



NORTH WEST HOUSING
CORPORATION

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**INVITATION TO BIDDERS TO SUBMIT
PROPOSALS FOR THE PROVISION OF OFFICE
PREMISES FOR NORTH-WEST HOUSING CORPORATION
(NWHC)**

TENDER NUMBER: NWHC 06/2022

CLOSING DATE: 22 JULY 2022

CLOSING TIME: 11H00

NAME OF BIDDER :

CONTACT PERSON :

ADDRESS OF BIDDER:

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TEL NUMBER : (.....).....

EMAIL :

CSD NUMBER :

BBBEE LEVEL :

ISSUED BY:
SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT UNIT
NORTH WEST HOUSING CORPORATION 23 FIRST STREET SEGARONA BUILDING INDUSTRIAL SITE MAFIKENG, 2745
TEL: [018] 110 0761



INVITATION TO BID

NWHC 06/2022: INVITATION TO BIDDERS TO SUBMIT PROPOSALS FOR THE PROVISION OF OFFICE PREMISES FOR NORTH-WEST HOUSING CORPORATION (NWHC).

1. Service providers are hereby invited to submit proposals for the provision of office premises for North-West Housing Corporation (NWHC).
2. The conditions contained in the General Conditions of Contract (GCC) and the attached bid forms, as well as any other condition accompanying this invitation are applicable.
3. The bidder proposal must be clearly outlined, specified and terms must not conflict with those contained in the General Conditions of Contract.
4. All the documents accompanying this invitation must be completed and signed in ink where applicable by a duly authorised official, be sealed in an envelope or suitable cover marked NWHC 13/2021 and be deposited / placed in a bid box at North-West Housing Corporation Head Office, Segarona Building, No.23 First Street, Industrial Site, Mafikeng.
5. This tender will close on **Friday, 22nd July 2022 at 11H00.**
6. All enquiries pertaining specifications / SCM related can be directed to Mr L. Makwati at (018) 110 0872
7. **Bid documents can be downloaded from E-tender portal publication (www.etenders.gov.za) or www.nwhc.co.za**
8. Faxed, emailed bids will not be considered, only hand delivered bids will be accepted.
9. **NWHC** reserves the right to award any proposal in whole or in part to one or more service providers and does not bind itself to award the lowest bidder.

10. CONDITIONS TO BID:

This bid is used under the condition that the bidder should at any stage during the production or execution or on completion of the bid be subjected to inspection. The premises of the bidder or contractor shall be open, at all reasonable hours, for inspection by the representative of NWHC or organization acting on behalf of NWHC. The bidder shall provide, if required all required facilities for inspections, tests, and analysis of the available apparatus, which may be required for the purpose of such inspection, test and analysis free of charge unless otherwise specified. The bidder also agrees that the financial standing may be examined as part of the inspection.

The bid will be awarded subject to the parties signing a Service Level Agreement (SLA).

11. MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS

- 11.1. All bidders must actively be registered on the National Treasury Central Supplier Database (CSD).
- 11.2. All Bidders employed by the state are not allowed to participate on this bid
- 11.3. All bidders who are restricted in terms of National Treasury list are not allowed to participate on this bid

12. SUBMISSION OF BIDS

Bidders must submit the bid in hard copy format (original documents) to 23 First Street, Industrial Site, Mafikeng, 2745 before the closing date and time. All the relevant forms attached to this bid document must be completed and signed in ink where applicable by a duly authorized official.

The Hard copy of the bid response will serve as the legal bid document. Late bids will not be considered. Please note that bids are late if they are received at the address given in the bid document after bid closing date and time.

13. LATE BIDS

Bids received after the closing date and time, at the address indicated above will not be accepted for consideration.

14. BID VALIDITY PERIOD

Bids will be valid for a period of 90 days from the closing date.

15. VALUE ADDED TAX (VAT)

All bids prices must be quoted in South African currency and must be VAT inclusive where applicable. All bidding vendors must have a VALID bank account.

16. TAX CLEARANCE REQUIREMENTS

The Central Supplier Database (CSD) and the Tax compliance Pin are the only two methods approved of verifying the tax compliance status of the bidder therefore only the CSD and the tax compliance pin will be accepted for this bid.

17. B-BBEE

Bidders are required to complete the preference claim form (SBD 6.1) and submit their original and valid B-BBEE status level verification certificate or a certified copy thereof to claim the B-BBEE status level points. The points scored by a bidder in respect of the level of B-BBEE contribution will be added to the points scored for price.

The State may, before a bid is adjudicated or at any time, require a bidder to substantiate claims it has made with regard to preference. In the event that two or more bids have scored equal points, the contract will be awarded to the bidder scoring the highest number of preference points for B-BBEE. Should two or more bids be equal in all respects, the award shall be decided by the drawing of lots.

18. COMPANY REGISTRATION DOCUMENTS

A copy of registration certificate, where applicable, indicating names and percentages of shareholders and shareholding (equity) respectively, must be attached.

19. IDENTITY DOCUMENTS

Recently certified (not older than three months) copies of Identity Document for all shareholders must be included.

20. JOINT VENTURE

In the event of a joint venture both entities must submit valid Tax clearance certificate, company registration where applicable and certified copies of Identity Documents. A joint venture agreement endorsed by both parties and attested by the Commissioner of Oath must also be attached. Bidders are required to submit a consolidated B-BBEE status level verification certificate in the joint venture not being scored for B-BBEE status level.

21. BID ENQUIRIES

Supply Chain Management Enquiries

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Technical Enquiries

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STATUTORY NON-TECHNICAL MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS

- Company Registration Documents (CIPC)
- List of all shareholders / directors with Original certified copies of their IDs (no older than 6 months from the tender closing date)
- Companies must be registered on the CSD (Attach Proof of Central Supplier Database (CSD) registration)
- Valid COIDA or Letter good standing with the Department of Labour
- Duly completed and signed SBD 1 Invitation to bid
- Duly completed and signed SBD 4 Bidder's Disclosure
- Duly completed and signed SBD 6.1 PPPFA regulations claim form
- Duly completed and signed SBD 8 Declaration of Bidder's past supply chain management practices
- Duly completed and signed SBD 9 Certificate of Independent bid determination.
- Joint Venture Agreement signed by all parties (where JV is in use) and submit copies of company documentation for each party
- Tax Compliance Status Letter with a unique pin

- Attach B-BBEE certificate or sworn affidavit B-BBE certificate (B-BBEE Status Level of Contribution. Certified copy of a B-BBEE certificate issued by a SANAS accredited agency or a sworn affidavit in the prescribed format by the National Treasury for EMEs and QSEs or BBEE certificate issued by the Companies and Intellectual Property Commission will be accepted. Service Providers that fail to submit BBEE credentials shall NOT be allocated preference points in line with the PPPF-Act regulations of 2017).

PLEASE ENSURE THAT THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS ARE COMPLETED AND SIGNED:

- SBD 1: Invitation of bid
- Terms of Reference
- SBD 2: Tax clearance requirements
- SBD 3.3: Pricing schedule – offer to Purchase
- SBD 4: Declaration of Interest
- SBD 6.1: Preferential point claim form in terms of the Preferential Procurement Regulation 2011
- SBD 8: Declaration of Bidder's past supply chain management practices
- SBD 9: Certificate of Independent bid determination
- General Conditions of Contract

NB: SHOULD ALL DOCUMENTS STATED ABOVE NOT BE ATTACHED, FULLY COMPLETED AND DULY SIGNED BY A DESIGNATED PERSON, YOUR BID WILL BE DECLARED INVALID.

1. INTRODUCTION

The North-West Housing Corporation (NWHC) is a Schedule 3(c) entity established in accordance with the Public Finance Management Act, no 1 of 1999 (PFMA) as amended. It is a Housing development arm of the NW Department of Human Settlements and has in recent period identified specific zones within the province where the demand for adequate housing has remained high; despite the delivery of subsidized housing in these areas, population growth has not kept pace with housing demand and new household formation.

The North-West Housing Corporation (NWHC) currently owns and occupies the Segarona Building, No. 23 First Street, Industrial Site, Mafikeng.

The corporation needs to move to a secure, public accessible, structurally sound, compliant, safe building and environment.

2. PURPOSE

This bid has a dual purpose as NWHC firstly requires securing adequately, suitable and OHSA compliant office Building, within the North West Province.

3. LEGISLATIVE CONSIDERATIONS

The service provider must maintain deliverables in compliance with, but not limited to the following legislation as amended:

- (i) Constitution of the Republic of South Africa Act 108 of 1996
- (ii) Occupational Health and Safety Act 85 of 1993 and Regulations (as amended)
- (iii) National Building Regulations and Standards Act 103 of 1977 (as amended)
- (iv) Relevant SANS Standards and
- (v) B-BBEE Act, No. 53 of 2003 (as amended) and
- (vi) Other relevant applicable legislation

4. SCOPE OF WORK AND DELIVERABLES

4.1 SPECIFICATION FOR OFFICE BUILDING

4.1.1 BUILDING:

- 4.1.1.1 The building must be an **existing building** (*complete built structure*).
- 4.1.1.2 The building must be Zoned for Business.
- 4.1.1.3 The lease contract should be signed with the owner of the building/ landlord,
- 4.1.1.4 Otherwise, by a legally delegated representative chosen by owner.
- 4.1.1.5 A building with a green rating would be advantageous.

Note!!!: A signed and endorsed Offer to Purchase (OTP) and/ or Proforma Sale Agreement is to be submitted for consideration in this bid.

4.1.2 OCCUPANCY:

- 4.1.2.1 The accommodation must be an existing building, ready for occupancy immediately after **completion of the tenant installation and network infrastructure or Not Exceeding 2 months** after signing the **Offer To Purchase (OTP)**, by the North-West Housing Corporation (NWHC).

4.1.3 SIZE:

- 4.1.3.1 The Gross Area (GA) must be **3000m²** assignable building area.

4.1.4 LOCATION:

- 4.1.4.1 The office building must be within the NORTH WEST Province.
- 4.1.4.2 The bidder Must indicate the location of the office building on the Bid Document.
- 4.1.4.3 Further GPS Coordinates are to be given for identification by client.

4.1.5 ACCESSIBILITY:

- 4.1.5.1 The building should allow for comfortable entrance / exit to and from the building by staff, clients and service providers.
- 4.1.5.2 The building must make provision for access control which must be accessible to staff, clients and service providers.

4.1.6 FACILITIES:

- 4.1.6.1 Ablution facilities must accommodate both Female and Male.
- 4.1.6.2 Ablution facilities for the physically disabled males and females must be available.
- 4.1.6.3 The office building must also have fully fitted kitchens (*e.g., sink, drainage, taps, cupboards, etc.*)

4.1.7 RECEPTION AREA:

- 4.1.7.1 The building must have provision for a Reception Area.

4.1.8 NOISE REDUCTION AND CONTROL:

- 4.1.8.1 The noise levels within the front office needs to be maintained at an acceptable level of below 40 decibels as it is corporate norm that external noise needs to be reduced to an acceptable level.

4.1.9 PARKING:

- 4.1.9.1 **Minimum** of Forty-Five (45) secure covered parking bays, Ten (10) open parking bays and two (2) disabled persons parking bays. All parking bays must be on the premises.

4.1.10 STORAGE:

- 4.1.10.1 Provision of two (2) strong room (safe) with a minimum size of 15m² each.

4.1.11 COMPLIANCE:

- 4.1.11.1 The accommodation must provide lighting as per building regulation.

4.1.11.2 The Corporation may and will require the landlord to strictly adhere to applicable legislative requirements to maintain compliance.

4.1.11.3 Property Evaluation Report on existing building to be submitted.

4.1.12 ACCESS TO PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES:

4.1.12.1 The accommodation must be prepared for access for persons with disabilities as prescribed in legislation.

4.1.12.2 The Corporation may and will require the landlord to strictly adhere to applicable legislative requirements to maintain compliance.

4.1.13 SAFETY:

4.1.13.1 The accommodation must be in compliance with all applicable legislation that regulates buildings, safety and emergency issues.

4.1.14 SECURITY:

4.1.14.1 The accommodation must be located within a publicly and generally safe area.

4.1.14.2 The premises must have an existing guardhouse with the following:

(a) Minimum size to be 4x4 meters or more.

(b) Bullet-proof window (*Preferrable*)

(c) Burglar bars with hinges on the windows.

(d) Toilet facility on guardhouse or located not far from it and be easily and quickly accessible.

4.1.14.3 The premises must be fenced, with minimum of two (2) entrance gates with motor gates and remote controls.

4.1.14.4 All windows and doors are to be secured by high security burglar bars or relevant shutters to secure the premises, personnel and assets when required and afterhours.

4.1.15 POWER:

4.1.15.1 The building (s) on offer must have own electric distribution board(s).

4.1.15.2 A separate electrical meter reader will be an advantage and

enable NWHC to manage, monitor and implement power saving initiatives.

4.1.15.3 NWHC will provide its own Back-Up Generator Power Supply for its installation for in the event of power failure for the entire building.

4.1.15.4 Trunking must be available to hide and manage both power and networks cabling.

4.1.15.5 Adequate power points are to be provided within trunking or conduits for the electrical equipment and include additional points to cater for the computer hub-switch gear, workstations, printer, etc.

4.1.16 SERVER ROOM:

4.1.16.1 Provision must be made for a server room with full requirements as per server room specifications which include, but not limited to, Air-Conditioning, Fire-Resistant (Dry) Walling, Fire Door, Raised Floor, etc.

4.1.16.2 Also, trunking is to be installed to run both power and networks cabling separately.

4.1.17 WATER:

4.1.17.1 The accommodation must have a clean and constant supply of water with hydroboil(s) in the kitchen(s).

4.1.17.2 Preferably, there must be an emergency water supply for when the normal supply is cut for whatever reason (*e.g., borehole, municipal ring supply, etc.*).

4.1.18 AIR-CONDITIONING AND VENTILATION:

4.1.18.1 The office accommodation must be fully air-conditioned and ventilated.

4.1.18.2 *Preferably*, Windows must have blinds and minimum 50% openable.

4.1.19 FIRE PREVENTION/DETECTION:

(i) The bidder must submit **Certificates of Compliances** in relation to:

- a. Fire Safety,
 - b. Fire Detection System,
 - c. Safe Occupancy and
 - d. Electrical Compliance
- (ii) Logistics and costs of the process are the responsibility of the owner.
- (iii) The accommodation must be complying, in respect of all National Building Regulations, SANS 10040, as amended and Fire and Local Municipal Fire Legislation, Regulations, etc. and the minimum requirement being that a "smoke detection system" to be fitted, linked to the Landlords (24) hour security control room.
- (iv) All fire equipment, including the "portable" fire equipment, needs to be provided and maintained by the owner as part of the sale.
- (v) All permanent Signage must be installed, be visible and compliant with OHS requirements.

4.1.20 FLOOR PLAN:

4.1.20.1 A scaled floor plan of the building must be issued.

4.1.21 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

- 4.1.21.1 Service providers are required to provide services that are professional, objective and impartial.
- 4.1.21.2 Service providers must ensure that there is no conflict of interest between existing assignments, obligations and responsibilities to other clients and the services set out in these Terms of Reference.
- 4.1.21.3 In the event of any uncertainty in this regard, full disclosure in the submitted proposal should be considered.
- 4.1.21.4 Non-disclosure of a conflict of interest may be grounds for disqualification from bidding and/ or termination of any contract.

4.1.22 CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT

- 4.1.22.1 Bidders must submit a signed Non-Disclosure Agreement of North-West Housing Corporation (NWHC) which shall be binding.

4.1.23 PRICING AND PRICE ESCALATION

4.1.23.1 The bidding price must be quoted per meter squared (m2).

4.1.23.2 All prices must be VAT inclusive and quoted in South African Rands;

4.1.23.3 No payment will be made in excess of the agreed to square meterage.

4.1.23.4 The offer to purchase must indicate the allowance for Office Fittings installations.

4.1.23.5 Pricing must include Transfer Costs, Legal Costs and Conveyancing Costs.

Note!!!: A signed and endorsed Offer to Purchase (OTP) and/ or Proforma Sale Agreement is to be submitted for consideration in this bid.

5. GENERAL

5.1 Bids to include a floor sketch, pointing out the allocated office space and floor, accessibility to Persons with Disability and 24 hours security control room.

5.2 The successful bidder will be required to provide a detailed **building** plan drawing, for sign-off by NWHC.

6. EVALUATION

The bid evaluation process will be done in accordance with the following criteria:

Bids will be evaluated in accordance with the 80/20 preference point system contemplated in the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act (Act 5 of 2000)

6.1 Evaluation Process

The evaluation will be completed in 4 phases:

- Phase 1: Compliance to Minimum Requirements
- Phase 2: Functional Evaluation
- Phase 3: Site Visit and Presentation by The Bidders
- Phase 4: Pricing and Preferential Procurement Policy

Phase 1: Compliance to Minimum Requirements

During phase 1, all bidders will be evaluated to ensure compliance to minimum document requirements (e.g., *Tax Clearance Certificates*), ensuring all documents have been completed and that the specified documentation has been submitted in accordance with the bid requirements.

All bidders that comply with the minimum requirements will advance to Phase 2.

Responsive Criteria: Failure to provide the following might result in a bid not to be considered: (minimum requirements)

- a) Bid offers must be properly received on tender closing date and time specified on the invitation.
- b) Fully completed and signed in ink as per Standard Conditions of Tender.
- c) Submission and completion of the Declaration of Interest.
- d) Submission of a valid original Tax Clearance Certificate from SARS.
- e) Submission of the company's registration certificate from Register of Companies.
- f) Submission of a confirmation of registration with the National Treasury Central Suppliers Database (CSD).
- g) Company Profile
- h) BBBEE Certificate

Phase 2: Functional Evaluation

All bidders that advance to Phase 2 will be evaluated by a panel to determine compliance to the functional requirements of the bid.

The functional evaluation will be rated out of 100 points and will be determined as follows:

EVALUATION CRITERIA	Rating					Weight%	Total
	1	2	3	4	5		
A signed and endorsed Offer to Purchase (OTP) and/ or Proforma Sale Agreement indicate the purchase cost including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the allowance for office fittings installation signed by the owners of the building and not an agency or third party, however a legally delegated representative. 						25	
Recent Property Evaluation Report						20	
A detailed building plan/sketch pointing out <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a 3 000m² allocated office floor = 15 Accessibility to Persons with Disabilities = 10 24 hours security control room. = 5 						30	
Proof of Certificates of Compliances regarding: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Building = 5 Safety Occupation = 5 Fire Detection System and Local Municipal Fire Legislation = 6 Electrical Compliance = 9 						25	
Total						100	

Bidders scoring less than 60 points in Phase 2 will not be eligible for Phase 3 evaluation i.e., pricing and preferential procurement.

Please provide details for all the above information to enable proper evaluation.

Phase 3: Site visit and Presentation

EVALUATION CRITERIA	Rating					Weight %	Total
	1	2	3	4	5		
<u>Building Location</u> How far is the premises in distance (km) from a North West Province City? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Within a City radius of less than 15Km = 10 • City Radius of between 15 and 25Km = 5 • City Radius of less than 25Km = 3 • City Radius of more than 25Km = 1 						10	
Does the premises provide easy access from the street and is it clearly visible to customers?						10	
Is there access for persons with disabilities as prescribed in legislation?						10	
Can the premises accommodate our own Security personnel and has relevant amenities?						10	
Does the building have a safe and ready connection point for NWHC Emergency Power Generator installation, for provision of power in case of a power outage?						15	
Does the premises have a fire detection-and/or fire suppression-system? = 10 Is it link to the control room? = 5						15	
Is the area where the building is located seen as a "generally safe" environment?						10	
What modes of transport are in close proximity available for clients and indicate how far from premises? Pedestrians = 5 Public Transport = 3 Own Vehicle = 1						10	

Is there adequate covered parking space, viz:						10	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10 – 20 Parking = 5 • 20 – 30 Parking = 6 • 30 + Parking = 10 							
Total						100	

Bidders obtaining less than 60 will not be evaluated further. Please provide details for all the above information for proper evaluation.

The Bids will be evaluated on a scale of 1 – 5 in as follows:

1 = Very poor, 2 = Poor, 3 = Good, 4 = Very good, 5 = Excellent

Phase 4: Pricing

Preferential Procurement Policy and Pricing

Please Note: NWHC 6.1 Preference Points Claim Form in terms of the PPPFA is attached for claiming abovementioned points, if not completed the company will automatically score 0 points

Preferential Procurement Policy

The bidders that have successfully progressed through to Phase 3 will be evaluated in accordance with the **80/20** preference point system contemplated in the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act (Act 5 of 2000).

Pricing

Pricing will be calculated using the lowest price quoted as the baseline, thus the lowest price quoted will achieve full marks, while all other quotes will achieve a weighted average mark based on the lowest price.

Description	Total
Price	80
BBBEE	20
Total	100

The bidder with the highest score will be recommended as the successful vendor.

7. ATTENDANCE OF COMPULSORY BRIEFING SESSION

A "Briefing Session" **will not be held.**

Briefing session to be held:

Date : N/A

Time : N/A

Venue : N/A

8. SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS

Sealed proposals will be received at the Tender Box at the Reception,
No. 23, First Street, Segarona Building, Industrial Site, Mafikeng, 2745.

Proposals should be addressed to:

Manager (Supply Chain Management)

North West Housing Corporation

No. 23 First Street,
Segarona Building,
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2745

9. ENQUIRIES

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DN Tsagae, HT Moselane, BS Khukhele, SE Mogodiri (CEO), SZ Machaba (Company Secretary)



PART A INVITATION TO BID

YOU ARE HEREBY INVITED TO BID FOR REQUIREMENTS OF THE NORTH-WEST HOUSING CORPORATION					
BID NUMBER:	NWHC 06 / 2022	CLOSING DATE:	22nd JULY 2022	CLOSING TIME:	11H00
DESCRIPTION	INVITATION TO BIDDERS TO SUBMIT PROPOSAL FOR THE PROVISION OF OFFICE SPACE PREMISES FOR NORTH-WEST HOUSING CORPORATION.				
BID RESPONSE DOCUMENTS MAY BE DEPOSITED IN THE BID BOX SITUATED AT (STREET ADDRESS)					
NO.23 FIRST STREET, SEGARONA BUILDING					
INDUSTRIAL SITE					
MAFIKENG					
2745					
BIDDING PROCEDURE ENQUIRIES MAY BE DIRECTED TO			TECHNICAL ENQUIRIES MAY BE DIRECTED TO:		
CONTACT PERSON	LETLHOGONOLO MAKWATI		CONTACT PERSON	KAMOGILO SEGAPO	
TELEPHONE NUMBER	018 011 0761		TELEPHONE NUMBER	018 381 5029	
FACSIMILE NUMBER	N/A		FACSIMILE NUMBER		
E-MAIL ADDRESS	flmakwati@nwhc.co.za		E-MAIL ADDRESS	Kbsegapo@nwhc.co.za	
SUPPLIER INFORMATION					
NAME OF BIDDER					
POSTAL ADDRESS					
STREET ADDRESS					
TELEPHONE NUMBER	CODE		NUMBER		
CELLPHONE NUMBER					
FACSIMILE NUMBER	CODE		NUMBER		
E-MAIL ADDRESS					
VAT REGISTRATION NUMBER					
SUPPLIER COMPLIANCE STATUS	TAX COMPLIANCE SYSTEM PIN:		OR	CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE No:	MAAA
B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE	TICK APPLICABLE BOX] <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL SWORN AFFIDAVIT		[TICK APPLICABLE BOX] <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
[A B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE/ SWORN AFFIDAVIT (FOR EMES & QSEs) MUST BE SUBMITTED IN ORDER TO QUALIFY FOR PREFERENCE POINTS FOR B-BBEE]					
ARE YOU THE ACCREDITED REPRESENTATIVE IN SOUTH AFRICA FOR THE GOODS /SERVICES /WORKS OFFERED?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No [IF YES ENCLOSE PROOF]		ARE YOU A FOREIGN BASED SUPPLIER FOR THE GOODS /SERVICES /WORKS OFFERED?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No [IF YES, ANSWER THE QUESTIONNAIRE BELOW]
QUESTIONNAIRE TO BIDDING FOREIGN SUPPLIERS					
IS THE ENTITY A RESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA (RSA)?					<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
DOES THE ENTITY HAVE A BRANCH IN THE RSA?					<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
DOES THE ENTITY HAVE A PERMANENT ESTABLISHMENT IN THE RSA?					<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
DOES THE ENTITY HAVE ANY SOURCE OF INCOME IN THE RSA?					<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
IS THE ENTITY LIABLE IN THE RSA FOR ANY FORM OF TAXATION?					<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
IF THE ANSWER IS "NO" TO ALL OF THE ABOVE, THEN IT IS NOT A REQUIREMENT TO REGISTER FOR A TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS SYSTEM PIN CODE FROM THE SOUTH AFRICAN REVENUE SERVICE (SARS) AND IF NOT REGISTER AS PER 2.3 BELOW.					

PART B
TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR BIDDING

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

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

SIGNATURE OF BIDDER:

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

DATE:

TAX CLEARANCE CERTIFICATE REQUIREMENTS

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

- 1 In order to meet this requirement bidders are required to complete in full the attached form TCC 001 "Application for a Tax Clearance Certificate" and submit it to any SARS branch office nationally. The Tax Clearance Certificate Requirements are also applicable to foreign bidders / individuals who wish to submit bids.
- 2 SARS will then furnish the bidder with a Tax Clearance Certificate that will be valid for a period of 1 (one) year from the date of approval.
- 3 The original Tax Clearance Certificate must be submitted together with the bid. Failure to submit the original and valid Tax Clearance Certificate will result in the invalidation of the bid. Certified copies of the Tax Clearance Certificate will not be acceptable.
- 4 In bids where Consortia / Joint Ventures / Sub-contractors are involved, each party must submit a separate Tax Clearance Certificate.
- 5 Copies of the TCC 001 "Application for a Tax Clearance Certificate" form are available from any SARS branch office nationally or on the website www.sars.gov.za.
- 6 Applications for the Tax Clearance Certificates may also be made via eFiling. In order to use this provision, taxpayers will need to register with SARS as eFilers through the website www.sars.gov.za.



TAX CLEARANCE

TCC 001

Application for a Tax Clearance Certificate**Purpose**Select the applicable optionTenders ☐ Good standing ☐

If "Good standing", please state the purpose of this application

Particulars of applicant

Name/Legal name (Initials & Surname or registered name)											
Trading name (if applicable)											
ID/Passport no						Company/Close Corp. registered no					
Income Tax ref no						PAYE ref no	7				
VAT registration no	4					SDL ref no	L				
Customs code						UIF ref no	U				
Telephone no						Fax no					
E-mail address											
Physical address											
Postal address											

Particulars of representative (Public Officer/Trustee/Partner)

Surname											
First names											
ID/Passport no						Income Tax ref no					
Telephone no						Fax no					
E-mail address											
Physical address											

Particulars of tender (If applicable)

Tender number

Estimated Tender amount R ,

Expected duration of the tender year(s)

Particulars of the 3 largest contracts previously awarded

Date started	Date finalised	Principal	Contact person	Telephone number	Amount
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Audit

Are you currently aware of any Audit investigation against you/the company? YES NO

If "YES" provide details

Appointment of representative/agent (Power of Attorney)

I the undersigned confirm that I require a Tax Clearance Certificate in respect of Tenders or Goodstanding.

I hereby authorise and instruct to apply to and receive from SARS the applicable Tax Clearance Certificate on my/our behalf.

Signature of representative/agent Date

Name of representative/agent

Declaration

I declare that the information furnished in this application as well as any supporting documents is true and correct in every respect.

Signature of applicant/Public Officer Date

Name of applicant/Public Officer

Notes:

- It is a serious offence to make a false declaration.
- Section 75 of the Income Tax Act, 1962, states: Any person who
 - fails or neglects to furnish, file or submit any return or document as and when required by or under this Act; or
 - without just cause shown by him, refuses or neglects to-
 - furnish, produce or make available any information, documents or things;
 - reply to or answer truly and fully, any questions put to him ...

As and when required in terms of this Act ... shall be guilty of an offence ...
- SARS will, under no circumstances, issue a Tax Clearance Certificate unless this form is completed in full.**
- Your Tax Clearance Certificate will only be issued on presentation of your South African Identity Document or Passport (Foreigners only) as applicable.

**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 11:00	Closing date.....

OFFER TO BE VALID FOR 90 DAYS FROM THE CLOSING DATE OF BID.

ITEM NO.	QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	BID PRICE IN RSA CURRENCY ** (ALL APPLICABLE TAXES INCLUDED)
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NB: KINDLY ATTACH A DETAILED PRICING SCHEDULE INCLUDING ALL COSTS AND TAXES.

BIDDER'S DISCLOSURE

1. PURPOSE OF THE FORM

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

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

2. Bidder's declaration

- 2.1 Is the bidder, or any of its directors / trustees / shareholders / members / partners or any person having a controlling interest¹ in the enterprise, employed by the state? **YES/NO**

- 2.1.1 If so, furnish particulars of the names, individual identity numbers, and, if applicable, state employee numbers of sole proprietor/ directors / trustees / shareholders / members/ partners or any person having a controlling interest in the enterprise, in table below.

Full Name	Identity Number	Name of State institution

- 2.2 Do you, or any person connected with the bidder, have a relationship

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

with any person who is employed by the procuring institution? YES/NO

2.2.1 If so, furnish particulars:

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

2.3.1 If so, furnish particulars:

.....

3 DECLARATION

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

- 3.1 I have read and I understand the contents of this disclosure;
- 3.2 I understand that the accompanying bid will be disqualified if this disclosure is found not to be true and complete in every respect;
- 3.3 The bidder has arrived at the accompanying bid independently from, and without consultation, communication, agreement or arrangement with any competitor. However, communication between partners in a joint venture or consortium² will not be construed as collusive bidding.
- 3.4 In addition, there have been no consultations, communications, agreements or arrangements with any competitor regarding the quality, quantity, specifications, prices, including methods, factors or formulas used to calculate prices, market allocation, the intention or decision to submit or not to submit the bid, bidding with the intention not to win the bid and conditions or delivery particulars of the products or services to which this bid invitation relates.
- 3.4 The terms of the accompanying bid have not been, and will not be, disclosed by the bidder, directly or indirectly, to any competitor, prior to the date and time of the official bid opening or of the awarding of the contract.
- 3.5 There have been no consultations, communications, agreements or arrangements made by the bidder with any official of the procuring

² Joint venture or Consortium means an association of persons for the purpose of combining their expertise, property, capital, efforts, skill and knowledge in an activity for the execution of a contract.

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institution in relation to this procurement process prior to and during the bidding process except to provide clarification on the bid submitted where so required by the institution; and the bidder was not involved in the drafting of the specifications or terms of reference for this bid.

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

I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION FURNISHED IN PARAGRAPHS 1, 2 and 3 ABOVE IS CORRECT.

I ACCEPT THAT THE STATE MAY REJECT THE BID OR ACT AGAINST ME IN TERMS OF PARAGRAPH 6 OF PFMA SCM INSTRUCTION 03 OF 2021/22 ON PREVENTING AND COMBATING ABUSE IN THE SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT SYSTEM SHOULD THIS DECLARATION PROVE TO BE FALSE.

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Signature

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Date

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Position

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Name of bidder

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

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

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

1. GENERAL CONDITIONS

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

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

1.2

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

1.3 Points for this bid shall be awarded for:

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

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

	POINTS
PRICE	80
B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL OF CONTRIBUTOR	20
Total points for Price and B-BBEE must not exceed	100

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

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

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

5. BID DECLARATION

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

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

- 6.1 B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor: = (maximum of 10 or 20 points)
(Points claimed in respect of paragraph 7.1 must be in accordance with the table reflected in paragraph 4.1 and must be substantiated by relevant proof of B-BBEE status level of contributor.)

7. SUB-CONTRACTING

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

(*Tick applicable box*)

YES	<input type="checkbox"/>	NO	<input type="checkbox"/>
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- 7.1.1 If yes, indicate:

- What percentage of the contract will be subcontracted.....%
- The name of the sub-contractor.....
- The B-BBEE status level of the sub-contractor.....
- Whether the sub-contractor is an EME or QSE

(*Tick applicable box*)

YES	<input type="checkbox"/>	NO	<input type="checkbox"/>
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- v) Specify, by ticking the appropriate box, if subcontracting with an enterprise in terms of Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2017:

Designated Group: An EME or QSE which is at least 51% owned by:	EME √	QSE √
Black people		
Black people who are youth		
Black people who are women		
Black people with disabilities		
Black people living in rural or underdeveloped areas or townships		
Cooperative owned by black people		

Black people who are military veterans		
OR		
Any EME		
Any QSE		

8. DECLARATION WITH REGARD TO COMPANY/FIRM

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

8.2 VAT registration number:.....

8.3 Company registration number:.....

8.4 TYPE OF COMPANY/ FIRM

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

8.5 DESCRIBE PRINCIPAL BUSINESS ACTIVITIES

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8.6 COMPANY CLASSIFICATION

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

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

8.8 I/we, the undersigned, who is / are duly authorised to do so on behalf of the company/firm, certify that the points claimed, based on the B-BBE status level of contributor indicated in paragraphs 1.4 and 6.1 of the foregoing certificate, qualifies the company/ firm for the preference(s) shown and I / we acknowledge that:

- i) The information furnished is true and correct;
- ii) The preference points claimed are in accordance with the General Conditions as indicated in paragraph 1 of this form;
- iii) In the event of a contract being awarded as a result of points claimed as shown in paragraphs 1.4 and 6.1, the contractor may be required to furnish documentary proof to the satisfaction of the purchaser that the claims are correct;
- iv) If the B-BBEE status level of contributor has been claimed or obtained on a

fraudulent basis or any of the conditions of contract have not been fulfilled, the purchaser may, in addition to any other remedy it may have –

- (a) disqualify the person from the bidding process;
- (b) recover costs, losses or damages it has incurred or suffered as a result of that person's conduct;
- (c) cancel the contract and claim any damages which it has suffered as a result of having to make less favourable arrangements due to such cancellation;
- (d) recommend that the bidder or contractor, its shareholders and directors, or only the shareholders and directors who acted on a fraudulent basis, be restricted by the National Treasury from obtaining business from any organ of state for a period not exceeding 10 years, after the *audi alteram partem* (hear the other side) rule has been applied; and
- (e) forward the matter for criminal prosecution.

WITNESSES

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SIGNATURE(S) OF BIDDERS(S)

DATE:

ADDRESS

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DECLARATION OF BIDDER'S PAST SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

- 1 This Standard Bidding Document must form part of all bids invited.
- 2 It serves as a declaration to be used by institutions 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 disregarded if that bidder, or any of its directors have-
 - a. abused the institution's supply chain management system;
 - b. committed fraud or any other improper conduct in relation to such system; or
 - c. failed to perform on any previous contract.
- 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 <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
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 <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
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 outside of the Republic of South Africa) for fraud or corruption during the past five years?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
4.3.1	If so, furnish particulars:		

4.4	Was any contract between the bidder and any organ of state terminated during the past five years on account of failure to perform on or comply with the contract?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
4.4.1	If so, furnish particulars:		

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CERTIFICATION

**I, THE UNDERSIGNED (FULL NAME).....
CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION FURNISHED ON THIS DECLARATION
FORM IS TRUE AND CORRECT.**

**I ACCEPT THAT, IN ADDITION TO CANCELLATION OF A CONTRACT,
ACTION MAY BE TAKEN AGAINST ME SHOULD THIS DECLARATION
PROVE TO BE FALSE.**

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Signature

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Date

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Position

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Name of Bidder

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CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT BID DETERMINATION

- 1 This Standard Bidding Document (SBD) 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 *pe se* prohibition meaning that it cannot be justified under any grounds.
- 3 Treasury Regulation 16A9 prescribes that accounting officers and accounting authorities must take all reasonable steps to prevent abuse of the supply chain management system and authorizes accounting officers and accounting authorities to:
 - a. disregard the bid of any bidder if that bidder, or any of its directors have abused the institution's supply chain management system and or committed fraud or any other improper conduct in relation to such system.
 - b. cancel a contract awarded to a supplier of goods and services if the supplier committed any corrupt or fraudulent act during the bidding process or the execution of that contract.
- 4 This SBD 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 (SBD 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 Institution)

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

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Date

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Position

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Name of Bidder

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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.

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| 2. Application | <p>2.1 These general conditions are applicable to all bids, contracts and orders including bids for functional and professional services, sales, hiring, letting and the granting or acquiring of rights, but excluding immovable property, unless otherwise indicated in the bidding documents.</p> <p>2.2 Where applicable, special conditions of contract are also laid down to cover specific supplies, services or works.</p> <p>2.3 Where such special conditions of contract are in conflict with these general conditions, the special conditions shall apply.</p> |
| 3. General | <p>3.1 Unless otherwise indicated in the bidding documents, the purchaser shall not be liable for any expense incurred in the preparation and submission of a bid. Where applicable a non-refundable fee for documents may be charged.</p> <p>3.2 With certain exceptions, invitations to bid are only published in the Government 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</p> |
| 4. Standards | <p>4.1 The goods supplied shall conform to the standards mentioned in the bidding documents and specifications.</p> |
| 5. Use of contract documents and information; inspection. | <p>5.1 The supplier shall not, without the purchaser's prior written consent, disclose the contract, or any provision thereof, or any specification, plan, drawing, pattern, sample, or information furnished by or on behalf of the purchaser in connection therewith, to any person other than a person employed by the supplier in the performance of the contract. Disclosure to any such employed person shall be made in confidence and shall extend only so far as may be necessary for purposes of such performance.</p> <p>5.2 The supplier shall not, without the purchaser's prior written consent, make use of any document or information mentioned in GCC clause 5.1 except for purposes of performing the contract.</p> <p>5.3 Any document, other than the contract itself mentioned in GCC clause 5.1 shall remain the property of the purchaser and shall be returned (all copies) to the purchaser on completion of the supplier's performance under the contract if so required by the purchaser.</p> <p>5.4 The supplier shall permit the purchaser to inspect the supplier's records relating to the performance of the supplier and to have them audited by auditors appointed by the purchaser, if so required by the purchaser.</p> |
| 6. Patent rights | <p>6.1 The supplier shall indemnify the purchaser against all third-party claims of infringement of patent, trademark, or industrial design rights arising from use of the goods or any part thereof by the purchaser.</p> |
| 7. Performance security | <p>7.1 Within thirty (30) days of receipt of the notification of contract award, the successful bidder shall furnish to the purchaser the performance security of the amount specified in SCC.</p> |

- 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 and documents

- 10.1 Delivery of the goods shall be made by the supplier in accordance with the terms specified in the contract. The details of shipping and/or other documents to be furnished by the supplier are specified in SCC.

- 10.2 Documents to be submitted by the supplier are specified in SCC.

11. Insurance

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

12. Transportation

- 12.1 Should a price other than an all-inclusive delivered price be required, this shall be specified in the SCC.

13. Incidental services

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

- (a) performance or supervision of on-site assembly and/or commissioning of the supplied goods;
- (b) furnishing of tools required for assembly and/or maintenance of the supplied goods;
- (c) furnishing of a detailed operations and maintenance manual for each appropriate unit of the supplied goods;
- (d) performance or supervision or maintenance and/or repair of the supplied goods, for a period of time agreed by the parties, provided that this service shall not relieve the supplier of any warranty obligations under this contract; and

- (e) training of the purchaser's personnel, at the supplier's plant and/or on-site, in assembly, start-up, operation, maintenance, and/or repair of the supplied goods.

13.2 Prices charged by the supplier for incidental services, if not included in the contract price for the goods, shall be agreed upon in advance by the parties and shall not exceed the prevailing rates charged to other parties by the supplier for similar services.

14. Spare parts

14.1 As specified in SCC, the supplier may be required to provide any or all of the following materials, notifications, and information pertaining to spare parts manufactured or distributed by the supplier:

- (a) such spare parts as the purchaser may elect to purchase from the supplier, provided that this election shall not relieve the supplier of any warranty obligations under the contract; and
- (b) in the event of termination of production of the spare parts:
 - (i) Advance notification to the purchaser of the pending termination, in sufficient time to permit the purchaser to procure needed requirements; and
 - (ii) following such termination, furnishing at no cost to the purchaser, the blueprints, drawings, and specifications of the spare parts, if requested.

15. Warranty

15.1 The supplier warrants that the goods supplied under the contract are new, unused, of the most recent or current models, and that they incorporate all recent improvements in design and materials unless provided otherwise in the contract. The supplier further warrants that all goods supplied under this contract shall have no defect, arising from design, materials, or workmanship (except when the design and/or material is required by the purchaser's specifications) or from any act or omission of the supplier, that may develop under normal use of the supplied goods in the conditions prevailing in the country of final destination.

15.2 This warranty shall remain valid for twelve (12) months after the goods, or any portion thereof as the case may be, have been delivered to and accepted at the final destination indicated in the contract, or for eighteen (18) months after the date of shipment from the port or place of loading in the source country, whichever period concludes earlier, unless specified otherwise in SCC.

15.3 The purchaser shall promptly notify the supplier in writing of any claims arising under this warranty.

15.4 Upon receipt of such notice, the supplier shall, within the period specified in SCC and with all reasonable speed, repair or replace the defective goods or parts thereof, without costs to the purchaser.

15.5 If the supplier, having been notified, fails to remedy the defect(s) within the period specified in SCC, the purchaser may proceed to take such remedial action as may be necessary, at the supplier's risk and expense and without prejudice to any other rights which the purchaser may have against the supplier under the contract.

- 16. Payment**
- 16.1 The method and conditions of payment to be made to the supplier under this contract shall be specified in SCC.
- 16.2 The supplier shall furnish the purchaser with an invoice accompanied by a copy of the delivery note and upon 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 amendments**
- 18.1 No variation in or modification of the terms of the contract shall be made except by written amendment signed by the parties concerned.
- 19. Assignment**
- 19.1 The supplier shall not assign, in whole or in part, its obligations to perform under the contract, except with the purchaser's prior written consent.
- 20. Subcontracts**
- 20.1 The supplier shall notify the purchaser in writing of all subcontracts awarded under this contracts if not already specified in the bid. Such notification, in the original bid or later, shall not relieve the supplier from any liability or obligation under the contract.
- 21. Delays in the supplier's performance**
- 21.1 Delivery of the goods and performance of services shall be made by the supplier in accordance with the time schedule prescribed by the purchaser in the contract.
- 21.2 If at any time during performance of the contract, the supplier or its subcontractor(s) should encounter conditions impeding timely delivery of the goods and performance of services, the supplier shall promptly notify the purchaser in writing of the fact of the delay, its likely duration and its cause(s). As soon as practicable after receipt of the supplier's notice, the purchaser shall evaluate the situation and may at his discretion extend the supplier's time for performance, with or without the imposition of penalties, in which case the extension shall be ratified by the parties by amendment of contract.
- 21.3 No provision in a contract shall be deemed to prohibit the obtaining of supplies or services from a national department, provincial department, or a local authority.
- 21.4 The right is reserved to procure outside of the contract small quantities or to have minor essential services executed if an emergency arises, the supplier's point of supply is not situated at or near the place where the supplies are required, or the supplier's services are not readily available.

21.5 Except as provided under GCC Clause 25, a delay by the supplier in the performance of its delivery obligations shall render the supplier liable to the imposition of penalties, pursuant to GCC Clause 22, unless an extension of time is agreed upon pursuant to GCC Clause 21.2 without the application of penalties.

21.6 Upon any delay beyond the delivery period in the case of a supplies contract, the purchaser shall, without 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 for default

23.1 The purchaser, without prejudice to any other remedy for breach of contract, by written notice of default sent to the supplier, may terminate this contract in whole or in part:

- (a) if the supplier fails to deliver any or all of the goods within the period(s) specified in the contract, or within any extension thereof granted by the purchaser pursuant to GCC Clause 21.2;
- (b) if the Supplier fails to perform any other obligation(s) under the contract; or
- (c) if the supplier, in the judgment of the purchaser, has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for or in executing the contract.

23.2 In the event the purchaser terminates the contract in whole or in part, the purchaser may procure, upon such terms and in such manner as it deems appropriate, goods, works or services similar to those undelivered, and the supplier shall be liable to the purchaser for any excess costs for such similar goods, works or services. However, the supplier shall continue performance of the contract to the extent not terminated.

23.3 Where the purchaser terminates the contract in whole or in part, the purchaser may decide to impose a restriction penalty on the supplier by prohibiting such supplier from doing business with the public sector for a period not exceeding 10 years.

23.4 If a purchaser intends imposing a restriction on a supplier or any person associated with the supplier, the supplier will be allowed a time period of not more than fourteen (14) days to provide reasons why the envisaged restriction should not be imposed. Should the supplier fail to respond within the stipulated fourteen (14) days the purchaser may regard

the intended penalty as not objected against and may impose it on the supplier.

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

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

- (i) the name and address of the supplier and / or person restricted by the purchaser;
- (ii) the date of commencement of the restriction
- (iii) the period of restriction; and
- (iv) the reasons for the restriction.

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

23.7 If a court of law convicts a person of an offence as contemplated in sections 12 or 13 of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act, No. 12 of 2004, the court may also rule that such person's name be endorsed on the Register for Tender Defaulters. When a person's name has been endorsed on the Register, the person will be prohibited from doing business with the public sector for a period not less than five years and not more than 10 years. The National Treasury is empowered to determine the period of restriction and each case will be dealt with on its own merits. According to section 32 of the Act the Register must be open to the public. The Register can be perused on the National Treasury website.

24. Anti-dumping and countervailing duties and rights

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

25. Force Majeure

25.1 Notwithstanding the provisions of GCC Clauses 22 and 23, the supplier shall not be liable for forfeiture of its performance security,

damages, or termination for default if and to the extent that his delay in performance or other failure to perform his obligations under the contract is the result of an event of force majeure.

- 25.2 If a force majeure situation arises, the supplier shall promptly notify the purchaser in writing of such condition and the cause thereof. Unless otherwise directed by the purchaser in writing, the supplier shall continue to perform its obligations under the contract as far as is reasonably practical, and shall seek all reasonable alternative means for performance not prevented by the force majeure event.

**26. Termination
for insolvency**

- 26.1 The purchaser may at any time terminate the contract by giving written notice to the supplier if the supplier becomes bankrupt or otherwise insolvent. In this event, termination will be without compensation to the supplier, provided that such termination will not prejudice or affect any right of action or remedy which has accrued or will accrue thereafter to the purchaser.

**27. Settlement of
Disputes**

- 27.1 If any dispute or difference of any kind whatsoever arises between the purchaser and the supplier in connection with or arising out of the contract, the parties shall make every effort to resolve amicably such dispute or difference by mutual consultation.
- 27.2 If, after thirty (30) days, the parties have failed to resolve their dispute or difference by such mutual consultation, then either the purchaser or the supplier may give notice to the other party of his intention to commence with mediation. No mediation in respect of this matter may be commenced unless such notice is given to the other party.
- 27.3 Should it not be possible to settle a dispute by means of mediation, it may be settled in a South African court of law.
- 27.4 Mediation proceedings shall be conducted in accordance with the rules of procedure specified in the SCC.
- 27.5 Notwithstanding any reference to mediation and/or court proceedings herein,
- (a) the parties shall continue to perform their respective obligations under the contract unless they otherwise agree; and
 - (b) the purchaser shall pay the supplier any monies due the supplier.

**28. Limitation of
liability**

- 28.1 Except in cases of criminal negligence or willful misconduct, and in the case of infringement pursuant to Clause 6;
- (a) the supplier shall not be liable to the purchaser, whether in contract, tort, or otherwise, for any indirect or consequential loss or damage, loss of use, loss of production, or loss of profits or interest costs, provided that this exclusion shall not apply to any obligation of the supplier to pay penalties and/or damages to the purchaser; and

- (b) the aggregate liability of the supplier to the purchaser, whether under the contract, in tort or otherwise, shall not exceed the total contract price, provided that this limitation shall not apply to the cost of repairing or replacing defective equipment.
- 29. Governing language** 29.1 The contract shall be written in English. All correspondence and other documents pertaining to the contract that is exchanged by the parties shall also be written in English.
- 30. Applicable law** 30.1 The contract shall be interpreted in accordance with South African laws, unless otherwise specified in SCC.
- 31. Notices** 31.1 Every written acceptance of a bid shall be posted to the supplier concerned by registered or certified mail and any other notice to him shall be posted by ordinary mail to the address furnished in his bid or to the address notified later by him in writing and such posting shall be deemed to be proper service of such notice
- 31.2 The time mentioned in the contract documents for performing any act after such aforesaid notice has been given, shall be reckoned from the date of posting of such notice.
- 32. Taxes and duties** 32.1 A foreign supplier shall be entirely responsible for all taxes, stamp duties, license fees, and other such levies imposed outside the purchaser's country.
- 32.2 A local supplier shall be entirely responsible for all taxes, duties, license fees, etc., incurred until delivery of the contracted goods to the purchaser.
- 32.3 No contract shall be concluded with any bidder whose tax matters are not in order. Prior to the award of a bid the Department must be in possession of a tax clearance certificate, submitted by the bidder. This certificate must be an original issued by the South African Revenue Services.
- 33. National Industrial Participation Programme (NIP)** 33.1 The NIP Programme administered by the Department of Trade and Industry shall be applicable to all contracts that are subject to the NIP obligation.