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## **SEKHUKHUNE DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY**

# APPOINTMENT OF SERVICE PROVIDER FOR BANKING SERVICES FOR A PERIOD FIVE (05) YEARS.

TENDER NO. SK-8/3/1-13/2022/2023

DUE AT: 11H00 CLOSING ON: 10/08/2022

### **EMPLOYER:**

**Municipal Manager** 

Sekhukhune District Municipality Private Bag X8611 Groblersdal 0470

**Contact: Supply Chain unit** 

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## PART A INVITATION TO BID

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## PART B TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR BIDDING

1.	BID SUBMISSION:					
1.1.	BIDS MUST BE DELIVE ACCEPTED FOR CONSI		TIME TO THE CORRECT ADD	RESS. LATE BIDS WILL NOT BE		
1.2.	ALL BIDS MUST BE SU	BMITTED ON THE OFFICIAL F	ORMS PROVIDED-(NOT TO B	E RE-TYPED) OR ONLINE		
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2.5	BIDDERS MAY ALSO SU	JBMIT A PRINTED TCS CERTIFICATE TOGETHER WITH THE BID.				
2.6		NSORTIA / JOINT VENTURES / SUB-CONTRACTORS ARE INVOLVED; EACH PARTY MUST SUBMIT CERTIFICATE / PIN / CSD NUMBER.				
2.7	WHERE NO TCS IS AVA		REGISTERED ON THE CENTRA	AL SUPPLIER DATABASE (CSD), A		
3.	QUESTIONNAIRE TO BID	DDING FOREIGN SUPPLIERS				
3.1.	IS THE ENTITY A RESID	ENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SO	OUTH AFRICA (RSA)?	☐ YES ☐ NO		
3.2.	DOES THE ENTITY HAV	E A BRANCH IN THE RSA?		☐ YES ☐ NO		
3.3.	DOES THE ENTITY HAV	E A PERMANENT ESTABLISHI	MENT IN THE RSA?	☐ YES ☐ NO		
3.4.	DOES THE ENTITY HAV	E ANY SOURCE OF INCOME I	N THE RSA?	_ YES □NO		
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**CAPACITY** 

NAME OF FIRM

### LIST OF RETURNABLE DOCUMENTS.

The tenderer must complete the returnable documents as listed

Generic Generic	Tick if completed
Authority for Signatory (Compulsory)	•
Certificate of Authority for Joint Venture (Compulsory where applicable)	
Original Certified copy of identity documents for directors not older than six months (Compulsory)	
Compulsory Enterprise Questionnaire-SCHEDULE 1A (Compulsory)	
Certified Company Registration Documents or CK1 for Close Corporations (Compulsory)	
Form of offer to be properly signed (Compulsory)	
Declaration of Interest (MBD4) (Compulsory)	
Declaration For Procurement Above R10 Million (MBD5) (Compulsory)	
Declaration of Bidder's Past Supply Chain Management Practices	
(MBD8) (Compulsory)	
Certificate of Independent Bid Determination (MBD9) (Compulsory)	
Certified BBBEE Status Level Certificate approved by SANAS or Sworn affidavit for BBBEE	
Exempted Micro Enterprises as per bidder's correct turnover category (Required for evaluation)	
The Municipal rates for the bidder and its directors in respect of which payment is not overdue for	
more than 90 days or proof of lease agreement including rates for the landlord. In case where the	
Company or Director is registered in a rural area where the rates are not paid, please attach proof	
from Local Authority and Affidavit under oath indicating that there are no municipal rates payable.	
Original Valid Tax Clearance Certificate Issued by the South	
African Revenue Service. (Compulsory)or PIN issued by SARS	
Three(3 years) Audited Annual Financial statement, or for the period since establishment during the	
last 3 years or if required by law to prepare annual financial statement for auditing	

#### Note:

The meaning of the cursive type for each Form is as follows:

- **Compulsory**: Documentation or Information that must be submitted with the tender (Failing to submit any if the document may result in the tender being deemed non-responsive).
- **Required for evaluation**: Additional documentation that is required to be submitted with the tender and will be used as part of the tender evaluation.
- It is the responsibility of the bidder to bind the bid document



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## REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR BANKING SERVICE FOR A PERIOD OF FIVE (5) YEARS FOR SEKHUKHUNE DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY

#### PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The Sekhukhune District Municipality is seeking proposal from qualified banking institution (banking entity as described by legislation) to provide various banking services for a period not to exceed Five (05) years. The objective is to identify the banking institution that can offer the most comprehensive services at the most competitive rate.

#### A. DELIVERABLES

The proposal must provide the following banking services:

- General Banking Information
- Investment Services
- Electronic Payment System
- Pricing Proposal
- Reduction of unallocated deposit and queries
- Electronic Receipting system

#### B. SELECTION CRITERIA

### **SECTION 1**

#### **GENERAL BANKING INFORMATION**

#### 1. FINANCIAL STRENGTH

A. SAFETY AND SOUNDNESS

Identify key measures of the bank financial strength

#### B. CREDIT RATING

Provide rating for the bank and or subsidiary bank from internationally recognized agencies.

#### C. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Each bidder must submit with their proposal's copies of their annual financial statements for the past financial year.

#### 2. ACCOUNT SERVICING

#### A. BANK CONTACTS

List names, titles, telephone, fax numbers and e-mail address for key bank contact personnel. Also provide brief curriculum Vitae for each contact.

#### B. REFERENCES

Each bidder should include four (04) references of customers who have used services similar to those included in this request. Please provide name, address, telephone number and contact person for each reference.

#### C. COMPETITIVE POSITION AND FUTURE COMMITMENT

What differentiate your product/ services from other provides?

What new services or features does the bank plan to offer, and within what time frame?

Provide any additional information, which you believe to be relevant to this RFP, and your capabilities to provide the services requested.

#### D. DISASTER RECOVERY

Provide an overview of the banks' disaster recovery plan.

#### Section 2

## DEPOSITORY SERVICES BASIC INFORMATION

A. PROCESSING

What is the cut-off time to ensure same day ledger credit?

B. BANK COMPENSATION

How do you determine and calculate availability for on-us items?

- > Do you give immediate availability for on-us items?
- > Do you use a standard Schedule?
- > Do you use an accelerated schedule?
- ➤ How often are they updated?

Provide your banks availability schedule.

Can we compensate your bank for services by explicit fees, compensating balances, or a combination of the two? How is your banks monthly earnings credit rates calculated?

Provide historical rates for the last year.

#### C. RETURNED ITEMS

Describe your procedure for handing non-sufficient fund cheques deposited into a Sekhukhune District Municipality account, if applicable.

Can return items be automatically re-deposited? If so, how many times?

#### D. STOP PAYMENTS

Can stop payments be placed manually? On-line?

Can the period be extended?

Can you request stop payments for a number of deposits? What is the limit of the range?

É. EFT

What method of initiation does the bank offer?

What are the opening hours and the cut-off times for initiating EFT transfers to ensure same day execution?

What is the cut-off time for incoming domestic EFT transfer to receive same day credit?

Does the bank EFT transfer system have the capability of warehousing instructions for future EFT transactions?

#### **SECTION 3**

#### **INVESTMENT SERVICES**

**BASIC INFORMATION** 

Sekhukhune District Municipality is permitted by law and municipal Policy to invest surplus funds accordance with the legislation as amended. The bulk of our investments. Other than certificated of deposits and money market fund investment, are held in safekeeping through a custodial agreement with our bank.

What type of investment can your bank offer to Sekhukhune district Municipality?

What safekeeping our custodial arrangements are available for investments purchased by Sekhukhune District Municipality, either from bank or from another provider?

What methods are available for settlement of investment transactions?

What method (telephone, Computer, etc) are available for the Sekhukhune District Municipality to communicate information regarding investment transactions to your bank?

For this section, please describe any products or services not specifically mentioned here, which your bank offers, and which you believe would be beneficial to Sekhukhune District Municipality.

Please indicate any costs or fees associated with the services described in this section.

Length of the Contract

The proposed length of this contract is FIVE (05) YEARS.

#### **OFFICIAL SUBMITTING PROPOSAL**

Organization		
Name		
Title		
Phone	Cell	
Fax	Dates	
Signature		

#### **FUNCTIONALITY**

It is the municipality to select the bank that will provide the best overall value on long terms relationship rather simply selecting the lowest bidder. Evaluation will be done according to the following factors and assigned weights in terms of the District's Supply Chain policy and other relevant legislation.

The 90/10 point will be used for the evaluation of proposals in terms of the preferential Procurement policy Act

Functionality	100 Points	
Price	90 Points	
BBBEE Contribution Level	10 Points	

No.	Criteria	Weights	Total Score
1.	Customer base in similar work (reference compulsory) attach appointment letters with references	1 Similar project (10 Points) 2 Similar projects (15 points) 3 Similar projects (20 points) 4 and above similar projects (40 points)	40
2.	Experience of personnel (project leaders) Involved in similar projects-attached CV with contactable references.	1-3 projects (10 points) 4-6 Projects (30 Points) 7 projects and above (40 Points)	40
3	Professional Body affiliation by project leaders (attach Certificate)	1-3 Members (10 Points) 3 and above members (20 points)	20
Total	Points		100

Any bidder that earns total score of less than 60 for functionally will not be progressed to the next stage for further evaluation.

#### A. Response Date

Four (04) copies of your proposal <u>must</u> be received by Sekhukhune District Municipality no later than 11H00 on the 10 August 2022. The short-listed Bidder will be requested to make presentation to the District Municipality. Proposal must be clearly marked "Banking Services Proposal" and delivered into our bid box at:

Groblersdal Fire Station Groblersdal 0470

Late, Faxed and e-mailed proposals will not be considered. Amendments to proposal will be considered only if they are received before the closing date.

The lowest proposal will not necessarily be accepted.

Enquiries should be directed to Mr Mpho Maepa, Tel 013 262 7665, Email: <a href="maepamw@sekhukhune.gov.za">maepamw@sekhukhune.gov.za</a>

The Municipal Manager Sekhukhune District Municipality Private Bag X 8611 Groblersdal 0470

## MBD 3.3

## PRICING SCHEDULE

## (Professional Services)

			Bid Number:  Closing Date					
OFFER	TO BE	VALID FORDAYS FROM THE CLOS	NG DATE OF BID.					
ITEM DESCRIPTION NO		DESCRIPTION			N RSA CURRENC' APPLICABLE	Y TAXES		
	(i)	The accompanying information must be use proposals.	ed for the formulation of					
	(ii)	Bidders are required to indicate a ceiling price estimated time for completion of all phase expenses inclusive of all applicable taxes for	es and including all	R				
	2	PERSONS WHO WILL BE INVOLVED IN RATES APPLICABLE (CERTIFIED INVOICES IN TERMS HEREOF)						
	4.	PERSON AND POSITION	HOURL	Y RATE	DAILY RATE			
			R					
	(a)	PHASES ACCORDING TO WHICH THE COMPLETED, COST PER PHASE AND MAN	PROJECT WILL BE					
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5.1 Travel expenses (specify, for example rate/km and total km, class of airtravel, etc). Only actual costs are recoverable. Proof of the expenses incurred must accompany certified invoices.

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If not firm for the full period index	I, provide details of the basis on which a	adjustments wi	ll be applied for	r, for example	consumer price
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#### **DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

- (iii) No bid will be accepted from persons in the service of the state<sup>1</sup>.
- (iv) Any person, having a kinship with persons in the service of the state, including a blood relationship, may make an offer or offers in terms of this invitation to bid. In view of possible allegations of favouritism, should the resulting bid, or part thereof, be awarded to persons connected with or related to persons in service of the state, it is required that the bidder or their authorised representative declare their position in relation to the evaluating/adjudicating authority.

	representative declare their position in relation to the evaluating/adjudicating authority.
3	In order to give effect to the above, the following questionnaire must be completed and submitted with the bid.
	3.1 Full Name of bidder or his or her representative:
	3.2 Identity Number:
	3.3 Position occupied in the Company (director, trustee, hareholder²):
	3.4 Company Registration Number:
	3.5 Tax Reference Number:
	3.6 VAT Registration Number:
	ne names of all directors / trustees / shareholders members, their individual identity numbers and state employee numbers be indicated in paragraph 4 below.
	3.8 Are you presently in the service of the state? YES / NO
	3.8.1 If yes, furnish particulars.
(b) (c) (d) (e)	M Regulations: "in the service of the state" means to be — a member of — (i) any municipal council; (ii) any provincial legislature; or (iii) the national Assembly or the national Council of provinces;  a member of the board of directors of any municipal entity; an official of any municipality or municipal entity; an employee of any national or provincial department, national or provincial public entity or constitutional institution within the meaning of the Public Finance Management Act, 1999 (Act No.1 of 1999); a member of the accounting authority of any national or provincial public entity; or an employee of Parliament or a provincial legislature.
	hareholder" means a person who owns shares in the company and is actively involved in the management of the company or siness and exercises control over the company.
3.9 H	ave you been in the service of the state for the past twelve months? YES / NO
	3.9.1 If yes, furnish particulars

	Full Name	Identity I	Number	State Employee	
4.	Full details of directors / trustees				_
	3.13.1 If yes, furnish particulars.				
3.13	Are any spouse, child or parent of stakeholders in service of the state?	of the company's direc	tors trustees, mana	gers, principle shareho YES / NO	olders or
	3.12.1 If yes, furnish particulars.				
3.11	Are you, aware of any relationship (fawho may be involved with the evaluation	• '	•	and any persons in the YES / NO	service of the state
	3.10.1 If yes, furnish particulars.				
3.10	Do you have any relationship (fammay be involved with the YES / NO	ly, friend, other) with per le evaluation and	rsons in the service of or adjudication	f the state and who of this bid?	

Full Name	Identity Number	State Employee Number

### **CERTIFICATION**

I, THE UNDERSIGNED (NAME)
CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION FURNISHED ON THIS DECLARATION FORM IS CORRECT.
I ACCEPT THAT THE STATE MAY ACT AGAINST ME SHOULD THIS DECLARATION PROVE TO BE FALSE.
Signature Date
Position Name of Bidder

## DECLARATION FOR PROCUREMENT ABOVE R10 MILLION (ALL APPLICABLE TAXES INCLUDED)

For all procurement expected to exceed R10 million (all applicable taxes included), bidders must complete the following questionnaire:

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(v)	Are you by law required to prepare annual financial statements for auditing?			
1.1	If yes, submit audited annual financial statements for the past three years or since the date of establishment if established during the past three years.	NO	*YES	1
4	Do you have any outstanding undisputed commitments for municipal services towards any municipality for more than three months or any other service provider in respect of which payment is overdue for more than 30 days?			
2.1	If no, this serves to certify that the bidder has no undisputed commitments for municipal services towards any municipality for more than three months or other service provider in respect of which payment is overdue for more than 30 days.			
2.2	If yes, provide particulars.			
* Del	ete if not applicable			
		*YES / NO		

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3	Has any contract been awarded during the past five years, includi non-compliance or dispute concontract?	ng particulars of any material	*YES / NO
3.1	If yes, furnish particulars		
4.	Will any portion of goods or service the Republic, and, if so, what port of payment from the municipality transferred out of the Republic?		*YES / NO
4.1	If yes, furnish particulars		
		CERTIFICATION	
	I, THE UNDERSIGNED (NAME)		
	CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION	ON FURNISHED ON THIS DECLARATION FOR	RM IS CORRECT.
	I ACCEPT THAT THE STATE MAY	ACT AGAINST ME SHOULD THIS DECLARA	ATION PROVE TO
	FALSE.		
	Signature	Date	
	Position	Name of bidder	

#### **MBD 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.

#### (vi) 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).
- The value of this bid is estimated to exceed R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included) and therefore the 90/10 preference point system shall be applicable.
- 1.3 Preference points for this bid shall be awarded for:
  - (h) Price; and
  - (i) B-BBEE Status Level of Contribution.
- 1.4 The maximum points for this bid are allocated as follows:

#### NB: The bid will be evaluated on FUNTIONALITY and BBBEE

	POINTS
PRICE	90
B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL OF CONTRIBUTION	10
Total points for Price and B-BBEE must not Exceed	

- 1.5 Failure on the part of a bidder to submit a B-BBEE Verification Certificate from a Verification Agency accredited by the South African Accreditation System (SANAS), or a Registered Auditor approved by the Independent Regulatory Board of Auditors (IRBA) or a sworn affidavit confirming annual turnover and level of black ownership in case of an EME and QSE 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.

#### <sup>2</sup> DEFINITIONS

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

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

**"B-BBEE status level of contributor"** means the B-BBEE status received by a measured entity based on its overall performance using the relevant scorecard

- contained in the Codes of Good Practice on Black Economic Empowerment, issued in terms of section 9(1) of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act;
- 5. **"bid"** means a written offer in a prescribed or stipulated form in response to an invitation by an organ of state for the provision of services, works or goods, through price quotations, advertised competitive bidding processes or proposals;
- 6. **"Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act"** means the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act, 2003 (Act No. 53 of 2003) as amended by Act No 46 of 2013;
- 7. **"comparative price"** means the price after the factors of a non-firm price and all unconditional discounts that can be utilized have been taken into consideration;
- **8.** "consortium or joint venture" means an association of persons for the purpose of combining their expertise, property, capital, efforts, skill and knowledge in an activity for the execution of a contract;
- 9. "contract" means the agreement that results from the acceptance of a bid by an organ of state;
- **10.** "EME" means an Exempted Micro Enterprise as defines by Codes of Good Practice issued in terms of section 9 (1) of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act, 2003 (Act No. 53 of 2003);
- 11. "Firm price" means the price that is only subject to adjustments in accordance with the actual increase or decrease resulting from the change, imposition, or abolition of customs or excise duty and any other duty, levy, or tax, which, in terms of the law or regulation, is binding on the contractor and demonstrably has an influence on the price of any supplies, or the rendering costs of any service, for the execution of the contract;
- 12. "functionality" means the measurement according to predetermined norms, as set out in the bid documents, of a service or commodity that is designed to be practical and useful, working or operating, taking into account, among other factors, the quality, reliability, viability and durability of a service and the technical capacity and ability of a bidder;
- 13. "non-firm prices" means all prices other than "firm" prices;
- 14. "person" includes a juristic person;
- 15. "QSE" means a Qualifying Small Enterprise as defines by Codes of Good Practice issued in terms of section 9 (1) of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act, 2003 (Act No. 53 of 2003);
- 16. **"rand value"** means the total estimated value of a contract in South African currency, calculated at the time of bid invitations, and includes all applicable taxes and excise duties;
- "sub-contract" means the primary contractor's assigning, leasing, making out work to, or employing, another person to support such primary contractor in the execution of part of a project in terms of the contract;
- 18. "total revenue" bears the same meaning assigned to this expression in the Codes of Good Practice on Black Economic Empowerment, issued in terms of section 9(1) of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act and promulgated in the *Government Gazette* on 9 February 2007;
- 19. "**trust**" means the arrangement through which the property of one person is made over or bequeathed to a trustee to administer such property for the benefit of another person; and
- 20. "**trustee**" means any person, including the founder of a trust, to whom property is bequeathed in order for such property to be administered for the benefit of another person.

#### 3. ADJUDICATION USING A POINT SYSTEM

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

for functionality.

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

#### 4. POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE

#### 4.1 THE 80/20 OR 90/10 PREFERENCE POINT SYSTEMS

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

80/20 or 90/10

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P min

P min

Ps = Points scored for comparative price of bid under consideration

Pt = Comparative price of bid under consideration

Pmin = Comparative price of lowest acceptable bid

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

5.1 In terms of Regulation 6 (2) and 7 (2) of the Preferential Procurement Regulations 2017, 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

- 5.2 A bidder who qualifies as an EME in terms of the B-BBEE Act must submit a sworn affidavit confirming Annual Total Revenue and Level of Black Ownership.
- 5.3 A Bidder other than EME or QSE must submit their original and valid B-BBEE status level verification certificate or a certified copy thereof, substantiating their B-BBEE rating

issued by a Registered Auditor approved by IRBA or a Verification Agency accredited by SANAS.

- A trust, consortium or joint venture, will qualify for points for their B-BBEE status level as a legal entity, provided that the entity submits their B-BBEE status level certificate.
- A trust, consortium or joint venture will qualify for points for their B-BBEE status level as an unincorporated entity, provided that the entity submits their consolidated B-BBEE scorecard as if they were a group structure and that such a consolidated B-BBEE scorecard is prepared for every separate bid.
- Tertiary Institutions and Public Entities will be required to submit their B-BBEE status level certificates in terms of the specialized scorecard contained in the B-BBEE Codes of Good Practice.
- 5.7 A person will not be awarded points for B-BBEE status level if it is indicated in the bid

documents that such a bidder intends sub-contracting more than 25% of the value of the contract to any other enterprise that does not qualify for at least the points that such a bidder qualifies for, unless the intended sub-contractor is an EME that has the capability and ability to execute the sub-contract.

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

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#### 7. B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL OF CONTRIBUTION CLAIMED IN TERMS OF PARAGRAPHS 1.4 AND 5.1

7.1 B-BBEE Status Level of Contribution:

(maximum of 10 or 20 points)

(Points claimed in respect of paragraph 7.1 must be in accordance with the table reflected in paragraph 5.1 and must be substantiated by means of a B-BBEE certificate issued by a Verification Agency accredited by SANAS or a Registered Auditor approved by IRBA or a sworn affidavit.

#### 8. SUB-CONTRACTING

9.4

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

(Tick applicable box)

	YES NO	
8.1.1	If yes, indicate:  i) What percentage of the contract will be subcontracted  ii) The name of the sub-contractor  iii) The B-BBEE status level of the sub-contractor  iv) Whether the sub-contractor is an EME. (Tick applicable box)  YES NO	
9.	DECLARATION WITH REGARD TO COMPANY/FIRM	
9.1	Name of company/firm:	
9.2	VAT registration number:	
9.3	Company registration number:	

Partnership/Joint Venture / Consortium One person business/sole propriety Close corporation Company (Pty) Limited [TICK APPLICABLE BOX]

9.5 DESCRIBE PRINCIPAL BUSINESS ACTIVITIES

TYPE OF COMPANY/ FIRM


9.6 COMPANY CLASSIFICATION

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

9.7	MU	MUNICIPAL INFORMATION								
	Municipality where business is situated:									
	Registered Account Number:									
	Sta	nd Num	ber:							
9.8	Tota	al numbe	er of years the company/firm has bee	n i	in business:					
9.9	the fore	I/we, the undersigned, who is / are duly authorised to do so on behalf of the company/firm, certify that the points claimed, based on the B-BBE status level of contribution indicated in paragraph 7 of the foregoing certificate, qualifies the company/ firm for the preference(s) shown and I / we acknowledge that:								
	i)	The info	ormation furnished is true and correc	;t;						
	ii)		eference points claimed are in accompt 1 of this form;	orc	dance with	the General Conditions as indicated in				
	iii) In the event of a contract being awarded as a result of points claimed as shown in paragraph 7 contractor may be required to furnish documentary proof to the satisfaction of the purchase the claims are correct;									
	iv)	of the		tion has been claimed or obtained on a fraudulent basis or any ot been fulfilled, the purchaser may, in addition to any other						
		(a)	disqualify the person from the bidd	ing	j process;					
		(b)	recover costs, losses or damages person's conduct;	it I	has incurred	d or suffered as a result of that				
		(c)	cancel the contract and claim any having to make less favourable arr							
		(d)	restrict the bidder or contractor, shareholders and directors who a business from any organ of state faudi alteram partem (hear the other	act for	ted on a fra a period no	audulent basis, from obtaining of exceeding 10 years, after the				
		(e)	forward the matter for criminal pros	ec	cution.					
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#### **MBD 7.2**

#### CONTRACT FORM - RENDERING OF SERVICES

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

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

- 2. The following documents shall be deemed to form and be read and construed as part of this agreement:
  - (i) Bidding documents, *viz* 
    - Invitation to bid;
    - Tax clearance certificate or Tax Pin;
    - Pricing schedule(s);
    - Filled in task directive/proposal;
    - Preference claims for Broad Based Black Economic Empowerment Status Level of Contribution in terms of the Preferential Procurement Regulations 2011;
    - Declaration of interest;
    - Declaration of Bidder's past SCM practices:
    - Certificate of Independent Bid Determination;
    - Special Conditions of Contract;
  - (ii) General Conditions of Contract: and
  - (iii) Other (specify)
- 3. I confirm that I have satisfied myself as to the correctness and validity of my bid; that the price(s) and rate(s) quoted cover all the services specified in the bidding documents; that the price(s) and rate(s) cover all my obligations and I accept that any mistakes regarding price(s) and rate(s) and calculations will be at my own risk.
- 4. I accept full responsibility for the proper execution and fulfilment of all obligations and conditions devolving on me under this agreement as the principal liable for the due fulfillment of this contract.
- 5. I declare that I have no participation in any collusive practices with any bidder or any other person regarding this or any other bid.
- 6. I confirm that I am duly authorised to sign this contract.

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#### DECLARATION OF BIDDER'S PAST SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

- 1 This Municipal Bidding Document must form part of all bids invited.
- It serves as a declaration to be used by municipalities and municipal entities in ensuring that when goods and services are being procured, all reasonable steps are taken to combat the abuse of the supply chain management system.
- The bid of any bidder may be rejected if that bidder, or any of its directors have:
  - a. abused the municipality's / municipal entity's supply chain management system or committed any improper conduct in relation to such system;
  - b. been convicted for fraud or corruption during the past five years;
  - c. willfully neglected, reneged on or failed to comply with any government, municipal or other public sector contract during the past five years; or
  - d. been listed in the Register for Tender Defaulters in terms of section 29 of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act (No 12 of 2004).
- In order to give effect to the above, the following questionnaire must be completed and submitted with the bid.

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

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4.4	Does the bidder or any of its directors owe any muni charges to the municipality / municipal entity, or to a entity, that is in arrears for more than three months	any other municipality / municipal	Yes	No 🗌
4.4.1	If so, furnish particulars:			
4.5	Was any contract between the bidder and the mun other organ of state terminated during the past fiv perform on or comply with the contract?		Yes	
4.7.1	If so, furnish particulars:			
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Signat	ure	 Date		
Position	 on	Name of Bidder		

#### CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT BID DETERMINATION

- 1 This Municipal Bidding Document (MBD) must form part of all bids<sup>1</sup> invited.
- Section 4 (1) (b) (iii) of the Competition Act No. 89 of 1998, as amended, prohibits an agreement between, or concerted practice by, firms, or a decision by an association of firms, if it is between parties in a horizontal relationship and if it involves collusive bidding (or bid rigging).<sup>2</sup> Collusive bidding is a *pe* se prohibition meaning that it cannot be justified under any grounds.
- Municipal Supply Regulation 38 (1) prescribes that a supply chain management policy must provide measures for the combating of abuse of the supply chain management system, and must enable the accounting officer, among others, to:
  - take all reasonable steps to prevent such abuse;
  - b. reject the bid of any bidder if that bidder or any of its directors has abused the supply chain management system of the municipality or municipal entity or has committed any improper conduct in relation to such system; and
  - c. cancel a contract awarded to a person if the person committed any corrupt or fraudulent act during the bidding process or the execution of the contract.
  - This MBD serves as a certificate of declaration that would be used by institutions to ensure that, when bids are considered, reasonable steps are taken to prevent any form of bid-rigging.
  - In order to give effect to the above, the attached Certificate of Bid Determination (MBD 9) must be completed and submitted with the bid:

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

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Includes price quotations, advertised competitive bids, limited bids and proposals.

#### CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT BID DETERMINATION

, the undersigned, in submitting the accompanying bid:	
(Bid Number and Description)	
in response to the invitation for the bid made by:	
(Name of Municipality / Municipal Entity)	
do hereby make the following statements that I certify to be true and complete in every re	espect:
certify, on behalf of:	_that:
(Name of Bidder)	

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

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- 6. The bidder has arrived at the accompanying bid independently from, and without consultation, communication, agreement or arrangement with any competitor. However communication between partners in a joint venture or consortium<sup>3</sup> will not be construed as collusive bidding.
- 7. In particular, without limiting the generality of paragraphs 6 above, there has been no consultation, communication, agreement or arrangement with any competitor regarding:
  - (a) prices;
  - (b) geographical area where product or service will be rendered (market allocation)
  - (c) methods, factors or formulas used to calculate prices;
  - (d) the intention or decision to submit or not to submit, a bid;
  - (e) the submission of a bid which does not meet the specifications and conditions of the bid; or
  - (f) bidding with the intention not to win the bid.
- 8. In addition, there have been no consultations, communications, agreements or arrangements with any competitor regarding the quality, quantity, specifications and conditions or delivery particulars of the products or services to which this bid invitation relates.
- 9. The terms of the accompanying bid have not been, and will not be, disclosed by the bidder, directly or indirectly, to any competitor, prior to the date and time of the official bid opening or of the awarding of the contract.

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

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

Signature	Date
Position	Name of Bidder

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### FORM OF OFFER AND ACCEPTANCE

#### 1. OFFER

The Sekhukhune District Municipality, identified in the acceptance signature block, has solicited offers to enter a contract for:

### APPOINTMENT OF SERVICE PROVIDER FOR BANKING SERVICES FOR A PERIOD FIVE (05) YEARS.

The tenderer, identified in the offer signature block, has examined the documents listed in the tender data and addenda thereto as listed in the tender schedules, and by submitting this offer has accepted the conditions of tender.

By the representative of the tenderer, deemed to be duly authorized, signing this part of this form of offer and acceptance, the tenderer offers to perform all of the obligations and liabilities of the Contractor under the contract including compliance with all its terms and conditions according to their true intent and meaning for an amount to be determined in accordance with the Conditions of Contract identified in the Contract Data.

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#### 2. ACCEPTANCE

By signing this part of this form of offer and acceptance, the employer identified below accepts the tenderer's offer. In consideration thereof, the employer shall pay the contractor the amount due in accordance with the conditions of contract identified in the contract data. Acceptance of the tenderer's offer shall form an agreement between the employer and the tenderer upon the terms and conditions contained in this agreement and in the contract that is the subject of this agreement.

Deviations from and amendments to the documents listed in the tender data and any addenda thereto, as listed in the tender schedules as well as any changes to the terms of the offer agreed by the tenderer and the employer during this process of offer and acceptance, are contained in the schedule of deviations attached to and forming part of this agreement. No amendments to or deviations from said documents are valid unless contained in this schedule.

The tenderer shall, within two weeks after receiving a completed copy of this agreement including the schedule of deviation (if any), contact the employer's agent (whose details are given in the contract data) to arrange the delivery of any bonds, guarantees, proof of insurance and any other documentation to be provided in terms of the conditions of contract identified in the contract data. Failure to fulfil any of the obligations in accordance with those terms shall constitute a repudiation of this agreement.

Notwithstanding anything contained herein, this agreement comes into effect on the date when the tenderer receives one fully completed original copy of this document, including the schedule of deviations (if any). Unless the tenderer (now contractor), within five (5) working days of the date of such receipt, notifies the employer in writing of any reason why he cannot accept the contents of this agreement, this agreement shall constitute a binding contract between the parties.<sup>1</sup>

Signature(s)		
Name(s)		
Capacity		
for the <b>Employer</b>	( <b>Sekhukhune District Municipality</b> ) Private Bag x8611 Groblersdal 0470	
Name and signatur	re of witness	
Signature		
Date		

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### SCHEDULE 1A: COMPULSORY ENTERPRISE QUESTIONNAIRE

		g particulars must be furnished ner must be completed and sub	. In the case of a joint venture, <b>separa</b> omitted.	te enterprise que	stionnaires in respec
S	ection 1:	Name of enterprise:			
S	ection 2:	VAT registration number, if	any:		
S	ection 3:	CIDB registration number:			
S	ection 4:	Particulars of sole proprieto	ors and partners in partnerships		
	Name*		Identity number*	Personal incon	ne tax number*
	* Complet	te only if sole proprietor or part	nership and attach separate page if mo	ore than 3 partner	S
S	ection 5:	Particulars of companies an	nd close corporations		
С	ompany re	gistration number			
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S	ection 6:	Record of service of the stat	e		
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	Name of director,	sole proprietor, partner, manager, principal	Name of institution, public office, board or organ of state and position	(tick appropri	of service ate column)
		der or stakeholder	held	Current	Within last 12 months
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### Section 7: Record of spouses, children and parents in the service of the state

Indicate by marking the relevant boxes with a cross, if any spouse, child or parent of a sole proprietor, partner in a partnership or director, manager, principal shareholder or stakeholder in a company or close corporation is currently or

ha	as been within the last 12 months been in	the service of any of	the following:			
	<ul> <li>a member of any municipal council</li> <li>a member of any provincial legislatu</li> <li>a member of the National Assembly Council of Province</li> <li>a member of the board of directors of entity</li> <li>an official of any municipality or municipality</li> </ul>	or the National of any municipal	an employee of an or provincial public within the mear Management Act, a member of an ac or provincial public an employee of Par	entity or constituting of the 1999 (Act 1 of 19 counting authority	utional institution Public Finance 199) ty of any national	
	Name of spouse, child or parent	Name of institutio	•	(tick appropria	of service ate column) Within last	
		held		Current	12 months	
,	Insert separate page if necessary					]
TI	ne undersigned, who warrants that he/she	e is duly authorised to	do so on behalf of	the enterprise:		
i)	authorizes the Client/Municipality to that my / our tax matters are in orde		ce certificate from t	he South Africar	n Revenue Servic	es
ii)	confirms that the neither the name o who wholly or partly exercises, or r Defaulters established in terms of the	may exercise, control	over the enterprise	appears on the	Register of Tend	
iii)	confirms that no partner, member, di over the enterprise appears, has wi	•	• •	•	•	rol
iv	confirms that I / we are not associated and have no other relationship with could cause or be interpreted as a confirmation	any of the tenderers of	•	•	•	
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SCHEDULE 1B:	ALITHODITY OF	CICNIATODY
SCHEDULE IB:	AUTHURITUE	SIGNATURT

Indicate the status of the tenderer by ticking the appropriate box hereunder. The tenderer must complete the certificate set out below for the relevant category.

A	B	C	D	E
Company	Partnership	Joint Venture	Sole Proprietor	Close Corporation

Certificate for Co	mipany		
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Certificate for Pa	rtnership		
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## Republic of South Africa

**GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT: GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT** 

**July 2010** 



#### **NOTES**

The purpose of this document is to:

- A. Draw special attention to certain general conditions applicable to government bids, contracts and orders; and
- B. 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.

#### TABLE OF CLAUSES

Definitions

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(J)	Definitions
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(I)	General
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(s)	Delivery and documents
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(u)	Transportation
(v)	Incidental services
(w)	Spare parts
(x)	Warranty
(y)	Payment
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Assignment (bb) (cc) Subcontracts

Delays in the supplier's performance (dd)

(ee) Penalties

(ff) Termination for default

(gg) (hh) Dumping and countervailing duties

Force Majeure

(ii) (jj) Termination for insolvency Settlement of disputes (kk) Limitation of liability (II)Governing language Applicable law (mm)

(nn) Notices

Taxes and duties (00)

National Industrial Participation Programme (NIPP) (pp)

(qq) Prohibition of restrictive practices

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## **General Conditions of Contract**

1. Definitions	1.	The following terms shall be interpreted as indicated:
1.1 the receipt of bids.		"Closing time" means the date and hour specified in the bidding documents for
1.2 and the supplier, as recorde thereto and all documents in		"Contract" means the written agreement entered into between the purchaser contract form signed by the parties, including all attachments and appendices ted by reference therein.
1.3 the full and proper performa	nce of hi	"Contract price" means the price payable to the supplier under the contract for s contractual obligations.
1.4 of value to influence the acti	on of a p	"Corrupt practice" means the offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting of any thing public official in the procurement process or in contract execution.
1.5 subsidized by its governmen	nt and en	"Countervailing duties" are imposed in cases where an enterprise abroad is couraged to market its products internationally.
substantial and major asser	nbly of c	"Country of origin" means the place where the goods were mined, grown of are supplied. Goods are produced when, through manufacturing, processing of omponents, a commercially recognized new product results that is substantially purpose or utility from its components.
1.7		"Day" means calendar day.
1.8 order.		"Delivery" means delivery in compliance of the conditions of the contract of
1.9 hand.		"Delivery ex stock" means immediate delivery directly from stock actually or
the specified site in complian	nce with	or to his site" means delivered and unloaded in the specified store or depot or or the conditions of the contract or order, the supplier bearing all risks and charges ivered and a valid receipt is obtained.
		te enterprise abroad market its goods on own initiative in the RSA at lower prices which have the potential to harm the local industries in the

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- 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.
- 1.21 "Purchaser" means the organization purchasing the goods.
- 1.22 "Republic" means the Republic of South Africa.
- 1.23 "SCC" means the Special Conditions of Contract.
- 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.

- 1.25 "Written" or "in writing" means handwritten in ink or any form of electronic or mechanical writing.
- 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.
- 2.2 Where applicable, special conditions of contract are also laid down to cover specific supplies, services or works.
- 2.3 Where such special conditions of contract are in conflict with these general conditions, the special conditions shall apply.
- 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.
- 3.2 With certain exceptions, invitations to bid are only published in the Government Tender Bulletin. The Government Tender Bulletin may be obtained directly from the Government Printer, Private Bag X85, Pretoria 0001, or accessed electronically from <a href="https://www.treasury.gov.za">www.treasury.gov.za</a>
- 4.1 The goods supplied shall conform to the standards mentioned in the bidding documents and specifications.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

### 2. Application

#### 3. General

#### <sup>2</sup> Standards

Use of contract documents and information; inspection.

#### 6. Patent rights

#### 21.Performance security

- 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.
- 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.
- 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:
  - 5. 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
  - 6. a cashier's or certified cheque
- 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.
- 8.1 All pre-bidding testing will be for the account of the bidder.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 8.7 Any contract supplies may on or after delivery be inspected, tested or

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analyzed 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.

- 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.
- 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.
  - 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.
- **10. Delivery** 10.1 and documents
- 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.
- 10.2 Documents to be submitted by the supplier are specified in SCC.
- **11. Insurance**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.
  - **12. Transportation**12.1 Should a price other than an all-inclusive delivered price be required, this shall be specified in the SCC.
- **13. Incidental**13.1 The supplier may be required to provide any or all of the following services services, including additional services, if any, specified in SCC:
  - 6. performance or supervision of on-site assembly and/or commissioning of the supplied goods;
  - 7. furnishing of tools required for assembly and/or maintenance of the supplied goods;
  - 8. 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:

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

in the event of termination of production of the spare parts:

Advance notification to the purchaser of the pending termination, in sufficient time to permit the purchaser to procure needed requirements; and

following such termination, furnishing at no cost to the purchaser, the blueprints, drawings, and specifications of the spare parts, if requested.

**8. 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 fulfillment 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.

### 9. 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 authorized in SCC or in the purchaser's request for bid validity extension, as the case may be.
- 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.
- 10. Contract amendments
- 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.
- 11. Assignment
- 20.1 The supplier shall notify the purchaser in writing of all subcontracts awarded under this 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.
- 12. Subcontract s
- 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.
- 13. Delays in the supplier's performance
- 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 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.

#### 22. Penalties

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.

## v) Termination for default

- 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:
  - 10. 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;
  - 11. if the Supplier fails to perform any other obligation(s) under the contract; or
  - 12. if the supplier, in the judgment of the purchaser, has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for or in executing the contract.
- 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.
- 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.
- 23.4 If a purchaser intends imposing a restriction on a supplier or any

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person associated with the supplier, the supplier will be allowed a time period of not more than fourteen (14) days to provide reasons why the envisaged restriction should not be imposed. Should the supplier fail to respond within the stipulated fourteen (14) days the purchaser may regard the intended penalty as not objected against and may impose it on the supplier.

23.5 Any restriction imposed on any person by the Accounting Officer / Authority will, at the discretion of the Accounting Officer / Authority, also be applicable to any other enterprise or any partner, manager, director or other person who wholly or partly exercises or exercised or may exercise control over the enterprise of the first-mentioned person, and with which enterprise or person the first-mentioned person, is or was in the opinion of the Accounting Officer / Authority actively associated.

23.6 If a restriction is imposed, the purchaser must, within five (5) working days of such imposition, furnish the National Treasury, with the following information: 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

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(iv) the reasons for the restriction.

These details will be loaded in the National Treasury's central database of suppliers or persons prohibited from doing business with the public sector.

23.7 If a court of law convicts a person of an offence as contemplated in sections 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 Tender 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 five 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 website.

24.1 When, after the date of bid, provisional payments are required, or antidumping 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

24. Anti-dumping and countervailing duties and rights

#### may be due to him

## v) Forc e Majeure

- 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.
- 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.

## (f) Termination for insolvency

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.

## (g) Settlement of Disputes

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 27.4 Mediation proceedings shall be conducted in accordance with the rules of procedure specified in the SCC.
- 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.

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## 28. Limitation of liability

- 28.1 Except in cases of criminal negligence or willful misconduct, and in the case of infringement pursuant to Clause 6;
- (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

## 29. Governing language

## 30. Applicable law

#### 31. Notices

## 32. Taxes and duties

# 33. National Industrial Participation (NIP) Programme

## 34 Prohibition of Restrictive practices

- (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.
- 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.
- 30.1 The contract shall be interpreted in accordance with South African laws, unless otherwise specified in SCC.
- 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
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
  - 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.
  - 34.1 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).
  - 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.

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