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**RFQ No: 23/24/93/HM/ Supply and delivery of globes and accessories at NPC as and when required**

<b>Advert /Publish Date</b>	<b>18 March 2024</b>
<b>Closing Date &amp; Time</b>	<b>28 March 2024 @11:00am</b>

**BIDDER'S FULL LEGAL NAME OF SUPPLIER**

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<b>SAPO Vendor No:</b>	
<b>National Treasury CSD No:</b>	

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## **BID EVALUATION PROCESS**

The evaluation of the bidders will be done as follows:

Phase 1: Gatekeeping Criteria

Phase 2: Bid Conditions

Phase 3: Price (80) and Specific Goal (20)

### **1.PHASE 1 GATEKEEPING CRITERIA (As per Specification)**

The bidder is required to comply with the gatekeeping criteria to be eligible for further evaluation. **Failure to comply with the gate-keeping criteria will result in the disqualification of the bid.**

1.1 Bidders must complete a Pricing Schedule (Bill of Quantities) in full and in the format provided by SAPO in this bid document

## **2. PHASE 2 BID CONDITONS**

Should the bidder fail to submit the below bid condition/s requirements at the time of closing of the bid, the bidder will be requested to submit the outstanding bid condition/s document(s) within two (2) working days, this excludes statutory requirements that being tax compliancy. Seven (7) working days for tax compliance shall apply from the date the request was sent by SAPO. Failure to comply will result in the disqualification of their bid.

### **2.1 Specific Goals (The Preferential Point System)**

2.1.1 The specific goal that this project seeks to achieve is to appoint a service provider that is 51% Black owned or more

2.1.2 Bidders will be required to submit the below proof indicating that they are 51% black owned or more

- BBBEE Certificate
- Or Sworn Affidavit

**Note:** Tenderers who do not submit specific goal requirement will not be disqualified from the bid process, but they will score zero (0) points out of 20 for the specific goal.

### **2.2 Letter of Good Standing (COIDA) Act, No 130 of 1993**

SAPO requires this as a proof that the bidder has registered for compensation for occupational injuries or diseases which may be sustained or contracted by the service provider's employee in the course

and scope of their employment, and to ensure that the medical expenses incurred will be covered. **The COIDA registration number must be indicated on the letter of good standing.**

### 2.3 Central Supplier Database

Bidders must be registered on the National Treasury Central Supplier Database (CSD). If the bidders are not registered the bidder can register online at the following website [www.csd.gov.za](http://www.csd.gov.za) to upload mandatory information as required.

### 2.4 Tax compliance requirements

SAPO will not do business with a supplier who is not tax compliant.

- Bidders shall submit their unique personal identification number (pin) issued by SARS to enable the verification of the bidder's tax status.
- In bids where consortia / joint ventures / sub-contractors are involved, each party must submit a separate proof of PIN / CSD number.

### 2.5 SBD Forms

Bidders must complete and submit SBD1 forms.

Bidders must complete and submit SBD4 forms.

### 2.6 Restricted Suppliers

SAPO shall disqualify bidders that are on the National Treasury list of restricted suppliers.

## 3. COMMERCIAL: PRICE (80) AND SPECIFIC GOALS (20)

Criteria	Weight	Sub-criteria
Total Price	80/100	Benchmark against lowest quote
Contribution to specific Goals	20/100	Points will be awarded to bidders according to their specific goals as indicated in the specific goal table below:
Specific Goal	Scores	
Bidding Company has at least (minimum) 51% black ownership or more	20	
Bidding Company does not have at least (minimum) 51% black ownership or more	0	

## **SECTION 1: Section to be completed by Bidder**

<b>Bidder Name:</b>	<b>RFQ No. 23/24/93/HM</b>	
<b>Bidder contact name:</b>		
<b>Bidder contact details:</b>	<b>Telephone no:</b>	
	<b>Cellphone no:</b>	
	<b>E-mail address:</b>	

## **SECTION 2: Section to be completed by SCM Representative**

<b>Delivery address:</b>	<b>SA Post Office Limited, National Post Centre, Cnr Sophie De Bruyn and Jeff Masemola Street, Pretoria,0001</b>	
<b>Submission of this Tender:</b>	<b>SCM-Offices Cnr James Drive and Moreleta Street,Silverton,Pretoria,0184</b>	
<b>ENQUIRIES:</b>	<b>Procurement Specialist</b>	<b>Hendrick Masango</b>
	<b>Office telephone no:</b>	<b>012-407 6057 / 012- 845 2552</b>
	<b>e-mail address:</b>	<b>Hendrick.masango@postoffice.co.za</b>

## **SPECIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS**

<b>REQUEST FOR QUOTATION [RFQ] NUMBER:</b>	<b>RFQ No. 23/24/93/HM</b>
<b>NAME OF BIDDER:</b>	

### **1. BACKGROUND**

National Post Centre is a company owned building situated in Tshwane, Gauteng province. Proper lighting at workplace is essential. It can turn out to be safety or health hazard as well. Prominent effects of poor lighting in the workplace can have on us, eye-strain, headaches, low levels of productivity and accidents.

### **2. OBJECTIVES**

To appoint a service provider to supply and deliver globes and accessories as and when required services for a period of twelve (12) months.

### **3. DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE**

See attached **Specification**

### **4. POINTS OF DELIVERY OF SERVICES**

The South African Post Office  
National Post Centre,  
Cnr Sophie De Bruyn and Jeff Masemola Street,  
Pretoria 0001

## THE RFQ EVALUATION REQUIREMENTS

REQUEST FOR QUOTATION [RFQ] NUMBER:	RFQ No. 23/24/93/HM
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Price Evaluation

The RFQ will be evaluated on the 80/20 preference point system.

The following formula will be used to calculate the points for price in respect of Bids/Procurement with a Rand value up to a Rand value of R 5 000 000.00 [Inc. VAT]

### **Formula:**

$$PS = 80 \left\{ \frac{1 + Pt - Pmax}{Pmax} \right\}$$

Where

Ps = Points scored for price of tender under consideration;

Pt = Price of tender under consideration;

and Pmax = Price of highest acceptable tender

A maximum of 20 points may be awarded to Bidder based on the **Specific Goal**.

# SCOPE OF SUPPLY AND SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS

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## 1. DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE

To provide goods or services as indicated in the Scope of Work [Specification].

## 2. POINT OF DELIVERY OF SERVICE

## 3. PRICE BASIS

- 3.1 Bidders shall take into account that the South African Post Office Limited's total requirements may not be allocated to only one Bidder.
- 3.2 Bidders are required to complete the Pricing Schedule [page X] for all quotations. Failure to complete the Price Schedule will disqualify the bid. The bid price shall be fixed. It must include all escalations but excluding VAT.
- 3.3 Bidders shall quote prices in South African Rand and Value Added Tax shall be excluded and shown separately.
- 3.4 Bidders shall quote on the basis indicated in the Pricing Schedule [page X].
- 3.5 South African Post Office requires an all inclusive and fully transparent cost structure.
- 3.6 Pricing of goods and services must be linked to the Specification.
- 3.7 Where applicable, bidders must indicate what portion of the total price will be allocated to each member of the JV or Consortium where a Bidder is constituted of more than one member.
- 3.8 Where figures are referred to in numerical and in words and there is a conflict between the two, **the words will prevail.**
- 3.9 Unless otherwise amended by South African Post Office in writing, the quoted price shall be stated in South African currency and it shall be fixed for a period of one hundred and twenty [120] days from the closing date of this Tender. **No request for adjustments will be accepted.**
- 3.10 The successful Bidder shall commit to the programme of continuous improvement, which will result in cost-efficiencies during the currency of the relationship.
- 3.11 Bidders must warrant to the South African Post Office and indicate that the pricing quoted is free of any errors or omissions and that the Bidder is able to deliver the contract on the prices quoted.
- 3.12 Bidders shall indicate whether they offer any discount.

## 4. PAYMENT

- 4.1 The South African Post Office shall pay the amount reflected on the Tax Invoice once South African Post Office has verified that the services set out in the schedule have been rendered and the Tax Invoice amount has been approved by a South African Post Office Official.
- 4.2 Payment will be made against an Original Tax Invoice and appropriate proof of delivery documentation.
- 4.3 Supplier shall comply with the requirements of the VAT Act.
- 4.4 Failure to comply with clause 4.3 may result in late payments of the total amount of the Tax Invoice by South African Post Office to the Supplier. South African Post Office shall not be liable for any cost incurred by the Suppliers as a result of such late payment.

## 5. PROPOSAL DOCUMENTS

- 5.1 Bidders responding to the tender are deemed to do so, on the basis that they acknowledge and accept all Terms and Conditions of this tender.
- 5.2 The tender documents shall be submitted by **28 March 2024 at 11h00 am**. It is the Bidder's sole responsibility to ensure that the quotation has been received by the closing date and time.
- 5.3 All documents and correspondence must be in English, failure to comply, the bid proposal will not be evaluated.

## 6. CONSULTATION PRIOR TO SUBMISSION OF A PROPOSAL

Bidders shall consult, in writing, with the undernotes South African Post Office Official should there appear to be any discrepancy, ambiguity or uncertainty pertaining to the meaning or effect of any description, dimension, quality, quantity or any other information contained to this bid. South African Post Office undertakes to provide clarification in writing to all Bidders. [provided that the request is received prior to the closing date and time for clarifications]

Official	Location	Contract details
Hendrick Masango  PROCUREMENT SPECIALIST	SOUTH AFRICAN POST OFFICE SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT Cnr James Drive and Moreleta Street,Silverton,Pretoria,0184	012-407 6057  Hendrick.masango@postoffice. co.za

## 7. CLARIFICATION

- 7.1 Bidders are encouraged to submit clarification questions [where applicable] in writing to the South African Post Office Official mentioned above not later than **26 March 2024 at 11h00 am**. No further questions will be entertained after this period.
- 7.2 South African Post Office will respond in writing to queries and distribute to all invited Bidders.
- 7.3 Oral communication or instruction by South African Post Office or its Representatives shall have no standing in this Tender, unless and **until they have been confirmed in writing**.
- 7.4 South African Post Office accepts no responsibility for the failure or any Bidder not receiving notifications or correspondence relating to this Tender.

## 8. VALIDITY PERIOD OF PROPOSAL

The period during which the South African Post Office shall have the right to accept a proposal without any right of withdrawal on the part of the Bidder shall be one hundred and twenty [120] days from the date on which proposals are due. After such period a Bidder may withdraw his/her proposal if he/she has not been notified or its acceptance. **No adjustment will be accepted during validity period.**

## 9. COST OF THE BID

Each Bidder shall bear all costs [of whatsoever nature] associated with the preparation of submission of the Tender and of negotiating with South African Post Office regarding a possible contract/Agreement and any other costs and expenses incurred by the Bidders in connection with or arising out of the competitive Procurement process.

## 10. CONDITIONS OF BID

- 10.1 The South African Post Office reserves the right to reject and/or disqualify any proposal;
- 10.1.1 Received without all the data and information requested.
- 10.1.2 That fails to comply with the specification.
- 10.1.3 That contains any information that is found to be incorrect or misleading in any way. Such non-bids shall be rejected without further evaluation, provided that the South African Post Office believes, in its own discretion, that the non-compliance is minor, then South African Post Office may continue with the evaluation, or seek clarification thereof or reject the bid.
- 10.2 South African Post Office reserves the right:
- 10.2.1 Not to award or cancel this tender at any time and shall not be bound to accept the lowest/any bid.
- 10.2.2 To negotiate with one or more Bidders, regarding any terms and conditions, including price.
- 10.2.3 To accept part of a bid rather than the whole bid.
- 10.2.4 To benchmark prices of items that are contracted and should these items be available at a price higher than the contracted price, South African Post Office will request the current Bidder to reduce their price to be failing which; these will be purchases out of contract.
- 10.2.5 To split the award of this bid between two or more Bidders.
- 10.2.6 To cancel and/or terminate the bid process at any stage, including after the Closing date and/or after presentations have been made, and/or after bids have been evaluated and/or evaluated and/of after the Preferred Bidder and Reserved Bidders have been notified of their status notified of their status as such.
- 10.2.7 To carry out site inspections, project evaluations or explanatory meetings in order to verify the nature and quality of the services quotes for. Whether before or after adjudication of the bid.
- 10.2.8 To award the contract to a Bidder whose bid was not the lowest in price.
- 10.2.9 To award the bid to a Bidder who is not highest scoring Bidder.

- 10.2.10 To correct any mistakes at any stage of the bid that may have been in the bid documents or occurred at any stage of the bid process.
- 10.2.12 No attempt may be made, whether directly or indirectly, to canvas any member of South African Post Office staff before the award of the contract. Any enquiry must be referred, in writing, to a specified person.
- 10.2.13 A person awarded a contract may only enter into a sub-contracting arrangement with the approval of SAPO.  
A person awarded a contract in relation to a designated sector, may not sub-contract in such a manner that the local production and content of the overall value of the contract is reduced to below the stipulated minimum threshold.

**NOTE: If you have not been contacted after 120 days of the closing date of this tender, please accept the your quotation was unsuccessful – please refer to the E-portal.**

**11. SAMPLES [WHERE APPLICABLE]**

SOUTH African Post Office shall not pay for samples provided and damages/destroyed samples as a result of destruction testing.

**12. WARRANTY [WHERE APPLICABLE]**

The warranty or maintenance of products/goods/services shall be for a period not less than twelve [12] months.

<b>SIGNATURE</b>	
<b>NAME OF DELEGATED SIGNATORY [PRINT]</b>	
<b>[print]</b>	<b>In his/her capacity of</b>
<b>DESIGNATION OF SIGNATORY</b>	
<b>[print]</b>	<b>Who warrants his/her authority to sign on behalf of</b>
<b>NAME OF BIDDER [COMPANY]</b>	
<b>DATE</b>	



- 5.3 The Bidder may disclose the Confidential Information only to its Directors and other Officers, Employees and Professional Advisors Agents and Consultants only on a strictly need-to-know- basis and on the terms and provided for in this Confidentiality Agreement.
- 5.4 The Bidder undertakes not to use the Confidential Information for any purpose other than;
  - 5.4.1 That for which it is disclosed; and
  - 5.4.2 In accordance with the provisions of this Confidentiality Agreement
- 5.5 The Bidder undertakes to ensure that their employees will observe and comply with the obligations in respect thereof, whether or not they remain employees of the Bidder.
- 5.6 The Bidder, agrees that it shall only, where necessary, disclose the Confidential Information to its professional advisors, agents and consultants, provided that such professional advisors, agents and consultants sign a similar undertaking and that they are aware of the confidential nature of the information being made available to them.
- 5.7 The Bidder shall take all steps necessary to procure that such professional advisers, agents and consultants agree to abide by the terms of this Confidentiality Agreement to prevent the unauthorized disclosure of the Confidential Information to a third party.

**6. OWNERSHIP**

- 6.1 All Confidential Information disclosed by the South African Post Office Limited to the Bidder is acknowledged by the Bidder to be proprietary to the South African Post Office Limited who shall retain all right, title and interest in and to that information .
- 6.2 The possession of the Confidential Information by the Bidder does not confer any rights of whatever nature in such Confidential Information to the Bidder.
- 6.3 No provision in this Confidentiality Agreement shall be interpreted to confer any right of license under any trademark, patent or copyright, or any application for such a trademark, patent or copyright which may be pending now or in the future to the Bidder.

**7. STANDARD OF CARE**

The Bidder agrees that it shall protect the Confidential Information disclosed pursuant to the provisions of this Confidentiality Agreement using the same standard or care that it applies to its own proprietary, secret or Confidential Information, but in any event not less than a reasonable standard of care, and that the Confidential Information shall be stored and handled in such a way as to prevent any unauthorized disclosure thereof.

**8. RETURN OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION**

- 8.1 South African Post Office Limited may at anytime request the return of the Confidential Information disclosed to the Bidder. Upon the return of the Confidential Information, the Bidder shall submit a written statement to South African Post Office Limited confirming that the Bidder has not retained in its possession or under its control, either directly or indirectly, any Confidential Information.
- 8.2 Alternatively to the return of the material contemplated in clause 8.1 above the Bidder shall, at the request of South African Post Office Limited, destroy the Confidential Information and furnish South African Post Office Limited with a written statement to the effect that all Confidential Information in the possession or under the control of the Bidder has been destroyed.
- 8.3 The Bidder shall comply with the request in terms of this clause 8 with forty-eight [48] hours of receipt of such a request.

**9. BREACH**

- 9.1 Any breach of any obligation or undertaking by the Bidder will constitute a material breach of this Confidentiality Agreement.
- 9.2 The Bidder shall be liable to pay South African Post Office Limited all costs incurred in the protection of its interest in terms of this Confidentiality Agreement on an Attorney and own client scale.
- 9.3 The Bidder acknowledges that South African Post Office Limited shall be entitled to apply to court for an interdict or other appropriate relief against the Bidder, should South African Post Office Limited have any reasonable basis to believe that the Bidder is or may be in breach of this Confidentiality Agreement and thus endangering the proprietary interests of South African Post Office Limited.

**10. DURATION**

The obligations undertaken by the Bidder in terms of this Confidentiality Agreement shall endure notwithstanding the termination of this Confidentiality Agreement or notwithstanding that either party decides at any time, whether before or after the commencement of this Confidentiality Agreement, not to parties pursuant to those discussions is terminated for any reason whatsoever.

**11. GENERAL**

- 11.1 This Confidentiality Agreement constitutes the sole record of the agreement between the parties with regard to the subject matter hereof. No party shall be bound by any express or implied terms, representation, warranty, promise or the like not recorded herein.
- 11.2 No additional to, variation of, or agreed cancellation of this Confidentiality Agreement shall be of any force or effect unless in writing and signed by or on behalf of the parties.

- 11.3 No relaxation or indulgence which South African Post Office Limited may grant to the Bidder shall constitute a waiver of the rights of South African Post Office Limited and shall not preclude South African Post Office Limited from exercising any rights which may have arisen in the past or which might arise in future.
- 11.4 The Bidder agrees and confirms by their signature to the tender documents that any present and/or previous discussions or correspondence shall, for purposes of this Confidentiality Agreement, be considered to be Confidential Information.
- 11.5 An approval or consent given by a party under this Confidentiality Agreement shall only be valid if in writing and shall not relieve the other party of responsibility for complying with the requirements of this Confidentiality Agreement nor shall it be construed as a waiver of any rights under this Confidentiality Agreement except as and to the extent otherwise expressly provided in such approval of consent, or elsewhere in this Confidentiality Agreement.

<b>SIGNATURE</b>	
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<b>[print]</b>	<b>In his/her capacity of</b>
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<b>[print]</b>	<b>Who warrants his/her authority to sign on behalf of</b>
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<b>DATE</b>	

## STATEMENT OF WORK SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED BY THE BIDDER

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**NAME OF BIDDER:**

Bidders must insert in the space provided below, and submit with their bids the following statement showing the work, which they have successfully carried out.

Absence of this statement may prejudice the bid as being submitted by an inexperienced Contractor.

FOR WHOM	NATURE OF WORK	VALUE	FROM	UNTIL

**NB: Statement of work successfully completed MUST correspond with reference letters**

**NB: Sapo reserves the right to conduct due diligence on the above**

SIGNATURE		
NAME OF DELEGATED SIGNATORY [PRINT]		
[print]		In his/her capacity of
DESIGNATION OF SIGNATORY		
[print]		Who warrants his/her authority to sign on behalf of
NAME OF BIDDER [COMPANY]		
DATE		

## DECLARATION OF BIDDERS PAST SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

<b>REQUEST FOR QUOTATION [RFQ] NUMBER:</b>	<b>RFQ No. 23/24/93/HM</b>
<b>NAME OF BIDDER:</b>	

1. The bid of any Bidder may be disregarded if the Bidder or any of its Directors have – abused the institution’s SCM system; committed fraud or any other improper conduct in relation to such system; or failed to perform on any previous contract.
2. In order to give effect to the above, the following questionnaire must be completed and submitted with the Bid:

	QUESTIONS	ANSWER: YES/NO	IF, YES, STATE PARTICULARS
2.1	Is the Bidder or any of its Directors listed on the National Treasury’s database 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 National Treasury after the <b><i>Audi alteram partem</i></b> rule was applied.]		
2.2	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]? [To access this register enter the National Treasury’s website: <a href="http://www.treasure.gov.za">www.treasure.gov.za</a> click on the icon “Register for Tender Defaulters”]		
2.3	Was the Bidder or Directors convicted by a Court of Law [including Court outside of the Republic of South Africa] for fraud during the past five [5] years?		
2.4	Was any contract between the Bidder & any organ of the State terminated during the past five years on account of failure to perform on/or comply with the contract?		

3. Non-disclosure shall constitute a serious offence and shall entitle the South African Post Office to take the necessary legal action, which may include applying for an interdict and/or claiming for damages, to enforce this Agreement.
4. The Bidder acknowledge that the stipulations of this Agreement is fair and that all costs incurred by the South African Post Office to enforce this contract or to curb any breach or to claim damages resulting from a breach by the Bidder shall be payable by the Bidder should he/she be proven guilty.

### DECLARATION

I, the undersigned [FULL NAMES] \_\_\_\_\_

Certify that the information furnished in paragraph 2.1 to 2.4 above is correct. I accept that, in addition to cancellation contract, action may be taken against me should this declaration prove to be false.

SIGNATURE : \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF DELEGATED SIGNATORY : \_\_\_\_\_

[PRINT IN FULL] In his/her capacity of \_\_\_\_\_

DESIGNATION OF SIGNATORY : \_\_\_\_\_

[PRINT IN FULL] Who warrants his/her authority to sign on behalf of \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF BIDDER [COMPANY] : \_\_\_\_\_

DATE : \_\_\_\_\_

## BIDDER'S DISCLOSURE – SBD4

### 1. PURPOSE OF THE FORM

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

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

### 2. Bidder's declaration

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

employed by the state? **YES/NO**

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

Full Name	Identity Number	Name of State institution

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

2.2.1 If so, furnish particulars:

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

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

2.3.1 If so, furnish particulars:

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**3 DECLARATION**

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

- 3.1 I have read and I understand the contents of this disclosure;
- 3.2 I understand that the accompanying bid will be disqualified if this disclosure is found not to be true and complete in every respect;
- 3.3 The bidder has arrived at the accompanying bid independently from, and without consultation, communication, agreement or arrangement with any competitor. However, communication between partners in a joint venture or consortium<sup>2</sup> will not be construed as collusive bidding.
- 3.4 In addition, there have been no consultations, communications, agreements or arrangements with any competitor regarding the quality, quantity, specifications, prices, including methods, factors or formulas used to calculate prices, market allocation, the intention or decision to submit or not to submit the bid, bidding with the intention not to win the bid and conditions or delivery particulars of the products or services to which this bid invitation relates.
- 3.4 The terms of the accompanying bid have not been, and will not be, disclosed by the bidder, directly or indirectly, to any competitor, prior to the date and time of the official bid opening or of the awarding of the contract.
- 3.5 There have been no consultations, communications, agreements or arrangements made by the bidder with any official of the procuring institution in relation to this procurement process prior to and during the bidding process except to provide clarification on the bid submitted where so required by the institution; and the bidder was not involved in the drafting of the specifications or terms of reference for this bid.
- 3.6 I am aware that, in addition and without prejudice to any other remedy provided to combat any restrictive practices related to bids and contracts, bids that are suspicious will be reported to the Competition Commission for investigation and possible imposition of administrative penalties in terms of section 59 of the Competition Act No 89 of 1998 and or may be reported

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

to the National Prosecuting Authority (NPA) for criminal investigation and or may be restricted from conducting business with the public sector for a period not exceeding ten (10) years in terms of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act No 12 of 2004 or any other applicable legislation.

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

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

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Signature	Date
.....	.....
Position	Name of bidder