or duty at the South African place of entry as well as transportation and handling charges to the factory in the Republic, where supplies covered by the bid will be manufactured.
- (q) "Local content" means that portion of the bidding price which is not included in the imported content provided that local manufacture does take place.
- (r) "Manufacture" means the production of products in a factory using labour, materials, components and machinery and includes other related value-adding activities.
- (s) "Order" means an official written order issued for the supply of goods or works or the rendering of a service.
- (t) "Project site" where applicable, means the place indicated in bidding documents.
- (u) "Entity" means the procuring Public Entity, incorporating the National Assembly.
- (v) "Republic" means the Republic of South Africa.
- (w) "SCC" means the Special Conditions of Contract.
- (x) "Services" means those functional services ancillary to the supply of the goods, such as transportation and any other incidental services, such as installation, commissioning, provision of technical assistance, training, catering, gardening, security, maintenance and other such obligations of the Contractor covered under the contract.
- (y) "Written" or "in writing" means handwritten in ink or any form of electronic or mechanical writing.

1. CESSION OF CONTRACTS

- 1.1 The Contract is personal to the Contractor who shall not sub-let, assign, cede or make over the Contract or any part thereof, or any share of interest therein, to any other person without the written consent of the Entity, and on such conditions as it may approve.
- 1.2 This sub-clause shall not apply to sub-contracts given to regular suppliers of the Contractor for materials and minor components relating to the goods or services supplied. The Entity reserves the right to require the Contractor to submit, for noting, the names of such sub-contractors in order to ascertain their registration on the Provincial Suppliers Database and they must be legal entities.

2. DISCREPANCIES

Should there appear to be any discrepancies, ambiguities or want of agreement in description, dimensions, qualities or quantities in the Contract, the Contractor shall be obliged to refer the matter to the Entity's Representative for a decision, before proceeding to execute the Contract or part thereof in respect of which the said discrepancies, ambiguities or want of agreement appear to exist.

3. QUALITY AND GUARANTEE

- 3.1 All Goods supplied shall be equal in all respects to samples, patterns or specifications where such are provided. Any changes to quality or brands will have to be approved by the Entity, as this is a change to the conditions of the contract.
- 3.2 Should the Entity, after the award of the Contract and/or during the manufacture of the goods specified, decide on a variation or alteration to the specification, either at the suggestion of the Contractor or otherwise, which will be to the Entity's advantage, such variation or alteration shall be performed to the Entity's satisfaction. Any variation in the Contract Price arising there from shall be subject to agreement between the Entity and the Contractor.
- 3.3 The Contractor shall not be relieved of his obligations with respect to the sufficiency of the materials and workmanship and the quality of the Goods supplied by the reason of no objection having been taken thereto by the Entity's Representative at the time the Goods were delivered.
- 3.4 The Contractor warrants that the goods supplied under the contract are new, unused, of the most recent or current models, and that they incorporate all recent improvements in design and materials unless provided otherwise in the contract. The Contractor further warrants that all goods supplied under this contract shall have no defect, arising from design, materials or workmanship (except when the design and/or material is required by the purchaser's specifications) or from any act or omission of the Contractor, that may develop under normal use of the supplied goods in the conditions prevailing in the country of the final destination.
- 3.5 This warranty shall remain valid for twelve (12) months after the goods, or any portion thereof as the case may be, have been delivered to and accepted at the final destination indicated in the contract, or for eighteen (18) months after the date of shipment from the port or place of loading in the source country, whichever period concludes earlier, unless specified otherwise in the Special Conditions of Contract.
- 3.6 The Entity shall promptly notify the Contractor in writing of any claims arising under this warranty. The Contractor shall immediately remedy the said defect free of cost to the Entity. Should the Contractor delay remedial work in excess of time stipulated by the Entity's representative, the Entity may have such remedial work executed at the

Contractor's expense. Should the Entity decide that the defect is such that it cannot be remedied, the Goods may be rejected. Such rejected goods shall be held at the risk and expense of the Contractor and shall, on request of the Entity, be removed by him immediately on receipt of notification of rejection. The Contractor shall be responsible for any loss the Entity may sustain by reason of such action as the Entity may take, in terms of this clause.

- 3.7 The risk in respect of the Goods purchased by the Entity under the contract shall remain with the Contractor until such goods have been delivered to the Entity.
- 3.8 The principle feature of the Goods and Work are described in the Goods or Services Information, but the Goods or Services Information does not purport to indicate every detail of construction, fabrication or arrangements of Goods and Works necessary to meet the requirements. Omission from the Goods or Services information of reference to any part or

parts shall not relieve the Contractor of his responsibility for carrying out the Work as required under the Contract.

- 3.9 If any dispute arises between the Entity and the Contractor in connection with the quality and guarantee of the Goods, either party may give the other notice in writing of the existence of such dispute, and the same shall thereupon be referred to arbitration in South Africa by a person mutually agreed upon by both parties. The submission shall be deemed to be a submission to arbitration within the meaning of the terms of the arbitration laws in force in the Republic of South Africa.

4. FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH CONDITIONS AND DELAYED EXECUTION

- 4.1 If a bidder amends or withdraws his/her/their bid after the closing time but before the bidder is notified that his/her/their bid has been accepted, or when notified that his/her/their bid has been accepted, he/she/they fail/fails, within the period stipulated in the conditions of bid or such extended period as the Entity may allow, to sign a contract or to provide security when requested to do so, he/she/they shall, unless the Entity decides otherwise, and without prejudice to any other right which the Entity may have under paragraphs 4.2 and 4.4, including the right to claim damages if a less favourable bid is accepted or less favourable arrangements are to be made, forfeit any deposit which may have been made with the bid.
- 4.2 Should the contractor fail to comply with any of the conditions of the contract, the Entity shall be entitled, without prejudice to any of its other rights, to cancel the contract.
- 4.3 Upon any delay beyond the contract period in the case of a supplies contract, the Entity shall, without canceling the contract, be entitled forthwith to purchase supplies of a similar quality and up to the same quantity in substitution of the goods not supplied in conformity with the contract and to return any supplies delivered later at the contractor's expense and risk, or forthwith to cancel the contract and buy such supplies as may be required to complete the contract, and without prejudice to its rights, be entitled to claim damages from the contractor.
- 4.4 Upon any delay beyond the contract period in the case of a service contract, the Entity shall, without prejudice to any other right and without canceling the contract, be entitled forthwith to arrange the execution of the service not rendered in conformity with the contract or to cancel the contract, and without prejudice to its other rights, be entitled to claim damages from the contractor.
- 4.5 In the event of the Entity availing itself of the remedies provided for in paragraph

- 4.5.1 the contractor shall bear any adverse difference in price of the said supplies services and these amounts plus any other damages which may be suffered by the Entity, shall be paid by the contractor to the Entity immediately on demand, or the Entity may deduct such amounts from moneys (if any) otherwise payable to the contractor in respect of supplies or services rendered or to be rendered under the contract or under any other contract or any other amounts due to the contractor; or
 - 4.5.2 if the Contractor fails to supply the goods or render the service within the period stipulated in the contract, the Entity shall have the right, in its sole discretion, to claim any damages or loss suffered.
- 4.6 No damages shall be claimed in respect of any period of delay which the contractor can prove to be directly due to a state of war, sanctions, strikes, lockouts, damage to machinery as a result of accidents, fire, flood or tempest or act of God, which could not be foreseen or overcome by the contractor, or to any act or omission on the part of persons acting in any capacity on behalf of the Entity.
- 4.7 If the delivery of the supplies or the rendering of the service is likely to be delayed or is in fact being delayed on account of any of the reasons mentioned in paragraph 4.6, full particulars of the circumstances shall be reported forthwith in writing to the Entity and at the same time the contractor shall indicate the extension of the delivery period which is desired.

5. PATENTS

- 5.1 The Contractor shall pay all royalties and expenses and be liable for all claims in respect of the use of patent rights, trademarks or other protected rights, and hereby indemnifies the Entity against any claims arising there from.
- 5.2 The Contractor shall indemnify the Entity against all third-party claims of infringement of patent, trademark, or industrial design rights arising from the use of the goods or any part thereof by the Entity.

6. PACKAGING, MARKING AND DELIVERY

- 6.1 All goods shall be crated, packed or battened securely in such a manner as to prevent damage during loading, transport and off-loading. Unless otherwise specified, packing cases and packing materials are included in the Contract Price, and shall be and remain the property of the Entity.
- 6.2 All goods shall be clearly marked in the manner stated in the Goods or Services Information.
- 6.3 Goods shall be delivered to the address within the Entity's area of jurisdiction as set out in the Special Conditions of Contract or Goods and Services Information.
- 6.4 Goods shall be delivered on Weekdays between 08:00 and 16:00, free of all charges, only when ordered upon an official letter or form of order issued by the Entity. No goods will be received on Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays. This paragraph (6.4) is applicable only when not excluded in the Special Conditions of Contract.
- 6.5 Goods delivered shall in all cases be accompanied by delivery notes in duplicate, one which will be retained by the Entity. The Contractor shall be responsible for the safe delivery as to the quality, quantity and condition of the goods.

- 6.6 Delivery, unless otherwise provided for in the Special Conditions of Contract, shall be affected within seven (7) days from receipt of the order. The Contractor shall advise the Entity upon receipt of an order in writing of any anticipated delays, citing reasons therefore and put forward a new anticipated delivery date. The Entity may then extend the delivery date, if and as it deems fit.
- 6.7 Should the Contractor fail to supply the material within the time stated in his bid, or within the extended time allowed to him in terms of clause 6.6 hereof, the Entity reserves the right (after giving the Contractor seven days' notice in writing) to cancel the contract and purchase the materials elsewhere and the bidder shall refund to the Entity any extra cost incurred over and above the contract price. No liability shall, however, be attached to the Contractor if delivery of materials is rendered impossible or delayed by reason of circumstances beyond the Contractor's control.
- 6.8 If the Contractor cannot produce proof satisfactory to the Entity that the delay was due to circumstances beyond his control, no price increase after the due date will be recognized.
- 6.9 If at any time the Entity ascertains that, due to negligence of the Contractor or for reasons beyond his control:
- 6.9.1 No work on the order has been commenced and in the opinion of the Entity, there is little or no prospect of work being commenced in reasonable time;
 - 6.9.2 Delivery of any materials is being or is likely to be delayed beyond the delivery date promised, and/or
 - 6.9.3 There is little or no prospect of the order being completed within a reasonable time after the promised date; the Entity may, by notice to the Contractor in writing, cancel as from the future date specified in such notice, the whole or any part of the order in respect of which material has not been delivered by that date without incurring any liability by reasons of such cancellation. The cases where circumstances beyond the control of the Contractor have delayed commencement or completion of the order, cancellation of the order will be effected by mutual arrangement or where this is not possible by the decision of the Entity. The Contractor shall then as soon as possible after such date deliver to the Entity that part of the order which has been completed, and payment is to be effected is for the part performance on a proportional basis, subject to the uncompleted part not being an integral or essential part of the contract.
- 6.10 Should a price other than an all-inclusive price be required, this shall be specified in the SCC.

7. CONSIGNMENT OF GOODS

- 7.1 Goods, if delivered by SpoorNet may be consigned carriage paid in the Contractor's name, care of the Entity to the place of delivery stipulated, but not in the name of the State. Goods consigned to stores located in areas which SpoorNet may refuse to deliver, must be done so care of a local agent or to a local depot from which they may be re-delivered by road to such stores.
- 7.2 Contractors shall arrange with SpoorNet to deliver goods to the Entity's stores during the hours and on the days that the stores are open.
- 7.3 The Entity will not be responsible for any damage, re-delivery charges or any other charges raised by SpoorNet.

- 7.4 Claims on the South African Transport Services or on any other carrier in respect of weight, quantity, damage or loss, shall be made by the Contractor.

8. PAYMENT

- 8.1 The Contractor shall furnish the Entity with an invoice accompanied by a copy of the delivery note upon fulfilment of other obligations stipulated in the contract.
- 8.2 Payments shall be made promptly by the Entity, but in no case later than thirty days (30) days after submission of an invoice or claim by the Contractor.
- 8.3 Payments will be made in Rand unless otherwise stipulated.
- 8.4 Payments for goods are made by the Entity only. Any disputes regarding late or delayed payments must be taken up with the department and if a problem persists, the Supply Chain Management Office can be requested to investigate the delays.

9. INVOICES

- 9.1 All invoices submitted by the Contractor must be Tax Invoices indicating quantity ordered and quantity delivered, the amount of tax charged and the total invoice amount.

10. CONTRACT PRICE ADJUSTMENT

- 10.1 Firm contract Prices shall not be subject to adjustment. contract prices which are not firm shall be increased or reduced by the amount of variation between the Cost to Bidder and the actual cost to the Contractor, such variations to be subject to the following conditions:-
- 10.1.1 Where the Cost to Bidder was based on a printed catalogue or list price, the variation shall be the difference between that price list and the price list actually charged. Should it transpire that the Cost to Bidder was not based on the latest available price list at the Date of Bid, the Entity shall have the right to elect the price list on which any variation shall be based.
- 10.1.2 Where the Cost to Bidder was based on a quotation by the manufacturer, or where the Contractor is the manufacturer, and the Contract Price was based on the cost of materials and Labour ruling at a certain date, the variation in the Contract Price shall be calculated by means of the Steel and Engineering Industries Federation of South Africa (SEIFSA) formula if this is stipulated in the Contract, or if the Entity's representative considers it to be appropriate. Where the use of the SEIFSA formula is not appropriate, the variation shall be calculated by means of another formula acceptable to the Entity, which shall be indicated in the Special Conditions of Contract. Only those cost increases due to wage increases prescribed by regulating measures having the force of law, or increases in the cost of materials and railage as may be proven by documentary evidence, or published data, will be considered in determining Contract Price variation.
- 10.1.3 Any difference between Rates and Charges ruling at the time of bid and those actually paid by the Contractor will be for the account of the Entity. The Contract Price adjustment arising from any variation in Rates and Charges shall, in every instance, be applied to the appropriate value, or tonnage, of the Goods shipped. Where a variation

in the Cost to bidder has been allowed, the contract price shall be adjusted by the product of such variation and every component of Rates and Charges which is based on the value of the Goods, whether or not the costs of such components have varied.

- 10.1.4 No claim for increased costs will be entertained if the Contractor is unable to produce documentation to substantiate Cost to Bidder and Rates and Charges on which the contract price was based and documentation to support his claim. Such documentation must, in the opinion of the Entity, adequately support the Contractor's claim. No claim for increased costs to the Contractor arising from negligence on his part, or that of the manufacturer, will be considered.
- 10.1.5 The Contractor shall, in respect of every consignment or shipment of Goods delivered, supply to the Entity's Representative documentary evidence of variation, if any, in Cost to Bidder and Rates and Charges.
- 10.1.6 Claims for increased cost shall be submitted with the invoice for the Goods in respect of which the claim is made, or as soon thereafter as possible. Claims shall not be considered if received more than 90 days after the expiry of the Contract unless notice of intention to claim has been given to the Entity before such date.
- 10.1.7 In the event of there being no claim by the Contractor for increased costs, the Contractor shall not be entitled to full payment under the Contract before he has submitted to the Entity, in his own name or in the name of the manufacturer, a certificate declaring that there have been no adjustments in the cost of manufacture which entitle the Employer to a reduction in the Contract Price as provided for in this clause.

11. REMEDIES IN THE CASE OF DEATH, SEQUESTRATION, LIQUIDATION OR JUDICIAL MANAGEMENT

- 11.1 In the event of the death of a contractor or the provisional or final sequestration of his/her/their estate or of his/her/their cession or transfer of a contract without the approval of the Entity or of the surrender of his/her/their estate or of his/her/their reaching a compromise with his/her/their creditors or of the provisional or final liquidation of a contractor's company/closed corporation or the placing of its affairs under judicial management, the Entity may, without prejudice to any other rights it may have, exercise any of the following options :
 - 11.1.1 Cancel the contract and accept any of the bids which were submitted originally with that of the contractor or any offer subsequently received to complete the contract. In such a case the estate of the contractor shall not be relieved of liability for any claim which has arisen or may arise against the contractor in respect of supplies not delivered or work not carried out by the contractor, under the contract.
 - 11.1.2 Allow the executor, trustee, liquidator or judicial manager, as the case may be, for and on behalf of and at the cost and expense of the estate of the contractor to carry on with and complete the contract.
 - 11.1.3 For and on behalf of and at the cost and expense of the estate of the contractor, itself carry on with and complete the contract and in that event the Entity may take over and utilize, without payment, the

contractor's tools, plant and materials in whole or in part until the completion of the contract.

- 11.2 Should the Entity elect to act in terms of paragraph 11.1.3 it shall give notice of its requirements to the executor, trustee, liquidator or judicial manager of the contractor's estate and should the said executor, trustee, liquidator or judicial manager fail within 14 days of the dispatch of such notice to make provision to the satisfaction of the Entity for the fulfillment of such requirements, or should no trustee, liquidator or judicial manager be appointed within 14 days of the occurrence mentioned in paragraph 11.1, the Entity may apply any remedy open to it in terms of the contract as if a breach thereof had taken place.
- 11.3 Should the Entity act in terms of paragraph 11.1.3 the contractor must leave the premises immediately and may not occupy such premises on account of retention or any other right.

12. LAW TO APPLY

- 12.1 The Contract shall in all respects be construed in accordance with the law of the Republic of South Africa, and any difference that may arise with the law of the Republic of South Africa, and any difference that may arise between the Entity and the Contractor in regard to the Contract, shall be settled in the Republic of South Africa.

13. OFFERING OF COMMISSION OR GRATUITY

- 13.1 If the Contractor, or any person employed by him, is found to have either directly or indirectly offered, promised or given to any office bearer of the Entity or person in the employ of the Entity, any commission, gratuity, gift or other consideration, the Entity shall have the right, summarily and without recourse to law and without prejudice to any other legal remedy which it may have in regard to any loss or additional cost or expenses, to cancel the Contract without paying any compensation to the Contractor.

14. PREFERENCES

- 14.1 Should the Contractor apply for preferences in the submission of his bid, and it is found at a later stage that these applications were incorrect or made under false pretences, the Entity may, at its own right:-
- 14.1.1 Recover from the Contractor all costs, losses or damages incurred or sustained by the Entity as a result of the award of the Contract; and / or
 - 14.1.2 Cancel the contract and claim any damages which the Entity may suffer by having to make less favourable arrangements after such cancellation.
 - 14.1.3 The Entity may impose penalties, however, only if provision therefore is made in the Special Conditions of Bid.

15. WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

- 15.1 The quantities of goods offered or delivered shall be according to South African standard weights and measures.

16. SECURITY

- 16.1 Special Conditions of Contract relating to Surety/Guarantee requirement must be dealt with in strict compliance with the Conditions of Bid set out herein.
- 16.2 In respect of contracts less than R 500 000, the guarantees and sureties required may be based on a risk evaluation conducted by the Entity inviting the bid.
- 16.3 No deposits are required for bid applications for contracts below R 500 000.

17. ORDERS

- 17.1 Goods shall be delivered and services rendered only upon receipt of a written official order or the signing of a contract with the Entity, and accounts shall be rendered as indicated on the official order or in the contract, as the case may be.
- 17.2 The Entity reserves the right to call upon any Contractor during the contract period to make known the following details:
- 17.2.1 Name of Institution placing order;
- 17.2.2 Provincial official order number;
- 17.2.3 Quantity ordered; and
- 17.2.4 List of items ordered.

18. EXPORT LICENSES

- 18.1 When orders are placed for goods in respect of which an export license from the country of origin of supplies is required, the Contractor shall:
- 18.1.1 Not incur any direct or indirect costs in connection with the supply or dispatch of such supplies before he has obtained such license;
- 18.1.2 If the government of the country from which the supplies are to be exported refuses, or fails to grant such license within three months of the placing of the order, the order shall be considered to be cancelled and no liability will be accepted for any loss or expenses irrespective of the nature thereof, including loss or expenditure suffered or incurred by the Contractor or any other person in respect of the production, supply, transportation or delivery of such supplies.

19. INSURANCE

- 19.1 The goods supplied under the contract shall be fully insured in a freely convertible currency against loss or damage incidental to manufacture or acquisition, transportation, storage and delivery in the manner specified in the SCC.

- 19.2 Any insurance policies taken out by a Contractor to cover goods delivered for a contract must be taken out with a company registered in South Africa in terms of relevant insurance and companies acts.

20. INSPECTION, TESTS AND ANALYSES

- 20.1 In terms of National policy, inspections of a Bidder's goods and services are permitted. Bidders and Contractors must allow reasonable access to premises to officials from the department inviting the bid, or person specially appointed by the Entity to carry out inspection or tests. There are two main categories: Firstly, where the bid conditions call for goods to be inspected during the contract period. Secondly, where the inspection results are to be submitted with the bid document.
- 20.2 If it is a bid condition that goods to be produced should at any stage during production or on completion be subject to inspection, the premises of the Contractor shall be open, at all reasonable hours, for inspection by a representative of the Entity or of an organization acting on its behalf.
- 20.3 Inspections tests and analyses may be carried out prior to dispatch in regard to such contract goods as may be deemed necessary by the Entity, and the Contractor shall provide, if required, all the required facilities for the inspection, tests and analyses of the goods free of charge and shall, if required, provide all the materials, samples and Labour and available apparatus which may be required for the purposes of such inspection, tests and analyses free of charge, unless otherwise specified.
- 20.4 If there are no inspection requirements in the bid documents and no mention thereof is made in the letter of acceptance, but during the contract it is decided that inspections shall be carried out, the Entity shall itself make the necessary arrangements, including payment arrangements, with the testing authority concerned. The premises of the Bidder Contractor must be open and accessible at all reasonable times for the purposes of these tests.
- 20.5 If the inspection, tests and analyses show the goods or service to be in accordance with contract requirements, the cost of the inspection, tests and analyses shall be defrayed by the Entity calling for such tests or analyses. Where the supplies or services do not comply with the contract, the costs shall be defrayed by the Contractor and the Entity shall have the right, without prejudice to any other legal remedy it may have, to deduct such costs from payments due to the Contractor under the contract or under any other contract.
- 20.6 Goods and services which do not comply with the contract requirements may be rejected.
- 20.7 Any goods may on or after delivery be inspected, tested or analyzed and may be rejected if found not to comply with the requirements of the contract, and such rejected goods shall be held at the cost and risk of the Contractor who shall, when called upon, remove them immediately at his own cost and forthwith substitute them for goods which do comply with the requirements of the contract, failing which such rejected goods shall be returned at the Contractor's cost and risk. Should the Contractor fail to provide the substitute goods forthwith, the Entity may, without giving the Contractor a further opportunity to substitute the rejected goods, purchase such supplies as may be necessary at the expense of the Contractor, for example, the transport costs and other expenses regarding the rejected goods must be refunded by the Contractor.
- 20.8 Where imported goods are to be inspected before delivery, the Contractor shall notify his suppliers abroad of the conditions applicable to inspections.

- 20.9 Provisions contained in sub-clause 20.1 and 20.8 shall not prejudice the right of the Entity to cancel the contract on account of a breach of the conditions thereof.

21. RESTRICTION OF BIDDING

Without prejudice on any other legal remedies, the Entity may impose restrictions on a Bidder in terms of which bids to the Entity will not be accepted for such period as determined by the Entity. This information may be passed to other Entity's or State organizations in the Republic of South Africa. These restrictions may be imposed in terms of the breach of any of the requirements to be met in terms of the accepted bid or contract. The Entity may also make a restriction on a bidder from another province or State institution applicable to this Entity.

22. CONTRACTOR'S LIABILITY

- 22.1 In the event of the contract being cancelled by the Entity in the exercise of its rights in terms of these conditions, the Contractor shall be liable to pay to the Entity any losses sustained and/ or additional costs or expenditure incurred as a result of such cancellation, and the Entity shall have the right to recover such losses, damages or additional costs by means of set-off from moneys due or which may become due in terms of the contract or any other contract or from guarantee provided for the due fulfilment of the contract and, until such time as the amount of such losses, damages or additional costs have been determined, to retain such moneys or guarantee or any deposit as security for any loss which the Entity may suffer or may have suffered.
- 22.2 The Contractor may be held responsible for any consequential damages and loss sustained which may be caused by any defect, latent or otherwise, in supply or service rendered or if the goods or service as a result of such defect, latent or otherwise, does not conform to any condition or requirement of the contract.

23. PRICE LISTS

Price lists which are part of the contract shall not be amended without the approval of the Entity, unless the SCC specify otherwise.

24. SUBMISSION OF CLAIMS

- 24.1 Claims must be submitted within 90 days of the delivery date of items, but the delivery date will be calculated according to the delivery period stipulated in terms of the contract, unless an extension for late delivery has been granted by the Entity.
- 24.2 For period contracts, no price increase will be granted within the first 180 days of the contract period. No price increase applications which are submitted later than 90 days after the contract period has expired, will be considered. The claims shall be accompanied by documentary proof and, if required, an auditor's report sustaining the claim shall be provided.
- 24.3 Claims referring to formulae and indices must be clearly set out in terms of indices or formulae values used to calculate the bid price, and the adjusted indices or values.

25. PROVINCIAL PROPERTY IN POSSESSION OF A CONTRACTOR

- 25.1 Entity's property supplied to a Contractor for the execution of a contract remains the property of the Entity and shall at all times be available for inspection by the Entity or its representatives. Any such property in the possession of the Contractor on the

completion of the contract shall, at the Contractor's expense, be returned to the Entity forthwith.

- 25.2 The Contractor shall be responsible at all times for any loss or damages to the Entity's property in his possession and, if required, he shall furnish such security for the payment of any such loss or damages as the Entity may require.

26. RIGHTS TO PROCURE OUTSIDE THE CONTRACT

- 26.1 The Entity reserves the right to procure goods outside the contract in cases of urgency or emergency or if the quantities are too small to justify delivery costs, or if the goods are obtainable from another organ of Entity or if the Contractor's point of supply is not situated at or near the place where the goods are required or if the Contractor's goods are not readily available.
- 26.2 No provision in a contract shall be deemed to prohibit the obtaining of goods or services from a Department or Provincial authority.

27. AMENDMENT OF CONTRACT

- 27.1 No agreement to amend or vary a contract or order or the conditions, stipulations or provisions thereof shall be valid and of any force 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.

28. NOTICES

- 28.1 Every written acceptance of a bid shall be posted to the supplier/bidder concerned by registered or certified mail and any other notice to him/her/it shall be posted by ordinary mail to the address furnished in his bid or to the address notified later by him/her/it in writing and such posting shall be deemed to be proper service of such notice.
- 28.2 The time mentioned in the contract documents for performing any act after such aforesaid notice has been given, shall be reckoned from the date of posting such notice.

29. INCIDENTAL SERVICES

- 29.1 The Contractor may be required to provide any or all of the following services, including additional services, if any, specified in the Special Conditions of Bid:
- (a) performance or supervision of on-site assembly and/or commissioning of the supplied goods;
 - (b) furnishing of tools required for assembly and/or maintenance of the supplied goods;
 - (c) furnishing of a detailed operations and maintenance manual for each appropriate unit of the supplied goods;
 - (d) performance or supervision or maintenance and/or repair of the supplied goods, for a period of time agreed by the parties, provided that this service shall not relieve the Contractor of any warranty obligations under this contract; and
 - (e) training of the Entity's personnel, at the Contractor's plant and/or on-site, in assembly, start-up, operation, maintenance, and/or repair of the supplied goods.
- 29.2 Prices charged by the Contractor for incidental services, if not included in the contract price for the goods, shall be agreed upon in advance by the parties and shall not exceed the prevailing rates charged to other parties by the Contractor for similar services.

30. USE OF CONTRACT DOCUMENTS AND INFORMATION INSPECTION

- 30.1 The Contractor shall not, without the Entity's prior written consent, disclose the contract, or any provision thereof, or any specification, plan, drawing, pattern, sample, or information furnished by or on behalf of the Entity in connection therewith, to any person other than a person employed by the Contractor in the performance of the contract. Disclosure to any such employed person shall be made in confidence and shall extend only so far as may be necessary for purposes of such performance.
- 30.2 The Contractor shall not, without the Entity's prior written consent, make use of any document or information mentioned in GCC clause 30.1 except for purposes of performing the contract.
- 30.3 Any document, other than the contract itself mentioned in GCC clause 30.1 shall remain the property of the Entity and shall be returned (all copies) to the Entity on completion of the Contractor's performance under the contract or so required by the Entity.
- 30.4 The Contractor shall permit the Entity to inspect the Contractor's records relating to the performance of the Contractor and to have them audited by auditors appointed by the Entity, if so required by the Entity.

31. SPARE PARTS

- 31.1 If specified in SCC, the Contractor may be required to provide any or all of the following materials, notifications, and information pertaining to spare parts manufactured or distributed by the Contractor:
 - (a) such spare parts as the Entity may elect to purchase from the Contractor, provided that this election shall not relieve the Contractor of any warranty obligations under the contract.
 - (b) In the event of termination of production of the spare parts:
 - (i) Advance notification to the Entity of the pending termination, in sufficient time to permit the Entity to procure needed requirements; and
 - (ii) Following such termination, furnishing at no cost to the Entity, the blueprints, drawings, and specifications of the spare parts, if requested.

32. PENALTIES

- 32.1 Subject to GCC Clause 4, if the Contractor fails to deliver any or all of the goods or to perform the services within the period(s) specified in the contract, the Entity shall, without prejudice to its other remedies under the contract, deduct from the contract price, as a penalty, a sum calculated on the delivered price of delayed goods or unperformed services, using the current prime interest rate calculated for each day of the delay until actual delivery or performance. The Entity may also consider termination of the contract in terms of the GCC.

33. ANTI-DUMPING AND COUNTERVAILING DUTIES AND RIGHTS

- 33.1 When, after the date of bid, provisional payments are required, or anti-dumping or countervailing duties are imposed, or the amount of a provisional payment or anti-dumping or countervailing right is increased in respect of any dumped or subsidized import, the State is not liable for any amount so required or imposed, or for the amount of any such increase. When, after the said date, such a provisional payment is no longer required or any such anti-dumping or countervailing right is abolished, or where the amount of such provisional payment or any such right is reduced, any such favourable difference shall on demand be paid forthwith by the Contractor to the State or the State may deduct such amounts from moneys (if any) which may otherwise be due to the Contractor in regard to supplies or services which he delivered or rendered, or is to deliver or render in terms of the contract or any other contract or any other amount which may be due to him.

34. GOVERNING LANGUAGE

The contract shall be written in English. All correspondence and other documents pertaining to the contract that is exchanged by the parties shall also be written in English.

35. TAXES AND DUTIES

- 35.1 A foreign Contractor shall be entirely responsible for all taxes, stamp duties, licence fees, and other such levies imposed outside the Entity's country.
- 35.2 A local Contractor shall be entirely responsible for all taxes, duties, license fees, etc., incurred until delivery of the contracted goods to the Entity.
- 35.3 No contract shall be concluded with any bidder whose tax matters are not in order. Prior to the award of a bid the Entity must be in possession of a tax clearance certificate, submitted by the bidder. This certificate must be an original issued by the South African Revenue Services.

ANNEXURE B

INDEMNITY UNDERTAKING

I/We _____ (insert Service Providers name) hereby indemnifies and hold the Office of Health Standard Compliance harmless in respect of all costs that may be incurred by me/us for the submission or performance of this bid. I/We further indemnify the Office of Health Standard Compliance in respect of all legal and other expenses as they are incurred by the Office of Health Standard Compliance in examining, resisting or settling any damages, injuries or loss that may be occasioned by work necessary in terms of this bid.

Witness :

Signature of authorised person to sign the bid.

Witness

Name

ANNEXURE C

SBD 6.1

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

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

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

1. GENERAL CONDITIONS

1.1 The following preference point systems are applicable to all bids:

- the 80/20 system for requirements with a Rand value of up to R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included); and
- the 90/10 system for requirements with a Rand value above R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included).

1.2

- a) The value of this bid is estimated to **exceed/not exceed** R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included) and therefore the preference point system shall be applicable; or
- b) Either the 80/20 or 90/10 preference point system will be applicable to this tender (*delete whichever is not applicable for this tender*).

1.3 Points for this bid shall be awarded for:

- (a) Price; and
- (b) B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor.

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

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

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

1.6 The purchaser reserves the right to require of a bidder, either before a bid is adjudicated or at any time subsequently, to substantiate any claim in regard to preferences, in any manner required by the purchaser.

2. DEFINITIONS

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

3. POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE

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

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

$$Ps = 80 - 1 \frac{Pt - P_{min}}{P_{min}} \quad \text{or} \quad Ps = 90 - 1 \frac{Pt - P_{min}}{P_{min}}$$

Where

Ps = Points scored for price of bid under consideration

Pt = Price of bid under consideration

Pmin = Price of lowest acceptable bid

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

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

accordance with the table below:

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

5. BID DECLARATION

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

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

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

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

7. SUB-CONTRACTING

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

(Tick applicable box)

YES	☐	NO	☐
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7.1.1 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 or QSE

(Tick applicable box)

YES	☐	NO	☐
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- v) Specify, by ticking the appropriate box, if subcontracting with an enterprise in terms of Preferential Procurement Regulations,2017:

Designated Group: An EME or QSE which is at last 51% owned by:	EME √	QSE √
Black people	☐	☐
Black people who are youth	☐	☐
Black people who are women	☐	☐
Black people with disabilities	☐	☐

Black people living in rural or underdeveloped areas or townships		
Cooperative owned by black people		
Black people who are military veterans		
OR		
Any EME		
Any QSE		

8. DECLARATION WITH REGARD TO COMPANY/FIRM

8.1 Name of company/firm:.....

8.2 VAT registration number:.....

8.3 Company registration number:.....

8.4 TYPE OF COMPANY/ FIRM

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

[TICK APPLICABLE BOX]

8.5 DESCRIBE PRINCIPAL BUSINESS ACTIVITIES

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8.6 COMPANY CLASSIFICATION

- ☐ Manufacturer
- ☐ Supplier
- ☐ Professional service provider
- ☐ Other service providers, e.g. transporter, etc.

[TICK APPLICABLE BOX]

8.7 Total number of years the company/firm has been in business:.....

8.8 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 contributor indicated in paragraphs 1.4 and 6.1 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 paragraphs 1.4 and 6.1, 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 contributor 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) recommend that the bidder or contractor, its shareholders and directors, or only the shareholders and directors who acted on a fraudulent basis, be restricted by the National Treasury from obtaining business from any organ of state for a period not exceeding 10 years, after the *audi alteram partem* (hear the other side) rule has been applied; and
- (e) forward the matter for criminal prosecution.

WITNESSES 1. 2.	 SIGNATURE(S) OF BIDDERS(S) DATE: ADDRESS
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TERMS OF REFERENCE

APPOINTMENT OF A SERVICE PROVIDER FOR THE SUPPORT AND MAINTENANCE OF EXISTING SERVER INFRASTRUCTURE AND RENEWAL OF LICENSES FOR SERVER INFRASTRUCTURE FOR THE OHSC FOR A PERIOD OF ONE (1) YEAR.



Office of Health Standards Compliance
Ensuring quality and safety in health care

TENDER NUMBER	OHSC 01 / APRIL/2024
DESCRIPTION	To appoint a suitable service provider to support and maintain the existing ICT infrastructure and software for a period of one (1) year. The service provider: • Must be a suitably qualified, experienced company in ICT infrastructure support and maintenance that has offices in Gauteng and are based in South Africa. • Must provide all documentation as requested in the bid document to support their bid. • Must complete the bill of materials provided for all hardware and technologies. • Dell Partnership - attach a valid letter from Dell partnership. • Cisco – Partnership - attach a valid letter from Cisco partnership. • Palo Alto Partnership - attach a valid letter from Palo Alto • Virtual Machine (VMware) partnership – attach a valid letter from VMWARE. • Paessler Router Traffic Grapher (PRTG) partnership - attach a valid letter from Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM)
TENDER BRIEFING	Date: 17 April 2024 Time: 11h00 at the Office of Health Standards Compliance office. 79 Steve Biko Road, Arcadia, Pretoria, 0084.
ENQUIRIES	Enquiries must be in writing ONLY and directed as follows: SCM/Administration: Supply Chain Management - Phemelo Kgwele at pkgwele@ohsc.org.za Technical: Director ICT: Jay Tulsee jtulsee@ohsc.org.za
CLOSING DATE	Date: 26 April 2024 Time: 11H00 (GMT +2) at above mentioned address Address: Office of Health Standards Compliance office. 79 Steve Biko Road, Arcadia, Pretoria, 0084.

1 OVERVIEW OF OHSC

The Office of Health Standards Compliance (OHSC) is a health sector regulator established in terms of the National Health Act, 2003 (Act No 61 of 2003, as amended). The purpose of the OHSC is "to protect and promote the health and safety of users of health services" by:

- a. monitoring and enforcing compliance by health establishments with norms and standards prescribed by the Minister of Health and
- b. ensuring consideration investigation and disposal of complaints relating to non-compliance with prescribed norms and standards in a procedurally fair, economical, and expeditious manner

2 SUMMARY OF SCOPE

OHSC seeks to appoint a Service Provider for the extension of the Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) warranty and software licenses as per the requirement and provide maintenance and support for a period of one (1) year.

3 PROJECT BACKGROUND

The OHSC has acquired the following technology which has been operational:

A) Data Center

DELL Hyper-Converged infrastructure (HCI) solution with a full management capability inclusive of software and licensing for a period of five (5) years. This consists of three nodes configured with high availability. Support and maintenance for all hardware and software and pro-active managed services and monitoring on the proposed solution for a period of five (5) years.

B) Network and Security

Cisco core network and Cisco access switches for OHSC ensuring compatibility and holistic connectivity to the Local Area Network (LAN) environment.

Palto Alto firewall to protect all IT infrastructure within the OHSC environment.

Support and maintenance for all hardware and software and provide a pro-active managed services and monitoring on the proposed solution for the period of five (5) years.

C) Backup Services

VEEAM and Networker backup software used for all backups.

4 SCOPE OF WORK

4.1 The OHSC seeks to partner with a reputable IT-managed service provider to deliver the expected services in accordance with the required service standards, to provide second- and third-line support and other ICT specialized skills and to deliver the full spectrum of Information and Communication Technology (ICT) services needed by the organization to fulfill its mandate.

4.2 The OHSC has adopted specific technologies over the last 5 years and successfully did a one (1) year renewal on 06 August 2023 until 6 August 2024. The OHSC would like to utilize the existing hardware and software technologies for a further period of one (1) year taking into account the OEM end of support or life on specific equipment. The service provider must have the capacity and resources to support and maintain OHSC's equipment for a period of one (1) year.

NB!! In order for bidder to respond the OHSC has developed Bill of Materials for all hardware and technologies which needs to be strictly used when responding to bid.

4.3 It is important to note that when responding to a tender, bidders need to ensure that the product life span of equipment and technologies are verified with OEMs.

4.4 REQUIRED SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE

4.4.1 Prospective bidders should possess the following skills and experience:

- at least (5) years' experience in the provision of Dell, Cisco, VMware, Veeam and Palo Alto technologies.
- at least (5) years' hands-on experience in managing enterprise-wide ICT Services for organizations; and

4.1.2 Must have Service Delivery Manager, Dell Hyper Converged Infrastructure (HCI) certified server engineer, Cisco certified network engineer, Palo Alto certified firewall engineer for various technologies and services with over 5 years' experience in the following areas:

- Network Configuration, management, and monitoring.
- ICT Security Management with experience in Palo Alto products.
- ICT Infrastructure Performance Management.
- The latest stable release of patch management.
- Server Virtualization with Microsoft Windows Server and VMware.
- Microsoft Windows Server Management and Support Skills.
- ICT applications network support.

- Quarterly testing of disaster recovery and backup management.
- Data Centre management.
- Creating in-depth business analysis that identify problems and opportunities available to the organization.
- Suggesting the most appropriate IT solutions to solve issues and improve operations.
- Improving current systems to increase productivity.

4.5 DETAILED INFORMATION COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY SERVICES REQUIRED

The services to be included in the scope of the required Service Level Agreement (SLA) comprises of the following:

4.5.1 Network Wired and Wireless LAN Infrastructure and Support Services.

- Service Level Agreement (SLA) monitoring and reporting on all infrastructure uptimes.
- Maintenance and support of network equipment, including switches and wireless controller.
- Assessment and configuration of network monitoring tools.
- Installation of the latest stable release of patches and upgrades to network and security infrastructure.
- Configuration of monitoring alert notification in case of failure of equipment.
- Isolation of bottlenecks and associated problems.
- Configuration of peripheral devices on network.
- General troubleshooting of network problems.
- Setup of secure network connections including Server Virtualization setup and management.
- General network & security administration and support advisory.
- Server administration and support requests.
- Update of design document.

4.5.2 Servers Maintenance and Virtual Environment Support Services

- SLA monitoring and reporting on all infrastructure uptimes.
- Management of the Server and Storage Infrastructure including the VMware and virtual hosts.
- Installation of the latest stable release of software and security patches and updates.
- Quarterly scheduled preventive maintenance for all equipment.
- Server software installations, configuration, maintenance, and support.
- Alignment to security policy configuration, maintenance, and support.
- General fault finding and troubleshooting.
- Storage capacity management.
- Server administration and support requests.
- Update of design document.

4.5.3 Security Infrastructure services and management

- SLA monitoring and reporting on all infrastructure uptimes.
- Palo Alto Firewall assessment, reconfiguring, support, and maintenance.
- Installation of the latest stable release of software and security patches and updates.
- Quarterly vulnerability assessment and reports.
- Security management support requests.
- Update of design document.

4.5.4 Backup Services

- Installation of the latest stable release of backup software.
- Support and Maintenance backup solution.
- Manage system changes of the backup environment.

4.5.5. Bidder will need to ensure that internal and external audit findings based on various technologies used and supported are addressed and mitigated.

4.6. MANAGEMENT

The successful bidder shall be expected to deliver services to the OHSC through the following service channels and corresponding service availability parameters:

- **Telephonic Support and Remote Support** -Telephone support services shall be accessible to the OHSC between 08:00 hours – 17:00 hours during working days and after-hours telephonic support for priority one (1) call shall also be available to the OHSC and such calls shall be routed to a designated after-hours support contact number.
- **Email Support**- the service provider shall avail a dedicated email address to which support requests will be directed. Email support shall be accessible to the OHSC between 08:00 hours – 17:00 hours during working days; and emails made outside of office hours shall be collected and processed on the next working day, if not processed on the same day.
- **Online Services Portal** – the service provider shall provide an online services portal, which will be used to log support request as well as to monitor the status of the logged support requests. The online portal shall be available 24 hours a day and 7 days a week: and the online portal may be off-line only during maintenance windows, which shall not be during the 08:00 hours – 17:00 hours working days.
- **On-site Support** – the service provider shall provide on-site support services for support requests that require on-site support. On-site support shall be provided to the OHSC at its office and shall be accessible to the OHSC between 08:00 hours – 17:00 hours during working days. After-hours on-site support services must be available for critical and urgent support request as well as for maintenance activities that cannot be carried-out during office hours to avoid unnecessary service disruptions.

4.7 SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENT

The relationship between OHSC and the successful bidder will be managed through a Service Level Agreement (SLA) and proper procedures must be in place to manage, monitor and report as stipulated.

PRIORITY LEVEL	PRIORITY DESCRIPTION	RESPONSE TIMES	RESOLUTION TIMES
Priority 1	- Incident affecting multiple users, and/or multiple related services and causing cessation of work within the entire organization or multiple units. - Multiple services or critical services down.	Within 30 minutes	Within 4 hours
Priority 2	- Problems affecting multiple users, which prevents then successful and timely completion of work. - Service(s) working but in an impaired fashion.	Within 2 hours	Within 1 working days
Priority 3	- Problems affecting a single user, which prevents the successful and timely completion of work. - Service(s) working but in an impaired fashion.	Within 4 hours	Within 5 working days
Priority 4	- Scheduled appointments to perform requested services. - Procurement and installation of certain new services or software /patches.	Within 1 working day	Agreed between bidder and OHSC Information Communication & Technology (ICT)

4.8 PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENT

The following processes will be used to manage the provision of the support services within the service contract:

- (a) Ongoing Request Monitoring – request monitoring will be carried out as follows:

The bidder will be expected to undertake regular monitoring of service requests to ensure that these are carried out in accordance with set SLA targets; and

The OHSC ICT unit will also continuously monitor logged requests, flag-up requests of high criticality for a speedy resolution and escalate worrisome requests that are likely to or have exceeded their service targets.
- (b) Quarterly SLA Reports – the service provider shall be expected to provide quarterly SLA reports.
- (c) Monthly operational meetings – there shall be monthly operational SLA meetings that will be conducted to review service performance for the previous month.

5 COMPLIANCE WITH STANDARDS

5.1 The service provider shall provide document on the following:

- Dell Partnership - attach a valid letter from Dell partnership.
- Cisco – Partnership - attach a valid letter from Cisco partnership.
- Palo Alto Partnership - attach a valid letter from Palo Alto
- VMware Partnership – attach a valid letter from VMWARE.
- PRTG partnership - attach a valid letter from OEM.

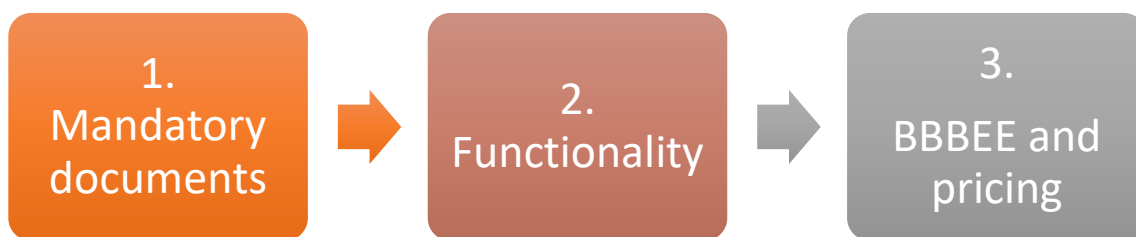
6 TIMEFRAME

6.1 The duration of this project is for a period of one (1) year with effect from 06 August 2024 to 5 August 2025 and in the case of OEM coming to end of life (support) these dates will be applicable.

7 EVALUATION CRITERIA

Bids will be evaluated on an 80/20-point system as outlined in the Preferential Procurement Regulations.

The proposals will be evaluated in three phases:



7.1 PHASE 1: Mandatory document

NB: Bidders must take note of the following:

- To be completed by the bidders: bidders must indicate whether they comply and attach proof thereof.
- The proof attachments must be referenced as annexures.

Mandatory Requirements NO		Comply	Do not comply	Properly mark your attachments from theannexure A-C
1.	Dell Partnership • Attach a valid letter from Dell partnership.			Annexure B1
2.	Cisco - Partnership. • Attach a valid letter from Cisco partnership.			Annexure B2
3.	Palo Alto Partnership • Attach a valid letter from Palo Alto			Annexure B3
4.	VMWare partnership • Attach a valid letter from OEM.			Annexure B4
5.	PRTG partnership • Attach a valid letter from OEM			Annexure B5
6.	Must complete the costing on the bill of materials provided for all hardware and technologies.			Annexure B6 (1 & 2)

NB: Failure to attach a copy of the certificates/required documents may lead to disqualification.

Failure to complete all Bill of Materials for all hardware and technologies may lead to disqualification.

7.2 PHASE 2: Functionality

An assessment of functionality will be based on the evaluation criteria noted in the table below. Each of the evaluation criteria in the table will carry a weighting as indicated, and the service provider will be required to score a minimum of 75 points (out of the 100 points). Bidders who score less than 75 points out of 100 points (75% threshold) will not be considered for the final phase and will thus be eliminated.

The table below illustrates the summary of the technical evaluation criterion. The functionality will be evaluated as follows:

NO	EVALUATION CRITERIA	SUB EVALUATION CRITERIA	WEIGHT
7.2.1	Company Experience	Proven Experience: The bidder must have a minimum of five (5) years of knowledge and experience in the following: a. Network Wired and Wireless LAN Infrastructure and Support Services b. Servers Maintenance and Virtual Environment Support Services c. Security Infrastructure services and management d. Backup Services • 11 years and above = 25 points • 5 -10 years = 15 points • Less than 5 years = 0 Bidders need to provide the information on relevant experience as per terms of reference, please refer to annexure F – company experience.	25
7.2.2	Technical Skills team	The service provider needs to ensure that the following resource are certified that will be assigned to the project: • Service Delivery Manager • Dell HCI certified server engineer, • Cisco certified network engineer • Palo Alto certified. firewall engineer. Bidder meets 4 out of 4 resources with minimum relevant working experience of five (5) years for each resource = 30	30

		Bidder does not meet the 4 resources = 0 The above four resources must have at least 5 years of working experience on support and maintenance of technologies as per terms of reference requirements. The bidder must ensure that a detailed CV for each resource to be place on the project and proof of certification submitted with the proposal. NB!! If one of the qualifications above are not submitted, this will result in zero (0) scoring for these criteria.	
7.2.3	References	The bidder must provide us with reference letters from <u>recent clients</u> with whom similar work in provisioning of IT support and maintenance services/contract as per terms of reference requirements. Bidders must submit a minimum of three contactable references on official letterhead and the client for whom the services were rendered. The letters should also have a clear indication of the year(s) that the services were rendered. The reference letter must include the following requirements: • description and relevance to the tendered project • role of the tenderer • duration of the project • signed letter by primary contact at the company. 4 Reference letters or more = 10 3 Reference letters = 5 Less than three (3) reference letters = 0 NB!! Reference letters will be verified with the client and must correspond with Annexure F company experience. Submission of letters not in line / or compliant with the above requirement will not be considered.	10

7.2.4	Approach and Methodology on Scope of Work	The bidder must have a clear understanding of the Terms of Reference and be capable of delivering the following requirements for the OHSC. as per section 4 of the terms of reference.	35
		7.2.4.1 Network Wired and Wireless LAN Infrastructure and Support Services	
		7.2.4.2 Servers Maintenance and Virtual Environment Support Services	
		7.2.4.3 Security Infrastructure services and management	
		7.2.4.4. Backup Services	
		7.2.4.5 Management of the support and maintenance	
		7.2.4.6 Performance management	
		Bidder meets 6 out of 6 requirements = 35 Bidder meets more than and equal to 4 out of 6 requirements = 15 Bidder meets less than 4 of the 6 requirements = 0	
		FUNCTIONALITY TOTAL	100

7.3 PHASE 3: Price and PPPFA Calculations

If bidders attained 75 points/percent or more in phase 2, bidders would now be evaluated for Price in terms of the **80/20-preference point system**, where **80 points will be for Price** and **20 points will be for your B-BBEE status**. The contract would be awarded to the service provider scoring the highest score.

The points scored in respect of B-BBEE contribution (i.e., HDI status) will be added to the points scored for price.

The following formula will be used to calculate the points for **Price**:

$$Ps = 80 \{1 - \frac{(Pt - P \min)}{P \min}\}$$

Where:

Ps = Points scored for comparative price of bid or offer under consideration.

Pt = Comparative price of bid or offer under consideration.

P min = Comparative price of lowest acceptable bid or offer

Points must be awarded to a bidder for attaining the BBBEE status level of contribution in accordance with the table below:

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

Bidders must submit original and valid B-BBEE status level verification certificates or certified copies thereof, issued by accredited Verification Agencies by SANAS or a sworn affidavit as prescribed by the B-BBEE Codes of Good Practice together with their bids to substantiate their B-BBEE claims. The Exempted Micro Enterprise must submit a sworn affidavit on the template as issued by DTI.

8 PRICING.

- 8.1 The bidder must provide a pricing schedule linked to all the proposed tasks to be undertaken, together with any other costs.
- 8.2 The bidder must clearly indicate the total cost inclusive of VAT for the project.
- 8.3 All pricing must be quoted in South African Rand (ZAR), including VAT.
- 8.4 The OHSC reserves the right not to award the tender to the lowest price.
- 8.5 The pricing should list all costs, software licensing, fees, and taxes associated with the project, and must remain valid for a period of 120 (one hundred and twenty) days after the closing date of the tender submission.
- 8.6 All monetary amounts must be in South African Rand and inclusive of Value Added Tax (VAT) for registered vendors.
- 8.7 **BID EXCHANGE RATE CONDITIONS.**

The bidders must use the exchange rate provided below to enable OHSC to compare the prices provided by using the same exchange rate: Foreign currency.

South African Rand (ZAR) exchange rate
1 US Dollar: 19.03
1 Euro: 20.43
1 Pound: 23.89

9 CONDITIONS OF TENDER

- 9.1 The OHSC reserve the right not to award the tender.
- 9.2 The OHSC may request clarity of further information regarding any aspect of the bid. The service provider should supply the requested information within forty-eight (48) hours after the request has been made.
- 9.3 The OHSC reserves the right to conduct a security background check or screening of the service provider.
- 9.4 The OHSC reserves the right to conduct mandatory site inspections on the service provider.
- 9.5 Any conditions imposed by the service provider that is restrictive or contrary to any part of these Terms of Reference will automatically disqualify the service provider.
- 9.6 The service provider will be held liable for any damage or loss suffered by the entity, because of the service provider's own or his/her employees' negligence or intent, which originated at the site.
- 9.7 The service provider will have to pay damages or replace any stolen item damaged or stolen due to the negligence or intent of the service provider's own employees.
- 9.8 The service provider must, at his/her own expense, take out sufficient insurance against any claims, cost, loss, and/or damage ensuing from his/her obligations and shall ensure that such insurance remains operative for the duration of this agreement.
- 9.9 A copy of such insurance contract must be handed to the OHSC Representative on commencement of the service. Evidence that such insurance premiums have indeed been paid or is being sought must be furnished on request.
- 9.10 The OHSC does not bind itself to accept the lowest quote.
- 9.11 The OHSC reserves the right to invite bidders for presentation at the bidders' own cost and perform site visits to shortlisted bidders before the award of the bid, as part of the evaluation process.
- 9.12 Any shortcomings in this specification must be identified by the service provider prior to the awarding of the bid and raised with the OHSC for rectification and agreement.
- 9.13 Any shortcomings identified by the service provider after the bid has been awarded and that would have had an impact on the bid price will be for the account of the service provider.
- 9.14 The winning service provider must be willing to sign a service level agreement with the OHSC.
- 9.15 Due to the nature and scope of work for the services to be delivered under this Request for Proposal (RFP) the bidder shall not have the option to sub-contract any of the work under this RFP.
- 9.16 The bidder should confirm unconditional acceptance of full responsibility for executing the "Scope of Work" and compliance with the terms and conditions of the RFP in its entirety.

- 9.17 The OHSC reserves the right to extend the closing date. The OHSC reserves the right to appoint one or more service providers, separately or jointly (whether or not they submitted a joint proposal).
- 9.18 The OHSC reserves the right to award this RFP as a whole or in part.
- 9.19 The OHSC reserves the right to cancel or withdraw this RFP as a whole or in part.

10 CONTRACT PERFORMANCE

- 10.1 Preferred service provider will enter into a contract with the OHSC, which with a format, terms, and conditions set by the OHSC.
- 10.2 The performance of the Service Provider shall be reviewed quarterly during the period of the signed Service Level Agreement.
- 10.3 If it is found that information provided is false including the breach of the General Condition of the Contract, The OHSC reserves the right to terminate this contract with immediate effect.

11 FORMAT AND SUBMISSION OF THE PROPOSAL

- 11.1 All the official forms (SBD) must be completed and signed in all respects by bidders. Failure to comply will invalidate a bid.
- 11.2 Bidders are requested to submit one (1) original plus and one (1) copy USB drive.
- 11.3 This is a two-stage bidding process in which proposals submitted must include technical and price, submitted in separate envelopes. For this purpose, the service provider must provide in respect of:
- 11.4 **Clearly marked.**
- a. Technical, one (1) original plus and one (1) copy USB drive.
 - b. Clearly marked price bid sheet, (TO BE SUBMITTED SEPARATELY) one (1) original should include the name of the service provider and certification that the person signing the proposal entitled to represent the service provider empowered to submit the bid and authorized to sign a contract with the OHSC.
- 11.5 For ease of reference, bids should be packaged in the following format:
- Annexure A - Signed Tender Document and Completed SBD Forms
 - Annexure B (1-6) - Mandatory Documents
 - Annexure C - Functionality Response
 - Annexure D - Company Profile
 - Annexure E - Any other supporting document
 - Annexure F – schedule of bidder's experience and contactable references.

12. COMPULSORY INFORMATION SESSION & ENQUIRIES

12.1 A compulsory information (briefing) session will be held on 17 April 2024, OHSC Boardroom at 11h00, at 79 Steve Biko Road, Arcadia, Pretoria.

12.2 The Tender briefing session will be held as per page one of this document and other enquiries. must be made in writing to the following:

12.3 Failure to attend the compulsory information (briefing) session will result disqualification.

Supply Chain Management / Admin	Technical
Mrs. P Kgwele at (012) 942 7812 or pkgwele@ohsc.org.za .	Mr. Jay Tulsee jtulsee@ohsc.org.za

NB: All tender enquires must be in writing.

13. CLOSING DATE

13.1 Proposals must be submitted on or before 26 April 2024 at the OHSC Offices Reception, 79 Steve Biko Road, Arcadia, Pretoria.

13.2 No faxed or emailed tender document will be considered.

13.3 Bidders are therefore strongly advised to ensure that bids be dispatched allowing enough. time for any unforeseen events that may delay the timeous delivery of the bid.

13.4 A submission will be considered late if it arrives a second after 11H00 am. The bid box shall be locked at exactly 11H00 am, and any bid thereafter will not be accepted.

ANNEXURE F - SCHEDULE OF BIDDER'S EXPERIENCE AND CONTACTABLE 'REFERENCES

Company Name	Contact person, email, and Telephone Number	Description of services delivered	Value of the services delivered (Inclusive of Vat)	Duration of services delivered to client