

## PART A INVITATION TO BID

YOU ARE HEREBY INVITED TO BID FOR REQUIREMENTS OF THE (GAUTENG PARTNERSHIP FUND)					
BID NUMBER:	RFP/03/01/2026	CLOSING DATE:	01 APRIL 2026	CLOSING TIME:	11:00 AM
DESCRIPTION	The Appointment of a Panel of Alternative Sanitation Service Providers to Design, Construct and Maintain Wastewater Treatment Plants for the upgrading of informal settlements by the Gauteng Partnership Fund for a Period of 108 Months				
BID RESPONSE DOCUMENTS MAY BE DEPOSITED IN THE BID BOX SITUATED AT (STREET ADDRESS)					
FIRST FLOOR					
82 GRAYSTON DRIVE					
SANDTON					
2196					
BIDDING PROCEDURE ENQUIRIES MAY BE DIRECTED TO			TECHNICAL ENQUIRIES MAY BE DIRECTED TO:		
CONTACT PERSON	Sandile Ngwenya		CONTACT PERSON	Sandra Ruiter	
TELEPHONE NUMBER			TELEPHONE NUMBER		
FACSIMILE NUMBER			FACSIMILE NUMBER		
E-MAIL ADDRESS	tenders@gpf.org.za		E-MAIL ADDRESS	tenders@gpf.org.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
ARE YOU THE ACCREDITED REPRESENTATIVE IN SOUTH AFRICA FOR THE GOODS /SERVICES OFFERED?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No [IF YES ENCLOSE PROOF]		ARE YOU A FOREIGN BASED SUPPLIER FOR THE GOODS /SERVICES OFFERED?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No [IF YES, ANSWER THE QUESTIONNAIRE BELOW]
QUESTIONNAIRE TO BIDDING FOREIGN SUPPLIERS					
IS THE ENTITY A RESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA (RSA)?				<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	
DOES THE ENTITY HAVE A BRANCH IN THE RSA?				<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	
DOES THE ENTITY HAVE A PERMANENT ESTABLISHMENT IN THE RSA?				<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	
DOES THE ENTITY HAVE ANY SOURCE OF INCOME IN THE RSA?				<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	
IS THE ENTITY LIABLE IN THE RSA FOR ANY FORM OF TAXATION?				<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	
<b>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.</b>					

**PART B  
TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR BIDDING**

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

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

SIGNATURE OF BIDDER: .....

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

DATE: .....

## BIDDER'S DISCLOSURE

### 1. PURPOSE OF THE FORM

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

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

### 2. BIDDER'S DECLARATION

2.1 Is the bidder, or any of its directors / trustees / shareholders / members / partners or any person having a controlling interest<sup>1</sup> 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

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

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

2.2.1 If so, furnish particulars:

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

2.3.1 If so, furnish particulars:

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**3. DECLARATION**

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

- 3.1 I have read and I understand the contents of this disclosure;
- 3.2 I understand that the accompanying bid will be disqualified if this disclosure is found not to be true and complete in every respect;
- 3.3 The bidder has arrived at the accompanying bid independently from, and without consultation, communication, agreement or arrangement with any competitor. However, communication between partners in a joint venture or consortium<sup>2</sup> 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.

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.

- 3.5 There have been no consultations, communications, agreements or arrangements made by the bidder with any official of the procuring institution in relation to this procurement process prior to and during the bidding process except to provide clarification on the bid submitted where so required by the institution; and the bidder was not involved in the drafting of the specifications or terms of reference for this bid.
- 3.6 I am aware that, in addition and without prejudice to any other remedy provided to combat any restrictive practices related to bids and contracts, bids that are suspicious will be reported to the Competition Commission for investigation and possible imposition of administrative penalties in terms of section 59 of the Competition Act No 89 of 1998 and or may be reported to the National Prosecuting Authority (NPA) for criminal investigation and or may be restricted from conducting business with the public sector for a period not exceeding ten (10) years in terms of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act No 12 of 2004 or any other applicable legislation.

I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION FURNISHED IN PARAGRAPHS 1, 2 and 3 ABOVE IS CORRECT.  
 I ACCEPT THAT THE STATE MAY REJECT THE BID OR ACT AGAINST ME IN TERMS OF PARAGRAPH 6 OF PFMA SCM INSTRUCTION 03 OF 2021/22 ON PREVENTING AND COMBATING ABUSE IN THE SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT SYSTEM SHOULD THIS DECLARATION PROVE TO BE FALSE.

Signature	Date
Position	Name of bidder

**ANNEXURE H**

**SWORN AFFIDAVIT – B-BBEE EXEMPTED MICRO ENTERPRISE**

I, the undersigned,

<b>Full name &amp; Surname</b>	
<b>Identity number</b>	

Hereby declare under oath as follows:

1. The contents of this statement are to the best of my knowledge a true reflection of the facts.
2. I am a member / director / owner of the following enterprise and am duly authorised to act on its behalf:

<b>Enterprise Name</b>	
<b>Trading Name</b>	
<b>Registration Number</b>	
<b>Enterprise Address</b>	

3. I hereby declare under oath that:
  - The enterprise is \_\_\_\_\_% black owned;
  - The enterprise is \_\_\_\_\_% black woman owned;
  - Based on the management accounts and other information available on the \_\_\_\_\_ financial year, the income did not exceed R10,000,000.00 (ten million rands);
  - Please confirm on the table below the B-BBEE level contributor, **by ticking the applicable box.**

100% black owned	<b>Level One</b> (135% B-BBEE procurement recognition)	
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More than 51% black owned	<b>Level Two</b> (125% B-BBEE procurement recognition)	
Less than 51% black owned	<b>Level Four</b> (100% B-BBEE procurement recognition)	

4. The entity is an empowering supplier in terms of **the dti** Codes of Good Practice.
  
5. I know and understand the contents of this affidavit and I have no objection to take the prescribed oath and consider the oath binding on my conscience and on the owners of the enterprise which I represent in this matter.
  
6. The sworn affidavit will be valid for a period of 12 months from the date signed by commissioner.

Deponent

Signature:

\_\_\_\_\_

Date:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Commissioner of Oaths  
 Signature & stamp

## SWORN AFFIDAVIT – B-BBEE QUALIFYING SMALL ENTERPRISE - GENERAL

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I, the undersigned,

<b>Full name &amp; Surname</b>	
<b>Identity number</b>	

Hereby declare under oath as follows:

1. The contents of this statement are to the best of my knowledge a true reflection of the facts.
2. I am a Member / Director / Owner of the following enterprise and am duly authorised to act on its behalf:

<b>Enterprise Name:</b>	
<b>Trading Name (If Applicable):</b>	
<b>Registration Number:</b>	
<b>Enterprise Physical Address:</b>	
<b>Type of Entity (CC, (Pty) Ltd, Sole Prop etc.):</b>	
<b>Nature of Business:</b>	

<b>Definition of “Black People”</b>	<p>As per the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act 53 of 2003 as Amended by Act No 46 of 2013 “Black People” is a generic term which means Africans, Coloureds and Indians –</p> <p>(a) who are citizens of the Republic of South Africa by birth or descent; or</p> <p>(b) who became citizens of the Republic of South Africa by naturalisation-</p> <p>i. before 27 April 1994; or</p> <p>ii. on or after 27 April 1994 and who would have been entitled to acquire citizenship by naturalization prior to that date;”</p>
<b>Definition of “Black Designated Groups”</b>	<p>“Black Designated Groups means:</p> <p>(a) unemployed black people not attending and not required by law to attend an educational institution and not awaiting admission to an educational institution;</p> <p>(b) Black people who are youth as defined in the National Youth Commission Act of 1996;</p> <p>(c) Black people who are persons with disabilities as defined in the Code of Good Practice on employment of people with disabilities issued under the Employment Equity Act;</p> <p>(d) Black people living in rural and under developed areas;</p> <p>(e) Black military veterans who qualifies to be called a military veteran in terms of the Military Veterans Act 18 of 2011;”</p>

3. I hereby declare under Oath that:

- The Enterprise is \_\_\_\_\_% Black Owned as per Amended Code Series 100 of the Amended Codes of Good Practice issued under section 9 (1) of B-BBEE Act No 53 of 2003 as Amended by Act No 46 of 2013,
- The Enterprise is \_\_\_\_\_% Black Female Owned as per Amended Code Series 100 of the Amended Codes of Good Practice issued under section 9 (1) of B-BBEE Act No 53 of 2003 as Amended by Act No 46 of 2013,
- The Enterprise is \_\_\_\_\_% Black Designated Group Owned as per Amended Code Series 100 of the Amended Codes of Good Practice issued under section 9 (1) of B-BBEE Act No 53 of 2003 as Amended by Act No 46 of 2013,
- Black Designated Group Owned % Breakdown as per the definition stated above:
- Black Youth % = \_\_\_\_\_%
- Black Disabled % = \_\_\_\_\_%
- Black Unemployed % = \_\_\_\_\_%
- Black People living in Rural areas % = \_\_\_\_\_%

- Black Military Veterans % = \_\_\_\_\_%
- Based on the Financial Statements/Management Accounts and other information available on the latest financial year-end of \_\_\_\_\_, the annual Total Revenue was between R10,000,000.00 (Ten Million Rands) and R50,000,000.00 (Fifty Million Rands),
- Please confirm on the table below the B-BBEE level contributor, **by ticking the applicable box.**

100% Black Owned	<b>Level One</b> (135% B-BBEE procurement recognition level)	
At Least 51% black owned	<b>Level Two</b> (125% B-BBEE procurement recognition level)	

4. I know and understand the contents of this affidavit and I have no objection to take the prescribed oath and consider the oath binding on my conscience and on the owners of the enterprise which I represent in this matter.
5. The sworn affidavit will be valid for a period of 12 months from the date signed by commissioner.

Deponent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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 Commissioner of Oaths  
 Signature & stamp

**ANNEXURE I**

GPF'S

STANDARD

CONDITIONS OF BID

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## GENERAL

- Actions** 1 GPF's *Representative* and each *bidder* submitting a bid shall act timeously as stated in these Conditions of Bid and in a manner which is fair, equitable, transparent, competitive and cost-effective.
- Interpretation** 2 Terms shown in *italics* vary for each bid. The details of each term for this bid are identified in the Bid Data. Terms shown in capital initials are defined terms in the appropriate conditions of contract.
- 3 Any additional or amended requirements in the Bid Data, and additional requirements given in the Schedules in the *bid returnables* are deemed to be part of these Conditions of Bid.
- 4 The Conditions of Bid and the Bid Data shall not form part of any contract arising from this invitation to bid.
- Communication** 5 Each communication between the GPF and a *bidder* shall be to or from GPF's *Representative* only, and in a form that can be read, copied and recorded. Communication shall be in the English language. GPF takes no responsibility for non-receipt of communications from or by a *bidder*.
- GPF's rights to accept or reject any bid** 6 GPF may accept or reject any variation, deviation, bid, or alternative bid, and may cancel the bid process and reject all bids at any time prior to the formation of a contract. GPF's *Representative* will not accept or incur any liability to a *bidder* for such cancellation and rejection but will give written reasons for the action upon written request to do so. GPF reserves the right to accept the whole of any part of any bid.

After the cancellation of the bid process or the rejection of all bids GPF may abandon the proposed work and services, have it performed in any other manner, or re-issue a similar invitation to bid at any time.

## 6. 2 BIDDER'S OBLIGATIONS

The *bidder* shall comply with the following obligations when submitting a bid and shall:

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| <b>Eligibility</b>  | 1 | Submit a bid only if the <i>bidder</i> complies with the <i>criteria</i> stated in the Bid Data and the <i>bidder</i> , or any of his principals, is not under any restriction to do business with the GPF.                                       |
| <b>Cost of bidding</b>                                    | 2 | Accept that the GPF will not compensate the <i>bidder</i> for any costs incurred in the preparation and submission of a bid, including the costs of any testing necessary to demonstrate that aspects of the bid satisfy the evaluation criteria. |
| <b>Check documents</b>                                    | 3 | Check the <i>bid documents</i> on receipt, including pages within them, and notify GPF's <i>Representative</i> of any discrepancy or omissions.   |
| <b>Confidentiality and copyright of documents</b>         | 4 | Treat as confidential all matters arising in connection with the bid. Use and copy the documents provided by the GPF only for the purpose of preparing and submitting a bid in response to this invitation.                                       |
| <b>Standardised specifications and other publications</b> | 5 | Obtain, as necessary for submitting a bid, copies of the latest revision of standardised specifications and other publications, which are not attached but which are incorporated into the <i>bid documents</i> by reference.                     |

- 7 Acknowledge receipt of Addenda to the *bid documents*, which GPF's *Representative* may issue, and if necessary apply for an extension to the *deadline for bid submission*, in order to take the Addenda into account.
- Site visit and / or clarification meeting** 8 Attend a site visit and/or clarification meeting at which *bidders* may familiarise themselves with the proposed work, services or supply, location, etc. and raise questions.. Details of the meeting(s) are stated in the Bid Data.
- Seek clarification** 9 Request clarification of the *bid documents*, if necessary, by notifying GPF's *Representative* earlier than the *closing time for clarification of queries*.
- Insurance 10 Be informed that the extent (if any) of insurance provided by the GPF may not be for the full cover required in terms of the relevant category listed in Section 8 of the *conditions of contract*, the *bidder* is advised to seek qualified advice regarding insurance.
- Pricing the bid** 11 Include in the rates, prices, and the bided total of the prices (if any) all duties, taxes (except VAT), and other levies payable by the successful *bidder*. Such duties, taxes and levies are those applicable 14 days prior to the *deadline for bid submission*.
- 12 Show Value Added Tax (VAT) payable by the GPF separately as an addition to the bided total of the prices.
- 13 Provide rates and prices that are fixed for the duration of the contract and not subject to adjustment except as provided for in the *conditions of contract*.

- 14 State the rates and Prices in South African Rand unless instructed otherwise as an additional condition in the Bid Data.
- Alterations to documents** 15 Not make any alterations or additions to the *bid documents*, except to comply with instructions issued by GPF's *Representative* or if necessary to correct errors made by the *bidder*. All such alterations shall be initialled by all signatories to the bid. Corrections may not be made using correction fluid, correction tape or the like.
- Alternative bids** 16 Submit alternative bids only if a main bid, strictly in accordance with all the requirements of the *bid documents* is also submitted. The alternative bid is submitted with the main bid together with a schedule that compares the requirements of the *bid documents* with the alternative requirements the *bidder* proposes.
- 17 Accept that an alternative bid may be based only on the criteria stated in the Bid Data and as acceptable to the GPF.
- Submitting a bid** 18 The GPF require one original bidding document, indexed according to the page numbers and content as well as one CD of the same.
- Submit a bid for providing the whole of the works, services or supply identified in the Contract Data unless stated otherwise as an additional condition in the Bid Data.
- 19 Return the *bid returnables* to the GPF, completing without exception all the forms, data and schedules included therein.
- 20 Submit the bid as an original plus the number of copies stated in the Bid Data and provide an English translation for documentation submitted in a language other than English. Bids may not be written in pencil but must be completed in ink.

- 21 Sign the original and all copies of the bid where indicated. The GPF will hold the signatory duly authorised and liable on behalf of the *bidder*.
- 22 Seal the original and each copy of the bid as separate packages marking the packages as "ORIGINAL" and "COPY". Each package shall state on the outside the GPF's national office address and invitation to bid number stated in the Bid Data, as well as the *bidder's* name and contact address.
- 23 Seal original and copies together in an outer package that states on the outside only the GPF's national office address and invitation to bid number as stated in the Bid Data. The outer package must be marked "CONFIDENTIAL"
- 24 Where a two-envelope system is required in terms of the bid data, place and seal the returnable documents listed in the bid data in an envelope marked "financial proposal" and place the remaining returnable documents in an envelope marked "technical proposal". Each envelope shall state on the outside the GPF's national office address and identification details stated in the bid data, as well as the bidder's name and contact details. Make sure both parts of the bid are delivered as a single package.
- 25 Accept that the GPF will not assume any responsibility for the misplacement or premature opening of the bid if the outer package is not sealed and marked as stated

Note:

The GPF prefers not to receive bids by post, and takes no responsibility for delays in the postal system or in transit within or between GPF offices.

Where bids are sent per fax, the GPF takes no responsibility for difficulties in transmission caused by line or equipment faults.

Where bids are sent via courier, the GPF takes no responsibility for bids delivered to any other site than the bid office.

GPF employees are not permitted to deposit a bid into the GPF's bid box on behalf of a bidder, except those lodged by post or courier.

- Closing time** 26 Ensure that the GPF has received the bid at the address and in the bid box no later than the *deadline for bid submission*. Proof of posting will not be taken by the GPF as proof of delivery. The GPF will not accept a bid submitted telephonically, e-mail or by telegraph unless stated otherwise in the Bid Data.
- 27 Accept that, if the GPF extends the *deadline for bid submission* for any reason, the requirements of these Conditions of Bid apply equally to the extended deadline.
- Bid validity** 28 Hold the bid(s) valid for acceptance by the GPF at any time within the *validity period* after the *deadline for bid submission*.
- 29 Extend the *validity period* for a specified additional period if the GPF requests the *bidder* to extend it. A *bidder* agreeing to the request will not be required or permitted to modify a bid, except to the extent the GPF may allow for the effects of inflation over the additional period.
- Clarification of bid after submission** 30 Provide, on request from the GPF's *Representative* during the evaluation of bids, any other material that has a bearing on the bid, the bidder's commercial position (including notarised joint venture agreements), preferencing arrangements or samples of materials, considered necessary by the GPF for the purpose of a full and fair risk assessment. This may include providing a breakdown of rates or Prices. No change in the total of the Prices or substance of the bid is sought, offered, or permitted except as required by the GPF's *Representative* to confirm the correction of arithmetical errors discovered in the evaluation of bids. The total of the Prices stated by the *bidder* as corrected by the GPF's *Representative* with the concurrence of the *bidder*, shall be binding upon the *bidder*

- Submit bonds, policies etc.**
- 31 If instructed by the GPF's *Representative* (before the formation of a contract), submit for the GPF's acceptance, the bonds, guarantees, policies and certificates of insurance required to be provided by the successful *bidder* in terms of the *conditions of contract*.
- 32 Undertake to check the final draft of the contract provided by GPF's *Representative*, and sign the Form of Agreement all within the time required by these Conditions of Bid.
- 33 Where an agent on behalf of a principal submits a bid, an authenticated copy of the authority to act as an agent must be submitted with the bid.
- Fulfil BEE requirements**
- 34 Comply with GPF's requirements regarding BBEE.

## 7. 3 THE GPF'S UNDERTAKINGS

GPF's *Representative*, shall:

- Respond to clarification**
- 1 Respond to a request for clarification received earlier than the *closing time for clarification of queries*. The response is notified to all *bidders*.
- Issue Addenda**
- 2 If necessary, issue Addenda that may amend, amplify, or add to the *bid documents*, to each *bidder*. If a *bidders* applies for an extension to the *deadline for bid submission*, in order to take Addenda into account in preparing a bid, the GPF may grant such an extension and GPF's *Representative* shall notify the extension to all *bidders*.

<b>Return late bids</b>	3	Return bids received after the <i>deadline for bid submission</i> unopened to the <i>bidder</i> submitting a late bid. Bids will be deemed late if they are not on the designated fax or in the designated bid box at the date and time stipulated as the deadline for bid submission.
<b>Bid opening</b>	4	Open the bids in the presence of the <i>bidders'</i> representatives who choose to attend at the time and place stated in the Bid Data. Bids for which an acceptable notice of withdrawal has been submitted will not be opened.
	5	Announce at the opening the name of each <i>bidder</i> only. Die unsuccessful bidder may request a debriefing meeting with the Supply Chain Manager on request.
<b>Two-envelope system</b>	6	Where stated in the bid data that a two-envelope system is to be followed, open only the technical proposals in the presence of bidder's representatives and announce the name of each bid.
	7	Evaluate the quality of the technical proposals, then advise bidders who remain in contention for the award of the contract. Return unopened financial proposals to bidders whose technical proposals failed to achieve the minimum criteria.
<b>Non-disclosure</b>	8	Not disclose to <i>bidders</i> , or to any other person not officially concerned with such processes, information relating to the evaluation and comparison of bids and recommendations for the award of a contract, until after the award of the contract to the successful bidder.
<b>Grounds for rejection</b>	9	Consider rejecting a bid if there is any effort by a <i>bidder</i> to influence the processing of bids or contract award.

<b>Disqualification</b>	10	Instantly disqualify a <i>bidder</i> (and his bid) if it is established that the <i>bidder</i> offered an inducement to any person with a view to influencing the placing of a contract arising from this invitation to bid.
<b>Test for responsiveness</b>	11	Determine before detailed evaluation, whether each bid properly received <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• meets the requirements of these Conditions of Bid,</li> <li>• has been properly signed, and</li> <li>• is responsive to the requirements of the <i>bid documents</i>.</li> </ul>
	12	Judge a <i>responsive bid</i> as one which conforms to all the terms, conditions, and specifications of the <i>bid documents</i> without material deviation or qualification. A material deviation or qualification is one which, in the GPF's opinion would <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• detrimentally affect the scope, quality, or performance of the works, services or supply identified in the Contract Data,</li> <li>• change the GPF's or the <i>bidder's</i> risks and responsibilities under the contract, or</li> <li>• affect the competitive position of other <i>bidders</i> presenting responsive bids, if it were to be rectified.</li> </ul>
<b>Non-responsive bids</b>	13	Reject a non-responsive bid, and not allow it to be subsequently made responsive by correction or withdrawal of the non-conforming deviation or reservation.
<b>Arithmetical errors</b>	14	Check responsive bids for arithmetical errors, correcting them as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Where there is a discrepancy between the amounts in figures and in words, the amount in words shall govern.</li> <li>• If a bill of quantities applies and there is a discrepancy between the rate and the line item total, resulting from multiplying the rate by the quantity, the rate as quoted shall govern. Where there is an obviously gross misplacement of the decimal point in the rate, the line item total as quoted shall govern, and the rate will be corrected.</li> </ul>

- Where there is an error in the total of the Prices, either as a result of other corrections required by this checking process or in the *bidder's* addition of prices, the total of the Prices, if any, will be corrected.
  - The corrected price will be communicated to the bidder. The bidder may withdraw the bid, but may not change the bid price.
- 15 Reject a bid if the *bidder* does not accept the corrected total of the Prices (if any).
- Evaluating the bid** 16 Evaluate responsive bids in accordance with the *procedure and criteria* stated in the Bid Data. The evaluated bid price will be disclosed only to the relevant GPF bid committee and will not be disclosed to *bidders* or any other person.
- Clarification of a bid** 17 Obtain from a *bidder* clarification of any matter in the bid which may not be clear or could give rise to ambiguity in a contract arising from this bid if the matter were not to be clarified.
- Acceptance of bid** 18 Notify GPF's acceptance to the successful *bidder* before the expiry of the *validity period*, or agreed additional period. Providing the notice of acceptance does not contain any qualifying statements, it will constitute the formation of a contract between the GPF and the successful *bidder*.
- Notice to unsuccessful bidders** 19 After the successful *bidder* has acknowledged the GPF's notice of acceptance, notify other *bidders* that their bids have not been accepted, following the GPF's current procedures.
- Prepare contract documents** 20 Revise the contract documents issued by the GPF as part of the *bid documents* to take account of
- Addenda issued during the bid period,
  - inclusion of some of the *bid returnables*, and

- other revisions agreed between the GPF and the successful *bidder*, before the issue of the GPF's notice of acceptance (of the bid).
- The schedule of deviations attached to the form of offer and acceptance, if any.

<b>Issue final contract</b>	21	Issue the final contract documents to the successful <i>bidder</i> for acceptance within one week of the date of the GPF's notice of acceptance.
<b>Sign Form of Agreement</b>	22	Arrange for authorised signatories of both parties to complete and sign the original and one copy of the Form of Agreement within two weeks of the date of the GPF's notice of acceptance of the bid. If either party requires the signatories to initial every page of the contract documents, the signatories for the other party comply with the request.
<b>Complete Adjudicator's Contract</b>	23	Unless alternative arrangements have been agreed, arrange for both parties to complete and sign the Form of Agreement and Contract Data with the selected adjudicator.
<b>Provide copies of the contracts</b>	24	Provide to the successful <i>bidder</i> the number of copies stated in the Bid Data of the signed copy of the contracts within three weeks of the date of the GPF's acceptance of the bid.

**ANNEXURE J**



**GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT  
GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT**

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## General Conditions of Contract

1. **Definitions**
  1. The following terms shall be interpreted as indicated:
    - 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 subsidized 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 recognized 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.
- 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. Application**

- 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. General**

- 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 [www.treasury.gov.za](http://www.treasury.gov.za)

## **4. Standards**

- 4.1. The goods supplied shall conform to the standards mentioned in the bidding documents and specifications.

## **5. Use of contract documents and information; inspection.**

- 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. Patent rights**

- 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.

## **7. 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:
  - (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
  - (b) 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. Inspections, tests and analyses**

- 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 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.

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. Packing**

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 and documents**

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.

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 services**

13.1. The supplier may be required to provide any or all of the following services, including additional services, if any, specified in SCC:

- (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 authorized 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 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.

## **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 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.
- 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.

## **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.

## **23. 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:
- (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.
- 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 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:

- (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.

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. Anti-dumping and countervailing duties and rights**

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 may be due to him

## **25. Force 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.

## **26. 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.

## **27. 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.

## **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

(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. 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**

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. Taxes and duties**

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. National Industrial Participation (NIP) Programme**

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**

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) concerned.

**ANNEXURE K**



**TO THE GPF**

**PROTECTION OF PERSONAL INFORMATION ACT, 4 OF 2013**

By signing this referral form;

- a) I/we hereby grant my/our voluntary consent that my/our personal information may be processed, collected, used and disclosed in compliance with the Protection of Personal Information Act, 4 of 2013.
- b) I/we furthermore agree that my/our personal information may be used for the lawful and reasonable purposes in as far as the GPF (responsible party) must use my/our information in the performance of its public legal duty.
- c) I/we understand that my/our personal information may be disclosed to a third party in as far as the GPF must fulfil its public legal duty.
- d) I/we furthermore understand that there are instances in terms of abovementioned Act where my express consent is not necessary to permit the processing of personal information, which may be related to litigation or when the information is publicly available. Further details are available on the GPF website.

**SIGNED AT \_\_\_\_\_ ON THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_ 2026**

**COMPANY NAME: \_\_\_\_\_**

**INITIAL AND SURNAME OF REPRESENTATIVE OF THE COMPANY: \_\_\_\_\_**

**SIGNATURE OF REPRESENTATIVE OF THE COMPANY: \_\_\_\_\_**

**COMMITMENT /UNDERTAKING**

**Bidders undertakes or commit to comply with the following below;**

**This information must be submitted prior to the signing of the Service Level Agreement (SLA)**

No	Description
1.	The service provider undertakes to familiarise itself and comply with the Protection of Personal Information Act (POPIA), 2013

**Bidder's signature :.....**



# INTEGRITY PACT FOR BUSINESSES

**FIGHTING CORRUPTION, PROMOTING INTEGRITY**

## **1. INTRODUCTION**

This agreement is part of the tender document, which shall be signed and submitted along with the tender document. The Chief Executive Officer of the bidding company or his/her authorised representative shall sign the integrity pact. If the winning bidder has not signed this integrity pact during the submission of the bid, the tender/proposal shall be disqualified.

## **2. OBJECTIVES**

Now, therefore, the Gauteng Provincial Government and the Bidder agree to enter into this pre-contract agreement, hereinafter referred to as an integrity pact, to avoid all forms of corruption by following a system that is fair, transparent, and free from any influence/unprejudiced dealings before, during and after the currency of the contract to be entered, with a view to:

- 2.1 Enable the Gauteng Provincial Government to obtain the desired contract at a reasonable and competitive price in conformity to the defined specifications of the works, goods and services; and
- 2.2 Enable bidders to abstain from bribing or any corrupt practice to secure the contract by assuring them that their competitors will refrain from bribing and other corrupt practices and the Gauteng Provincial Government will commit to preventing corruption, in any form by their officials by following transparent procedures.

## **3. GOVERNANCE**

- 3.1 The integrity pact seeks to ensure that both parties comply with all applicable provincial, national, continental, and international laws and regulations regarding fair competition and anti-corruption.

## **4. ENVIRONMENT**

- 4.1 The integrity pact requires that both parties comply with all applicable environmental, health, and safety regulations.

## **5. PROTECTION OF INFORMATION**

- 5.1 The integrity pact seeks to ensure that both parties undertake to protect the confidentiality of information. Each party, when given access to confidential information as part of the business relationship should not share this information with anyone unless authorised.

## **6. REPUTATION**

- 6.1 The Gauteng Provincial Government wants to work with bidders who are proud of their reputation for fair dealing and quality delivery.
- 6.2 The Gauteng Provincial Government wants to ensure that working with government is reputation enhancing for the supplier.
- 6.3 The Gauteng Provincial Government expects bidders/suppliers to be protective of government's reputation, and ensure that neither they, nor any of their partners or subcontractors, bring government to disrepute by engaging in any act or omission which is reasonably likely to diminish the trust that the public places in government.

6.4 The Gauteng Provincial Government further requires its bidders/suppliers to always adhere to ethical conduct even outside their contractual obligation with the Gauteng Provincial Government.

**7. VALUES OF THE GAUTENG PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT**

7.1 The value system of the Gauteng City Region is shown below:

<b>GAUTENG CITY REGION VALUES SYSTEM</b>	
<b>CORE VALUES</b>	<b>ETHICAL VALUES</b>
Patriotism Purposefulness Team focused Integrity Accountability Passionate Activism	Integrity Accountability Dignity Transparency Respect Honesty

7.2 The Gauteng Provincial Government commits to ensure that the values system is embedded into the day-to-day operations of its institutions.

**8. COMMITMENTS OF THE GAUTENG PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT**

The Gauteng Provincial Government commits itself to the following:

8.1 The GPG commits that its officials will at all times conduct themselves in accordance with Treasury Regulations 16A.8<sup>1</sup>, copy of which is attached marked Annexure A, and that:

8.1.1 The GPG is committed to doing business with integrity and proper regard for ethical business practices.

8.1.2 The GPG hereby undertakes that no official of the GPG, connected directly or indirectly with the contract will demand, take a promise for or accept, directly or through intermediaries, any bribe, consideration, gift, reward, favour, or any material or immaterial benefit or any other advantage from the bidder, either for themselves or for any person, organisation or third party related to the contract in exchange for an advantage in the bidding process, bid evaluation, contracting or implementation process related to the contract.

8.1.3 The GPG further confirms that its officials have not favoured any prospective bidder in any form that could afford an undue advantage to that bidder during the tendering stage and will further treat all bidders alike.

8.1.4 The GPG will during the tender process treat all Bidder(s) with equity.

8.1.5 All officials of the GPG shall report any attempted or completed violation of clauses to the following details:

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<sup>1</sup> Government Notice No. R. 225 of 2005 published under Government Gazette No. 27388 of 15 March 2005, as amended

	Gauteng Ethics Hotline	National Anti-Corruption Hotline
<b>Toll-free number</b>	080 1111 633	0800 701 701
<b>SMS call-back</b>	49017	N/A
<b>E-mail</b>	<a href="mailto:gpethics@behonest.co.za">gpethics@behonest.co.za</a>	<a href="mailto:nach@psc.gov.za">nach@psc.gov.za</a>
<b>Fax</b>	086 726 1681	0800 204 965
<b>Website</b>	<a href="http://www.thehotline.co.za">www.thehotline.co.za</a>	<a href="http://www.publicservicecorruptionhotline.org.za">www.publicservicecorruptionhotline.org.za</a>
<b>Post</b>	Chief Directorate: Integrity Management Private Bag X61 Marshalltown 2001	Public Service Commission Private X121 Pretoria 0001
<b>Walk-in</b>	Office of the Premier 55 Marshall Street Marshalltown Johannesburg 2001	Gauteng Provincial Office Public Service Commission Schreiner Chambers 6 <sup>th</sup> Floor 94 Pritchard Street Johannesburg

8.1.6 Following the report on the violation of the above clauses by the official(s), through any source, the GPG shall investigate allegations of such violations against the official or other role players and when justified:

- a) Take steps against such official and other role players (necessary disciplinary proceedings, and/or any other action as deemed fit, bar such officials from further dealings related to the contract process). In such a case, while an enquiry is being conducted by the Gauteng Provincial Government the proceedings under the contract would not be stalled.
- b) Inform the relevant Treasury of steps taken in 8.1.5(a) against such officials; and
- c) Report any conduct by such official and other role players that may constitute an offence to the South African Police Service.

## 9. COMMITMENTS OF THE BIDDERS

The bidder commits himself/herself to take all measures necessary to prevent corrupt practices, unfair means and illegal activities during any stage of his/her bid or during any pre-contract or post contract stage to secure the contract or in furtherance to secure it and commits himself/herself to the following:

9.1 The bidder is committed to doing business with integrity and proper regard for ethical business practices.

- 9.2 The bidder will not offer, directly or through intermediaries, any bribe, gift, consideration, reward, favour, any material or immaterial benefit or other advantage, commission, fees, brokerage or inducements to any official of the Gauteng Provincial Government, connected directly or indirectly with the bidding process, or to any person, organisation or third party related to the contract in exchange for any advantage in the bidding, evaluation, contracting and implementation of the contract.
- 9.3 The bidder further undertakes that he/she has not given, offered or promised to give, directly or indirectly any bribe, gift, consideration, reward, favour, any material or immaterial benefit or other advantage, commission, fees, brokerage or inducements to an official of the Gauteng Provincial Government or otherwise in procuring the contract or forbearing to do or having done any act in relation to the obtaining or execution of the contract or any other contract with the Gauteng Provincial Government for showing or forbearing to show favour or disfavor to any person in relation to the contract or any other contract with the Gauteng Provincial Government.
- 9.4 The bidder will not collude with other parties interested in the contract to preclude the competitive bid price, impair the transparency, fairness and progress of the bidding process, bid evaluation, contracting and implementation of the contract.
- 9.5 The Bidder(s)/Contractor(s) will not enter with other Bidders into any undisclosed agreement or understanding, whether formal or informal. This applies in particular to prices, specifications, certifications, subsidiary contracts, submission or non-submission of bids or any other actions to restrict competitiveness or to introduce cartelization in the bidding process.
- 9.6 The Bidder(s)/Contractor(s) will, when presenting his / her bid, disclose any and all payments he /she has made, is committed to or intends to make to agents, brokers or any other intermediaries in connection with the award of the contract.
- 9.7 In case of sub-contracting, the Principal Contractor shall take the responsibility of adoption of Integrity Pact by the Sub-Contractor.
- 9.8 The bidder shall report any attempted or completed violation of clauses 9.1 to 9.7 including any alleged unethical conduct to the Gauteng Ethics Hotline (details are provided at clause 8.1.4).
- 9.9 The bidder (or anyone acting on its behalf) warrants that:
- 9.9.1 It has not been convicted by a court of law for fraud and/or corruption with respect to the procurement/tendering processes; and/or
- 9.9.2 It has not been convicted by a court of law for theft or extortion; and/or
- 9.9.3 It is not listed on the National Treasury's database of Restricted Suppliers or Register of Tender Defaulters.

## **10. SANCTIONS FOR VIOLATION**

- 10.1 The breach of any aforesaid provisions or providing false information by employers, including manipulation of information by evaluators, shall face administrative charges and penal actions as per the existing relevant rules and laws.
- 10.2 The breach of the Pact or providing false information by the Bidder, or any one employed by him, or acting on his behalf (whether without the knowledge of the

Bidder), or acting on his/her behalf, shall be dealt with as per the provisions of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act (12 of 2004).

10.3 The Gauteng Provincial Government shall also take all or any one of the following actions, wherever required:

- To immediately call off the pre-contract negotiations without giving any compensation to the bidder. However, the proceedings with the other bidder(s) would continue.
- To immediately cancel the contract, if already awarded/signed, without giving any compensation to the bidder.
- To recover all sums already paid by the Gauteng Provincial Government.
- To cancel all or any other contracts with the bidders and GPG shall be entitled to demand and recover from the Contractor liquidated damages of the Contract value.
- To submit the details of the bidder to the National Treasury to register on the database for tender defaulters.

## **11. CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

11.1 A conflict of interest involves a conflict between the public duty and private interest (for favor or vengeance) of a public official, in which the public official has private interest which could improperly influence the performance of their official duties and responsibilities. Conflicts of interest would arise in a situation when any concerned members of both parties are related either directly or indirectly, or has any association or had any confrontation. Thus, conflict of interest of any tender committee must be declared in a prescribed form.

11.2 The bidder shall not lend or borrow any money from or enter any monetary dealings or transactions, directly or indirectly, with any member of the tender committee or officials of the Gauteng Provincial Government, and if he/she does so, the Gauteng Provincial Government shall be entitled forthwith to rescind the contract and all other contracts with the bidder.

## **12. LEGAL ACTIONS**

12.1 The actions stipulated in this Integrity Pact are without prejudice to any other legal action that may follow in accordance with the provisions of the extant law in force relating to any civil or criminal proceedings.

## **13. VALIDITY**

13.1 The validity of this Integrity Pact shall cover the tender process and extend until the completion of the contract to the satisfaction of both the Gauteng Provincial Government and the bidder (service provider).

13.2 Should one or several provisions of the Pact turn out to be invalid; the remainder of this Pact remains valid. In this case, the parties will strive to come to an agreement to their original intentions.

**GPG INTEGRITY PACT FOR BUSINESSES**

<b>BIDDER/SUPPLIER/SERVICE PROVIDER</b>	
<b>Signature of the CEO</b>	
<b>Full name of the CEO</b>	
<b>Tender number</b>	
<b>Date</b>	