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PART A
INVITATION TO BID

YOU ARE HEREBY INVITED TO BID FOR REQUIREMENTS OF THE LIMPOPO DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH					
BID NUMBER:	HEDP 007/23/24	CLOSING DATE:	14 JULY 2023	CLOSING TIME:	11:00
DESCRIPTION	TRANSPORTATION AND STORAGE OF CORPSES INCLUDING THE RENDERING OF PAUPERS' BURIALS AT VARIOUS HEALTH FACILITIES(MOPANI DISTRICT AND WATERBURG DISTRICT) - IN THE LIMPOPO DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR A PERIOD OF 30MONTHS				
BID RESPONSE DOCUMENTS MAY BE DEPOSITED IN THE BID BOX SITUATED AT (STREET ADDRESS)					
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, 18 COLLEGE STREET, POLOKWANE, LIMPOPO PROVINCE					
THE BID BOX IS GENERALLY OPEN 24 HOURS, 7 DAYS A WEEK.					
BIDDING PROCEDURE ENQUIRIES MAY BE DIRECTED TO			TECHNICAL ENQUIRIES MAY BE DIRECTED TO:		
CONTACT PERSON	Ms Simango T.O / Ms. Motene NM		CONTACT PERSON	Dr. N.J Ramalivhana	
TELEPHONE NUMBER	015 293 6352 / 015 293 6350		TELEPHONE NUMBER	(071) 861 9918	
E-MAIL ADDRESS	Ntlama.Maphahlele@dhsd.limpopo.gov.za Tintswalo.Simango@dhsd.limpopo.gov.za		E-MAIL ADDRESS	Neledzani.ramalivhana@dhsd.limpopo.gov.za	
SUPPLIER INFORMATION					
NAME OF BIDDER					
POSTAL ADDRESS					
STREET ADDRESS					
TELEPHONE NUMBER	CODE		NUMBER		
CELLPHONE NUMBER					
FACSIMILE NUMBER	CODE		NUMBER		
E-MAIL ADDRESS					
VAT REGISTRATION NUMBER					
SUPPLIER COMPLIANCE STATUS	TAX COMPLIANCE SYSTEM PIN:		OR	CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE No:	MAAA
B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE	TICK APPLICABLE BOX] <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL SWORN AFFIDAVIT	[TICK APPLICABLE BOX] <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
[A B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE/ SWORN AFFIDAVIT (FOR EMES & QSEs) MUST BE SUBMITTED IN ORDER TO QUALIFY FOR PREFERENCE POINTS FOR B-BBEE]					
ARE YOU THE ACCREDITED REPRESENTATIVE IN SOUTH AFRICA FOR THE GOODS /SERVICES /WORKS OFFERED?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No [IF YES ENCLOSE PROOF]		ARE YOU A FOREIGN BASED SUPPLIER FOR THE GOODS /SERVICES /WORKS OFFERED?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No [IF YES, ANSWER QUESTIONNAIRE TO BIDDING FOREIGN SUPPLIERS BELOW]	
QUESTIONNAIRE TO BIDDING FOREIGN SUPPLIERS					
IS THE ENTITY A RESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA (RSA)?			<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		
DOES THE ENTITY HAVE A BRANCH IN THE RSA?			<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		
DOES THE ENTITY HAVE A PERMANENT ESTABLISHMENT IN THE RSA?			<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		
DOES THE ENTITY HAVE ANY SOURCE OF INCOME IN THE RSA?			<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		
IS THE ENTITY LIABLE IN THE RSA FOR ANY FORM OF TAXATION?			<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		
IF THE ANSWER IS "NO" TO ALL OF THE ABOVE, THEN IT IS NOT A REQUIREMENT TO REGISTER FOR A TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS SYSTEM PIN CODE FROM THE SOUTH AFRICAN REVENUE SERVICE (SARS) AND IF NOT REGISTER AS PER 2.3 BELOW.					

**PART B
TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR BIDDING**

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

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

SIGNATURE OF BIDDER:

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

DATE:

**PRICING SCHEDULE – NON-FIRM PRICES
(PURCHASES)**

NOTE: PRICE ADJUSTMENTS WILL BE ALLOWED AT THE PERIODS AND TIMES SPECIFIED IN THE BIDDING DOCUMENTS.

IN CASES WHERE DIFFERENT DELIVERY POINTS INFLUENCE THE PRICING, A SEPARATE PRICING SCHEDULE MUST BE SUBMITTED FOR EACH DELIVERY POINT

Name of Bidder.....	Bid number.....
Closing Time 11:00.....	Closing date.....

OFFER TO BE VALID FOR 120 DAYS FROM THE CLOSING DATE OF BID.

ITEM NO	QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	BID PRICE IN RSA CURRENCY **(APPLICABLE TAXES INCLUDED)
			R

- Required by:
- At:
- Brand and model
- Country of origin
- Does the offer comply with the specification(s)? *YES/NO
- If not to specification, indicate deviation(s)
- Period required for delivery
- Delivery: *Firm/not firm

** "all applicable taxes" includes value- added tax, pay as you earn, income tax, unemployment insurance fund contributions and skills development levies.

*Delete if not applicable

PRICE ADJUSTMENTS

A NON-FIRM PRICES SUBJECT TO ESCALATION

IN CASES OF PERIOD CONTRACTS, NON FIRM PRICES WILL BE ADJUSTED (LOADED) WITH THE ASSESSED CONTRACT PRICE ADJUSTMENTS IMPLICIT IN NON FIRM PRICES WHEN CALCULATING THE COMPARATIVE PRICES

2. IN THIS CATEGORY PRICE ESCALATIONS WILL ONLY BE CONSIDERED IN TERMS OF THE FOLLOWING FORMULA:

$$Pa = (1 - V)Pt \left(D1 \frac{R1t}{R1o} + D2 \frac{R2t}{R2o} + D3 \frac{R3t}{R3o} + D4 \frac{R4t}{R4o} \right) + VPt$$

Where:

- Pa = The new escalated price to be calculated.
- = 85% of the original bid price. **Note that Pt must always be the original bid price and not an escalated price.**
- = Each factor of the bid price eg. labour, transport, clothing, footwear, etc. The total of the various factors D1, D2...etc. must add up to 100%.
- = Index figure obtained from new index (depends on the number of factors used).
- R1o, R2o = Index figure at time of bidding.
- = 15% of the original bid price. This portion of the bid price remains firm i.e. it is not subject to any price escalations.

The following index/indices must be used to calculate your bid price:

Index..... Dated..... Index..... Dated..... Index..... Dated.....
 Index..... Dated..... Index..... Dated..... Index..... Dated.....

FURNISH A BREAKDOWN OF YOUR PRICE IN TERMS OF ABOVE-MENTIONED FORMULA. THE TOTAL OF THE VARIOUS FACTORS MUST ADD UP TO 100%.

FACTOR (D1, D2 etc. eg. Labour, transport etc.)	PERCENTAGE OF BID PRICE

PRICES SUBJECT TO RATE OF EXCHANGE VARIATIONS

Please furnish full particulars of your financial institution, state the currencies used in the conversion of the prices of the items to South African currency, which portion of the price is subject to rate of exchange variations and the amounts remitted abroad.

PARTICULARS OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTION	ITEM NO	PRICE	CURRENCY	RATE	PORTION OF PRICE SUBJECT TO ROE	AMOUNT IN FOREIGN CURRENCY REMITTED ABROAD
				ZAR=		
				ZAR=		
				ZAR=		
				ZAR=		
				ZAR=		
				ZAR=		

Adjustments for rate of exchange variations during the contract period will be calculated by using the average monthly exchange rates as issued by your commercial bank for the periods indicated hereunder: (Proof from bank required)

AVERAGE MONTHLY EXCHANGE RATES FOR THE PERIOD:	DATE DOCUMENTATION MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THIS OFFICE	DATE FROM WHICH NEW CALCULATED PRICES WILL BECOME EFFECTIVE	DATE UNTIL WHICH NEW CALCULATED PRICE WILL BE EFFECTIVE

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 Bidders, 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.

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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.

PREFERENCE POINTS CLAIM FORM IN TERMS OF THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS 2022

This preference form must form part of all tenders invited. It contains general information and serves as a claim form for preference points for specific goals.

NB: BEFORE COMPLETING THIS FORM, TENDERERS MUST STUDY THE GENERAL CONDITIONS, DEFINITIONS AND DIRECTIVES APPLICABLE IN RESPECT OF THE TENDER AND PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS, 2022

1. GENERAL CONDITIONS

1.1 The following preference point systems are applicable to invitations to tender:

- the 80/20 system for requirements with a Rand value 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 To be completed by the organ of state

(delete whichever is not applicable for this tender).

- a) The applicable preference point system for this tender is the 90/10 preference point system.
- b) The applicable preference point system for this tender is the 80/20 preference point system.
- c) Either the 90/10 or 80/20 preference point system will be applicable in this tender. The lowest/highest acceptable tender will be used to determine the accurate system once tenders are received.

1.3 Points for this tender (even in the case of a tender for income-generating contracts) shall be awarded for:

- (a) Price; and
- (b) Specific Goals.

1.4 To be completed by the organ of state:

The maximum points for this tender are allocated as follows:

	POINTS
PRICE	80
SPECIFIC GOALS	20
Total points for Price and SPECIFIC GOALS	100

1.5 Failure on the part of a tenderer to submit proof or documentation required in terms of this tender to claim points for specific goals with the tender, will be interpreted to mean that preference points for specific goals are not claimed.

- 1.6 The organ of state reserves the right to require of a tenderer, either before a tender is adjudicated or at any time subsequently, to substantiate any claim in regard to preferences, in any manner required by the organ of state.

2. DEFINITIONS

- (a) **“tender”** means a written offer in the form determined by an organ of state in response to an invitation to provide goods or services through price quotations, competitive tendering process or any other method envisaged in legislation;
- (b) **“price”** means an amount of money tendered for goods or services, and includes all applicable taxes less all unconditional discounts;
- (c) **“rand value”** means the total estimated value of a contract in Rand, calculated at the time of bid invitation, and includes all applicable taxes;
- (d) **“tender for income-generating contracts”** means a written offer in the form determined by an organ of state in response to an invitation for the origination of income-generating contracts through any method envisaged in legislation that will result in a legal agreement between the organ of state and a third party that produces revenue for the organ of state, and includes, but is not limited to, leasing and disposal of assets and concession contracts, excluding direct sales and disposal of assets through public auctions; and
- (e) **“the Act”** means the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act, 2000 (Act No. 5 of 2000).

3. FORMULAE FOR PROCUREMENT OF GOODS AND SERVICES

3.1. POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE

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

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

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

Where

Ps = Points scored for price of tender under consideration

Pt = Price of tender under consideration

Pmin = Price of lowest acceptable tender

3.2. FORMULAE FOR DISPOSAL OR LEASING OF STATE ASSETS AND INCOME GENERATING PROCUREMENT

3.2.1. POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE

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

$$Ps = 80 \left(1 + \frac{Pt - Pmax}{Pmax} \right) \text{ or } Ps = 90 \left(1 + \frac{Pt - Pmax}{Pmax} \right)$$

Where

Ps = Points scored for price of tender under consideration

Pt = Price of tender under consideration

Pmax = Price of highest acceptable tender

4. POINTS AWARDED FOR SPECIFIC GOALS

4.1. In terms of Regulation 4(2); 5(2); 6(2) and 7(2) of the Preferential Procurement Regulations, preference points must be awarded for specific goals stated in the tender. For the purposes of this tender the tenderer will be allocated points based on the goals stated in table 1 below as may be supported by proof/ documentation stated in the conditions of this tender:

4.2. In cases where organs of state intend to use Regulation 3(2) of the Regulations, which states that, if it is unclear whether the 80/20 or 90/10 preference point system applies, an organ of state must, in the tender documents, stipulate in the case of—

(a) an invitation for tender for income-generating contracts, that either the 80/20 or 90/10 preference point system will apply and that the highest acceptable tender will be used to determine the applicable preference point system; or

(b) any other invitation for tender, that either the 80/20 or 90/10 preference point system will apply and that the lowest acceptable tender will be used to determine the applicable preference point system,

then the organ of state must indicate the points allocated for specific goals for both the 90/10 and 80/20 preference point system.

Table 1: Specific goals for the tender and points claimed are indicated per the table below.

*(Note to organs of state: Where either the 90/10 or **80/20** preference point system is applicable, corresponding points must also be indicated as such.*

Note to tenderers: The tenderer must indicate how they claim points for each preference point system.)

The specific goals allocated points in terms of this tender	Number of points allocated (80/20 system) (To be completed by the organ of state)	Number of points claimed (80/20 system) (To be completed by the tenderer)
Enterprise Located in Limpopo	5/20	
SMMEs	5/20	
Woman	3/20	
Disabled Person	3/20	
Youth	4/20	

4.2.1. **People living with Disability:** Submission of signed-offer by a Medical Practitioner(Doctor’s letter) indicating whether the disability is temporary or permanent. Affidavit detailing the above will also be acceptable.

4.2.2. **Women:** Bidders must submit the latest full Central Supplier Database (CSD report). **The date of the report must be the latest i.e. at least 5 days before the Bid Closure.**

4.2.3. **Youth:** Bidders must submit the latest full Central Supplier Database (CSD report). **The date of the report must be the latest i.e. at least 5 days before the Bid Closure.**

4.2.4. **Enterprise Located in Limpopo:** Bidders must attach proof of residence of where the enterprise is allocated.

4.2.5. **SMMEs:** Bidders must attach valid original sworn affidavit

DECLARATION WITH REGARD TO COMPANY/FIRM

4.3. Name of company/firm.....

4.4. Company registration number:

4.5. TYPE OF COMPANY/ FIRM

- Partnership/Joint Venture / Consortium
- One-person business/sole propriety
- Close corporation
- Public Company
- Personal Liability Company
- (Pty) Limited
- Non-Profit Company
- State Owned Company

[TICK APPLICABLE BOX]

4.6. I, the undersigned, who is duly authorised to do so on behalf of the company/firm, certify that the points claimed, based on the specific goals as advised in the tender, qualifies the company/ firm for the preference(s) shown and I 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 4.2, the contractor may be required to furnish documentary proof to the satisfaction of the organ of state that the claims are correct;
- iv) If the specific goals have been claimed or obtained on a fraudulent basis or any of the conditions of contract have not been fulfilled, the organ of state may, in addition to any other remedy it may have –
 - (a) disqualify the person from the tendering process;
 - (b) recover costs, losses or damages it has incurred or suffered as a result of that person's conduct;
 - (c) cancel the contract and claim any damages which it has suffered as a result of having to make less favourable arrangements due to such cancellation;
 - (d) recommend that the tenderer or contractor, its shareholders and directors, or only the shareholders and directors who acted on a fraudulent basis, be restricted from obtaining business from any organ of state for a period not exceeding 10 years, after the *audi alteram partem* (hear the other side) rule has been applied; and
 - (e) forward the matter for criminal prosecution, if deemed necessary.

..... SIGNATURE(S) OF TENDERER(S)	
SURNAME AND NAME:
DATE:
ADDRESS:

**GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT
GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT**

NOTES

The purpose of this document is to:

- (i) Draw special attention to certain general conditions applicable to government bids, contracts and orders; and
- (ii) To ensure that clients be familiar with regard to the rights and obligations of all parties involved in doing business with government.

In this document words in the singular also mean in the plural and vice versa and words in the masculine also mean in the feminine and neuter.

- . The General Conditions of Contract will form part of all bid documents and may not be amended.
- . Special Conditions of Contract (SCC) relevant to a specific Bid, should be compiled separately for every bid (if applicable) and will supplement the General Conditions of Contract. Whenever there is a conflict, the provisions in the SCC shall prevail.

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General Conditions of Contract

1. Definitions	<p>The following terms shall be interpreted as indicated:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1.1 “Closing time” means the date and hour specified in the bidding documents for the receipt of bids. 1.2 “Contract” means the written agreement entered into between the purchaser and the supplier, as recorded in the contract form signed by the parties, including all attachments and appendices thereto and all documents incorporated by reference therein. 1.3 “Contract price” means the price payable to the supplier under the contract for the full and proper performance of his contractual obligations. 1.4 “Corrupt practice” means the offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting of any thing of value to influence the action of a public official in the procurement process or in contract execution. 1.5 “Countervailing duties” are imposed in cases where an enterprise abroad is subsidised by its government and encouraged to market its products internationally. 1.6 “Country of origin” means the place where the goods were mined, grown or produced or from which the services are supplied. Goods are produced when, through manufacturing, processing or substantial and major assembly of components, a commercially recognised new product results that is substantially different in basic characteristics or in purpose or utility from its components. 1.7 “Day” means calendar day. 1.8 “Delivery” means delivery in compliance of the conditions of the contract or order. 1.9 “Delivery ex stock” means immediate delivery directly from stock actually on hand. 1.10 “Delivery into consignees store or to his site” means delivered and unloaded in the specified store or depot or on the specified site in compliance with the conditions of the contract or order, the supplier bearing all risks and charges involved until the supplies are so delivered and a valid receipt is obtained. 1.11 “Dumping” occurs when a private enterprise abroad market its goods on own initiative in the RSA at lower prices than that of the country of origin and which have the potential to harm the local industries in the RSA. 1.12 “Force majeure” means an event beyond the control of the supplier and not involving the supplier’s fault or negligence and not foreseeable. Such events may include, but is not restricted to, acts of the purchaser in its sovereign capacity, wars or revolutions, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions and freight embargoes. 1.13 “Fraudulent practice” means a misrepresentation of facts in order to influence a procurement process or the execution of a contract to the detriment of any bidder, and includes collusive practice among bidders (prior to or after bid submission) designed to establish bid prices at artificial non-competitive levels and to deprive the bidder of the benefits of free and open competition. 1.14 “GCC” means the General Conditions of Contract. 1.15 “Goods” means all of the equipment, machinery, and/or other materials that the supplier is required to supply to the purchaser under the contract. 1.16 “Imported content” means that portion of the bidding price represented by the cost of components, parts or materials which have been or are still to be imported (whether by the supplier or his subcontractors) and which costs are inclusive of the costs abroad, plus freight and other direct importation costs such as landing costs, dock dues, import duty, sales duty or other similar tax or duty at the South African place of entry as well as transportation and handling charges to the factory in the Republic where the supplies covered by the bid will be manufactured. 1.17 “Local content” means that portion of the bidding price which is not included in the imported content provided that local manufacture does take place. 1.18 “Manufacture” means the production of products in a factory using labour, materials, components and machinery and includes other related value-adding activities. 1.19 “Order” means an official written order issued for the supply of goods or works or the rendering of a service. 1.20 “Project site,” where applicable, means the place indicated in bidding documents.
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	<p>1.21 “Purchaser” means the organization purchasing the goods.</p> <p>1.22 “Republic” means the Republic of South Africa.</p> <p>1.23 “SCC” means the Special Conditions of Contract.</p> <p>1.24 “Services” means those functional services ancillary to the supply of the goods, such as transportation and any other incidental services, such as installation, commissioning, provision of technical assistance, training, catering, gardening, security, maintenance and other such obligations of the supplier covered under the contract.</p> <p>1.25 “Written” or “in writing” means handwritten in ink or any form of electronic or mechanical writing.</p>
2. Application	<p>2.1 These general conditions are applicable to all bids, contracts and orders including bids for functional and professional services, sales, hiring, letting and the granting or acquiring of rights, but excluding immovable property, unless otherwise indicated in the bidding documents.</p> <p>2.2 Where applicable, special conditions of contract are also laid down to cover specific supplies, services or works.</p> <p>2.3 Where such special conditions of contract are in conflict with these general conditions, the special conditions shall apply.</p>
3. General	<p>3.1 Unless otherwise indicated in the bidding documents, the purchaser shall not be liable for any expense incurred in the preparation and submission of a bid. Where applicable a non-refundable fee for documents may be charged.</p> <p>3.2 With certain exceptions, invitations to bid are only published in the Government Bid Bulletin. The Government Bid Bulletin may be obtained directly from the Government Printer, Private Bag X85, Pretoria 0001, or accessed electronically from www.treasury.gov.za</p>
4. Standards	<p>4.1 The goods supplied shall conform to the standards mentioned in the bidding documents and specifications.</p>
5. Use of contract documents and information; inspection.	<p>5.1 The supplier shall not, without the purchaser’s prior written consent, disclose the contract, or any provision thereof, or any specification, plan, drawing, pattern, sample, or information furnished by or on behalf of the purchaser in connection therewith, to any person other than a person employed by the supplier in the performance of the contract. Disclosure to any such employed person shall be made in confidence and shall extend only so far as may be necessary for purposes of such performance.</p> <p>5.2 The supplier shall not, without the purchaser’s prior written consent, make use of any document or information mentioned in GCC clause 5.1 except for purposes of performing the contract.</p> <p>5.3 Any document, other than the contract itself mentioned in GCC clause 5.1 shall remain the property of the purchaser and shall be returned (all copies) to the purchaser on completion of the supplier’s performance under the contract if so required by the purchaser.</p> <p>5.4 The supplier shall permit the purchaser to inspect the supplier’s records relating to the performance of the supplier and to have them audited by auditors appointed by the purchaser, if so required by the purchaser.</p>
6. Patent rights	<p>6.1 The supplier shall indemnify the purchaser against all third-party claims of infringement of patent, trademark, or industrial design rights arising from use of the goods or any part thereof by the purchaser.</p>
7. Performance Security	<p>7.1 Within thirty (30) days of receipt of the notification of contract award, the successful bidder shall furnish to the purchaser the performance security of the amount specified in SCC.</p> <p>7.2 The proceeds of the performance security shall be payable to the purchaser as compensation for any loss resulting from the supplier’s failure to complete his obligations under the contract.</p> <p>7.3 The performance security shall be denominated in the currency of the contract, or in a freely convertible currency acceptable to the purchaser and shall be in one of the following forms:</p> <p>(a) a bank guarantee or an irrevocable letter of credit issued by a reputable bank located in the purchaser’s country or abroad, acceptable to the purchaser, in the form provided in the bidding documents or another form acceptable to the purchaser; or</p> <p>(b) a cashier’s or certified cheque</p> <p>7.4 The performance security will be discharged by the purchaser and returned to the supplier not later than thirty (30) days following the date of completion of the supplier’s performance obligations under the contract, including any warranty obligations, unless otherwise specified in SCC.</p>
8. Inspections,	<p>8.1 All pre-bidding testing will be for the account of the bidder.</p>

tests and analyses	<p>8.2 If it is a bid condition that supplies to be produced or services to be rendered should at any stage during production or execution or on completion be subject to inspection, the premises of the bidder or contractor shall be open, at all reasonable hours, for inspection by a representative of the Department or an organization acting on behalf of the Department.</p> <p>8.3 If there are no inspection requirements indicated in the bidding documents and no mention is made in the contract, but during the contract period it is decided that inspections shall be carried out, the purchaser shall itself make the necessary arrangements, including payment arrangements with the testing authority concerned.</p> <p>8.4 If the inspections, tests and analyses referred to in clauses 8.2 and 8.3 show the supplies to be in accordance with the contract requirements, the cost of the inspections, tests and analyses shall be defrayed by the purchaser.</p> <p>8.5 Where the supplies or services referred to in clauses 8.2 and 8.3 do not comply with the contract requirements, irrespective of whether such supplies or services are accepted or not, the cost in connection with these inspections, tests or analyses shall be defrayed by the supplier.</p> <p>8.6 Supplies and services which are referred to in clauses 8.2 and 8.3 and which do not comply with the contract requirements may be rejected.</p> <p>8.7 Any contract supplies may on or after delivery be inspected, tested or analysed and may be rejected if found not to comply with the requirements of the contract. Such rejected supplies shall be held at the cost and risk of the supplier who shall, when called upon, remove them immediately at his own cost and forthwith substitute them with supplies which do comply with the requirements of the contract. Failing such removal the rejected supplies shall be returned at the suppliers cost and risk. Should the supplier fail to provide the substitute supplies forthwith, the purchaser may, without giving the supplier further opportunity to substitute the rejected supplies, purchase such supplies as may be necessary at the expense of the supplier.</p> <p>8.8 The provisions of clauses 8.4 to 8.7 shall not prejudice the right of the purchaser to cancel the contract on account of a breach of the conditions thereof, or to act in terms of Clause 23 of GCC.</p>
9. Packing	<p>9.1 The supplier shall provide such packing of the goods as is required to prevent their damage or deterioration during transit to their final destination, as indicated in the contract. The packing shall be sufficient to withstand, without limitation, rough handling during transit and exposure to extreme temperatures, salt and precipitation during transit, and open storage. Packing, case size and weights shall take into consideration, where appropriate, the remoteness of the goods' final destination and the absence of heavy handling facilities at all points in transit.</p> <p>9.2 The packing, marking, and documentation within and outside the packages shall comply strictly with such special requirements as shall be expressly provided for in the contract, including additional requirements, if any, specified in SCC, and in any subsequent instructions ordered by the purchaser.</p>
10. Delivery and documents	<p>10.1 Delivery of the goods shall be made by the supplier in accordance with the terms specified in the contract. The details of shipping and/or other documents to be furnished by the supplier are specified in SCC.</p> <p>10.2 Documents to be submitted by the supplier are specified in SCC.</p>
11. Insurance	<p>11.1 The goods supplied under the contract shall be fully insured in a freely convertible currency against loss or damage incidental to manufacture or acquisition, transportation, storage and delivery in the manner specified in the SCC.</p>
12. Transportation	<p>12.1 Should a price other than an all-inclusive delivered price be required, this shall be specified in the SCC.</p>
13. Incidental Services	<p>13.1 The supplier may be required to provide any or all of the following services, including additional services, if any, specified in SCC:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) performance or supervision of on-site assembly and/or commissioning of the supplied goods; (b) furnishing of tools required for assembly and/or maintenance of the supplied goods; (c) furnishing of a detailed operations and maintenance manual for each appropriate unit of the supplied goods; (d) performance or supervision or maintenance and/or repair of the supplied goods, for a period of time agreed by the parties, provided that this service shall not relieve the supplier of any warranty obligations under this contract; and (e) training of the purchaser's personnel, at the supplier's plant and/or on-site, in assembly, start-up, operation, maintenance, and/or repair of the supplied goods.

	13.2 Prices charged by the supplier for incidental services, if not included in the contract price for the goods, shall be agreed upon in advance by the parties and shall not exceed the prevailing rates charged to other parties by the supplier for similar services.
14.Spare parts	14.1 As specified in SCC, the supplier may be required to provide any or all of the following materials, notifications, and information pertaining to spare parts manufactured or distributed by the supplier: (a) such spare parts as the purchaser may elect to purchase from the supplier, provided that this election shall not relieve the supplier of any warranty obligations under the contract; and (b) in the event of termination of production of the spare parts: (i) Advance notification to the purchaser of the pending termination, in sufficient time to permit the purchaser to procure needed requirements; and (ii) Following such termination, furnishing at no cost to the purchaser, the blueprints, drawings, and specifications of the spare parts, if requested.
15.Warranty	15.1 The supplier warrants that the goods supplied under the contract are new, unused, of the most recent or current models and that, they incorporate all recent improvements in design and materials unless provided otherwise in the contract. The supplier further warrants that all goods supplied under this contract shall have no defect, arising from design, materials, or workmanship (except when the design and/or material is required by the purchaser's specifications) or from any act or omission of the supplier, that may develop under normal use of the supplied goods in the conditions prevailing in the country of final destination. 15.2 This warranty shall remain valid for twelve (12) months after the goods, or any portion thereof as the case may be, have been delivered to and accepted at the final destination indicated in the contract, or for eighteen (18) months after the date of shipment from the port or place of loading in the source country, whichever period concludes earlier, unless specified otherwise in SCC. 15.3 The purchaser shall promptly notify the supplier in writing of any claims arising under this warranty. 15.4 Upon receipt of such notice, the supplier shall, within the period specified in SCC and with all reasonable speed, repair or replace the defective goods or parts thereof, without costs to the purchaser. 15.5 If the supplier, having been notified, fails to remedy the defect(s) within the period specified in SCC, the purchaser may proceed to take such remedial action as may be necessary, at the supplier's risk and expense and without prejudice to any other rights which the purchaser may have against the supplier under the contract.
16.Payment	16.1 The method and conditions of payment to be made to the supplier under this contract shall be specified in SCC. 16.2 The supplier shall furnish the purchaser with an invoice accompanied by a copy of the delivery note and upon fulfilment of other obligations stipulated in the contract. 16.3 Payments shall be made promptly by the purchaser, but in no case later than thirty (30) days after submission of an invoice or claim by the supplier. 16.4 Payment will be made in Rand unless otherwise stipulated in SCC.
17.Prices	17.1 Prices charged by the supplier for goods delivered and services performed under the contract shall not vary from the prices quoted by the supplier in his bid, with the exception of any price adjustments authorised in SCC or in the purchaser's request for bid validity extension, as the case may be.
18.Contract Amendments	18.1 No variation in or modification of the terms of the contract shall be made except by written amendment signed by the parties concerned.
19.Assignment	19.1 The supplier shall not assign, in whole or in part, its obligations to perform under the contract, except with the purchaser's prior written consent.
20.Subcontracts	20.1 The supplier shall notify the purchaser in writing of all subcontracts awarded under these contracts if not already specified in the bid. Such notification, in the original bid or later, shall not relieve the supplier from any liability or obligation under the contract.
21.Delays in the supplier's performance	21.1 Delivery of the goods and performance of services shall be made by the supplier in accordance with the time schedule prescribed by the purchaser in the contract. 21.2 If at any time during performance of the contract, the supplier or its subcontractor(s) should encounter conditions impeding timely delivery of the goods and performance of services, the supplier shall promptly notify the purchaser in writing of the fact of the delay, its likely duration

	<p>and its cause(s). As soon as practicable after receipt of the supplier's notice, the purchaser shall evaluate the situation and may at his discretion extend the supplier's time for performance, with or without the imposition of penalties, in which case the extension shall be ratified by the parties by amendment of contract.</p> <p>21.3 No provision in a contract shall be deemed to prohibit the obtaining of supplies or services from a national department, provincial department, or a local authority.</p>
	<p>21.4 The right is reserved to procure outside of the contract small quantities or to have minor essential services executed if an emergency arises, the supplier's point of supply is not situated at or near the place where the supplies are required, or the supplier's services are not readily available.</p>
	<p>21.5 Except as provided under GCC Clause 25, a delay by the supplier in the performance of its delivery obligations shall render the supplier liable to the imposition of penalties, pursuant to GCC Clause 22, unless an extension of time is agreed upon pursuant to GCC Clause 21.2 without the application of penalties.</p> <p>21.6 Upon any delay beyond the delivery period in the case of a supplies contract, the purchaser shall, without cancelling the contract, be entitled 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 goods delivered later at the supplier's expense and risk, or to cancel the contract and buy such goods as may be required to complete the contract and without prejudice to his other rights, be entitled to claim damages from the supplier.</p>
22. Penalties	<p>22.1 Subject to GCC Clause 25, if the supplier fails to deliver any or all of the goods or to perform the services within the period(s) specified in the contract, the purchaser shall, without prejudice to its other remedies under the contract, deduct from the contract price, as a penalty, a sum calculated on the delivered price of the delayed goods or unperformed services using the current prime interest rate calculated for each day of the delay until actual delivery or performance. The purchaser may also consider termination of the contract pursuant to GCC Clause 23.</p>
23. Termination for default	<p>23.1 The purchaser, without prejudice to any other remedy for breach of contract, by written notice of default sent to the supplier, may terminate this contract in whole or in part:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) if the supplier fails to deliver any or all of the goods within the period(s) specified in the contract, or within any extension thereof granted by the purchaser pursuant to GCC Clause 21.2; (b) if the Supplier fails to perform any other obligation(s) under the contract; or (c) if the supplier, in the judgment of the purchaser, has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for or in executing the contract. <p>23.2 In the event the purchaser terminates the contract in whole or in part, the purchaser may procure, upon such terms and in such manner as it deems appropriate, goods, works or services similar to those undelivered, and the supplier shall be liable to the purchaser for any excess costs for such similar goods, works or services. However, the supplier shall continue performance of the contract to the extent not terminated.</p> <p>23.3 Where the purchaser terminates the contract in whole or in part, the purchaser may decide to impose a restriction penalty on the supplier by prohibiting such supplier from doing business with the public sector for a period not exceeding 10 years.</p> <p>23.4 If a purchaser intends to impose a restriction on a supplier or any person associated with the supplier, the supplier will be allowed a time period of not more than 14 days to provide reasons why the envisaged restriction should not be imposed. Should the supplier fail to respond within the stipulated 24 days the purchaser may regard the intended penalty as not objected against and impose it on the supplier.</p> <p>23.5 Any restriction imposed on any person by the Accounting Officer/ Authority will, at the discretion of the Accounting Officer/ Authority, should be applicable to any other enterprise or nay partner, manager, director or other person who wholly or party exercises or exercised or may exercise control over the enterprise of the first mentioned person, and with which enterprise or person the first mention person, is or was in the opinion of the AO/AA actively associated.</p> <p>23.6 If a restriction is imposed, the purchaser must, within 5 days of such imposition is imposed, the purchaser must within five (5) working days of such imposition, furnish the National Treasury, with the following information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. The name and address of the supplier and / or person restricted by the purchaser; ii. The date of commencement of the restriction; iii. The period of restriction; and iv. The reasons for the restriction.

	<p>These details will be loaded in the National treasury's central database of suppliers or person prohibited from doing business with the public sector.</p> <p>23.7 If a court of law convicts a person on an offence as contemplated in section 12 or 13 of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act, No. 12 of 2004, the court may also rule that such person's name be endorsed on the register for Bid Defaulters. When a person's name has been endorsed on the Register, the person will be prohibited from doing business with the public sector for a period not less than 5 years and not more than 10 years. The National Treasury is empowered to determine the period of restriction and each case will be dealt with on its own merits. According to section 32 of the Act the Register must be open to the public. The Register can be perused on the National Treasury's web-site.</p>
24. Anti-dumping and countervailing duties and rights	<p>24.1 When, after the date of bid, provisional payments are required, or anti-dumping or countervailing duties are imposed, or the amount of a provisional payment or anti-dumping or countervailing right is increased in respect of any dumped or subsidized import, the State is not liable for any amount so required or imposed, or for the amount of any such increase. When, after the said date, such a provisional payment is no longer required or any such anti-dumping or countervailing right is abolished, or where the amount of such provisional payment or any such right is reduced, any such favourable difference shall on demand be paid forthwith by the 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.</p>
25. Force Majeure	<p>25.1 Notwithstanding the provisions of GCC Clauses 22 and 23, the supplier shall not be liable for forfeiture of its performance security, damages, or termination for default if and to the extent that his delay in performance or other failure to perform his obligations under the contract is the result of an event of force majeure.</p> <p>25.2 If a force majeure situation arises, the supplier shall promptly notify the purchaser in writing of such condition and the cause thereof. Unless otherwise directed by the purchaser in writing, the supplier shall continue to perform its obligations under the contract as far as is reasonably practical, and shall seek all reasonable alternative means for performance not prevented by the force majeure event.</p>
26. Termination for insolvency	<p>26.1 The purchaser may at any time terminate the contract by giving written notice to the supplier if the supplier becomes bankrupt or otherwise insolvent. In this event, termination will be without compensation to the supplier, provided that such termination will not prejudice or affect any right of action or remedy which has accrued or will accrue thereafter to the purchaser.</p>
27. Settlement of Disputes	<p>27.1 If any dispute or difference of any kind whatsoever arises between the purchaser and the supplier in connection with or arising out of the contract, the parties shall make every effort to resolve amicably such dispute or difference by mutual consultation.</p> <p>27.2 If, after thirty (30) days, the parties have failed to resolve their dispute or difference by such mutual consultation, then either the purchaser or the supplier may give notice to the other party of his intention to commence with mediation. No mediation in respect of this matter may be commenced unless such notice is given to the other party.</p> <p>27.3 Should it not be possible to settle a dispute by means of mediation, it may be settled in a South African court of law.</p> <p>27.4 Mediation proceedings shall be conducted in accordance with the rules of procedure specified in the SCC.</p> <p>27.5 Notwithstanding any reference to mediation and/or court proceedings herein, (a) the parties shall continue to perform their respective obligations under the contract unless they otherwise agree; and (b) the purchaser shall pay the supplier any monies due the supplier.</p>
28. Limitation of Liability	<p>28.1 Except in cases of criminal negligence or wilful misconduct, and in the case of infringement pursuant to Clause 6;</p> <p>(a) the supplier shall not be liable to the purchaser, whether in contract, tort, or otherwise, for any indirect or consequential loss or damage, loss of use, loss of production, or loss of profits or interest costs, provided that this exclusion shall not apply to any obligation of the supplier to pay penalties and/or damages to the purchaser; and</p> <p>(b) the aggregate liability of the supplier to the purchaser, whether under the contract, in tort or otherwise, shall not exceed the total contract price, provided that this limitation shall not apply to the cost of repairing or replacing defective equipment</p>

29. Governing Language	29.1 The contract shall be written in English. All correspondence and other documents pertaining to the contract that is exchanged by the parties shall also be written in English.
30. Applicable Law	30.1 The contract shall be interpreted in accordance with South African laws, unless otherwise specified in SCC.
31. Notices	<p>31.1 Every written acceptance of a bid shall be posted to the supplier concerned by registered or certified mail and any other notice to him shall be posted by ordinary mail to the address furnished in his bid or to the address notified later by him in writing and such posting shall be deemed to be proper service of such notice.</p> <p>31.2 The time mentioned in the contract documents for performing any act after such aforesaid notice has been given, shall be reckoned from the date of posting of such notice.</p>
32. Taxes and Duties	<p>32.1 A foreign supplier shall be entirely responsible for all taxes, stamp duties, license fees, and other such levies imposed outside the purchaser's country.</p> <p>32.2 A local supplier shall be entirely responsible for all taxes, duties, license fees, etc., incurred until delivery of the contracted goods to the purchaser.</p> <p>32.3 No contract shall be concluded with any bidder whose tax matters are not in order. Prior to the award of a bid the Department 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.</p>
33. National Industrial Participation Programme (NIP)	33.1 The NIP Programme administered by the Department of Trade and Industry shall be applicable to all contracts that are subject to the NIP obligation.
34. Prohibition of Restrictive practices	<p>34.1 In terms of section 4 (1) (b) (iii) of the Competition Act No. 89 of 1998, as amended, an agreement between, or concerted practice by, firms, or a decision by an association of firms, is prohibited if it is between parties in a horizontal relationship and if a bidder (s) is / are or a contractor(s) was / were involved in collusive bidding (or bid rigging).</p> <p>34.2 If a bidder(s) or contractor(s), based on reasonable grounds or evidence obtained by the purchaser, has / have engaged in the restrictive practice referred to above, the purchaser may refer the matter to the Competition Commission for investigation and possible imposition of administrative penalties as contemplated in the Competition Act No. 89 of 1998.</p> <p>34.3 If a bidder(s) or contractor(s), has / have been found guilty by the Competition Commission of the restrictive practice referred to above, the purchaser may, in addition and without prejudice to any other remedy provided for, invalidate the bid(s) for such item(s) offered, and / or terminate the contract in whole or part, and / or restrict the bidder(s) or contractor(s) from conducting business with the public sector for a period not exceeding ten (10) years and / or claim damages from the bidder(s) or contractor(s) concerned.</p>



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HEALTH**

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HEDP 007/23/24: TRANSPORTATION AND STORAGE OF CORPSES INCLUDING THE RENDERING OF PAUPERS' BURIALS AT VARIOUS HEALTH FACILITIES - IN THE LIMPOPO DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (MOPANI AND WATERBURG DISTRICT) FOR A PERIOD OF 30 MONTHS

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1. INTRODUCTION

The Limpopo Department of Health (LDoH) - Health Care Facilities that admit/ treat patients, some of whom, depending on their medical conditions, are transferred to other referral Health Care Facilities within the Limpopo Province and other Provinces of South Africa, when need arises. Some of these referred patients demise at those referral Health Care Facilities and their human remains need to be transported back to their original Health Care Facilities of admittance. In most times Health Care Facilities are full of corpses resulting in a shortage of storage/ failure to accommodate more corpses. There are times that, the mortuaries store unidentified and/or unclaimed corpses of persons who died within the LDoH Health Care Facilities, who subsequently need to be accorded paupers' burials.

2. BACKGROUND

For the transportation and storage of corpses including paupers' burials to be effectively performed, there is a need to acquire the services of a competent service provider(s) who will enter into contract with the Limpopo Province Department of Health for the transportation and storage of corpses (in their premises) including rendering of paupers' burials.

3. OBJECTIVES

Qualifying bidders are invited to submit bids for the transportation and storage of corpses including rendering of paupers' burials for a period of 30 months, as and when a need arises.

4. SCOPE OF WORK

4.1. The appointed service provider(s) is/are expected to transport corpses from the Health Care Facilities where the death occurred to the Health Care Facilities where the patients were originally admitted, and/or store corpses at the service provider's mortuary, including rendering paupers' burial (When applicable) at the request of the LDoH.

4.2. The bidders are required to specify their tariffs per kilometre in respect of the shortest route surface and provide proof of toll fees payment

4.3. Distances from *the service provider's business premises*

4.3.1 Transportation of corpses

4.3.1.1 The service provider(s) will be expected to collect next of kin from the original Health Care Facilities of admission to Health Care Facilities where death occurred and back to the admitting Health Care Facilities, the service provider will be paid for the kilometres travelled)

4.3.1.2 The Department will only be responsible for payment of the appointed service provider within the district where business is located and the admitting Health Care Facility and again up from the admitting Health Care Facility back to the service provider's business premises.

4.3.1.3 The department will pay for the kilometres through the shortest route surface from the admitting Health Care Facility to where death occurred (the Health Care Facility where the patient was transferred to) and back to the admitting Health Care Facility , unless there is road closure or detours.

4.3.1.4 The bidders should have a valid certificate of competence as per regulations 363 of 2013 issued by government gazette 36473 of 22 May 2013 on Regulations relating to Management of Human Remains.

4.3.2 The Rendering of Paupers’ Burials

4.3.2.1 Arrangements for the paupers’ burials will be the responsibility of the service provider(s).

4.3.2.2 The Department will pay for tariffs from the service provider’s premises to the Health Care Facility, and from the Health Care Facility to the service provider’s premises to prepare the corpse for burial.

4.3.2.3 The Department will be responsible for the round trip (kilometres) between the service provider’s premises to where the corpse(s) is/are stored and to the graveyard where the burial must take place. The graveyard to be used must be within the district municipality where the Health Care Facilities are situated, considering the shortest route surface.

4.3.2.4 The service provider(s) is/are expected to conduct pauper’s burial within 14 days upon request by the LDoH.

4.4. Service provider premises refer to the business operation where the Department will conduct inspection prior to the award of the bid.

4.5. In case where the service provider collects more than one corpse in one vehicle, the Department will only pay for one trip while for storage of corpses, the department will pay per corpse.

4.6. Bidders are encouraged to bid for Health Care Facilities that are closest to their business operations.

4.7. The corpse must be conveyed in a closed roadworthy vehicle suitable for such service/transportation.

4.8. Successful bidder(s) must arrange for issue of removal order / permit by the responsible authority at the place of death.

4.9. The bidder shall be considered for only in the district of their footprint. In circumstances where a bidder has footprint in various districts, a letter indicating business addresses to be considered must accompany the bid. (The department shall conduct site inspection per site)

5. DECLARATION OF COMPLIANCE SCOPE OF WORK

<p>The bidder declares to accept all the Conditions as outlined in the scope of work as specified above by indicating with an “X” in the “ACCEPT ALL” column.</p>	ACCEPT ALL	DO NOT ACCEPT ALL
<p>NOTE: FAILURE TO ACCEPT ALL THE SCOPE OF WORK AS SPECIFIED IN THE ABOVE WILL RESULT IN DISQUALIFICATION OF YOUR BID.</p> <p>Signature.....Name (in print).....</p> <p>Date.....</p>		

6. SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT (SCC)

6.1. INSTRUCTIONS

6.1.1. The successful supplier will be bound by Government Procurement: General Conditions of Contract (GCC) as well as this Special Conditions of Contract (SCC), which will form part of the signed contract with the successful supplier. However, LDoH reserves the right to include or waive any condition in the signed contract.

6.1.2. The signed contract, which is inclusive of the GCC, SCC and Technical Specification shall be signed 7 days after the acceptance of award of the bid. The SLA which is regarded as performance agreement by the LDoH shall be negotiated with the end-user and signed-off 30 days after signing of the contract with the Accounting Officer.

6.1.3. LDoH reserves the right to –

6.1.3.1. Negotiate the conditions, or

6.1.3.2. Automatically disqualify a bidder for not accepting these conditions

6.1.3.3. Award the bid to multiple bidders.

6.1.4. In the event that the bidder qualifies the proposal with own conditions and does not specifically withdraw such own conditions when requested upon to do so; LDoH shall disqualify the bid.

6.1.5. The bidder must complete the declarations of acceptance of all declarations of compliance with identified declarations in various sections of this bid by marking with an **X** or a Tick either to “**ACCEPT ALL**” failing which the declaration shall be regarded as “**DO NOT ACCEPT ALL**” and the bid will be disqualified.

6.2. SPECIAL CONDITIONS AND KEY ASPECTS OF THE BID PROPOSAL

Bidders must take note of the following fundamental aspects before submission of their bid proposals:

6.2.1. Bidders should initial every page of the bid proposal.

6.2.2. Bid documents have been properly signed and completed in the original ink and in handwriting. No copies of completed bid documents will be accepted. All Standard Bidding Documents should be returned in their original form

6.2.3. That their bids are substantially responsive to the bidding document; Bidders must submit their bid in line with the bid specification. Failure to comply shall invalidate the bid.

6.2.4. Delivery period must be within the timeframe specified in the technical specification.

6.2.5. Bidders must submit their bids on the stipulated closing date and time and late bids shall not be considered.

- 6.2.6. In order to evaluate and adjudicate bids effectively, it is imperative that bidders submit responsive bids. To ensure a bid will be regarded as responsive it is imperative to comply with all conditions pertaining all the administrative requirements of the bid.
- 6.2.7. Each bidder must attach all applicable documents in support of its bid in accordance with the requirements set out in this bid as well as any other relevant materials, photographs and/or attachments.
- 6.2.8. Each bid, once submitted, constitutes a binding and irrevocable offer to provide the services on the terms set out in the bid, which offer cannot be amended after its date of submission.

6.3. BID AWARD & CONTRACT CONDITIONS

- 6.3.1. The shortlisted bidders shall be subjected to the SCM vetting process. Only successful bidder(s) who are cleared during the SCM vetting process shall be considered for appointment.
- 6.3.2. Bidders shall be notified about the decision of the Department by means of publication in the Provincial Bid Bulletin and other means.
- 6.3.3. The contract shall be concluded between the Limpopo Department of Health and the successful service provider(s).
- 6.3.4. The contract period will be in terms of the award letter.
- 6.3.5. The department is not obliged to accept or consider any bid in full or in part or any responses or submissions in relation thereto and may reject any bid.
- 6.3.6. The department reserves the right to appoint the bidder whose bid most successfully conforms to the criteria and the requirements in accordance with the terms and conditions described in the specification.
- 6.3.7. The appointment of the successful bidder is subject to the conclusion of a Service Level Agreement (SLA) between the department and the successful bidder governing all rights and obligations related to the required services.
- 6.3.8. The department reserves the right to award the bid to one or more service providers, wholly or in part or not to award.
- 6.3.9. The department may, on reasonable and justifiable grounds, award the bid to a company that did not score the highest number of points.
- 6.3.10. Awarding of the bid will be subject to the bidder's expressing acceptance of the National Treasury General Conditions of Contract (GCC).

6.4. The bid allocation structure:

- 6.4.1 The bid shall be awarded and allocated in accordance with the district and in terms of Preference Points and specific goals and Price ranking.
- 6.4.2 The price of the overall winning bidder shall be utilized to allocate the bid.
- 6.4.3 The overall winning bidder shall be allocated the biggest District in terms of bed capacity

6.5. Price Reasonability Testing and Market Research

- 6.5.1. The department may, on reasonable and justifiable grounds, award the bid to a company that did not score the highest number of points.
- 6.5.2. The department shall conduct the market research to determine if bidders did not underquote their price offers.
- 6.5.3. Price offers which are less than the market related prices shall be regarded as underquoted.
- 6.5.4. Bidders who are perceived to have underquoted their price offers shall be disqualified.
- 6.5.5. Overcharged item prices shall not be used to smoothen the under quoted item prices.
- 6.5.6. Overcharged prices shall be subjected to price negotiation or a price offer by the department (as a process to kickstart the negotiation).
- 6.5.7. The price averaging from reputable suppliers shall be utilized to determine the market prices

6.6. CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION

- 6.6.1. Successful bidder(s) must report to contract management unit immediately when unforeseeable circumstances will adversely affect the execution of the contract.
- 6.6.2. Full particulars of such circumstances, as well as the period of delay, must be furnished.
- 6.6.3. The administration of the bid and contract i.e., evaluation, award, distribution of contract circulars, contract price adjustments etc., shall be the sole responsibility of the Supply Chain Management Unit.

6.7. PRICING INSTRUCTIONS

- 6.7.1 **All prices charged must be inclusive of business overheads and VAT. NB: Successful bidders who are not registered for VAT at the time of bidding will be expected to register as VAT vendor within 30 days after award. Failure to comply with the requirement will lead to termination of the contract.**
- 6.8. Bidders must quote for all District.
- 6.9. **All prices quoted by suppliers may be assessed to ensure that bidders did not underquote. (Bidders perceived to have underquoted in terms of market prices may be required to justify their prices failing which they may be disqualified).**

6.10. **PRICE ADJUSTMENTS**

6.10.1. **Bidders** must take note that prices shall be firm for the first 12 months of the contract, and thereafter CPI price adjustment shall be applicable bi-annually in the 2nd and 3rd year anniversary of the contract. The adjustment shall be automatically applied. ***(BIDDERS MUST NOT APPLY FOR SUCH PRICE ADJUSTMENT).***

6.10.2. **DECLARATION OF COMPLIANCE TO SCC**

The bidder declares to accept all the Conditions as outlined in the SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT as specified above by indicating with an “X” in the “ACCEPT ALL” column.	ACCEPT ALL	DO NOT ACCEPT ALL
<p>NOTE: FAILURE TO ACCEPT ALL THE SCC AS SPECIFIED IN THE ABOVE WILL RESULT IN DISQUALIFICATION OF YOUR BID.</p> <p>Signature.....Name (in print)</p> <p>Date.....</p>		

7. **CONTRACT PERIOD**

7.1. The Contract shall be for a period of 30 months, as and when the need arises.

8. **EVALUATION CRITERIA**

The bid shall be evaluated in three (3) phases as follows:

PHASE 1	Administrative Compliance	<input type="checkbox"/> Compliance with administrative bidding requirements
PHASE 2	Price and specific goals 2	<input type="checkbox"/> Evaluation Price and specific goal
PHASE 3	Site Inspection Criteria	<input type="checkbox"/> Compliance with site inspection requirements

8.1. **PHASE 1: ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLIANCE**

8.1.1. The LDoH has prescribed minimum administrative requirements that must be met by the bidders, in order for the former to accept the bid for evaluation. In this regard administrative compliance will be carried out to determine whether the bidder’s bid comply in this regard.

8.1.2. Where the bidder fails to comply fully with any of the administrative bidding requirements under this bid or the LDoH is for any reason unable to verify whether administrative bidding requirements are fully complied with, the LDoH reserves the right, either to:

- a. Reject the bid in question and not evaluate it at all.
- b. Give the bidder an opportunity to submit and/or supplement the information and/or documentation provided so as to achieve full compliance with the administrative bidding requirements, provided that such information/ documentation can be provided within the period that will be determined by the LDoH and such supplementary information/ documentation is only administrative and not substantive in nature. **The evaluation team shall agree on the maximum timeframe to be granted to furnish the information required.**
- c. Permit the bid to be evaluated, subject to the outstanding information and/or documentation being submitted prior to the award of the bid.

8.1.3. **The LDoH may waive any minor informality or non-conformity or irregularity in a bid which does not constitute a material deviation, provided such waiver does not prejudice any bidder.**

8.1.4. **Bidders shall take note of the following guidelines:**

The below administrative bidding requirements shall be complied with and required documents must be attached before consideration for further evaluation. The bidder shall respond with “Comply”, “Not Comply” or “Not Applicable” in the apportioned spaces. The “Not Applicable” answer shall only be considered where the response field has the wording “If Applicable”.

NB: Bidders shall be disqualified for failure to comply with the above guidelines when responding to administrative bidding requirements and failure to attach or complete and/or sign any of the designated arrears of the documents mentioned below shall render the bid a not “Acceptable Bid”

FOL	ADMINISTRATIVE BIDDING REQUIREMENTS	BIDDER'S RESPONSE (Comply/ Not Comply / Not Applicable)
8.1.5.	Submission of the following standard bidding documents (fully completed and signed):	
(i)	SBD 1 - Invitation to Bid,	
(ii)	SBD 3.2 - Pricing Schedule - Non-firm price	
(iii)	SBD 4: Bid Disclosure form, NB. All companies under the name of the bidder must be declared, irrespective of whether they are used for bidding or not. The Department shall utilize the CSD report to measure compliance with SBD4 (Bid Disclosure Form).	
(iv)	SBD 6.1. - Preference points claim form in terms of the Preferential Procurement Regulations 2017;	
8.1.6.	In case of Consortium or Joint Venture (If applicable) the following are required:	

FOL	ADMINISTRATIVE BIDDING REQUIREMENTS	BIDDER'S RESPONSE (Comply/ Not Comply / Not Applicable)
(i)	Signed agreement between involved parties indicating the lead member;	
(ii)	Every member of the Consortium or Joint Venture joint venture is registered on the Central Supplier Database;	
(iii)	Letter of appointment by consortium/joint venture parties for a representative to sign the bid documents;	
8.1.7.	Competent and self-reliant companies in relation with this bid (transportation and storage of corpses) are encouraged to bid. In case where a bidding company relies on the assistance from another funeral parlour, that funeral parlour will not be expected to contest for the same bid unless in the form of JV/Consortium agreement. A signed letter of intent from that funeral parlour must be attached to the bid document.	
8.1.8.	Proof of Central Supplier Database Registration AND/OR Attachment of Central Supplier Database Registration Report (CSD).	
8.1.9.	Attachment of Certificate of Competence issued by the Local Authority/ Municipality	
8.1.10.	Attach proof of home affairs designation number issued in the name of your business entity.	
8.1.11.	Attach proof of car registration certificate	
8.1.12.	Registration with any funeral authority, association or organization regulating the industry	
8.1.13.	Bidders must have footprint in the district that they are bidding for, submit Proof of Business Location E.g. Municipality Electricity Bill/ rates or services not less than three (3) month	
8.1.14.	<p>Financial Capacity of the Bidder to a minimum of One Hundred Thousand Rands (R100 000.00)</p> <p>The financial capacity of the Bidder(s) shall be tested through the following documents:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An undertaking by a registered financial institution (bank) to provide funding/revolving credit, or overdraft facility. (Not a conditional assessment of Credit Rating or Bank Rating) <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An undertaking by the National Credit Regulator (NCR or FSP) registered institution to provide funding / revolving credit. <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Current three (3) months bank statement averaging the minimum value indicated below (on a month to month) in the event the bidder is awarded the contract. <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An investment account accessible within a period not exceeding 7 days of withdrawal of the investment 	
8.1.15.	Bidders must quote for all listed items on the pricing schedule; and may further submit a detailed breakdown of their pricing.	
8.1.16.	Provide proof of availability of a standby back-up generator or any alternative power source/supply (A letter detailing the type of alternative power source, capacity of power source)	

NB: Failure to attach or complete and/or sign any of the designated arrears of the documents mentioned above shall render the bid unacceptable and invalid.

9. PHASE 2: EVALUATION ON PRICE AND SPECIFIC GOALS

9.1.1. This bid shall be evaluated in terms of 80/20 preference points system.
Points shall be awarded to a bidder for attaining the preferential procurement points.
in accordance with the table below:

PREFERENTIAL GOALS	PREFERENTIAL POINTS
	80/20
Enterprise located in Limpopo Province	5/20
SMMEs	5/20
Woman	3/20
Disability Persons	3/20
Youth	4/20

10. BRIEFING SESSION

10.1. There will be a virtual briefing session for this Bid, link will be accessed on the departmental website, www.ldoh.limpopo.gov.za and E-Portal: www.etenders.gov.za.

Date: 27 JUNE 2023

TIME :10H00

11. THIRD-STAGE EVALUATION ON SITE INSPECTION

Site inspection will be conducted to addresses given in the bid document and to bidders whose bids have satisfied all requirements of the bid. Bidders with footprints in different districts must attach proof of business addresses and a letter detailing such footprints (**each business site shall be tested for compliance individually**)

11.1.1. ADDRESSES WHERE PHISICAL SITE INSPECTION WILL BE CONDUCTED

11.1.2. SITE INSPECTION REQUIREMENTS

The third stage of evaluation includes conducting site inspection and shall only be applicable to service providers who passed administrative compliance.

11.1.3. SITE INSPECTION CRITERIA

TOTAL SCORE			100	
ACCEPTABLE MINIMUM SCORE			70	
NO	BUSINESS REQUIREMENT	WEIGHT	ELEMENT BREAKDOWN	SCORING VALUES
A	Availability of Designated vehicles for Transport of Human Corpse in the name of the bidder or director or letter of intent if leased	40	Availability of three (3) Designated vehicles for Transport of Human Corpse	Good (3)
			Availability of two (2) Designated vehicles for Transport of Human Corpse	Average (2)
			Availability of one (1) Designated vehicles for Transport of Human Corpse	Poor (1)
B	Physical Existence of the business site	20	Availability of Physical Existence of the business premises within the district bidding for.	Good (3)
			Availability of Physical Existence of the business premises outside the district bidding for.	Poor (0)
C	Physical Existence of refrigerated body cabinets (In Working Condition)	30	Availability of refrigerated body cabinets with ten (10) or more shelves.	Good (3)
			Availability of refrigerated body cabinets with five (5) shelves.	Average (2)
			Availability of refrigerated body cabinets with a minimum of two (2) shelves.	Poor (1)
D	Power Back-up Source (Standby Generator or Alternative)	10	Availability of a power back-up system capable of running at least 50% or more available refrigerators on site.	Good (3)
			Availability of a power back-up system capable of running at least 30% of available refrigerators on site.	Average (2)
			Availability of a power back-up system capable of running at least 10% of available refrigerators on site.	Poor (1)

NB: Misrepresentation of facts will result in the disqualification of the bid.

12. Pricing Schedules:

Bidders must complete the pricing schedules for the district bidding for in a table below:

12.1.1. DISTRICT 1 – WATERBERG DISTRICT

Service Description	Rate
Rate per KM	
Coffin (Standard):	

- Kids	
- Adult	
Pauper's Burial Rate (<i>Inclusive of corpse preparation, grave and grave preparation ,religious leader and grave marker</i>)	
Storage rate per day	
TOTAL BID PRICE (INCLUSIVE OF VAT)	

12.1.2. DISTRICT 2 – MOPANI DISTRICT

Service Description	Rate
Rate per KM	
Coffin (Standard):	
- Kids	
- Adult	
Pauper's Burial Rate (<i>Inclusive of corpse preparation, grave and grave preparation ,religious leader and grave marker</i>)	
Storage rate per day	
TOTAL BID PRICE (INCLUSIVE OF VAT)	

13. ENQUIRIES

All enquiries regarding the bid may be directed to the following:

Physical Address	Technical Enquiries	Bidding Process
Department of Health Fidel Castro Ruz House 18 College Street Polokwane, 0699	Dr. N.J Ramalivhana (071) 861 9918 Neledzani.ramalivhana@dhsd.limpopo.gov.za	Ms. Tintswalo Olivia Simango (015) 293 6352 Tintswalo.simango@dhsd.limpopo.gov.za Ms. Motene NM 015 293 6350 Ntlama.mphahlele@dhsd.limpopo.gov.za

