

MAQUASSI HILLS LOCAL MUNICIPALITY

HEAD: SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT



CONTRACT NO: MHLM/SCM/05/2026/2027.

**APPOINTMENT OF A PANEL OF SERVICE PROVIDERS
FOR VAT RECOVERY SERVICES AND SARS AUDIT
SUPPORT FOR MAQUASSI HILLS LOCAL MUNICIPALITY
FOR THE PERIOD OF THREE (3) YEARS**

NAME OF BIDDER:

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Closing Date: 05 October 2026 12h00 PM

Tenderer's Name:
Postal Address:
Telephone No:
Cellular No:
E-Mail Address:
Contact Person:

Tenders contained in sealed envelopes and marked with **MHLM/SCM/05/2026/2027** and the **Contract Description** must be placed in the Tender Box located in the **MAQUASSI HILLS LOCAL MUNICIPALITY (FOYER)** not later than **05 OCTOBER 2026**, when they will be opened in public. **Only Tenders placed in the Tender Box before the closing time above will be accepted.**

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11. **TENDERERS PLEASE NOTE:**

- 11.1 Tenderers are advised to check the number of pages and should any be missing or duplicated, or the reproduction thereof indistinct, or any descriptions ambiguous, or if this document contains any obvious errors they shall inform the Head: Supply Chain Management or the Engineer at once and have same rectified. No liability whatsoever will be incurred by the Council in respect of errors in any tender due to the Tenderer's failure to observe this requirement.

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TENDER SUBMISSION CHECKLIST

The Checklist below is attached hereto to assist Tenderers with the completion of the tender document. Tenderers are required to **TICK** the relevant boxes for verification purposes. Where information is not applicable to the tender, the symbols **N/A** must be inserted in the space provided.

It must be noted that the Council shall not be held liable for any loss or damage incurred to the Tenderer should the Tenderer fail to fulfil the requirements of the Tender.

No.	Description	Tenderer to Tick (✓)	For Official Use Only
1	Has the Tender Document been completed in INK and all corrections counter-signed? (No correction fluid used)		D
2	Has all tendered rates been priced in INK and corrections countersigned? (No correction fluid used)	N/A	D
3	Has all tendered amounts been arithmetically checked and the correct total amounts carried forward to the Summary Page and Tender Form?	N/A	
4	Has all information as required in terms of the Tender Document been submitted with the tender?		D
5	Has the compulsory “Site Inspection/Tender Briefing” meeting been attended and has the “Site Inspection/Tender Briefing” Certificate been completed and signed at the meeting?		D

6	Have all Declarations contained in the Tender Document been completed and signed by the Tenderer, and before a Commissioner of Oaths (if applicable)?		D	
7	Has the "Tender Form" been completed and signed?		D	
8	Has the "Preference Points Claim Form in terms of the Preferential Procurement Regulations 2022" been completed in its entirety and signed?			
9	Are the latest financial statements and or full disclosure of historical clients attached			
10	Has the Letter of Good Standing issued in terms of COIDA, confirming that the Tenderer is registered as an employer in terms of the provisions of the Compensation for Occupational Injuries and Diseases Act, No. 130 of 1993 been attached?			
11	Is a valid Tax Clearance Certificate attached to the Tender Document or has a Tax Clearance Status Verification Pin been provided?		D	
12	Has the CSD Supplier Number and Unique Registration Reference Number been submitted with the Tender Document?		D	

***** D: Failure to comply with these Sections will prejudice the tender.**

Name of Tenderer : _____

Signature : _____

Date : _____

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TENDER ADVERT



Tender documents will be made available to tenderers from **18 AUGUST 2026**

Tender document can be purchased at **Maquassi Hills Local Municipality SCM Office**.

Tender document will also be made available for free download on **E-Tender Portal**.

Printed copies of the tender documents shall also be available from the Supply Chain Management Offices, **19 Kruger Street, Wolmaransstad, 2630**, as from the abovementioned date and time, at a non-refundable tender deposit fee of **R 2000 (including VAT)** for each document drawn. Only cash, bank guaranteed cheques or EFT payments will be accepted. A copy of the Tender Deposit Receipt must be attached to the tender document (if purchased at the Maquassi Hills Local Municipality).

For any technical related enquiries, please contact Mr T Ngqobe at tshepang.maquassi@gmail.com

For any procurement related enquiries, please contact Mrs R Kgobe at rosinahm@maquassihills.org

No compulsory Tender Briefing.

Tenders contained in sealed envelopes and marked with **“Contract No MHLM/SCM/05/2026/2027”** and the **Contract**

Description must be placed in the Tender Box located **19 Kruger Street, Wolmaransstad**, not later than **05 OCTOBER 2026** at 12:00PM when they will be publicly opened. Only tenders placed in the Tender Box shall be accepted.

Tender Validity Period: 60 days commencing from the closing date of tender.

Tender Adjudication/Evaluation Criteria: Priority will be given to **micro and or small businesses**

The tender shall be evaluated on a Two Stage Evaluation System – Stage One: Functionality and Stage Two: 80/20 Preference Point System in accordance with the Preferential Procurement Regulations 2022, issued in terms of section 5 of the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act, Act No. 5 of 2000. The Functionality for Stage One shall be evaluated on the following criteria:-

No.	Evaluation Criteria	Maximum Points
1	Capability	35 Points
2	Methodology & Approach	35 Points
3	Qualifications & Experience of Proposed Team	30 Points
Total Functionality Points		100 Points
Threshold to Qualify for Stage Two		70 Points

Maquassi Hills Local Municipality does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender and reserves the right to accept the whole or any part of a tender. Each tenderer will be informed of the tender result.

The municipality seeks to advance micro businesses and small businesses which are at most risk in the current markets.

CONDITIONS OF APPOINTMENT

- The appointment of the bidder will be subject to successful signing of GCC document
- The appointment will be subjected to price negotiations in line with 2022 Preferential Procurement Regulations,
- The Municipality reserve the right not to appoint the lowest bidder based on risk assessment,

MANDATORY RETURNABLE DOCUMENTS

FAILURE TO SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING MANDATARY DOCUMENTS WILL LEAD TO AUTOMATIC DISQUALIFICATION

- Proof of registration with South African Institute of Tax Practitioners
- Unincorporated JV to submit separate CSD's reports (if tenderer is a Joint Venture)
- Unincorporated or Joint Venture Agreement (if tenderer is a Joint Venture)
- Certified Company Registration Document (CIPC)
- SARS Tax Clearance Certificate (Valid, not Expired)
- Company Banking Details (Proof must be letter from Bank)
- Updated Company Profile
- Municipal Account or Lease of agreement for both Company and Directors as per the CIPC, proof of residence will be accepted from Tribal Authorities for both Company and Directors as per the CIPC
- 3-year audited financial statements
- Certified ID Copy(s) of Company Directors
- Certified copy of COIDA

Failure to complete and submit the following MBD forms will lead to Automatic Disqualification:

- MBD 1
- MBD 4
- MBD 6.1
- MBD 6.2
- MBD 6.4
- MBD 8
- MBD 9

STANDARD CONDITIONS OF TENDER

1. DOCUMENTS

This document comprises of the Standard Conditions of Tender, Standard Conditions of Contract, Special Conditions of Contract (if any), Legislation, Definitions, Specifications, Pricing Schedule, Tender Form, Drawings (if any), Data Sheets and Annexures thereto.

2. COMPULSORY SITE INSPECTION/TENDER BRIEFING MEETING

Where in the tender document reference is made to a compulsory Site Inspection/Tender Briefing Meeting, the Service Provider shall be required to attend the meeting prompt on the date and time mentioned in the tender document. Service Providers arriving at the meeting after the stipulated time will be disqualified and the Council shall not be held liable for any loss or damage due to the above. Service Providers are to ensure that they sign the Attendance Register circulated at the meeting and to also ensure that the Site Inspection/Tender Briefing Certificate attached hereto is duly signed by the authorised official.

An official will Chair the meeting and answer queries raised by prospective Service Providers. Any amendment to the tender documentation arising from such answers will be circulated in terms of the meeting's attendance register.

Tenders will not be considered from Service Providers who do not attend the meeting and whose Site Inspection/Tender Briefing Certificate has not been commissioned by the authorised official.

Service Providers arriving at the Site Inspection/Tender Briefing Meeting after the stipulated starting time will be disqualified. Further, all Service Providers will be required to present their tender document at the Site Inspection/Tender Briefing Meeting for endorsement and failure to comply with this will result in disqualification.

3. SUBMISSION OF TENDERS

Tenders must be made out on the Tender Form annexed hereto. Tenderers are advised that this document must be completed in ink and submitted in its entirety. Failure to comply with this condition shall result in the tender being disqualified.

Only original hand written priced tender documents will be considered. Tenders submitted by electronic mail, telex or facsimile shall not be considered. ***The use of correction fluid is strictly prohibited.*** All corrections are to be countersigned.

Tenderers using Courier Companies or any other mode of transport to deliver their tender documents must ensure that the tender documents are delivered to ADDRESS and placed in the Tender Box by the close of tenders. The Council shall not be held liable for any tender document which is not timeously delivered, mislaid or incorrectly delivered due to the negligence of the Courier Company or any other party involved in the delivery of the tender documents, including any employee of the Council.

Sealed tenders endorsed with the appropriate contract number, must reach the **19 Kruger Street, Wolmaransstad, 2630** not later than the closing date and time stated in the public advertisement inviting tenders, when they will be opened in public. Under no circumstances will any extension of time be allowed for the submission of tenders.

Tenders shall remain valid for four (4) calendar months from the date of opening, except for the initial five (5) working days grace period after the close of tenders within which period a tenderer may be permitted to withdraw its tender subject to an application with good and sufficient reasons being submitted in writing to obtain approval of such withdrawal, at the sole discretion of the Head: Supply Chain Management.

All literature submitted must be securely attached to the tender. The Council shall not be held liable for any loss or damages sustained due to the Tenderer's failure to comply with this condition.

In the case of a Tenderer withdrawing its tender after the expiry of the grace period, the Council may refuse to receive or consider, for such period as it may think fit, any further tenders from that Tenderer.

4. COMMUNICATION WITH MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL OR COUNCIL EMPLOYEES

Without detracting from any prevailing law, no Tenderer shall offer, promise or give any person or persons connected with the adjudication, or awarding of the tender, any gratuity, bonus, discount or consideration of any kind in connection with the obtaining of a contract. Nor shall any Tenderer communicate with any member of the Council or a Council employee on a question affecting the awarding of a contract which is the subject of a tender, during the period between the closing date of tenders and the date of notification of the successful Tenderer; provided always that the Head: Supply Chain Management may, in exceptional circumstances, obtain additional information from a Tenderer to enable her to formulate her recommendation to Council.

Any attempt to contravene this condition which is brought to the notice of the Head: Supply Chain Management shall result in the disqualification of the Tenderer.

Prospective Tenderers are further advised that s118 of the Municipal Finance Management Act prohibits the interference, by any person, with the supply chain management system of the Municipality and the amendment of or tampering with any tender, quotation, contract or bid after its submission.

5. IMPORT PERMITS

The Council will not undertake to secure any import permits or currency for the import of any goods or materials required for the execution of this contract. The Tenderer must apply directly for any import permits or currency needed. However, the Council will furnish the successful Tenderer with a supporting statement, if required.

6. REGISTRATION WITH THE CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE (CSD)

The National Treasury's Central Supplier Database (CSD) has been open for registration from 01 September 2015. The CSD serves as one single source of supplier information to all spheres of government.

Within this system, suppliers are required to register once when they do business with the state. This will significantly reduce the administrative burden for businesses, especially small and medium sized enterprises. The database interfaces with the South African Revenue Service (SARS), the Companies and Intellectual Property Commission (CIPC) and the payroll system. It will electronically verify a supplier's tax and enable public sector officials doing business with the state to be identified.

All prospective suppliers can register any time on the CSD website www.csd.gov.za

In order for Council to verify your Company's registration with CSD, please provide the following information for verification purposes:

CSD Supplier Number	
Unique Registration Reference Number	

Failure to provide the above information shall render the tender to be disqualified.

7. TAX CLEARANCE COMPLIENCE STATUS

Tax compliance status will be verified using the Central Supplier Database.

8. RATES

The prices, rates or percentages quoted in the proposal shall be deemed to include all costs, including but not limited to materials, plant, labour, patent rights and royalties, freight, insurance, customs, railage, delivery, etc, unless the Service Provider states otherwise in the proposal.

9. INCOMPLETE TENDERING

Tenders may be rejected if they show any additional, conditional or incomplete offers or irregularities of any kind in either the Tender Form or the Pricing Schedule, or if the prices tendered in the Schedule are not market related i.e. the tendered rates does not conform to current day prices.

Partial awards **may** be made where this is perceived by the Head: Supply Chain Management or the Engineer to be in the best interests of the Council. Council reserves the right to take into account the principle of the distribution of works in order to empower SMME's and designated Specific Goals.

Should there be any difference or discrepancy between the prices and particulars contained in the Tender Form and those contained in any covering letter submitted by the Tenderer, the prices and particulars contained in the Tender Form shall prevail.

10. ACCEPTANCE OF ANY TENDER

The Council does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender and reserves the right to accept the whole or any part of a tender.

Where less than three (3) tenders are received, the Head: Supply Chain Management reserves the right to purchase such items on the open market notwithstanding the acceptance of an offer.

The procedure which will be followed with the acceptance of a tender is as follows:

No formal agreement will be signed.

A letter of acceptance stipulating which rate/s has been accepted will be sent by the Head: Supply Chain Management to the Tenderer. The tender documents, together with the letter of acceptance, shall constitute a binding agreement between the Tenderer and the Council.

Unless otherwise stipulated in the covering letter submitted with the tender, the Tenderer shall have waived, renounced and abandoned any conditions printed or written upon any stationery used for the purpose of, or in connection with, the submission of the tender which are in conflict with the Council's Conditions of Tender and the Standard Conditions of Contract. The Tenderer is warned that any material divergence from the official conditions or specification may render the tender liable to disqualification.

11. DOMICILIUM CITANDI ET EXECUTANDI

For the purpose of the service of all documents and the giving of notice as may be required in terms of this contract, or as a result of any action arising in conjunction with it, the Council chooses **19 Kruger Street, Wolmaransstad, 2630** as its *domicilium citandi et executandi*.

The Tenderer's *domicilium citandi et executandi* shall be whatever street address is given in the Tender Form attached hereto.

Either party may, at any time, give one (1) month notice, in writing, of a change of its *domicilium citandi et executandi* provided that such address shall be within the Republic of South Africa.

12. DATA SHEETS

Tenderers shall be required to complete all Data Sheets and the Tender Form attached hereto in their entirety for adjudication purposes. Where Data Sheets and/or any other documentation as contained herein are required to be commissioned, such Data Sheets and/or documentation must be stamped and signed by a Commissioner of Oaths (where applicable). ***Failure to comply with these provisions will render the offer unresponsive (invalid).***

13. PROHIBITION ON AWARDS TO PERSONS IN THE SERVICE OF THE STATE

The Supply Chain Management Regulations states that the Council may not make any award to a person:

- (a) Who is in the service of the state;
- (b) If that person is not a natural person, of which and director, manager, principal shareholder or stakeholder is a person in the service of the state; or
- (c) Who is an advisor or consultant contracted with the municipality or municipal entity.

14. MUNICIPAL FEES

All Tenderers are to sign the Declaration herein declaring that their Municipal Fees are in order, or that proper arrangements have been made with the Council. Tenderers must include the relevant account numbers in the declaration.

15. APPEALS AND/OR OBJECTIONS

Any Tenderer aggrieved by decisions or actions taken by the Municipality may lodge within fourteen (14) calendar days of the date of the decision or action, a written objection or complaint to the Municipal Manager / Head: Supply Chain Management. In the event that an appeal and/or objection is lodged, the following procedure shall apply:

The Tenderer shall be required to pay an appeal/objection fee in the amount of **zero point five percent (0.5%) of the total contract sum, including VAT or R2 000.00, whichever is the greater to a maximum value of R20 000.00.**

The fee is to be paid in cash or by bank guarantee cheque on or before the expiration of the above period and proof of such payment is to be submitted together with the letter of appeal/objection to the Municipal Manager / Head: Supply Chain Management. No appeal/objection will be entertained should the afore-mentioned condition not be adhered to and the Municipality shall not be held liable for any loss or damage sustained by the Tenderer due to the Tenderer's failure to adhere to the above condition.

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17. JOINT VENTURE AGREEMENTS AND CONSORTIUMS

Tenderers intending to tender in the form of Joint Ventures/Consortiums **must submit** the following documentation together with the tender:

- 1) Original valid Tax Clearance Certificates or a Tax Compliance Status Verification Pins issued by SARS of all parties of the Joint Venture/Consortium;
- 2) All parties of the Joint Venture/Consortium must submit signed copies of:
 - a) The Declaration of Interest Form;
 - b) The Declaration of Bidder's Past Supply Chain Management Practices Form, and
 - c) The Certificate of Independent Bid Determination Form.
- 3) An undertaking duly signed by all parties of the Joint Venture/Consortium indicating their intention to enter into an agreement for the purposes of this contract, and,

Further to the above, the name of the Joint Venture/Consortium must appear on the relevant pages of the document. Failure to comply with these requirements shall lead to disqualification.

18. COMBATIVE TENDERING

The Supply Chain Management Regulations states that Combative tendering practices are unethical and illegal. These include but are not limited to:

- (i) Suggestions to fictitious lower quotations;
- (ii) Reference to non-existent competition;
- (iii) Exploiting errors in tenders;
- (iv) Soliciting tenders from Tenderers whose names appear on the list of restricted tenderers/suppliers/persons, and,
- (v) Submission of two tenders by a Tenderer.

Any attempt by a Tenderer to contravene this condition which is brought to the notice of the Municipal Manager or the Head: Supply Chain Management shall result in the disqualification of the tender. The Council further reserves the right to take any other action as it may deem necessary.

19. ADJUDICATION CRITERIA

The tender shall be evaluated on a Two Stage Evaluation System – Stage One: Functionality and Stage Two: 80/20 Preference Point System in accordance with the Preferential Procurement Regulations 2022, issued in terms of section 5 of the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act, Act No. 5 of 2000.

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DEFINITIONS

The following definitions apply:-

"Council" means name of Municipality.

"Head: Supply Chain Management" means the Head: Supply Chain Management of the day of the name of Municipality or the Manager's duly appointed Representative.

"Micro business" means a business with a turnover of R7.5m or less.

"Small Business" means a business with a turnover of no more than 20 municipalities serviced historically or turnover of no more than R20m (Twenty million Rand)

"Service Provider/Contractor" means the person, firm, Service Provider or company whose tender has been accepted by the name of Municipality and includes the Service Provider's heirs, executors, administrators, trustees, judicial managers or liquidators, as the case may be, but not, except with the written consent of the Council, any assignee of the Service Provider.

"Special Conditions" means any addition to or departure from or amendment of these Standard Conditions as set out in Annexure "A" hereof.

"Drawings" means the drawings referred to in the Specification and any modification of such drawings approved in writing by the Engineer and such other drawings as may from time to time be furnished or approved in writing by the Engineer.

"Contract Document" means the Conditions of Tender, Scope of Contract, Terms of Reference, these Definitions, Special Conditions (if any), Equipment Specifications, Rates, Percentages and Prices, Tender Form and Annexures thereto. Any amendments to the contract document agreed to by the Council and the Service Provider, Provisional Letter of Acceptance and the final Letter of Final Acceptance.

"Goods" means the equipment, plant, vehicles, service or materials to be supplied in accordance with the Contract.

"The Tender" means the written offer made by the Service Provider to the Council.

"Preferential Procurement Policy" means the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act, 2000 (Act No 5 of 2000).

"SARS" means the South African Revenue Services.

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**APPOINTMENT OF A PANEL OF SERVICE PROVIDERS FOR VAT RECOVERY
SERVICES AND SARS AUDIT SUPPORT FOR MAQUASSI HILLS LOCAL
MUNICIPALITY FOR THE PERIOD OF THREE (3) YEARS**

SPECIFICATION

1.0 SCOPE OF CONTRACT

Maquassi Hills Local Municipality requires the services of a professional and experienced service provider to assist with VAT Recovery and to provide comprehensive support during potential SARS VAT audits. The municipality aims to ensure full VAT compliance, identify and recover any overpaid or incorrectly accounted VAT, and mitigate risks of assessments, penalties, and interest during SARS audits.

The successful bidder will be appointed for an initial period of 36 months.

2.0 SCOPE OF WORKS

The service provider is expected to deliver, but not limited to, the following:

- (a) Comprehensive review and reconciliation of the municipality's VAT returns (past and current) to identify recoverable VAT amounts.
- (b) Identification and recovery of VAT overpayments, input tax not claimed, and any other VAT refunds due.
- (c) Preparation and submission of VAT correction documents, refund claims, and supporting schedules to SARS.
- (d) Full support and representation during SARS VAT audits, including:
 - › Preparation of audit files and documentation.
 - › Attendance of meetings with SARS officials.
 - › Negotiation and objection processes to reduce or eliminate proposed assessments.
- (e) Recovery of amounts that would otherwise be assessed as payable.
- (f) Advisory services on VAT compliance, best practices for municipalities, and training of municipal staff.
- (g) Monthly VAT compliance reviews and correct submissions/declarations to SARS.

- (h) Monthly/quarterly reporting on progress/status, recoveries made, and risk areas identified.
- (i) Any other VAT-related services reasonably required by the municipality.

3.0 DETAILED SPECIFICATION

3.1 VAT Review

- (a) VAT is the only tax that has a direct impact on the financial affairs of a Municipality.
- (b) The application of the Value Added Tax Act, Act No. 89 of 1991, is a complex issue and not easy to interpret and contains numerous exceptions and provision. Given the fact that the financial implications of such actions can be detrimental to the Municipality and the prescription period of this claim proviso (i) of section 17 of the VAT Act that limits the period in which a vendor may claim an input deduction to five (5) years.
- (c) Facilitate a VAT review, which includes a review of the current status of the treatment of VAT by the Municipality's accounting system to ensure appropriate application of the relevant provisions of the VAT Act to ensure optimal claiming of the input tax and appropriate declaration of the output tax timeously.
- (d) Detail examination into the general ledger where VAT was potential not claimed.
- (e) Calculate the apportionment percentage based for the periods for 3 years.
- (f) Apply the recalculated apportionment percentage to the mixed supply expenses and the amount of under or over payment of input tax, if any.

3.2 VAT Recovery

- (a) Review the VAT treatment of equitable shares and all other grants, conditional and unconditional, to ensure that the treatment is correct from a VAT, as well as a grant condition point of view.
- (b) A comprehensive written report must be submitted on the findings of the review/recovery identifying risk areas, internal control weaknesses and recommendations for improvement;
- (c) Working papers of all relevant calculations should be handed over to the Municipality.

The VAT review/recovery process should include for the following:

3.2.1 VAT Reconciliations

- (a) Obtain input and output figures from the general ledger per tax period.
- (b) Obtain copies of the VAT 201's submitted to SARS.
- (c) Reconcile the input figures from the general ledger with the input figures reflected on the VAT 201's (Submit an electronic reconciliation of the input VAT as per the financial system of the Municipality and compare the reconciliation with the figures as per the SARS system (VAT201)).
- (d) Reconcile the output figures from the general ledger with the output figures reflected on the VAT 201's (Submit an electronic reconciliation of the output VAT as per the financial system of the Municipality and compare the reconciliation with the figures as per the SARS system (VAT 201)).
- (e) Reconcile the figures on the VAT 201 returns to the VAT report from the financial system.
- (f) Investigate differences.

3.2.2 VAT Input Reconciliation

- (a) Obtain detailed line-by-line general ledger transactions electronically from the system.
- (b) Link the line-by-line detailed transactions of the general ledger VAT input account(s) to the different lines of the different account transactions.
- (c) Reconcile the above linked line-by-line transactions per the expense account to identify instances where VAT registered was not accounted for in the VAT 201 - code these exceptions as; supplier not VAT registered / require valid tax invoice from supplier / no VAT to be claimed / valid VAT saving / VAT charged but supplier not registered for VAT.
- (d) Investigate expenses (general ledger entries) where no VAT as claimed by obtaining invoices/supporting documentation.

- (e) The Service Provider to have its own team of staff members to retrieve incorrect, lost, misfiled or misplaced invoices from Municipal suppliers.
- (f) Where VAT as charged by non-VAT vendors, the Service Provider is to recover the VAT charged.
- (g) Investigate journals.

3.2.3 VAT Output Reconciliation

- (a) Obtain detailed line-by-line general ledger transactions electronically from the system.
- (b) Link the line-by-line detailed transactions of the general ledger VAT output account(s) to the different lines of the different income account transactions.
- (c) Perform a detailed breakdown of the debtor's sub-ledgers transactions to review the allocation of VAT.
- (d) Reconcile the VAT linked with the VAT per income stream to identify instances where VAT was incorrectly accounted for in the VAT 201
- (e) Investigate exceptions; Investigate journals.
- (f) Verify income with bank statements/bank reconciliation.

3.3 The Detailed VAT Review Process

- (a) The successful tenderer will be required to conduct a thorough and meticulous VAT review of the Municipality's general ledger control accounts in relation to VAT transactions to ensure that the Municipality has correctly accounted for VAT on all the expenditure and revenue.
- (b) Review of the VAT report from the financial system to ensure that output tax was declared on all receipts for taxable receipts from customers and input tax claimed for all payments made to VAT vendors.
- (c) An investigation of the accounting system including correct flagging/coding of all expenditure and revenue votes to ensure all votes have been correctly set up for VAT.
- (d) Establish the impact for the years under review if there is any over/under/claimed input and output due to the general ledger being incorrectly set up for VAT.
- (e) Address unresolved pertinent issues that have a direct influence on VAT; such as equitable share and conditional grants.
- (f) Calculate the required VAT adjustments resulting from the review, if any, inclusion on the relevant VAT return.
- (g) Transfer of skills to Municipal staff regarding all VAT facets should take place within the contract period.

3.4 A Detailed Examination into the Municipality's General Ledger, Journal Vouchers, Tax Invoices to ascertain if VAT was claimed due to:

- (a) The supplier being recorded as a non-VAT vendor on the system but there is proof otherwise.
- (b) Incorrect classification of votes for VAT purposes eg. classified exempt and VAT originally claimed.
- (c) The supplier does attract VAT, but this was omitted.

3.5 VAT Apportionment Percentage Review

- (a) Analysis of computation of current apportionment ratio applied.
- (b) Review and recalculate the apportionment ratio for Three (3) Years as per approved formula.
- (c) Apply the recalculated apportionment percentage to determine:
 - (i) whether the VAT apportionment percentage has been correctly calculated; (ii) whether the VAT apportionment percentage has been correctly applied; and
 - (iii) the amount of under or over paid input tax, if any.
- (d) Create Excel models that will be used as a basis to calculate apportionment percentage for this period.
- (e) Calculate the required VAT adjustments resulting from the review, if any, inclusion on the relevant VAT return.
- (f) Provide detail workings for the calculation of the apportionment percentages/ adjustments in excel for the Auditor General and SARS.
- (g) Assist the Municipality in completing the VAT return(s), making declaration of liabilities/ receivables if any and completion of any necessary documentation that may be required to claim from SARS.
- (h) Liaise directly with SARS on all re-calculation workings and response to queries to obtain any refunds due the Municipality.

3.6 The methodology and procedures applied during the verification process ensure that the savings and exposures identified are 100% verifiable to any 3rd party, i.e. SARS or the Auditor General. The procedures applied must comply with the VAT Act.

4.0 CONTACT PERSONS

For any **technical related enquiries**, please contact Mr T Ngqobe at tshepang.maquassi@gmail.com OR 018 065 0010

6.0 CONTRACT PERIOD

The contract period to undertake the scope of works in line with outlined specifications shall be **Three (3) Years** effective from the date of appointment of the successful Service Provider.

7.0 ESCALATION

The contingency fees offered shall be fixed for the contract period and not subject to any form of escalation.

8.0 PENALTIES

Penalties of five percent (5%) of the commission claimable will be deducted per calendar day should the work not be completed within the required timeframe stipulated.

9.0 PLACE OF DELIVERY

The co-ordination of the works undertaken will be done from **19 Kruger Street, Wolmaransstad, 2630**

10.0 INSURANCES REQUIRED

The Service Provider shall absolve Maquassi Hills Local Municipality from all claims arising from the execution of this contract. The Service Provider shall be required to arrange adequate insurance covering Third Party Liability which must be in kept in force for the full duration of the contract period. Further, the Service Provider is required to arrange adequate Professional Indemnity Insurance, which shall also be kept in force for the full duration of the contract period.

11.0 COMPLIANCE WITH ANY LEGISLATION, BYLAWS, ETC.

All works to be undertaken under this contract shall be compliant in accordance and/or governed by the following Legislation and Regulations:

- (1) The Labour Relations Act (Act No. 66 of 1995)
- (2) The Basic Conditions of Employment (BCE) Act (Act No. 3 of 1983)
- (3) The Income Tax Act (Act No. 58 of 1962)
- (4) The Value Added Tax (VAT) Act (Act No. 89 of 1991) Section 17 permissible deductions of input tax.

- (7) The Municipal Finance Management Act (MFMA) (Act No. 56 of 2003)
- (8) The Municipal Systems Act (Act No. 32 of 2000)
- (9) The Municipal Supply Chain Management Regulations, 2005
- (10) The Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act (PPPFA), 2002
- (11) The Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2022
- (12) Supply Chain Management (SCM) Policy

12.0 ADDITIONAL MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS

Tenderers shall abide to the following mandatory requirements and shall provide the necessary supporting documentation to validate such requirements.

12.1 Tenderers must submit a skills transfer plan.

12.2 The following requirements must be met by the tenderers:

- (a) Project manager must be registered with the South African Institute of Chartered Accountants (SAICA) OR the Independent Regulatory Board of Auditors (IRBA).
- (b) Financial statements for Three (3) Years, Staff compliment and Organogram to determine size of the organisation.
- (c) **Certified** proof of membership together with **certified** copies of qualifications must be submitted to confirm compliance with the abovementioned memberships.

Failure to meet the above mandatory requirements shall result in the disqualification of the tenderer.

13.0 EVALUATION CRITERIA

13.1 Tenderers meeting the above mandatory requirements shall be evaluated on a Two Stage Evaluation System, Stage One: Functionality and Stage Two: 80/20 Preference Point System in accordance with the Preferential Procurement Regulations 2022, issued in terms of section 5 of the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act, Act No. 5 of 2000.

13.2 Stage One: Functionality

The functionality criteria to be used to evaluate tenderers in Stage One: Functionality shall be as follows:

No.	FUNCTIONALITY CRITERIA	MAX POINTS
1	Capability	35 Points
1(a)	Number of VAT review/recovery appointments by Municipalities.	10 Points
	1 to 3 municipalities	3 Points
	4 to 7 municipalities	5 Points
	8 or more municipalities	10 Points
Proof of signed completion certificate must be submitted in order to score points for capability.		
1(b)	Proof of amounts recovered from SARS on behalf of a single municipality, evidenced by means of a close out report by the municipality (Reference Letter) • R35 million and more – Municipalities • R10 million less than R35 million – Municipalities • R5 million less than R10 Million- Municipalities	25 Points 25 Points 15 Points 5 Points

No.	FUNCTIONALITY CRITERIA	MAX POINTS
2	Skills Transfer and Methodology of the project	35 Points
	Skills transfer plan for municipal officials: explain how this will be done and measured.	20 Points
	Methodology: Detailed technical proposal with methodology and approach for the recovery services and audit support to be provided.	15 Points

No	FUNCTIONALITY CRITERIA	MAX POINTS 30 Points
Qualifications & Experience of Proposed Team	Qualified Chartered Accountant (CA(SA)) with 8 years' relevant experience. Three team members with relevant NQF 7 or higher qualification in VAT/Tax with 8 years relevant experience. (Attach CVs, qualifications, years of experience)	15 Points 15 Points

Certified copies of professional membership certificates or certified confirmation of registration must be submitted in order to claim points.

TOTAL FUNCTIONALITY POINTS	100 POINTS
MINIMUM THRESHOLD TO QUALIFY FOR STAGE TWO	70 POINTS

The minimum threshold for functionality is 100 points which is basically 70% of the ideal values. The structure of the team must always comprise of the above qualifications for the duration of the project and remain as per the team's structure submitted. Any movement of team members must be communicated with the relevant Municipal officials.

13.3 Stage Two: 80/20 Preference Point System

The 80/20 Preference Point System shall apply in accordance with the Preferential Procurement Regulations 2022, issued in terms of section 5 of the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act, Act No. 5 of 2000, with 80 Points for Price and 20 Points for Specific Goals, as follows:

The maximum points for this tender are allocated as follows:

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

The specific goals allocated points in terms of this tender	Number of points allocated (80/20 system) (To be completed by the organ of state)	Means of Verification	Number of points claimed (80/20 system) (To be completed by the tenderer)
Locality (within Maquassi Hills Local Municipal)	5	Statement of Municipal Rates and Taxes of not more than Three Months	
Women	5	Identification Document	
People with Disability	5	Medical Report confirming disability	
Youth (18 to 35 Years of age)	5	Identification Document	

14.0 ANY OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- 14.1 Such projects are typically undertaken by VAT specialists on a contingency fee basis so that:

There is a win-win situation for both parties that is:

- (a) The Municipality does not have to pay any fees unless there is a savings and will share a percentage of the amount saved.
- (b) The tenderer will take the risk if no savings are identified, but will share more than basic time for the rendering of this service and the risks taken.

- 14.2 Name of Municipality applied an appropriate apportionment ratio of 100% to determine the extent to which the VAT incurred on goods or services for mixed supplies was supplied.

15.0 OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY ACT

The attached Annexure "B" hereto must be completed thereby indemnifying the Name of Municipality of any claims which may arise in terms of the Occupational Health and Safety Act (Act 85 of 1993), as amended.

16.0 COUNCIL'S LIABILITY AND INDEMNITY

- 16.1 The Service Providers hereby indemnifies the Council and its employees and agents against all losses and claims for injuries or damages to any person or property whatsoever which may arise out of the execution of this contract.

- 16.2 The Council shall not be held liable to the Service Providers for any direct or indirect damages or losses and the Council shall be indemnified and held free against claims arising out of:

16.2.1 any negligent or innocent misrepresentations made by the Council, its employees or agents in respect of any data, information and statistics supplied to the Service Providers prior to or during the contract; provided that this condition shall not deprive the Contractor of any payments lawfully due to the Service Providers in terms of the contract, and

16.2.2 a change in a legislative provision applicable to the contract.

17.0 ASSIGNMENT AND SUBLETTING

Neither the Service Providers nor the Council shall assign or cede the contract or any part thereof or any benefit or interest therein or thereunder without the written consent of the other. The Service Providers shall not sub-let the whole or any part of this contract without the written consent of the Engineer and such consent, if given, shall not relieve the Service Providers from any liability or obligation under the contract.

18.0 SEQUESTRATION OR SURRENDER OF SERVICE PROVIDER'S ESTATE

In the event of an order being made for sequestration of the Service Provider's estate, whether provisional or final, or in the event of an application being made for such order, or in the event of the Service Providers making application for the surrender of the Service Provider's estate, or if the Service Providers shall enter into, make or execute any deed of assignment or other composition or arrangement with, or assignment for the benefit of the Service Provider's creditors, or purport to do so, or if the Service Providers, being a Company, shall pass a resolution, or if the Court shall make an order for the liquidation of such company, the Council shall have the right, summarily and without recourse to law, to terminate the contract without payment of any compensation to the Service Providers, and without prejudice to the right of the Council to sue the Service Providers for any damages sustained by it in consequence of one or the other of the afore-mentioned events.

19.0 SECRECY OF INFORMATION

Subject to the provisions of the Promotion of Access to Information Act, the information revealed in this tender document is to be classified as confidential. Accordingly, the Engineer reserves the right to request references and generally examine bona fides and available facilities of any Company of Firm wanting to participate in this contract.

20.0 LAW TO APPLY

The contract shall in all respects be construed in accordance with the law of the Republic of South Africa, and any difference that may arise between the Council and the Service Providers in regard to the contract shall be settled in the Republic of South Africa.

21.0 PATENT RIGHTS

The Service Providers shall pay all royalties and expenses and be liable for all claims in respect of the use of patent rights, trade marks or other protected rights, and shall hold the Council indemnified and harmless against any claims for loss or damage to (including legal expenses) arising therefrom.

22.0 CONTRACT TO BE IN CONFORMITY WITH BY-LAWS AND ANY OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS

The contract shall be carried out subject to and in conformity with any law, regulation or By-law which is of application thereto and shall be conditional upon any necessary consent required by law being obtained.

MAQUASSI HILLS LOCAL MUNICIPALITY

CONTRACT No MHLM/SCM/05/2026/2027

**APPOINTMENT OF A PANEL OF SERVICE PROVIDERS FOR VAT RECOVERY
SERVICES AND SARS AUDIT SUPPORT FOR MAQUASSI HILLS LOCAL
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YEARS**

DATA SHEET 1: INVITATION TO BID DOCUMENT MBD 1

PART A

YOU ARE HEREBY INVITED TO BID FOR REQUIREMENTS OF THE (NAME OF MUNICIPALITY/ MUNICIPAL ENTITY)					
BID NUMBER:		CLOSING DATE:		CLOSING TIME:	
DESCRIPTION					
THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER WILL BE REQUIRED TO FILL IN AND SIGN A WRITTEN CONTRACT FORM (MBD7).					
BID RESPONSE DOCUMENTS MAY BE DEPOSITED IN THE BID BOX SITUATED AT (STREET ADDRESS					

SUPPLIER INFORMATION					
NAME OF BIDDER					
POSTAL ADDRESS					
STREET ADDRESS					
TELEPHONE NUMBER	CODE		NUMBER		
CELLPHONE NUMBER					
FACSIMILE NUMBER	CODE		NUMBER		
E-MAIL ADDRESS					
VAT REGISTRATION NUMBER					
TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS		TCS PIN:		OR	CSD No:
1. ARE YOU THE ACCREDITED REPRESENTATIVE IN SOUTH AFRICA FOR THE GOODS /SERVICES OFFERED?		☐ Yes ☐ No [IF YES ENCLOSE PROOF]		2. ARE YOU A FOREIGN BASED SUPPLIER FOR THE GOODS /SERVICES OFFERED? ☐ Yes ☐ No [IF YES, ANSWER PART B:3]	
3. TOTAL NUMBER OF ITEMS OFFERED				4. TOTAL BID PRICE R	
5. SIGNATURE OF BIDDER				6. DATE	
7. CAPACITY UNDER WHICH THIS BID IS SIGNED					

BIDDING PROCEDURE ENQUIRIES MAY BE DIRECTED TO:		TECHNICAL INFORMATION MAY BE DIRECTED TO:	
DEPARTMENT	Supply Chain Unit	CONTACT PERSON	Mr T Ngqobe
CONTACT PERSON	Mrs R Kgobe	TELEPHONE NUMBER	018 065 0010
TELEPHONE NUMBER	018 065 0010	FACSIMILE NUMBER	
FACSIMILE NUMBER		E-MAIL ADDRESS	tshepang.maquassi@gmail.com
E-MAIL ADDRESS	rosinahm@maquassihills.org		

PART B TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR BIDDING

ACCEPTED FOR CONSIDERATION.

1.2. **ALL BIDS MUST BE SUBMITTED ON THE OFFICIAL FORMS PROVIDED (NOT TO BE RE-TYPED) OR ONLINE**

1.3. THIS BID IS SUBJECT TO THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT POLICY FRAMEWORK ACT AND THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS THE GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT (GCC) AND, IF APPLICABLE, ANY OTHER SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT.

2.1 BIDDERS MUST ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THEIR TAX OBLIGATIONS.

2.2 BIDDERS ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT THEIR UNIQUE PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (PIN) ISSUED BY SARS TO ENABLE THE ORGAN OF STATE TO VIEW THE TAXPAYER'S PROFILE AND TAX STATUS.

2.3 APPLICATION FOR THE TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS (TCS) CERTIFICATE OR PIN MAY ALSO BE MADE VIA E-FILING. IN ORDER TO USE THIS PROVISION, TAXPAYERS WILL NEED TO REGISTER WITH SARS AS E-FILERS THROUGH THE WEBSITE WWW.SARS.GOV.ZA.

2.4 FOREIGN SUPPLIERS MUST COMPLETE THE PRE-AWARD QUESTIONNAIRE IN PART B:3.

2.5 BIDDERS MAY ALSO SUBMIT A PRINTED TCS CERTIFICATE TOGETHER WITH THE BID.

2.6 IN BIDS WHERE CONSORTIA / JOINT VENTURES / SUB-CONTRACTORS ARE INVOLVED; EACH PARTY MUST SUBMIT A SEPARATE TCS CERTIFICATE / PIN / CSD NUMBER.

2.7 WHERE NO TCS IS AVAILABLE BUT THE BIDDER IS REGISTERED ON THE CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE (CSD), A CSD NUMBER MUST BE PROVIDED.

3.1. IS THE ENTITY A RESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA (RSA)?	YES	NO
3.2. DOES THE ENTITY HAVE A BRANCH IN THE RSA?	YES	NO
3.3. DOES THE ENTITY HAVE A PERMANENT ESTABLISHMENT IN THE RSA?	YES	NO
3.4. DOES THE ENTITY HAVE ANY SOURCE OF INCOME IN THE RSA?	YES	NO
3.5. IS THE ENTITY LIABLE IN THE RSA FOR ANY FORM OF TAXATION?	YES	NO

IF THE ANSWER IS "NO" TO ALL OF THE ABOVE, THEN IT IS NOT A REQUIREMENT TO REGISTER FOR A TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS SYSTEM PIN CODE FROM THE SOUTH AFRICAN REVENUE SERVICE (SARS) AND IF NOT REGISTER AS PER 2.3 ABOVE.

NB: FAILURE TO PROVIDE ANY OF THE ABOVE PARTICULARS MAY RENDER THE BID INVALID. NO BIDS WILL BE CONSIDERED FROM PERSONS IN THE SERVICE OF THE STATE.

SIGNATURE OF BIDDER:

CAPACITY UNDER WHICH THIS BID IS SIGNED:

DATE:

CONTRACT FORM - PURCHASE OF GOODS/SERVICES

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

PART 1 (TO BE FILLED IN BY THE BIDDER)

1. I hereby undertake to supply all or any of the goods and/or services described in the attached bidding documents to (name of institution).....in accordance with the requirements and specifications stipulated in bid number.....at the price/s quoted. My offer/s remain binding upon me and open for acceptance by the purchaser during the validity period indicated and calculated from the closing time of bid.
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;
 - Proof of Tax Compliance Status; -
 - Pricing schedule(s);
 - Technical Specification(s);
 - Preference claim form for Preferential Procurement in terms of the Preferential Procurement Regulations;
 - 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 goods and/or works 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.

WITNESSES

NAME (PRINT)

CAPACITY

SIGNATURE

NAME OF FIRM

DATE

1

2.

DATE:

PART 2 (TO BE FILLED IN BY THE PURCHASER)

1. I.....in my capacity as.....
accept your bid under reference numberdated.....for the supply of
goods/services indicated hereunder and/or further specified in the annexure(s).
2. An official order indicating delivery instructions is forthcoming.
3. I undertake to make payment for the goods/services delivered in accordance with the terms and
conditions of the contract, within 30 (thirty) days after receipt of an invoice accompanied by the delivery note.

ITEM NO.	PRICE(ALL APPLICABLE TAXES	BRAND	DELIVERY PERIOD	TOTAL PREFERENCE POINTS CLAIMED	POINTS CLAIMED FOR EACH SPECIFIC GOAL

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

SIGNED ATON.....

NAME (PRINT)

SIGNATURE OFFICIAL STAMP

WITNESSES

1.

2.

DATE

#

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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)

7. I hereby undertake to render services described in the attached bidding documents to (name of the institution).....in accordance with the requirements and task directives / proposals specifications stipulated in BidNumber.....at the price/s quoted. My offer/s remain binding upon me and open for acceptance by the Purchaser during the validity period indicated and calculated from the closing date of the bid.
8. The following documents shall be deemed to form and be read and construed as part of this agreement:
 - (iv) Bidding documents, viz
 - Invitation to bid;
 - Proof of tax compliance status;
 - Pricing schedule(s);
 - Filled in task directive/proposal;
 - Preference claim form for Preferential Procurement in terms of the Preferential Procurement Regulations;
 - Declaration of interest;
 - Declaration of Bidder's past SCM practices;
 - Certificate of Independent Bid Determination;
 - Special Conditions of Contract;
 - (v) General Conditions of Contract; and
 - (vi) Other (specify)
9. 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.
10. 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.
11. I declare that I have no participation in any collusive practices with any bidder or any other person regarding this or any other bid.
12. I confirm that I am duly authorised to sign this contract.

NAME (PRINT)

CAPACITY

SIGNATURE

NAME OF FIRM

DATE

WITNESSES

1

2

DATE:

CONTRACT FORM - RENDERING OF SERVICES

PART 2 (TO BE FILLED IN BY THE PURCHASER)

4. I.....in my capacityas.....
accept your bid under reference number.....dated.....forthe rendering of
services indicated hereunder and/or further specified in the annexure(s).
5. An official order indicating service delivery instructions is forthcoming.
6. I undertake to make payment for the services rendered in accordance with the terms and conditions of
the contract, within 30 (thirty) days after receipt of an invoice.

DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE	PRICE (ALL APPLICABLE TAXES	COMPLETION DATE	TOTAL PREFERENCE POINTS	POINTS CLAIMED FOR EACH SPECIFIC

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

SIGNED AT ON

NAME (PRINT)

SIGNATUREOFFICIAL STAMP

WITNESSES

1

2

DATE:

CONTRACT FORM - TENDER FOR INCOME-GENERATING CONTRACTS¹

THIS FORM MUST BE FILLED IN DUPLICATE BY BOTH THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER (PART 1) AND THE LESSOR/ SELLER (PART 2). BOTH FORMS MUST BE SIGNED IN THE ORIGINAL SO THAT THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER AND THE LESSOR/ SELLER WOULD BE IN POSSESSION OF ORIGINALLY SIGNED CONTRACTS FOR THEIR RESPECTIVE RECORDS.

PART 1 (TO BE FILLED IN BY THE BIDDER)

13. I hereby undertake to lease property/ purchase all or any of the goods and/or services described in the attached bidding documents from (name of institution).....in accordance with the requirements stipulated in (bid number).....at the price/s quoted. My offer/s remain binding upon me and open for acceptance by the seller during the validity period indicated and calculated from the closing time of bid.
14. The following documents shall be deemed to form and be read and construed as part of this agreement:
- (vii) Bidding documents, viz
 - Invitation to bid;
 - Proof of tax compliance status;
 - Pricing schedule(s);
 - Preference claim form for Preferential Procurement in terms of the Preferential Procurement Regulations;
 - Declaration of interest;
 - Declaration of Bidder's past SCM practices;
 - Special Conditions of Contract;
 - (viii) General Conditions of Contract; and
 - (ix) Other (specify)
15. I confirm that I have satisfied myself as to the correctness and validity of my bid; that the price(s) quoted covers the leased property/ all the goods and/or services specified in the bidding documents; that the price(s) cover all my obligations and I accept that any mistakes regarding price(s) and calculations will be at my own risk.
16. 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 fulfilment of this contract.
17. I undertake to make payment for the leased property/ goods/services as specified in the bidding documents.
18. I declare that I have no participation in any collusive practices with any bidder or any other person regarding this or any other bid.
19. I confirm that I am duly authorised to sign this contract.
- | | |
|--------------------|------------------|
| | WITNESSES |
| NAME (PRINT) | 1 |
| CAPACITY | 3. |
| SIGNATURE | DATE: |
| NAME OF FIRM | |
| DATE | |

¹ "Tender for income-generating contracts" has the same meaning as defined in the Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2022.

CONTRACT FORM - TENDER FOR INCOME-GENERATING CONTRACTS PART 2

(TO BE FILLED IN BY THE LESSOR/ SELLER)

7. I.....in my capacityas.....
accept your bid under reference numberdated.....for the leasing of
property/ purchase of goods/services indicated hereunder and/or further specified in the annexure(s).
8. I undertake to make the leased property/ goods/services available in accordance with the terms and
conditions of the contract.

ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	PRICE (ALL APPLICABLE TAXES	TOTAL PREFERENCE POINTS CLAIMED	POINTS CLAIMED FOR EACH SPECIFIC GOAL

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

SIGNED ATON.....

NAME (PRINT)

SIGNATURE OFFICIAL STAMP

WITNESSES

3.

4.

DATE

PRICING SCHEDULE– FIRM PRICES (PURCHASES)

NOTE: ONLY FIRM PRICES WILL BE ACCEPTED. NON-FIRM PRICES (INCLUDING PRICES SUBJECT TO RATES OF EXCHANGE VARIATIONS) WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED

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

Name of Bidder..... Bid Number.....

Closing Time..... Closing Date

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

ITEM	QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	BID PRICE IN RSA CURRENCY
-	Required by:		
-	At:		
-	Brand and Model		
-	Country of Origin		
Does the offer comply with the specification(s)?			*YES/NO
-	If not to specification, indicate deviation(s)		
-	Period required for delivery		*Delivery: Firm/Not firm
-	Delivery basis		

Note: All delivery costs must be included in the bid price, for delivery at the prescribed destination. ** “all applicable taxes” includes value- added tax, pay as you earn, income tax, unemployment insurance fund contributions and skills development levies.

*Delete if not applicable

END OF SECTION

PRICING SCHEDULE – NON-FIRM PRICES (PURCHASES)

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

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

Name of Bidder.....	Bid number.....
Closing Time	Closing Date

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

ITEM NO.	QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	BID PRICE IN RSA CURRENCY **(ALL APPLICABLE TAXES INCLUDED)
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- Required by:
- At:
- Brand and model
- Country of origin
- Does the offer comply with the specification(s)? *YES/NO
- If not to specification, indicate deviation(s)
- Period required for delivery
- Delivery: *Firm/Not firm

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

*Delete if not applicable

PRICE ADJUSTMENTS

A NON-FIRM PRICES SUBJECT TO ESCALATION

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

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

$$Pa = (1 - V) \left[Pt + \frac{D1(R1t - R1o)}{100} + \frac{D2(R2t - R2o)}{100} + \frac{D3(R3t - R3o)}{100} + \frac{D4(R4t - R4o)}{100} \right] + VPt$$

Where:

Pa = The new escalated price to be calculated.
 (1-V) Pt = 85% of the original bid price. **Note that Pt must always be the original bid price and not an escalated price.**
 D1, D2.. = Each factor of the bid price eg. labour, transport, clothing, footwear, etc. The total of the various factors D1,D2...etc. must add up to 100%.
 R1t, R2t..... = Index figure obtained from new index (depends on the number of factors used).
 R1o, R2o = Index figure at time of bidding.
 VPt = 15% of the original bid price. This portion of the bid price remains firm i.e. it is not subject to any price escalations.

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

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

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

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

B PRICES SUBJECT TO RATE OF EXCHANGE VARIATIONS

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

PARTICULARS OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTION	ITEM NO	PRICE	CURRENCY	RATE	PORTION OF PRICE SUBJECT TO ROE	AMOUNT I FOREIGN CURRENC REMITTEI ABROAD
				ZAR=		
				ZAR=		
				ZAR=		
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2. Adjustments for rate of exchange variations during the contract period will be calculated by using the average monthly exchange rates as issued by your commercial bank for the periods indicated hereunder: (Proof from bank required)

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

PRICING SCHEDULE
(Professional Services)

Name of Bidder:.....	Bid Number:
Closing Time:	Closing Date

OFFER TO BE VALID FORDAYS FROM THE CLOSING DATE OF BID.

ITEM CURRENCY NO	DESCRIPTION	BID PRICE IN RSA **(ALL APPLICABLE TAXES INCLUDED)
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1. The accompanying information must be used for the formulation of proposals.

2. Bidders are required to indicate a ceiling price based on the total estimated time for completion of all phases and including all expenses inclusive of all applicable taxes for the project.

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3. PERSONS WHO WILL BE INVOLVED IN THE PROJECT AND RATES APPLICABLE (CERTIFIED INVOICES MUST BE RENDERED IN TERMS HEREOF)

4. PERSON AND POSITION	HOURLY RATE	DAILY RATE
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.....	R.....	
.....		R.....
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5. PHASES ACCORDING TO WHICH THE PROJECT WILL BE COMPLETED, COST PER PHASE AND MAN-DAYS TO BE SPENT

.....	R.....	days
.....	R.....	days
.....	R.....	days
.....	R.....	days

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.

DESCRIPTION OF EXPENSE TO BE INCURRED	RATE	QUANTITY	AMOUNT
.....			R.....
.....			R.....
.....			R.....
.....			R.....

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

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5.2 Other expenses, for example accommodation (specify, eg. Three star hotel, bed and breakfast, telephone cost, reproduction cost, etc.). On basis of these particulars, certified invoices will be checked for correctness. Proof of the expenses must accompany invoices.

DESCRIPTION OF EXPENSE TO BE INCURRED	RATE	QUANTITY	AMOUNT
.....			R.....

..... R.....
..... R.....
..... R.....

TOTAL: R.....

6. Period required for commencement with project after acceptance of bid
7. Estimated man-days for completion of project
8. Are the rates quoted firm for the full period of contract?YES/NO.
9. If not firm for the full period, provide details of the basis on which adjustments will be applied for, for example consumer price index.....
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*Delete if not applicable

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

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

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

1. GENERAL CONDITIONS

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

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

1.2 **To be completed by the organ of state**

(delete whichever is not applicable for this tender).

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

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

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

1.4 **To be completed by the organ of state:**

The maximum points for this tender are allocated as follows:

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

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

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

2. DEFINITIONS

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

3. FORMULAE FOR PROCUREMENT OF GOODS AND SERVICES

3.1. POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE

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

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

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbf{80/20} & \mathbf{or} & \mathbf{90/10} \\ \mathbf{Ps = 80 \left(1 - \frac{Pt - P_{min}}{P_{min}} \right)} & \mathbf{or} & \mathbf{Ps = 90 \left(1 - \frac{Pt - P_{min}}{P_{min}} \right)} \end{array}$$

Where

Ps = Points scored for price of tender under consideration

Pt = Price of tender under consideration

Pmin = Price of lowest acceptable tender

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

3.2.1. POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE

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

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbf{80/20} & \mathbf{or} & \mathbf{90/10} \\ \mathbf{Ps = 80 \left(1 + \frac{Pt - P_{max}}{P_{max}} \right)} & \mathbf{or} & \mathbf{Ps = 90 \left(1 + \frac{Pt - P_{max}}{P_{max}} \right)} \end{array}$$

Where

Ps = Points scored for price of tender under consideration

Pt = Price of tender under consideration

Pmax = Price of highest acceptable tender

4. POINTS AWARDED FOR SPECIFIC GOALS

- 4.1. In terms of Regulation 4(2); 5(2); 6(2) and 7(2) of the Preferential Procurement Regulations, preference points must be awarded for specific goals stated in the tender. For the purposes of this tender the tenderer will be allocated points based on the goals stated in table 1 below as may be supported by proof/ documentation stated in the conditions of this tender:
- 4.2. In cases where organs of state intend to use Regulation 3(2) of the Regulations, which states that, if it is unclear whether the 80/20 or 90/10 preference point system applies, an organ of state must, in the tender documents, stipulate in the case of—
- (a) an invitation for tender for income-generating contracts, that either the 80/20 or 90/10 preference point system will apply and that the highest acceptable tender will be used to determine the applicable preference point system; or
 - (b) any other invitation for tender, that either the 80/20 or 90/10 preference point system will apply and that the lowest acceptable tender will be used to determine the applicable preference point system,
- then the organ of state must indicate the points allocated for specific goals for both the 90/10 and 80/20 preference point system.

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

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

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

The specific goals allocated points in terms of this tender	Number of points allocated (90/10 system) (To be completed by the organ of state)	Number of points allocated (80/20 system) (To be completed by the organ of state)	Number of points claimed (90/10 system) (To be completed by the tenderer)	Number of points claimed (80/20 system) (To be completed by the tenderer)

DECLARATION WITH REGARD TO COMPANY/FIRM

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

4.4. Company registration number:

4.5. TYPE OF COMPANY/ FIRM

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

[TICK APPLICABLE BOX]

4.6. I, the undersigned, who is duly authorised to do so on behalf of the company/firm, certify that the points claimed, based on the specific goals as advised in the tender, qualifies the company/ firm for the preference(s) shown and I acknowledge that:

- i) The information furnished is true and correct;
- ii) The preference points claimed are in accordance with the General Conditions as indicated in paragraph 1 of this form;
- iii) In the event of a contract being awarded as a result of points claimed as shown in paragraphs 1.4 and 4.2, the contractor may be required to furnish documentary proof to the satisfaction of the organ of state that the claims are correct;
- iv) If the specific goals have been claimed or obtained on a fraudulent basis or any of the conditions of contract have not been fulfilled, the organ of state may, in addition to any other remedy it may have –
 - (a) disqualify the person from the tendering process;
 - (b) recover costs, losses or damages it has incurred or suffered as a result of that person's conduct;
 - (c) cancel the contract and claim any damages which it has suffered as a result of having to make less favourable arrangements due to such cancellation;
 - (d) recommend that the tenderer or contractor, its shareholders and directors, or only the shareholders and directors who acted on a fraudulent basis, be restricted from obtaining business from any organ of state for a period not exceeding 10 years, after the *audi alteram partem* (hear the other side) rule has been applied; and
 - (e) forward the matter for criminal prosecution, if deemed necessary.

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SIGNATURE(S) OF TENDERER(S)

SURNAME AND NAME:

DATE:

ADDRESS:

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MUNICIPALITY FOR THE PERIOD OF THREE (3) YEARS**

DATA SHEET 2: AUTHORITY TO SIGN DOCUMENT

I/We*, the undersigned, am/are* duly authorised to sign the tender document on behalf of

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by virtue of the Articles of Association/Resolution of the Board of Directors*, of which a certified
copy is attached, or

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Full Name of Signatory:

Capacity of Signatory:

Signature:

Date:

Witnesses:-

(1) Full Name:

Signature:Date.....

(2) Full Name:

Signature:Date.....

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DATA SHEET 3: STATEMENT OF PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE

The nomination of works, preferably of a similar nature to the works in this contract and which the Tenderer has successfully completed, is invited for adjudication purposes.

Tenderers are hereby required to complete the schedule below in its entirety.

Alternatively, Tenderers without experience may submit statements from a person or persons or organisation as to their abilities and standing in support of their tender, for adjudication purposes.

Failure to comply with either of these requirements shall lead to disqualification.

Name of Company	Contact Person	Contact No.	Nature of Works	Value of Works and Duration

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SIGNATURE.....

DATE.....

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DATA SHEET 4: SCHEDULE OF RESOURCES

Tenderers are required to submit details of their management, office and supervisory resources, training programmes, yard and office facilities, full-time work-force including trainees, and plant and equipment.

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SIGNATURE.....

DATE.....

DATA SHEET 5: DECLARATION OF MUNICIPAL FEES

I/We do hereby declare that the Municipal Fees of _____

Is/are, as at the date of the tender closing, fully paid up, or arrangements have been concluded with the Municipality to pay the said Fees:-

DESCRIPTION

ACCOUNT No.

Electricity	_____
Water	_____
Rates	_____

I/We acknowledge that should it be found that the Municipal Fees are not up to date, the Council may take such remedial action as it required, including termination of contract, and any income due to the Contractor shall be utilised to offset any monies due to the Council.

Full Name of
Signatory.....

Capacity of
Signatory.....

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I.D.

Number.....

...

Duly authorised to sign on behalf
of.....

Physical

Address.....

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Signature Date

DATA SHEET 6: DECLARATION OF INTEREST

1. No bid will be accepted from persons in the service of the state¹.
2. 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.

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 shareholder²):
.....

3.4 Company Registration Number:

3.5 Tax Reference Number:

3.6 VAT Registration Number:

3.7 The names of all directors / trustees / shareholders members, their individual identity numbers and state employee numbers must 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.
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¹MSCM Regulations: "in the service of the state" means to be –

(a) a member of –

- (i) any municipal council;
- (ii) any provincial legislature; or
- (iii) the national Assembly or the national Council of provinces;

(b) a member of the board of directors of any municipal entity;

(c) an official of any municipality or municipal entity;

(d) 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);

(e) a member of the accounting authority of any national or provincial public entity; or (f) an employee of Parliament or a provincial legislature.

“Shareholder” means a person who owns shares in the company and is actively involved in the management of the company or business and exercises control over the company.

3.9 Have you been in the service of the state for the past twelve months? **YES / NO**

3.9.1 If yes, furnish particulars

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3.10 Do you have any relationship (family, friend, other) with persons in the service of the state and who may be involved with the evaluation and or adjudication of this bid?

YES / NO

3.10.1 If yes, furnish particulars

.....

3.11 Are you, aware of any relationship (family, friend, other) between any other bidder and any persons in the service of the state who may be involved with the evaluation and or adjudication of this bid?

YES / NO

3.11.1 If yes, furnish particulars

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3.12 Are any of the company’s directors, trustees, managers, principle shareholders or stakeholders in service of the state? **YES / NO**

3.12.1 If yes, furnish particulars

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3.13 Are any spouse, child or parent of the company’s directors trustees, managers, principle shareholders or stakeholders in service of the state? **YES / NO**

3.13.1 If yes, furnish particulars

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3.14 Do you or any of the directors, trustees, managers, principle shareholders, or stakeholders of this company have any interest in any other related companies or business whether or not they are bidding for this contract? **YES / NO**

3.14.1 If yes, furnish particulars:

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4. Full details of Directors / Trustees / Members / Shareholders.

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

**DATA SHEET 7: DECLARATION OF BIDDER'S PAST SUPPLY CHAIN
MANAGEMENT PRACTICES**

- 1 This Municipal Bidding Document must form part of all bids invited.
- 2 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.
- 3 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).
- 4 ***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? (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 (www.treasury.gov.za) and can be accessed by clicking on its link at the bottom of the home page.	Yes ☐	No ☐
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 (www.treasury.gov.za) 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:		
4.4	Does the bidder or any of its directors owe any municipal rates and taxes or municipal charges to the municipality / municipal entity, or to any other municipality / municipal entity, that is in arrears for more than three months?	Yes ☐	No ☐
4.4.1	If so, furnish particulars:		
4.5	Was any contract between the bidder and the municipality / municipal entity or any other organ of state terminated during the past five years on account of failure to perform on or comply with the contract?	Yes ☐	No ☐
4.7.1	If so, furnish particulars:		

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

DATA SHEET 8: CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT BID DETERMINATION

1. This Municipal Bidding Document (MBD) must form part of all bids¹ invited.
2. Section 4 (1) (b) (iii) of the Competition Act No. 89 of 1998, as amended, prohibits an agreement between, or concerted practice by firms, or a decision by an association of firms, if it is between parties in a horizontal relationship and if it involves collusive bidding (or bid rigging).² Collusive bidding is a *per se* prohibited meaning that it cannot be justified under any grounds.
3. 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:
 - a. 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.
- 4 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.
- 5 In order to give effect to the above, the attached Certificate of Bid Determination (MBD 9) must be completed and submitted with the bid:

¹ Includes price quotations, advertised competitive bids, limited bids and proposals.

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

CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT BID DETERMINATION

I, the undersigned, in submitting the accompanying bid:

(Bid Number and Description)

in response to the invitation for the bid made by:

(Name of Municipality / Municipal Entity) do hereby make the following statements that I certify to be true and complete in every respect: I certify, on behalf of: _____ that:

(Name of Bidder)

1. I have read and I understand the contents of this Certificate;
2. I understand that the accompanying bid will be disqualified if this Certificate is found not to be true and complete in every respect;
3. I am authorized by the bidder to sign this Certificate, and to submit the accompanying bid, on behalf of the bidder;
4. Each person whose signature appears on the accompanying bid has been authorized by the bidder to determine the terms of, and to sign, the bid, on behalf of the bidder;
5. For the purposes of this Certificate and the accompanying bid, I understand that the word "competitor" shall include any individual or organization, other than the bidder, whether or not affiliated with the bidder, who:
 - (a) has been requested to submit a bid in response to this bid invitation;
 - (b) could potentially submit a bid in response to this bid invitation, based on their qualifications, abilities or experience; and
 - (c) provides the same goods and services as the bidder and/or is in the same line of business as the bidder
6. The bidder has arrived at the accompanying bid independently from, and without consultation, communication, agreement or arrangement with any competitor. However communication between partners in a joint venture or consortium³ will not be construed as collusive bidding.
7. In particular, without limiting the generality of paragraphs 6 above, there has been no consultation, communication, agreement or arrangement with any competitor regarding:
 - (a) prices;
 - (b) geographical area where product or service will be rendered (market allocation)
 - (c) methods, factors or formulas used to calculate prices;
 - (d) the intention or decision to submit or not to submit, a bid;

- (e) the submission of a bid which does not meet the specifications and conditions of the bid; or
 - (f) bidding with the intention not to win the bid.
8. In addition, there have been no consultations, communications, agreements or arrangements with any competitor regarding the quality, quantity, specifications and conditions or delivery particulars of the products or services to which this bid invitation relates.
 9. The terms of the accompanying bid have not been, and will not be, disclosed by the bidder, directly or indirectly, to any competitor, prior to the date and time of the official bid opening or of the awarding of the contract.

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

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

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Signature

.....

Date

.....

Name of Bidder

..... Position

DATA SHEET 9: 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:

* Delete if not applicable

1. Are you by law required to prepare annual financial statements for auditing?

***YES / NO**

- 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.

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2. 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?

***YES / NO**

- 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.

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3. Has any contract been awarded to you by an organ of state during the past five years, including particulars of any material non-compliance or dispute concerning the execution of such contract?

***YES / NO**

- 3.1 If yes, furnish particulars

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4. Will any portion of goods or services be sourced from outside the Republic, and, if so, what portion and whether any portion of payment from the municipality / municipal entity is expected to be transferred out of the Republic?

***YES / NO**

- 4.1 If yes, furnish particulars

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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

DATA SHEET 10: TENDER BRIEFING MEETING CERTIFICATE

As required in terms of this document, I/we attended the compulsory Tender Briefing Meeting on the date specified below.

I/We carefully examined the contract document, and have made myself/ourselves fully conversant with all the circumstances likely to influence this contract.

I/We further certify that I am/we are satisfied with the description of the Works and the explanation given by or on behalf of the Engineer at the Tender Briefing Meeting, and that I/we understand perfectly the work to be done, as specified and implied, in the execution of the contract.

NAME OF SERVICE PROVIDER : _____

NAME OF SIGNATORY : _____

ADDRESS : _____

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TENDER BRIEFING MEETING CERTIFICATE

This certifies that _____ (Name)

Representing _____ (Firm)

Attended the Tender Briefing Meeting for this contract on

_____ (Date)

SIGNED: _____

For

MAQUASSI HILLS LOCAL MUNICIPALITY

CONTRACT No. MHLM/SCM/05/2026/2027

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TENDER FORM

The Municipal Manager
19 Kruger Street
Wolmaransstad 2630

Dear Sir/Madam,

Having examined the Conditions of Contract, Specifications, Tender and Legislation of the above contract, I/we offer to supply and deliver the whole of the said Works in conformity with the Conditions of Contract, Specification, Tender and Legislation, save as amended by any modifications under Annexure "A", for the Contingency Fees as stipulated in the Pricing Schedule herein.

I/We undertake to deliver the goods comprised in the contract within the time frames stated in this contract document.

I/We certify that I/we have satisfied myself/ourselves that the particulars inserted on all required Affidavits (if applicable) are complete and correct.

I/We confirm that I am/we are fully acquainted with the current South African laws and regulations applicable to this contract including inter alia those laws to which my/our attention has been drawn in the Legislation section of this document.

I/We are registered VAT vendors and my/our VAT vendor registration number is:

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I/We are formally associated by written agreement with the following firms, corporations or companies:

(Enter Nil if no affiliations)

I/We are fully paid up members in good standing of the following organisation(s):

(Enter Nil if no affiliations)

My/Our Tender Deposit receipt number as issued by the Council is _____
(Include a copy of the Tender Deposit Receipt if purchased at the Name of Municipality)

I/We bank at the _____

Branch of _____

Where I/we have a _____ account.

It is agreed and understood that should there be any changes on the banking details provided for the entity, a duly signed resolution by all its directors and minutes whereby a resolution for changing the banking details was passed will be submitted to Council including the original letter from the bank confirming the details.

It is agreed and understood that this tender is valid for four (4) months from the date hereof and that it, together with your final letter of acceptance, shall constitute a binding Contract between us.

I/We understand that the Council is not bound to accept the lowest or any tender and acknowledge that the Head: Supply Chain Management may, in her absolute discretion if good and sufficient grounds are brought to her attention in writing within five (5) working days from the date of closing of tenders, decline to consider my/our offer.

I/We the undersigned, warrants that I am/we are duly authorised to do so on behalf of the enterprise, certifies that the enterprise complies with all statutory and municipal requirements and that the information supplied in terms of this documents with additional information is correct and accurate and acknowledges that if the information supplied is found to be incorrect then the Name of Municipality in addition to any remedies, it may have: may

- i Recover from the Enterprise all costs, losses or damages incurred or sustained by the Municipality as result of the award of the contract, and /or
- ii Cancel the contract and claim any damages which the Municipality may suffer by having to make less favourable arrangements after such cancellations, and/or
- iii Impose a penalty on the Enterprise as provided in the Tender Document, and/or
- iv Take any other action as may be deemed necessary.

I/we further undertake to submit documentary proof regarding any tendering issue to the Council when so required.

Full Name of Signatory.....

Capacity of Signatory.....

Identity Number.....

Duly authorised to sign on behalf of.....

Physical Address.....

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SIGNATURE..... DATE.....

ANNEXURE “A”

MAQUASSI HILLS LOCAL MUNICIPALITY

CONTRACT No MHLM/SCM/05/2026/2027

**APPOINTMENT OF A PANEL OF SERVICE PROVIDERS FOR VAT RECOVERY
SERVICES AND SARS AUDIT SUPPORT FOR MAQUASSI HILLS LOCAL MUNICIPALITY
FOR THE PERIOD OF THREE (3) YEARS**

ALTERATIONS BY TENDERER

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SIGNATURE..... DATE.....

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OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY ACT (ACT No. 85 OF 1993)

SECTION 37(1)

Whenever an employee does or omits to do any act which would be an offence in terms of this Act for the employer of such employee or a user to do or omit to do, then, it is proved that –

- (a) in doing or omitting to do the act the employee was acting without connivance or permission of the employer or any such user;*
- (b) it was not under any condition or in any circumstance within the scope of the authority of the employee to do or omit to do an act, whether lawful or unlawful, of the character of the act or omission charged; and*
- (c) all reasonable steps were taken by the employer or any such user to prevent any act or omission of the kind in question,*

the employer or any such user himself shall be presumed to have done or omitted to do that act, and shall be liable to be convicted and sentenced in respect thereof; and the fact that he issued instructions forbidding any act or omission of the kind in question shall not, in itself, be accepted as sufficient proof that he took all reasonable steps to prevent the act or omission.

SECTION 37(2)

The provisions of subsection (1) shall “mutatis mutandi” apply in the case of a mandatory of any employer or user, except if the parties have agreed in writing to the arrangements and procedures between them to ensure compliance by the mandatory with the provisions of this Act.

ACCEPTANCE BY MANDATORY

In terms of the provisions of Section 37(2) of the Occupational Health and Safety Act 85 of 1993, I,

(Name of PRINCIPAL CONTRACTOR / Representative) acting for and on behalf of

___ (Name of PRINCIPAL CONTRACTOR / Company) undertake to ensure that the requirements and provisions of the Health and Safety Specifications issued by the client at the following site:

(Name of Site) are complied with in the following manner:

- To produce, review, monitor and enforce a Health and Safety Plan which has been approved by the Client, an Agent for the Client or a Principal Contractor;
- To include a risk assessment in the Health and Safety Plan which identifies all hazards pertaining to the project;
- To ensure that all relevant documentation required by the Occupational Health and Safety Act and Regulations, including the Construction Regulations, the Compensation for Occupational Injuries and Diseases Act as well as any other statutory laws as amended from time to time is available on site in the health and safety file; Enforce precautionary measures stipulated in the risk assessments.

The person signing this agreement confirms that he/she has the authority to so sign and to bind his/her employer, the said Contractor.

Signature: _____ Date: _____ (on behalf of PRINCIPAL CONTRACTOR)

Signature: _____ Date: _____
(CLIENT- Name of Municipality)

Print Name: _____
(Name of CLIENT Representative)

MAQUASSI HILLS LOCAL MUNICIPALITY

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**PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT POLICY FRAMEWORK ACT, 2000:
PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS**

The Minister Finance has, in terms of section 5, read with section 2(1)(b)(i) and (ii) and 2(1)(c), of the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act, 2000 (Act No. 5 of 2000), and with effect from 16 January 2023, made the regulations set out in the Schedule.

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Definitions

5. In these Regulations, unless the context indicates otherwise, any word or expression to which a meaning has been assigned in the Act must bear the meaning so assigned—

“**highest acceptable tender**” means a tender that complies with all specifications and conditions of tender and that has the highest price compared to other tenders; “**lowest acceptable tender**” means a tender that complies with all specifications and conditions of tender and that has lowest price compared to other tenders;

“**price**” means an amount of money tendered for goods or services, and includes all applicable taxes less all unconditional discounts;

“**Rand value**” means the total estimated value of a contract in Rand, calculated at the time of the tender invitation;

“**specific goals**” means specific goals as contemplated in section 2(1)(d) of the Act which may include contracting with persons, or categories of persons, historically disadvantaged by unfair discrimination on the basis of race, gender and disability including the implementation of programmes of the Reconstruction and Development Programme as published in *Government Gazette* No. 16085 dated 23 November 1994;

“**tender**” means a written offer in the form determined by an organ of state in response to an invitation to provide goods or services through price quotations, competitive tendering process or any other method envisaged in legislation;

“**tender for income-generating contracts**” means a written offer in the form determined by an organ of state in response to an invitation for the origination of income-generating contracts through any method envisaged in legislation that will result in a legal agreement between the organ of state and a third party that produces revenue for the organ of state,

and includes, but is not limited to, leasing and disposal of assets and concession contracts, excluding direct sales and disposal of assets through public auctions; and

“the Act” means the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act, 2000 (Act No. 5 of 2000).

Application

2. These Regulations apply to organs of state as defined in section 1¹ of the Preferential Procurement Policy.

Identification of preference point system

3.(1) The Maquassi Hills Local Municipality in the tender documents, stipulate—
8 the applicable preference point system as envisaged in regulations 4, 5, 6 or 7;
9 the specific goal in the invitation to submit the tender for which a point may be awarded, and the number of points that will be awarded to each goal, and proof of the claim for such goal.

If it is unclear whether the 80/20 or 90/10 preference point system applies, an organ of state must, in the tender documents, stipulate in the case of—

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

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

SPECIFIC GOALS

The specific goals allocated points in terms of this tender	Number of points allocated (80/20 system) (To be completed by the organ of state)	Means of Verification	Number of points claimed (80/20 system) (To be completed by the tenderer)
Locality (within Maquassi Hills Local Municipal)	5	Statement of Municipal Rates and Taxes of not more than Three Months	
Women	5	Identification Document	
People with Disability	5	Medical Report confirming disability	
Youth (18 to 35 Years of age)	5	Identification Document	

80/20 preference point system for acquisition of goods or services with Rand value equal to or below R50 million

4.(1) The following formula must be used to calculate the points out of 80 for price in respect of an invitation for a tender with a Rand value equal to or below R50 million, inclusive of all applicable taxes:

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

Where-

P_s = Points scored for price of tender under consideration;

P_t = Price of tender under consideration; and

P_{min} = Price of lowest acceptable tender.

- 11 A maximum of 20 points may be awarded to a tenderer for the specific goal specified for the tender.
- 12 The points scored for the specific goal must be added to the points scored for price and the total must be rounded off to the nearest two decimal places.
- 13 Subject to section 2(1)(f) of the Act, the contract must be awarded to the tenderer scoring the highest points.

90/10 preference point system for acquisition of goods or services with Rand value above R50 million

5.(1) The following formula must be used to calculate the points out 90 for price in respect of an invitation for tender with a Rand value above R50 million, inclusive of all applicable taxes:

$$P_s = 90 \left(1 - \frac{P_t - P_{min}}{P_{min}} \right)$$

Where-

P_s = Points scored for price of tender under consideration;

P_t = Price of tender under consideration; and

P_{min} = Price of lowest acceptable tender.

- A maximum of 10 points may be awarded to a tenderer for the specific goal specified for the tender.
- The points scored for the specific goal must be added to the points scored for price and the total must be rounded off to the nearest two decimal places.
- Subject to section 2(1)(f) of the Act, the contract must be awarded to the tenderer scoring the highest points.

80/20 preference points system for tenders for income-generating contracts with Rand value equal to or below R50 million

6.(1) The following formula must be used to calculate the points for price in respect of an invitation for tender for income-generating contracts, with a Rand value equal to or below R50 million, inclusive of all applicable taxes:

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

Where-

P_s = Points scored for price of tender under consideration;

P_t = Price of tender under consideration; and

P_{max} = Price of highest acceptable tender.

- l. A maximum of 20 points may be awarded to a tenderer for the specific goal specified for the tender.
- m. The points scored for the specific goal must be added to the points scored for price and the total must be rounded off to the nearest two decimal places.
- n. Subject to section 2(1)(f) of the Act, the contract must be awarded to the tenderer scoring the highest points.

90/10 preference point system for tenders for income-generating contracts with Rand value above R50 million

7.(1) The following formula must be used to calculate the points for price in respect of a tender for income-generating contracts, with a Rand value above R50 million, inclusive of all applicable taxes:

Where-

P_s = Points scored for price of tender under consideration;

P_t = Price of tender under consideration; and

P_{max} = Price of highest acceptable tender.

- A maximum of 10 points may be awarded to a tenderer for the specific goal specified for the tender.
- The points scored for the specific goal must be added to the points scored for price and the total must be rounded off to the nearest two decimal places.
- Subject to section 2(1)(f) of the Act, the contract must be awarded to the tenderer scoring the highest points.

Criteria for breaking deadlock in scoring

8.(1) If two or more tenderers score an equal total number of points, the contract must be awarded to the tenderer that scored the highest points for specific goals.

5. If two or more tenderers score equal total points in all respects, the award must be decided by the drawing of lots.

Remedies

- 9.(1) If the Maquassi Hills Local Municipality is of the view that a tenderer submitted false information regarding a specific goal, it must—
 - 2. inform the tenderer accordingly; and
 - give the tenderer an opportunity to make representations within 14 days as to why the tender may not be disqualified or, if the tender has already

been awarded to the tenderer, the contract should not be terminated in whole or in part.

After considering the representations referred to in subregulation (1)(b), the organ of state may, if it concludes that such information is false—

4. disqualify the tenderer or terminate the contract in whole or in part; and
5. if applicable, claim damages from the tenderer.

**GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT
GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT**

NOTES

The purpose of this document is to:

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

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

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

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General Conditions of Contract

1. Definitions

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

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

5. **Use of** 5.1 The supplier shall not, without the purchaser's prior written consent, **contract** disclose the contract, or any provision thereof, or any specification, **documents** plan, drawing, pattern, sample, or information furnished by or on **and** behalf of the purchaser in connection therewith, to any person other **information**; than a person employed by the supplier in the performance of the **inspection**. 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** 7.1 Within thirty (30) days of receipt of the notification of contract award, **security** 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 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. 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 10.1 Delivery of the goods shall be made by the supplier in accordance with **and documents** 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:

- (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 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.

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 18.1 No variation in or modification of the terms of the contract shall be **amendments** 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 21.1 Delivery of the goods and performance of services shall be made by **supplier's** the supplier in accordance with the time schedule prescribed by the **performance** 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 canceling 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 23.1 The purchaser, without prejudice to any other remedy for breach of **for default** 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 24.1 When, after the date of bid, provisional payments are required, or **and countervailing** dumping or countervailing duties are imposed, or the amount of a

duties and rights 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 25.1 Notwithstanding the provisions of GCC Clauses 22 and 23, the **Majeure** 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 26.1 The purchaser may at any time terminate the contract by giving written **for insolvency** 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 27.1 If any dispute or difference of any kind whatsoever arises between the **Disputes** 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 liability

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.