**BID NUMBER: CRES/ABT/ECR/03/07/2021**

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| **PROCUREMENT OF A 3GB OR 3CE OR HIGHER DESIGN AND BUILD/TURNKEY CONTRACTOR TO CONDUCT STUDIES, PREPARE DESIGNS, CONSTRUCT, MONITORING AND CLOSE-OUT OF VARIOUS ALTERNATIVE BUILDING TECHNOLOGY (ABT) PROGRAMME IN PRASA PRIORITY CORRIDORS – CATHCART STATION.** |

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| **CLOSING DATE** | **31 AUGUST 2021** |
| **CLOSING TIME** | **12:00 noon** |
| **BID DOCUMENTS DELIVERY ADDRESS** | PASSENGER RAIL AGENCY OF SOUTH AFRICA  PRASA CRES,  **8 STATION STREET STATION BUILDING EAST LONDON.**  PRASA CRES ECR |
| **BIDDER NAME** | **……………………………….** |
| **BID RETURN ADDRESS** |  |

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## They acquaint themselves with this RFP and take note that no representation or warranty, express or implied, is or will be given by PRASA, or any of its officers, employees, servants, agents or advisers with respect to the information or opinions contained in any document or on which any document is based. Any liability in respect of such representations or warranties, howsoever arising is hereby expressly disclaimed.

## If any recipient, or its employees, advisers or agents make or offers to make any gift to any of the employees of PRASA or consultant to PRASA on the RFP either directly or through an intermediary then such recipient, Bidder will be disqualified forthwith from participating in the RFP.

## Each recipient of this RFP agrees to keep confidential any information of a confidential nature which may be contained in the information provided (the “Confidential Information Provided”). The Confidential Information provided may be made available to Bidder’s subcontractors, employees and professional advisers who are directly involved in the appraisal of such information (who must be made aware of the obligation of confidentiality) but shall not, either in the whole or in part, be copied, reproduced, distributed or otherwise made available to any other party in any circumstances without the prior written consent of PRASA, nor may it be used for any other purpose than that for which it is intended.

## These requirements do not apply to any information, which is or becomes publicly available or is shown to have been made available (otherwise than through a breach of a confidentiality obligation). Bidders, Key Contractors and their constituent members, agents and advisers, may be required to sign confidentiality Contracts/undertakings (in such form as PRASA may require from time to time).

## All Confidential Information Provided (including all copies thereof) remains the property of PRASA and must be delivered to PRASA on demand. Further, by receiving this RFP each Bidder and each of its members agrees to maintain its submission in Bid to this RFP confidential from third parties other than PRASA and its officials, officers and advisers who are required to review the same for the purpose of procurement of the RFP.

## Any recipient residing outside the Republic of South Africa is urged to familiarise themselves with and to observe any regulatory requirements relevant to the proposed transaction (whether these derive from a regulatory authority within or outside the Republic of South Africa).

## Any requirement set out in this RFP regarding the content of a response to the RFP is stipulated for the sole benefit of PRASA, and serves as expressly stated to the contrary, may be waived at its discretion at any stage in the procurement process.

## PRASA is not committed to any course of action as a result of its issuance of this RFP and/or its receipt of a Proposal in response to it. Please note that PRASA reserves the right to:

## Modify the RFP’s goods / service(s) / works and request Respondents to re-bid on any changes;

## Withdraw, amend the RFP at any time without prior notice and liability to compensate or reimburse any respondent;

## Reject any Proposal which does not conform to instructions and specifications which are detailed herein

## Disqualify Proposals submitted after the stated submission deadline;

## Call a respondent to provide additional documents which PRASA may require which have not been submitted to PRASA.

## Not necessarily accept the lowest priced Proposal or alternative bid;

## Not accept any response to the RFP or appoint a final bidder;

## Reject all proposals it if so decides;

## Withdraw the RFP on good cause shown;

## Award a contract in connection with this Proposal at any time after the RFP’s closing date;

## Award a contract for only a portion of the proposed goods/ service/s/ works which are reflected in the scope of this RFP;

## Split the award of the contract between more than one Service Provider, should it at PRASA’s discretion be more advantageous in terms of, amongst others, cost or development considerations;

## Make no award at all;

## Validate any information submitted by Respondents in response to this bid. This would include, but is not limited to, requesting the Respondents to provide supporting evidence. By submitting a bid, Respondents hereby irrevocably grant the necessary consent to PRASA to do so;

## Request annual financial statements prepared and signed off by a professional accountant or other documentation for the purposes of a due diligence exercise; and/or

## Not accept any changes or purported changes by the Respondent to the bid rates after the closing date and/or after the award of the business, unless the contract specifically provided for it.

## To adopt any proposal made by any bidder at any time and to include such proposal in any procurement document which may or may not be made available to other bidders.

## All costs and expenses incurred by Bidders in submitting responses to this RFP shall be borne by the Bidders and PRASA shall not be liable for any costs or expenses whatsoever or any claim for reimbursement of such costs or expenses.

## Should a contract be awarded on the strength of information furnished by the Respondent, which after conclusion of the contract, is proved to have been incorrect, PRASA reserves the right to cancel the contract and/or place the Respondent on PRASA’s list of Restricted Suppliers.

## PRASA reserves the right to negotiate market-related price with the bidder scoring the highest points or cancel the bid; if the bidder does not agree to a market related price, negotiate a market related price with the bidder scoring the second highest points or cancel the bid; if the bidder scoring the second highest points does not agree to a market related price, negotiate a market related price with the bidder scoring the third highest points or cancel the bid. If the market related price is not agreed as envisaged in this paragraph, PRASA will cancel the bid.

## PRASA reserves the right to negotiations Best and Final Offer (BAFO) with selected Respondents where none of the Proposals meet RFP requirement, are affordable and demonstrate value for money and there is no clear preferred response to the RFP

## Should the preferred bidder fail to sign or commence with the contract within a reasonable period after being requested to do so, PRASA reserves the right to award the business to the next ranked bidder, provided that he/she is still prepared to provide the required goods at the quoted price. Under such circumstances, the validity of the bids of the next ranked bidder(s) will be deemed to remain valid, irrespective of whether the next ranked bidder(s) were issued with a Letter of Regret. Bidders may therefore be requested to advise whether they would still be prepared to provide the required goods at their quoted price, even after they have been issued with a Letter of Regret.

## PRASA will not reimburse any Respondent for any preparatory costs or other work performed in connection with its Proposal, whether or not the Respondent is awarded a contract.

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# Acronyms

BBBEE Broad Based-Black Economic Empowerment

CIDBConstruction Industries Development Board

DTiC The Department of Trade and Industry and Competition

PPPFA Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act 5 of 2000 (as amended from

time to time)

PFMA Public Finance Management Act No.1 of 1999 (as amended from time to time)

PRASA Passenger Rail Agency of South Africa

RFP Request for Proposal

SANAS South African National Accreditation System

**Interpretation**

In this RFP, unless inconsistent with or otherwise indicated by the context –

* + 1. headings have been inserted for convenience only and should not be taken into account in interpreting the RFP;
    2. any reference to one gender shall include the other gender;
    3. words in the singular shall include the plural and vice versa;
    4. any reference to natural persons shall include legal persons and vice versa;
    5. words defined in a specific clause have the same meaning in all other clauses of the RFP, unless the contrary is specifically indicated;
    6. any reference to the RFP, schedule or appendix, shall be construed as including a reference to any RFP, schedule or appendix amending or substituting that RFP, schedule or appendix;
    7. the schedules, appendices and Briefing Notes issued pursuant to this RFP, form an indivisible part of the RFP and together with further clarifying and amending information provided by PRASA, constitute the body of RFP documentation which must be complied with by Bidders;
    8. in the event of any inconsistency between this RFP or other earlier information published with regard to the Project, the information in this RFP shall prevail; and
    9. this RFP shall be governed by and applied in accordance with South African law.

# Definitions

In this RFP and in any other project documents (as defined below) which so provides, the following words and expressions shall have the meaning assigned to them below and cognate expressions shall have a corresponding meaning, unless inconsistent with the context:

* + - 1. “Accounting Authority” means the Board of PRASA;
      2. “Contract” means the Contract to be entered between PRASA and the successful Bidder for the provision of the *services* procured in this RFP.
      3. “Bid” means the Bid to the RFP submitted by Bidders;
      4. “Bidders Briefing Session” means the compulsory briefing session to be held at the offices of PRASA, in order to brief the Bidders about this tender;
      5. “Black Enterprise” means an enterprise that is at least 51% beneficially owned by Black People and in which Black People have substantial Management Control. Such beneficial ownership may be held directly or through other Black Enterprises;
      6. “Black Equity” means the voting equity held by Black People from time to time;
      7. “Black People” means African, Coloured and Indian South African citizens, and “Black Person” means any such citizen ;
      8. “Black Woman” means African, Coloured and Indian South Africa Female citizen;
      9. “Briefing Note” means any correspondence to Bidders issued by the PRASA;
      10. “Business Day” means any day except a Saturday, Sunday or public holiday in South Africa;
      11. “Bidders” means individuals, organisations or consortia that have been submitted responses to the RFP in respect of the tender;
      12. “Consortium” means any group of persons or firms jointly submitting a Bid as Bid to this RFP and “Consortia” means more than one Consortium;
      13. “Contractor” the successful Bidders who has signed a Contract with PRASA in terms of this RFP.

“PROJECT” MEANS THIS PROJECT FOR REQUEST FOR THE PROCUREMENT OF A 3GB OR 3CE OR HIGHER DESIGN AND BUILD/TURNKEY CONTRACTOR TO CONDUCT STUDIES, PREPARE DESIGNS, CONSTRUCT, MONITORING AND CLOSE-OUT OF VARIOUS ALTERNATIVE BUILDING TECHNOLOGY (ABT) PROGRAMME IN PRASA PRIORITY CORRIDORS – CATHCART STATION.

“RFP” means the Request for Proposals issued by PRASA for this tender; and

* + - 1. “Scope of Work” means the scope of work for this project as detailed out in the RFP technical specifications.

SECTION 1

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

1. **INVITATION TO BID**

You are hereby invited to submit a bid to meet the requirements of the Passenger Rail Agency of South Africa. Responses to this RFP [hereinafter referred to as a **Bid** or a **Proposal**] are requested from persons, companies, close corporations, or enterprises [hereinafter referred to as an **entity**, **Bidder**].

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| **BID DESCRIPTION** | **PROCUREMENT OF A 3GB OR 3CE OR HIGHER DESIGN AND BUILD/TURNKEY CONTRACTOR TO CONDUCT STUDIES, PREPARE DESIGNS, CONSTRUCT, MONITORING AND CLOSE-OUT OF VARIOUS ALTERNATIVE BUILDING TECHNOLOGY (ABT) PROGRAMME IN PRASA PRIORITY CORRIDORS – CATHCART STATION.** |
| **BID ADVERT** | This RFP may be downloaded directly from National Treasury’s e-Tender Publication Portal at [www.etenders.gov.za](http://www.etenders.gov.za)free of charge. With effect from 30 JULY 2021 |
| **ISSUE DATE** | **30 JULY 2021** |
| **NON-COMPULSORY VIRTUAL BRIEFING SESSION FOLLOWED BY A SITE VISIT**  **NB: (FOLLOWED BY A SITE VISIT, THE SITE VISIT SCHEDULE WILL BE DISCUSSED IN THE MEETING ALTERNATIVELY CONTACT THE PROJECT MANAGER FOR MORE DETAILS AFTER THE ONLINE MEETING)**  **PROJECT MANAGER:**  **Noloyiso Genu (Metrorail - EC)** [**noloyiso.genu@prasa.com**](mailto:noloyiso.genu@prasa.com) | **13 August 2021 AT 11H00 AM** |
| **CLOSING DATE AND TIME** | **At 12h00 noon on 31 AUGUST 2021**  Bidders must ensure that bids are delivered timeously to the correct address.  As a general rule, if a bid is late or delivered to the incorrect address, it will not be accepted for consideration. |
| **VALIDITY PERIOD** | **90 working Days from Closing Date**  Bidders are to note that they may be requested to extend the validity period of their bid, at the same terms and conditions, if the internal evaluation process has not been finalised within the validity period. |
| **CLOSING DATE FOR QUESTIONS** | **18 AUGUST 2021** |
| **CLOSING DATE FOR RESPONSES** | **23 AUGUST 2021** |
| **CONTACT PERSON** | **Boiketlo Xotongo** |
| **EMAIL ADDRESS** | [**Boiketlo.xotongo@prasa.com**](mailto:Boiketlo.xotongo@prasa.com) |

1. **FORMAL BRIEFING**

A non-compulsory virtual briefing session on Microsoft Teams will be held on 13 August 2021 at 11h00 AM. This will be followed by a site visit subject to adherence to COVID 19 protocols. The date and time for the site inspections will be communicated to all bidders at the non-compulsory virtual briefing.

MS Teams meeting Link:

<https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3aKQO9yMMJ0Il6MhVn1exRJnpRrMSqWILMz5RdVV5Tbvo1%40thread.tacv2/1625755848696?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%22ef089e05-fa66-4ce1-99c1-feb47ce02989%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%229e0036b5-a32a-4af4-8297-24989b607839%22%7d>

Please contact: Noloyiso Genu (Metrorail - EC) [noloyiso.genu@prasa.com](mailto:noloyiso.genu@prasa.com) , the project manager for the site visit schedule after the non-compulsory briefing.

Site visit arrangements

* Bidders must arrange own transport and parking.
* Bidders failing to attend the non-compulsory virtual tender briefing session will not be disqualified from the process.
* PRASA reserves the right to only allow Bidders in possession of a valid tender document at the briefing.
* A maximum of two representatives per company will be allowed to attend the briefing.
* Bidders are required to bring their own PPE for the site walkabout.
* Covid 19 protocols in line with the national guidelines shall always be adhered to
* Bidders will always be required to wear a mask and only a limited number will be admitted at a time
* Bidders will ensure a 2m distance between each other to ensure social distancing.

1. **BRIEFING SESSION MINUTES AND NOTES**
   1. PRASA will provide clarification answers to the questions asked via Annexure 2 on the date stipulated in the RFP document.

Clarifications will be issued to all Respondents to this RFP utilizing the contact details provided at receipt of the responses to the RFP documentation, after submission to the authorised representative.

* 1. Bidders / Respondents are requested to promptly confirm receipt of any clarifications sent to them.
  2. Bidders / Respondents must ensure responses to the clarifications are received on or before the deadline date stated.

1. **PROPOSAL SUBMISSION OF RFP RESPONSE**

Proposal Responses must be submitted to PRASA in a sealed envelope addressed as

follows:

RFP No: CRES/ABT/ECR/R/03/07/2021

Description of Bid : REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF A TEAM OF

CONSULTANTS AND A 3GB OR 3CE OR HIGHER CONTRACTOR ON A DESIGN AND

BUILD/TURNKEY CONTRACT FOR CARTCATH STATION

Closing date and time: 31 AUGUST 2021 at 12h00 noon

Closing address: PASSENGER RAIL AGENCY OF SOUTH AFRICA

PRASA CRES,

**8 STATION STREET STATION BUILDING EAST LONDON.**

PRASA CRES ECR

1. **DELIVERY INSTRUCTION FOR RFP**

**Delivery of Bid**

The sealed bid envelopes must be deposited in the PRASA tender box and must be addressed as follows:

THE SECRETARIAT / TENDER OFFICE

PASSENGER RAIL AGENCY OF SOUTH AFRICA

PRASA CRES,

**8 STATION STREET STATION BUILDING EAST LONDON.**

PRASA CRES ECR

1. **BROAD-BASED BLACK ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT AND SOCIO-ECONOMIC OBLIGATIONS**

As explained in more detail in the attached SBD 6.1 (BBBEE Preference Points Claim Form) in and as prescribed in terms of the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act (PPPFA), Act 5 of 2000 and its Regulations, Respondents are to note that PRASA will award “preference points” to companies who provide valid proof of their B-BBEE status using either the latest version of the generic Codes of Good Practice or Sector Specific codes )if applicable).

**Note: Failure to submit valid and original (or a certified copy of) proof of the Respondent’s compliance with the B-BBEE requirements stipulated in this RFP (the B-BBEE Preference Points Claim Form) at the Closing Date of this RFP, will result in a score of zero being allocated for B-BBEE.**

## B-BBEE Joint Ventures or Consortiums

Respondents who would wish to respond to this RFP as a Joint Venture [**JV**] or consortium with B-BBEE entities, must state their intention to do so in their RFP submission. Such Respondents must also submit a signed JV or consortium agreement between the parties clearly stating the percentage [%] split of business and the associated responsibilities of each party. If such a JV or consortium agreement is unavailable, the partners must submit confirmation in writing of their intention to enter into a JV or consortium agreement should they be awarded business by PRASA through this RFP process. This written confirmation must clearly indicate the percentage [**%**] split of business and the responsibilities of each party. In such cases, award of business will only take place once a signed copy of a JV or consortium agreement is submitted to PRASA.

Respondents are to note the requirements for B-BBEE compliance of JVs or consortiums as required by SBD 6.1 [the B-BBEE Preference Point Claim Form] and submit it together with proof of their B-BBEE Status as stipulated in the Claim Form in order to obtain preference points for their B-BBEE status.

Consolidated BBBEE certificate for Joint Venture is required. As per the implementation guide preferential procurement regulations 2017 pertaining to the preferential procurement policy framework act no 5 of 2000 march paragraph 9 BROAD BASED BLACK ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT (B0BBEE) STATUS LEVELCERTIFICATES sub paragraph 9.3 and 9.4staes that:

A trust, consortium or joint venture (including unincorporated consortia and joint ventures) must submit a consolidated B-BBEE status Level Verification certificate for every separate tender.

**Note: Failure to submit a valid, original and consolidated B-BBEE certificate for the JV or a certified copy thereof at the Closing Date of this RFP will result in a score of zero being allocated for**

**B-BBEE.**

## Subcontracting

As an organ of state, PRASA fully endorses Government’s transformation and empowerment objectives and when contemplating subcontracting Respondents are requested to give preference to companies which are Black Owned, Black Women Owned, Black Youth Owned, owned by Black People with Disabilities, EMEs and QSEs including any companies designated as B-BBEE Facilitators[[1]](#footnote-1).

* an EME or QSE;
* an EME or QSE which is at least 51% owned by Black People;
* an EME or QSE which is at least 51% owned by black people who are youth;
* an EME or QSE which is at least 51% owned by black people who are women;
* an EME or QSE which is at least 51% owned by black people with disabilities;
* an EME or QSE which is at least 51% owned by black people living in rural or underdeveloped areas or townships;
* an EME or QSE which is at least 51% owned by black people who are military veterans; or
* a cooperative which is at least 51% owned by black people.

A bid that fails to meet this pre-qualifying criteria will be regarded as an unacceptable bid. Respondents are required to select suppliers to subcontract to from a list that PRASA will make available listing all suppliers registered on the approved database of National Treasury for the required goods/services in respect of the applicable designated groups.

Respondents are required to submit proof of the subcontracting arrangement between themselves and the subcontractor. Proof of the subcontracting arrangement must include a subcontracting agreement.

Respondents are to note that it is their responsibility to select competent subcontractors that meet all requirements of the bid so that their bid is not jeopardised by the subcontractor when evaluated. Respondents are responsible for all due diligence on their subcontractors.

Respondent/s are discouraged from subcontracting with their subsidiary companies as this may be interpreted as subcontracting with themselves and / or using their subsidiaries for fronting. Where a Respondent intends to subcontract with their subsidiary this must be declared in their bid response.

The successful Respondent awarded the contract may only enter into a subcontracting arrangement with PRASA’s prior approval. The contract will be concluded between the successful Respondent and PRASA, therefore, the successful Respondent and not the sub-contractor will be held liable for performance in terms of its contractual obligations.

In terms of SBD 6.1 of this RFP [the B-BBEE Preference Point Claim Form] Respondents are required to indicate the percentage of the contract that will be sub-contracted as well as the B-BBEE status of the sub-contractor/s.

# COMMUNICATION

## For specific queries relating to this RFP during the RFP process, bidders are required to adhere strictly to the communication structure requirements. An RFP Clarification Form should be

## submitted to [boiketlo.xotongo@prasa.com](mailto:boiketlo.xotongo@prasa.com) 011 013 1487 Boiketlo Xotongo before 18 August 2021, substantially in the form set out in Section 6 hereto.

## In the interest of fairness and transparency PRASA’s response to such a query will be made available to the other Respondents who have attended a compulsory and a non-compulsory briefing session. For this purpose PRASA will communicate with Respondents using the contact details provided at the non-compulsory briefing session.

## After the closing date of the RFP, a Respondent may only communicate in writing with the Bid Secretariat, at telephone number 011 013 1487, [Boiketlo.xotongo@prasa.com](mailto:Boiketlo.xotongo@prasa.com) on any matter relating to its RFP Proposal.

## Respondents are to note that changes to its submission will not be considered after the closing date.

## Respondents are warned that a response will be liable for disqualification should any attempt be made by a Respondent either directly or indirectly to canvass any officer(s) or employee of PRASA in respect of this RFP between the closing date and the date of the award of the business. Furthermore, Respondents found to be in collusion with one another will automatically be disqualified and restricted from doing business with PRASA in future.

# CONFIDENTIALITY

## PRASA shall ensure all information related to this RFP is to be treated with strict confidence. In this regard Respondents / Bidders are required to certify that they have acquainted themselves with the Non-Disclosure Agreement All information related to a subsequent contract, both during and after completion thereof, will be treated with strict confidence. Should the need however arise to divulge any information gleaned from provision of the Services , which is either directly or indirectly related to PRASA’s business, written approval to divulge such information must be obtained from PRASA.

## Respondents must clearly indicate whether any information submitted or requested from PRASA is confidential or should be treated confidentially by PRASA. In the absence of any such clear indication in writing, PRASA shall deem the response to the RFP to have waived any right to confidentiality and treat such information as public in nature.

# INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE RFP

## All responses to the RFP must be submitted in two sealed envelopes/boxes; the first envelop/box shall have the technical, compliance and BBBEE response and the second envelop/box shall only have the financial response. Bidders must ensure that they do not indicate any financial information in the first envelop/box. PRASA shall disqualify Bidders who fail to adhere to this requirement.

## Bidders are required to package their response/Bid as follows to avoid disqualification:

## Volume 1 (Envelope 1/Package 1)

## Part A: Compliance Response and B-BBEE Response

## Part B: Technical or Functional Response (response to scope of work) No Financial Proposal

## Volume 2 (Envelop 2/ Package 2)

## Part C: Financial Proposal only

**Volume 2** Has to be submitted in a separate sealed envelope. Bidders must make their pricing offer in envelop 2/package 2, no pricing and pricing related information should be included in the Volume 1 envelop 1.

## Bidders must submit 1 original response, 1 copy and an electronic version which must be contained in CDs or Memory Cards clearly marked in the Bidders name.

## Bidders must ensure that their response to the RFP is in accordance with the structure of this document.

## Where Bidders are required to sign forms they are required to do so using a black ink pen.

## Any documents forming part of the original responses to RFP but which are not original in nature, must be certified as a true copy by a Commissioner of Oaths.

## Each response to RFP must be in English and submitted in A4 format, except other graphic illustrations, which may not exceed A3 format, unless the contrary is specifically allowed for in this RFP. Responses to RFP must be neatly and functionally bound, preferably according to their different sections.

## The original responses to RFP must be signed by a person duly authorized by each consortium member and Subcontractor to sign on their behalf, which authorization must form part of the responses to RFP as proof of authorization. By signing the responses to RFP the signatory warrants that all information supplied by it in its responses to RFP is true and correct and that the responses to RFP and each party whom the responses to RFP signatory represents, considers themselves subject to and bound by the terms and conditions of this RFP.

## The responses to RFP formulation must be clear and concise and follow a clear methodology which responses to RFP must explain upfront in a concise Executive Summary and follow throughout the responses to RFP.

## Responses to RFP must provide sufficient information and detail in order to enable PRASA to evaluate the responses to RFP, but should not provide unnecessary detail which does not add value and detracts from the ability of PRASA to effectively evaluate and understand the responses to RFP. The use of numbered headings, bullet points, sections, appendices and schedules are encouraged.

## Information submitted as part of a responses to RFP must as far as possible, be ordered according to the order of the required information requested by PRASA. All pages must be consecutively numbered.

## Responses to RFP must ensure that each requirement contained in the RFP is succinctly addressed. Responses to RFP should as far as possible use the terms and definitions applied in this RFP and should clearly indicate its interpretation of any differing terminology applied.

## Response to RFP documents are to be submitted to the address specified in paragraph 5 above, and Bidders must ensure that the original and copies (where applicable) are identical in all respects as PRASA will not accept any liability for having disqualified a bidder for failing to provide a mandatory returnable document.

## Unless otherwise expressly stated, all Proposals furnished pursuant to this RFP shall be deemed to be offers. Any exceptions to this statement must be clearly and specifically indicated.

## Any additional conditions must be embodied in an accompanying letter. Subject only to clause 16 [Alterations made by the Respondent to Bid Prices] of the General Bid Conditions, alterations, additions or deletions must not be made by the Respondent to the actual RFP documents.

## Bidders are required to review the Contract. Bidders may further amend and or delete any part of the Draft Contract where they deem fit to do so. Where Bidders have amended and or deleted any part of the Contract, it must be clearly visible by using track changes and must ensure that the disc copy of their bid submission for the Draft Contract is in word version and not password protected.

# RFP TIMETABLE

PRASA may at its sole discretion amend any of the milestone dates indicated in the table below. Bidders will be informed of any amendments to the timeline through the issue of the Addendum.

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| **RFP PROCESS** | **MILESTONE DATES** |
| Bid issue date | 31 July 2021 |
| Non-Compulsory Virtual Briefing Session for Bidders | 13 August 2021 |
| Closing date for Questions | 18 August 2021 |
| Closing date for Responses | 23 August2021 |
| Closing Date for Submission of final Bid | 31 August 2021 |
| Evaluation of Proposals (Bidders note that PRASA may call for Presentation of bidders offers at any stage of the evaluation process) | 3 September 2021 |
| Appointment of the successful Bidder | 15 September 2021 |
| Contract negotiations | 20 September 2021 |
| Contract signing | 24 September 2021 |
| Contract Commencement | 1 October 2021 |

# LEGAL COMPLIANCE

Bidders must ensure that they comply with all the requirements of the RFP and if Bidders fail to submit any of the required documents, such Bids shall, at the sole discretion of PRASA, be disqualified the Bidder. PRASA reserves the right to call a Bidder to provide additional documents which PRASA may require from a Bidder which have not been submitted to PRASA.

Respondents must ensure that they comply with all the requirements of the RFP and if Bidders fail to submit any of the required documents, such Bids shall, at the sole discretion of PRASA, be disqualified.

The successful Bidder [hereinafter referred to as the Service Provider] shall be in full and complete compliance with any and all applicable laws and regulations.

# NATIONAL TREASURY’S CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE

Respondents are required to self-register on National Treasury’s Central Supplier Database (CSD) which has been established to centrally administer supplier information for all organs of state and facilitate the verification of certain key supplier information. Only foreign suppliers with no local registered entity need not register on the CSD. The CSD can be accessed at <https://secure.csd.gov.za>. Respondents are required to provide the following to PRASA in order to enable it to verify information on the CSD:

Supplier Number: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Unique registration reference number: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

# TAX COMPLIANCE

# Respondents must be compliant when submitting a proposal to PRASA and remain compliant for the entire contract term with all applicable tax legislation, including but not limited to the Income Tax Act, 1962 (Act No. 58 of 1962) and Value Added Tax Act, 1991 (Act No. 89 of 1991).

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

The Tax Compliance status requirements are also applicable to foreign Respondents/ individuals who wish to submit bids.

Respondents are required to be registered on the Central Supplier Database (CSD) as indicated in paragraph 16 and the National Treasury shall verify the Respondent’s tax compliance status through the Central Supplier Database (CSD).

Where Consortia / Joint Ventures / Sub-contractors are involved, each party must be registered on the Central Supplier Database (CSD) and their tax compliance status will be verified through the Central Supplier Database (CSD).

For this purpose, the attached SBD 1 marked Annexure B must be completed and submitted as an essential returnable document by the closing date and time of the bid.

New Tax Compliance Status (TCS) System

SARS has implemented a new Tax Compliance Status (TCS) system in terms of which a taxpayer is now able to authorise any 3rd party to verify its compliance status in one of two ways: either through the use of an electronic access PIN, or through the use of a Tax Clearance Certificate obtained from the new TCS system.

Respondents are required to provide the following to PRASA in order to enable it to verify their tax compliance status:

Tax Compliance Status (TCS) Pin:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

# PROTECTION OF PERSONAL DATA

In responding to this bid, PRASA acknowledges that it may obtain and have access to personal data of the Respondents. PRASA agrees that it shall only process the information disclosed by Respondents in their response to this bid for the purpose of evaluating and subsequent award of business and in accordance with any applicable law. Furthermore, PRASA will not otherwise modify, amend or alter any personal data submitted by Respondents or disclose or permit the disclosure of any personal data to any Third Party without the prior written consent from the Respondents. Similarly, PRASA requires Respondents to process any personal information disclosed by PRASA in the bidding process in the same manner.

SECTION 2

BACKGROUND OVERVIEW AND SCOPE REQUIREMENTS

# INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

The passenger railway services offered by PRASA at the subject corridors are not at par with the normal operations of passenger rail service. The railway infrastructure at these facilities has been rendered functionally obsolete due to the acts of vandalism that occurred over the past three years. Railway infrastructure such as railway tracks and related overhead track equipment, ticket office buildings, platform surfaces, lighting equipment, ablution facilities, retail/commercial facilities, parking, etc. has been damaged beyond use.

The PRASA CRES strategy has pointed to a need for rapid development of the Rail Top Priority Corridors, in line with the Service Resumption and the Infrastructure Investment and Development in these Corridors.

Vandalized and ageing infrastructure must be refurbished and upgraded, while PRASA CRES has to provide capacity ahead of demand; as well as rehabilitate its Workplaces (in line with the NSIP Capital Expenditure). This necessarily creates a need for increase capacity and resources to deliver within a 3 year-period for property investments that have not been made.

In this regard PRASA CRES intends to appoint Design and Build/Turnkey contractors to provide engineering, design, architectural, quantity surveying and town planning services to deliver the ABT programme.

PRASA has identified one project in the East London to Queenstown Corridor which will be implemented through the ABT programme. This station currently has no functional facilities and through the ABT programme, PRASA seeks to provide station facilities in order to generate revenue from commuter fares.

# OVERVIEW

PRASA seeks to benefit from this partnership in the following ways:

## PRASA must receive reduced cost of acquisition and improved service benefits resulting from the Service Provider’s economies of scale and streamlined service processes.

## PRASA must achieve appropriate availability that meets user needs while reducing costs for both PRASA and the chosen Service Provider(s).

## PRASA must receive proactive improvements from the Service Provider with respect to provision of Services and related processes.

## PRASA’s overall competitive advantage must be strengthened by the chosen Service Provider’s leading edge technology and service delivery systems.

## PRASA end users must be able to rely on the chosen Service Provider’s personnel for service enquiries, recommendations and substitutions.

## PRASA must reduce costs by streamlining its acquisition of Services, including managed service processes on a Group basis.

# KEY OBJECTIVES OF THE RFP

This RFP has been prepared for the following purposes:

# To set out the rules of participation in the bid process referred to in this RFP.

# To disseminate information on the project contemplated in this RFP.

# To give guidance to bidders on the preparation of their RFP bids.

# To gather information from bidders that is verifiable and can be evaluated for the purposes of appointing a successful bidder.

# To enable PRASA to select a successful bidder that is:

1. technically qualified and meet the empowerment criteria described in this RFP;
2. Carry all the obligations of the Contract.

# 4. SCOPE OF THE DESIRED SOLUTION

The scope of works included herein is to obtain a design and build/Turnkey contractor as a service provider for the design and construction of station facilities using standardized modular Alternative Building Technology (ABT) shipping containers. The Shipping Containers are a preferred ABT as an alternative construction technology for Metrorail staff to perform customer services supporting the travelling commuters such as ticket sales, and other important functions.

The shipping containers will be delivered to the various sites by the Department of Transport and these containers are to be re-purposed and used as building materials reconfigured to suit PRASA specifications.

The ABT projects within the subject region entail the complete delivery of ABT (shipping containers) constructed to provide fully operational station facilities. The works involve the alterations and additions to various stations facilities within the subject region to create the optimal spatial configuration to enable the best possible functionality of the station and to conform to the latest standard specification in terms of the PRASA - Norms, Guidelines and Standards (NGS) for Station Facilities (2014), the PRASA – Blueprint Specifications 2016, National Building Regulations and Building Standards Act including obtaining Agrément Certificates, Safety Arrangements and Procedural Compliance with the Occupational Health and Safety Act (Act 85 of 1993) and Applicable Regulations (E4E); including any subsequent amendments, and related construction regulations, and guidelines.

Where an Agrément Certificate cannot be obtained then a rational design has to be undertaken to ensure that the necessary building plan approvals are obtained from the Local Authority. All designs to comply with the National Building Regulations and Standards Act and SANS 10400.

The high level scope of work entails; design development of the various station facilities from concept to construction drawings, application and obtaining approvals from the local authorities and other statutory bodies for the construction of the development, the alterations and refurbishment of the shipping containers, provision of water, sewer and electricity and the connection thereof to ensure that the ABT containers are ready for use, ICT equipment, security installations, fencing, paving and parking bays, and renovations of existing facilities as outlined in the scope of work.

**ADDITIONAL SERVICES AND REQUIREMENTS**

The service provider will be required to undertake the following responsibilities:

* Develop designs of the shipping containers based on the concept drawings issued by PRASA to the employer’s requirements and reconfigure it to be fit for purpose for the operations.
* Facilitate approvals of the drawings of the project with RSR. There are two approval stages, General concept has been approved. In the design development these are the stages that need approvals: Designs, Execution (Construction), Testing and commissioning, Operations and maintenance.
* The service provider shall obtain all necessary permits, certification, authorization, approvals for the construction and occupation of the complete ABT facilities
* The service provider will be required to appoint professional consultants as follows:

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|  | **Profession** | **Professional body** |
| 1. | Architect | SACAP |
| 2. | Quantity Surveyor | SACQSP |
| 3. | Civil and Structural Engineer | ECSA |
| 4. | Electrical and Mechanical Engineer | ECSA |
| 5. | Town Planner | SACPLAN |
| 6. | OHS Agent | SACPCMP |

* Certified copies of Professional Indemnity insurance for the professional team to be submitted. The certified copies should not be older than 6 months.
* **The service provider must make provision to undertake a Heritage Impact Assessment where the station is regarded as a heritage site.**

**SCOPE OF WORKS**

The provision of Design and Build/Turnkey Contractor

The provision of design and build contractor to develop the designs of the ABT projects from concept drawings to produce construction drawings and to construct the project in accordance with the designs. The design team shall comprise of the following disciplines and appropriately registered with the relevant professional body:

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|  | **Profession** | **Professional body** |
| 1. | Architect | SACAP |
| 2. | Quantity Surveyor | SACQSP |
| 3. | Civil and Structural Engineer | ECSA |
| 4. | Electrical and Mechanical Engineer | ECSA |
| 5. | Town Planner | SACPLAN |
| 6. | OHS Agent | SACPCMP |

1. The Lead Consultant should be experienced in the implementation of Design and Build (Turnkey) construction. This resource should be clearly identified and stated in the proposal.
2. The Turnkey contractor shall make allowance and appoint a Community Liaison Consultant who will initiate, plan, execute and monitor the stakeholder management and consultation with the local communities in relation to the project.
3. A Community Liaison Officer shall then be appointed as part of the contract during the execution of the project to the facilitate the implementation of the local community stakeholder management plan mentioned above.
4. The professional team should have a minimum Professional Indemnity insurance of R1 800 000
5. The contractor shall be registered with the CIDB as CIDB 3GB or 3CE or higher.
6. The designs shall be in terms of the relevant professional council and standard industry practice to ensure the highest level of quality standards are met.
7. The designs must be accompanied by a Hazard and Operability (HAZOP) study to assist PRASA on change management and the management or control of accompanied risks linked to the ABT in the station environment.
8. A Hazard and Operability Study will ensure a structured analysis of process design to identify process safety incidents that ABT facility is vulnerable to or determine possible failures that could result from operation of the ABT outside of design conditions. This report should be accompanied by a list of necessary actions and recommendation to improve safety and mitigate the consequences of hazards.
9. Provision to be made for a Land Surveyor to provide surveyor’s drawings of the site including boundaries, elevations and contours for the sites.
10. The design and build contractor to apply and obtain all necessary permits, approval and authorization for the project. This shall include the Site Development Plan and Building Plans approval by the relevant Local Authority in terms of the National Building Regulations and all Railway Safety Regulator approvals.
11. Where feasible the designs should endeavor to achieve the requirements for local production, where only locally manufactured goods that meet stipulated minimum threshold for local production and content may be used as per requirements of the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI).
12. The design and build contractor is required to use local suppliers for all local content designated materials and services. The designation and threshold from DTI is hereto attached as **Annexure F.**
13. The design and build contractor shall complete the local content declaration documentation when the designs are completed.
14. The turnkey contractor to facilitate approvals of the drawings of the project with RSR. There are two approval stages, General concept has been approved. In the design development these are the stages that need approvals: Designs, Execution (Construction), Testing and commissioning, Operations and maintenance.
    * 1. Location of the project

The location of the project is **in Cathcart station in the East London to Queenstown corridor in the Eastern Cape Region.**

* + 1. The design of the various ABT stations shall be in accordance with the set requirements of PRASA. These designs shall use the concept drawings as provided by PRASA as the basis for the development of the plans. The designs shall comply with the PRASA - Norms, Guidelines and Standards (NGS) for Station Facilities (2014) and the PRASA – Blueprint Specifications 2016 which are attached hereto as Annexure E1 and E2. The construction which includes the alterations and refurbishment of the shipping containers and the renovations of existing facilities will be based on the abovementioned designs. The modular designs shall ensure that the station is self-contained complete station that provides for the following needs:

1. Ticket Sales/ administration office
2. Ablutions for staff
3. ICT and Security
4. Guard House
   * 1. The modular designs should allow for:
5. Standardisation
6. Reduced construction schedules
7. Modular and smart designs
8. Environmental sustainability
9. Predictable construction costs
10. On and off-site construction
11. COVID-19 Protocols in the work environment and office layout, for commuter facilities including the waiting areas, queueing provisions, ablutions, etc.
    * 1. The shipping container units are currently existing and are owned by Department of Transport (DOT) and PRASA will provide these containers. The sizes are as follows 2.5 in width, and standard lengths varying from 3 to 12m. Manufacturing process of the containers need to comply with ISO 9001:2015 and OSHAS 18001:2007, with a minimum rated lifespan of 20 years. The used containers are to be refurbished and repurposed to be in a good working condition functionally and aesthetically.
      2. Alterations and refurbishment of shipping containers
12. Refurbishment of containers (Wire brush, prime and paint containers), treatment of containers for corrosion and provide 20 years warranty against corrosion. Corrosion protection shall be done in terms of SANS 1200 HC or SANS 2001 CSI
13. Configuration of the shipping containers shall be in terms of **Annexure B**
14. Completed container to be wind and waterproof (Waterproof testing to be done in accordance with the Quality Management Plan and witnessed by PRASA official/Engineer on the project)
15. Bullet resistant doors
16. Bullet resistant glass
17. Ticketing counters
18. Steel lined walling for treasury
19. Insulation wall and ceiling
20. Vinyl flooring
21. Air Conditioning
22. Roller shutter for windows and doors – electronic
23. Electrical work – 220V wiring in conduits, DB and main connection
24. DB Board with earth leakages & circuit breakers
25. Fluorescent lights, Bowl light - JD 90, Single plug points, Double plug points, Light switches and External lights – Bulkhead
26. Branding and signage (Based on PRASA’s Blueprint Document)
27. Directional and Statutory signage
28. Fire Extinguishers and fire protection
29. Drop in Safe/Walk-in Safe for safe cash handling
30. Sink and built-in taps and cupboards
31. Ablutions
32. A solar system to provide back-up power to ensure station operations continue during power outages.
    * 1. ICT, Telecoms and Security Requirements

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| **No.** | **Item** | **Item Specification** |
| 1 | 48-port POE+ Switch | * Gigabit access switching with 48X10/100/1000 BaseT ports * PoE+ support up to 740W * 2 x 1G SFP uplink interfaces * Layer 2 access switching * Non-blocking switch backplane with at least 80 Gbps   bandwidth support   * Should have at least 60Mpps Packet Forwarding Throughput * Form factor 1U and 19" Rack mountable. Rack mount kit to be provided   3-year hardware warranty |
| 2 | 10Kva UPS with 2-hour backup time at full load | 10KVA On-Line UPS System, Single Phase Input &  Single Phase output complete with batteries  to provide backup time as per following requirements  and technical specifications including battery rack &  connecting loops with three years warranty on UPS &  batteries |
| 3 | ICT Station Equipment Cabinet 43U with cooling | Cabinet 43U - (H 2200mm x W 750mm x D 1000mm)  - Lockable  - Dedicated cooling - 12,000 BTU Aircon  - Power distribution – PDU (Power Distribution Unit) |
| 4 | LTE Gateway for primary and/or failover connectivity | * Must support 4G LTE/3G/2G (South African frequency bands) * ICASA Approved * 10/100 Base-T RJ45 Ethernet port * VPN   + IPsec, GRE, and SSL VPN Client   + Support at least 3 concurrent tunnels   + Split Tunnel   + Dead Peer Detection (DPD)   + Multiple Subnets   + VPN Failover * Security   + Remote Authentication (LDAP, RADIUS and TACACS+)   + DMZ   + Inbound and outbound port filtering   + Inbound and outbound Trusted IP   + MAC Address Filtering   3-year warranty |
| 5 | Wi-Fi Aps  (to be managed by **existing Cisco controller**) for integration purposes | * Cisco AIR-AP1832I-E-K9 - 802.11ac Wave 2; 3x3:2SS; Int Ant; E Reg Domain or similar * Mounting brackets * 3-year warranty |
| 6 | Security Requirements | Camera deployment   * The ticket sales office will have two static bullet cameras on every top corner, and a fisheye camera on each ticket selling counter and another fisheye on the Dropoff safe.; Three (3) metre mast where a PTZ camera will be deployed to assist in the tracking and tracing of suspects in the event of an incident.   Access Control  Biometric readers will be installed on all doors, and this will be: -   * Main Entrance- Gate. * Entrance door into the ticket sales * Entrance door into the security office * Entrance door into the ICT office * Gate moevator |

* All access control systems must be compatible and be able to integrate into existing PRASA BABYLON system
* All CCTV must be compatible and be able to integrate into existing PRASA Dallmeier system.
* Provision has been made to house electronic equipment in a 19-inch rack.
  + 1. Existing facilities improvement

1. Painting of platform lines to be in accordance with **Annexure E1 and E2.**
2. Reinstating or provision of bulk electrical, sewer, and water supply and connections to facilities
3. Reinstating or provision of platform lights to ensure visibility
4. Provision of station fencing to be constructed from face brick material and 3 metre in height from natural ground level.
   * 1. External Works
5. The various sites will have different requirements in relation to earthworks and levelling. The design and build contractor to familiarise himself with the site condition in order to design and include the cost associated with this element in the pricing schedule for the works.
6. Stone gabion walls to be used to support embankments where there is a level change
7. Landscaping and paving shall be included to provide walkways and parking spaces
   * 1. Access points
8. Renovate/improve access points into station facilities to ensure that fair evasion is minimised
9. The designs for the access points to be in terms of **Annexures E1 and E2.**
   * 1. Signages
10. Stations signage to be renovated or replaced to be in terms of the PRASA standards (refer to Annexure E1 and E2)
11. Provide directional signages and Occupational Health and Safety signage such fire escape, fire signages, and assembly points to comply with Local Authority requirements and Act 85 of 1993 requirements
12. Provide appropriate signages at the access points to provide relevant information to commuters
13. Provide information boards for commuters and customers per station. The number to be in terms of the **Annexure E1 and E2**.
    * 1. Commuter facilities
14. Provide commuter waiting area per platform adequate for the station size as per the criteria and categories contained in **Annexure E1 and E2.**
15. Waiting areas to have adequate sitting facilities which are appropriately designed to be robust and vandal proof.
16. Provision to be made for dustbin/waste bins which are fixed at appropriate intervals
    * 1. Universal Accessibility (UA)

Design should allow for UA for people living with disability in the access points, ablutions facilities, waiting areas, tickets offices and entire station precinct.

* + 1. Project timelines

The design and build contractor to provide a programme of works as part of the methodology and approach. The project duration or Time for Completion is 90 days.

* + 1. Compliance with Statutory Requirements

The design and build contractor shall comply with the following statutory requirements

1. Occupational Health and Safety Act (85 of 1993)
2. Construction Regulations
3. COVID-19 Protocols and Regulations issued in terms of the Disaster Management Act
4. Railway Safety Regulator
5. SANS standards especially 10400, 1200 and 2001
6. National Building Regulations and Standards Act
7. Council for Built Environment Act (43 of 2000)
   * 1. Temporary utilities

The design and build contractor shall provide temporary utilities as necessary to execute the works. This should be priced for in the tendered contract sum under the Preliminaries. These shall include water, electricity, ablutions, telecommunications, and any other services that the contractor shall require for the execution of the project.

* + 1. Briefing Session

1. The non- compulsory briefing session will be conducted virtually, and the details of such briefing will be shared on etender.
2. The virtual briefing session will be followed by an on-site inspection of the project wherein COVID-19 protocols will be enforced and adhered to. The details of which shall be shared with the bidders during the virtual briefing session.

**4.4 TARGETED AREA BY THIS PROJECT**

The project will cover the following key areas of a passenger railway station environment:

**Zone 1: Access and Interchange Zone (Access and Arrival)**

* Non-Motorised Transport Space/Area
* Car Park for Staff and Passengers
* Minibus/Taxi Drop-off zone
* Pedestrian Walkways
* Special needs persons/Universal Accessibility Considerations
* Information boards
* Signage
* Lighting

**Zone 2: Facilities Zone (Passenger Amenities)**

* Station Management facilities
* Ablution Facilities
* Ticket Sales Office
* Access Gates
* Queuing Facilities
* Information boards
* Signage
* Lighting

**Zone 3: Platform Zone**

* Boarding and alighting
* Staff facilities
* Information boards
* Signage
* Lighting
* Platform Shelters
* Passenger Seating
* Waste Bins
* Safe Zone
* Ablution Facilities
  1. **EXTENT AND COVERAGE OF THE PROPOSED PROJECT**

The extent of the areas to be covered by the project are as follows:

* Staff facilities, offices and buildings
* Staff parking
* Platforms and commuter ablutions
* Fire and electrical compliances
* Security, communication and CCTV surveillance
  1. **ALTERNATIVE BUILDING TECHNOLOGY (ABT) PROJECT LIST PER REGION**

The list of projects targeted by this procurement event is attached hereto as **Annexure A** for the Eastern Cape Region.

* **OTHER RELATED PROJECTS**

There are various projects on the National Station Improvement Projects targeting particular stations, however these exclude the stations earmarked for ABT projects.

* **SPECIFICATION OF THE WORK OR PRODUCTS OR SERVICES REQUIRED**
  1. Refer to concept drawings for a halt station which are attached hereto as **Annexure B**

6.2 The contract will be a FIDIC Conditions of Contract for EPC/Turnkey Projects. The Contract Data is attached hereto as **Annexure C**.

6.3 Refer to the PRASA - Norms, Guidelines and Standards (NGS) for Station Facilities (2014) and the PRASA – Blueprint Specifications 2016 which are attached hereto as **Annexure E1 and E2**

**4.5 CONTRACT PERIOD**

The duration of the contract is envisaged to be for a 90 days period.

# EVALUATION METHODOLOGY

# Evaluation and Scoring Methodology

The evaluation of the Bids by the evaluation committees will be conducted at various levels.

The following levels will be applied in the evaluation:

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| **LEVEL** | **DESCRIPTION** |
| Verify completeness | The Bid is checked for completeness and whether all required documentation, certificates; verify completeness warranties and other Bid requirements and formalities have been complied with. Incomplete Bids will be disqualified. |
| Verify compliance | The Bids are checked to verify that the essential RFP requirements have been met. Non-compliant Bids will be disqualified. |
| Detailed Evaluation of Technical | Detailed analysis of Bids to determine whether the Bidder is capable of delivering the Project in terms of business and technical requirements. **The minimum threshold for technical evaluation is 70*%*, any bidder who fails to meet the minimum requirement will be disqualified and not proceed with the evaluation of Price and B-BBEE.** |
| B-BBEE | Evaluate B-BBEE |
| Price Evaluation | Bidders will be evaluated on price offered. |
| Scoring | Scoring of Bids using the Evaluation Criteria. |
| Recommendation | Report formulation and recommendation of Preferred and Reserved Bidders |
| Best and Final Offer | PRASA may go into the Best and Final Offer process in the instance where no bid meets the requirements of the RFP and/or the Bids are to close in terms of points awarded. |
| Approval | Approval and notification of the final Bidder. |

# EVALUATION Criteria

The evaluation of Bids will be based on the information contained in Bids received in RFP and, which may be further supplemented by presentations and clarification information provided, if required. All Bids shall be equally evaluated by various committees involved in the evaluation process in accordance with stated Evaluation Criteria. Procurement integrity and fairness, transparency, competitiveness and full accountability will at all times be paramount.

Interested bidders for this project shall be evaluated in terms of their business credentials, financial standing, empowerment, technical capacity and experience. The evaluation committee shall use the following Evaluation Criteria depicted in Table 1 for the selection of the preferred bidder that shall execute construction work for the project.

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| **EVALUATION CRITERIA** | **WEIGHTING** |
| Stage 1A- Pre qualification requirements | Declaration Certificate for Local Production and Content (SBD 6.2) together with Annexure C (Local Content Declaration: Summary Schedule) must be completed, duly signed and submitted by the tenderer at the closing date and time of the tender |
| Stage 1B: Mandatory Compliance Requirements | Mandatory Basic Compliance |
| Stage 1C: Non – Mandatory Compliance Requirements | Non – Mandatory Basic Compliance |
| Stage 2 | Technical/Functionality |
| Technical/Functional Requirements | Threshold of 70% |
| Stage 3 | Price and BBBEE |
| Price | 80 |
| BBBEE | 20 |
| TOTAL | 100 |

**Figure 9.1:** Evaluation criteria for the selection of a potential bidder

**STAGE 1 - Compliance Requirements**

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| NO. | DESCRIPTION OF REQUIREMENT | TICK (X) |
| a) | Price Schedule/Bill of Quantities (BOQ) and Bid Form C |  |
| b) | Completion of ALL RFP documentation (includes ALL declarations and Commissioner of Oath signatures required) |  |
| c) | Proof of active CIDB grading level of 3 GB or 3 CE or Higher |  |
| d) | All professionals to be registered with Professional Bodies: -  Architect Pr Arch (SACAP)  Quantity Surveyor Pr QS (SACQSP)  Civil & Structural Engineer Pr Eng (ECSA)  Electrical & Mechanical Engineer Pr Eng (ECSA)  Town Planner (SACPLAN)  Health & Safety Consultant (SACPCMP)  Certified copies of the professional registration should be submitted and valid for a period of 6 months. |  |
| e) | Letter of Good Standing (i.e COIDA) |  |
| f) | Joint Venture / Consortium agreement / Trust Deed (if applicable) |  |

**1 Stage 1A: Mandatory Compliance Requirements**

Failure to submit the following documents then the Bid Proposal will be automatically disqualified: **Stage 1 B: Non - Mandatory Compliance Requirements**

The following documents are non-mandatory and where not submitted, PRASA may request all the documents and must be made available at the time of request within a stipulated period:

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| NO. | DESCRIPTION OF REQUIREMENT | TICK (X) |
| a) | Proof of Registration, Certificate of Incorporation or CK1. |  |
| b) | Company Registration Documents |  |
| c) | Copies of Directors’ ID documents; |  |
| d) | Valid Tax Clearance Certificate and Valid Tax Pin letter (must be valid on closing date of submission of the proposal) issued by SARS. |  |
| e) | CSD Summary report / CSD reference number |  |
| f) | Proof of UIF registration |  |
| g) | Proof of Bank Account (i.e. cancelled cheque of Letter issued by the Bank) |  |

**Table 9.2:** Technical Evaluation Criteria

Qualifying bidders shall be evaluated on technicality / functionality after meeting all compliance requirements outlined above. The minimum threshold for the technical/functionality requirements is **70%**. Bidders who score below the minimum requirement shall not be considered for further evaluation in stage 3.

Summary of the technical/functional requirements are presented in the table 9.2 below.

**Table 9.2:** Technical Evaluation Criteria

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| **CRITERIA FOR PROFESSIONAL TEAM EVALUATION** | | | |
| **EXPERIENCE OF KEY PERSONNEL** | | | |
| **Proof of number of similar projects implemented by the key personnel to be directly responsible for implementation of this project for each discipline *(Bidders to provide list and relevant appointment letter and reference letter per project in order for the submission to be complete per project on a company letterhead, signed and have contactable references*). *Similar project will be building related projects.*** | | | |
| CRITERIA | SCORES | SUB-WEIGHTS | CRITERIA WEIGHT |
| Architect | 5 points - Five (5) and above proof of similar projects  4 points - Four (4) proof of similar projects  3 points - Three (3) proof of similar project  2 points - One (1) - Two (2) proof of similar project  1 point - No submission (0) and unrelated Projects | 2% | 20% |
| Quantity Surveyor | 5 points - Five (5) and above proof of similar projects  4 points - Four (4) proof of similar projects  3 points - Three (3) proof of similar project  2 points - One (1) - Two (2) proof of similar project  1 point - No submission (0) and unrelated Projects | 2% |
| Health and Safety | 5 points - Five (5) and above proof of similar projects  4 points - Four (4) proof of similar projects  3 points - Three (3) proof of similar project  2 points - One (1) - Two (2) proof of similar project  1 point - No submission (0) and unrelated Projects | 2% |
| Electrical and Mechanical Engineer | 5 points - Five (5) and above proof of similar projects  4 points - Four (4) proof of similar projects  3 points - Three (3) proof of similar project  2 points - One (1) - Two (2) proof of similar project  1 point - No submission (0) and unrelated Projects | 2% |
| Civil Engineer and Structural Engineer | 5 points - Five (5) and above proof of similar projects  4 points - Four (4) proof of similar projects  3 points - Three (3) proof of similar project  2 points - One (1) - Two (2) proof of similar project  1 point - No submission (0) and unrelated Projects | 2% |
| **Lead Consultant *(Bidder to indicate the lead consultant)*** | 5 points - Five (5) and above proof of Design and Build (Turnkey) projects  4 points - Four (4) proof of Design and Build (Turnkey) projects  3 points - Three (3) proof of Design and Build (Turnkey) projects  2 points - One (1) - Two (2) proof of Design and Build (Turnkey) projects  1 point - No submission (0) or irrelevant submission | 10% |  |

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| **Years of experience (post qualification) and professional registration of the key personnel to be directly responsible for implementation of this project for each discipline *(Bidders to provide CVs with originally certified professional registration certificates not older than six (6) months):***   |  |  | | --- | --- | | **Required professional registration** | **Professional Body** | | Professional Architect | SACAP | | Professional Quantity Surveyor | SACQSP | | Town Planner | SACPLAN | | Health and Safety Agent | SACPCMP | | Professional Electrical and Mechanical Engineer | ECSA | | Professional Civil and Structural Engineer | ECSA | | | | |
| **CRITERIA** | **SCORES** | **SUB-WEIGHTS** | **CRITERIA WEIGHT** |
| Architect | 5 points - Five (5) years and above experience on similar projects  4 points - Four (4) years experience on similar projects  3 points - Three (3) years experience on similar projects  2 points - One (1) – Two (2) years experience on similar projects  1 point - No submission (0) and unrelated projects or irrelevant submission | 4% | 20% |
| Quantity Surveyor | 5 points - Five (5) years and above experience on similar projects  4 points - Four (4) years experience on similar projects  3 points - Three (3) years experience on similar projects  2 points - One (1) – Two (2) years experience on similar projects or irrelevant submission  1 point - No submission (0) and unrelated projects or irrelevant submission | 2% |  |
| Town Planner | 5. Five (5) years and above experience on similar projects  4. Four (4) years experience on similar projects  3. Three (3) years experience on similar projects  2. One (1) – Two (2) years experience on similar projects  1. No submission (0) and unrelated projects or irrelevant submission | 2% |  |
| Health and Safety Agent | 5 points - Five (5) years and above experience on similar projects  4 points - Four (4) years experience on similar projects  3 points - Three (3) years experience on similar projects  2 points - One (1) – Two (2) years experience on similar projects  1 point - No submission (0) and unrelated projects or irrelevant submission | 2% |  |
| Electrical and Mechanical Engineer | 5 points - Five (5) years and above experience on similar projects  4 points - Four (4) years experience on similar projects  3 points - Three (3) years experience on similar projects  2 points - One (1) – Two (2) years experience on similar projects  1 point - No submission (0) and unrelated projects or irrelevant submission | 2% |  |
| Civil Engineer and Structural Engineer | 5 points - Five (5) years and above experience on similar projects  4 points - Four (4) years experience on similar projects  3 points - Three (3) years experience on similar projects  2 points - One (1) – Two (2) years experience on similar projects  1 point - No submission (0) and unrelated projects or irrelevant submission | 3% |  |
| **Lead Consultant *(Bidder to indicate the lead consultant)*** | 5 points - Five (5) and above proof of Design and Build (Turnkey) projects  4 points - Four (4) proof of Design and Build (Turnkey) projects  3 points - Three (3) proof of Design and Build (Turnkey) projects  2 points - One (1) - Two (2) proof of Design and Build (Turnkey) projects  1 point - No submission (0) or irrelevant submission | 5% |  |

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| **C: TECHNICAL APPROACH AND METHODOLOGY**  **Proposed methodology should demonstrate thorough understanding of PRASA’s objectives and required deliverables as outlined in the Scope of Work and meeting PRASA’s requirements.** | | |
|  | A detailed plan for the project management, design, quality management and construction supervision and close out specific to the particular ABT project | 10% |
| Detailed technical approach and methodology is provided that is aligned to the scope of work/ highlighting the following elements:   * risk/s and mitigation measures associated with the project * project schedule which shows estimated start and finish dates * major milestones * information on project execution, integration and redundancy for unforeseen delays or occurrences | 5= Detailed technical approach and methodology that is aligned to the scope of work highlighting all 4 elements  4 = Detailed technical approach and methodology that is aligned to the scope of work highlighting 3 elements  3 = Detailed technical approach and methodology that is aligned to the scope of work highlighting 2 elements  2 = Detailed technical approach and methodology that is aligned to the scope of work highlighting 1 element  1 = No Submission or irrelevant information provided |  |
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|  | **CRITERIA FOR TECHNICAL EVALUATION OF CONTRACTOR** | | | |
|  | **Years of experience of key personnel to be directly responsible for implementation of this project. *(please provide CVs with certified certificates). Similar projects shall include building related projects:*** | | | |
| Qualified Construction Manager with a qualification in Civil Engineering or Construction Management or Building Science (*Qualifications are National Diploma or B-Tech or Degree)* | | 5 points - Five (5) years and above experience on similar projects  4 points - Four (4) years experience on similar projects  3 points - Three (3) years experience on similar projects  2 points - One (1) – Two (2) years experience on similar projects  1 point - No submission (0) or irrelevant submission | 4% | 20% |
| Qualified Site Agent with a qualification in Civil Engineering or Construction Management or Building Science (*Qualifications are National Diploma or B-Tech or Degree)* | | 5 points - Five (5) years and above experience on similar projects  4 points - Four (4) years experience on similar projects  3 points - Three (3) years experience on similar projects  2 points - One (1) – Two (2) years experience on similar projects  1 point - No submission (0) or irrelevant submission | 4% |
| General Foreman with minimum N2 and experience in the Built Environment experience.  (*If a candidate does not possess a minimum N2 then it will be considered irrelevant submission)* | | 5 points - Five (5) years and above experience on similar projects  4 points - Four (4) years experience on similar projects  3 points - Three (3) years experience on similar projects  2 points - One (1) – Two (2) years experience on similar projects  1 point - No submission (0) or irrelevant submission | 2% |
| Health and Safety Officer | | 5 points - Five (5) years and above experience on similar projects  4 points - Four (4) years experience on similar projects  3 points - Three (3) years experience on similar projects  2 points - One (1) – Two (2) years experience on similar projects  1 point - No submission (0) or irrelevant submission | 2% |
| Welding Artisan with a National Certificate in Welding Qualification  (*Experience must be post apprenticeship*) | | 5 points - Five (5) years and above post apprenticeship experience on similar projects  4 points - Four (4) years post apprenticeship experience on similar projects  3 points - Three (3) years post apprenticeship experience on similar projects  2 points - One (1) – Two (2) years post apprenticeship experience on similar projects  1 point - No submission (0) or irrelevant submission | 8% |
|  | **Company’s experience in the execution and completion of similar projects. Similar projects shall be Alternative Building Technology projects using shipping containers. *(Provide appointment letters and letter of completion per project on a company letterhead, signed and have contactable references)*** | | | |
|  | |  |  |  |
| Proof of experience executing and completion of 5 similar projects | | **5 points** | 20% | |
| Proof of experience executing and completion of 4 similar projects | | **4 points** |
| Proof of experience executing and completion of 3 similar projects | | **3 points** |
| Proof of experience executing and completion of 2 similar projects | | **2 points** |
| Proof of experience executing and completion of 1 similar projects or no submission or irrelevant submission | | **1 point** |
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| Financial Capability of the Bidder (*Bidder to submit complete set of financial statements)* | | | |
| Financial Capability | **Financial Capacity: Operating cash flow**  The operating cash flow ratio measures a company’s short-term liquidity. Formula: Operating Cash Flows Ratio = Cash Flows From Operations/Current Liabilities.  Bidder should submit a complete set of financial statements  (Recent 2 years’ financial statements prepared by a registered professional) | 5 = Operating Cash Flows Ratio X ≥ 1  4 = Operating Cash Flows Ratio 0.5 > X <1  3 = Operating Cash Flows Ratio 0 >X < 0.5  2 = Operating Cash Flows Ratio X < 0  1 = No Submission of financial Statement | 10% |

**Stage 3: Pricing and B-BBEE**

## SBD 6.1 PREFERENCE POINTS CLAIM FORM IN TERMS OF THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS 2017

This preference form must form part of all bids invited. It contains general information and

serves as a claim form for preference points for Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment (B-BBEE) Status Level of Contribution

## NB: BEFORE COMPLETING THIS FORM, BIDDERS MUST STUDY THE GENERAL CONDITIONS, DEFINITIONS AND DIRECTIVES APPLICABLE IN RESPECT OF BBBEE, AS PRESCRIBED IN THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT

**REGULATIONS, 2017.**

## 1. GENERAL CONDITIONS

1.1 The following preference point systems are applicable to this bid:

- the 80/20 system for requirements with a Rand value from R50 000 000 and below (all applicable taxes included).

1.2

1. The value of this bid is estimated below R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included) and therefore the 80/20 preference point system shall be applicable; or
2. The 80/20 preference point system will be applicable to this tender.

1.3 Points for this bid shall be awarded for:

1. Price; and
2. B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor.
   1. 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. 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.
  2. 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.

## 2. DEFINITIONS

1. **“B-BBEE”** means broad-based black economic empowerment as defined in section 1 of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act;
2. “**B-BBEE status level of contributor”** means the B-BBEE status of an entity in terms of a code of good practice on black economic empowerment, issued in terms of section 9(1) of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act;
3. **“bid”** means a written offer in a prescribed or stipulated form in response to an invitation by an organ of state for the provision of goods or services, through price quotations, advertised competitive bidding processes or proposals;

### (d) “Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act” means the Broad-Based

Black Economic Empowerment Act, 2003 (Act No. 53 of 2003);

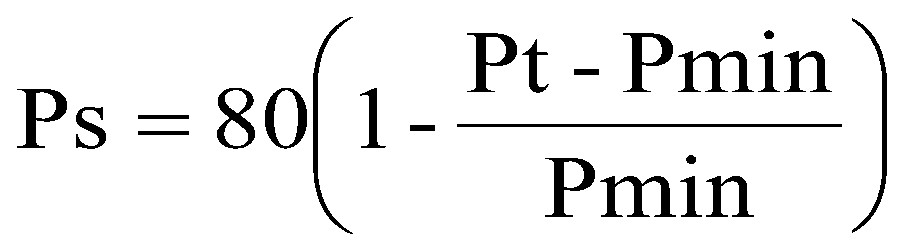
1. **“EME”** means an Exempted Micro Enterprise in terms of a code of good practice on black economic empowerment issued in terms of section 9 (1) of the BroadBased Black Economic Empowerment Act;
2. **“functionality”** means the ability of a tenderer to provide goods or services in accordance with specifications as set out in the tender documents. (g)  **“prices”** includes all applicable taxes less all unconditional discounts;
3. **“proof of B-BBEE status level of contributor”** means:
   1. B-BBEE Status level certificate issued by an authorized body or person;
   2. A sworn affidavit as prescribed by the B-BBEE Codes of Good Practice;
   3. Any other requirement prescribed in terms of the B-BBEE Act;
4. **“QSE”** means a qualifying small business enterprise in terms of a code of good practice on black economic empowerment issued in terms of section 9 (1) of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act;

1. **“rand value”** means the total estimated value of a contract in Rand, calculated at the time of bid invitation, and includes all applicable taxes;

## 3. POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE

### THE 80/20 PREFERENCE POINT SYSTEMS

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



Where:

Ps = Points scored for the price of tender under consideration;

Pt. = Rand value of the tender under consideration; Pin = Rand value of the lowest acceptable tender.

## POINTS AWARDED FOR B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL OF CONTRIBUTOR

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

points must be awarded to a bidder for attaining the B-BBEE status level of contribution

in accordance with the table below:

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

## BID DECLARATION

Bidders who claim points in respect of B-BBEE Status Level of Contribution must complete

the following:

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

B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor: = ………(maximum of 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.

## SUB-CONTRACTING

Will any portion of the contract be sub-contracted?

(***Tick applicable box***)

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| YES |  | NO |  |

If yes, indicate:

i) What percentage of the contract will be subcontracted............…………….…………% ii) The name of the subcontractor…………………………………………………………..

iii) The B-BBEE status level of the subcontractor......................................…………….. iv)Whether the sub-contractor is an EME or QSE ***(Tick applicable box***)

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| YES |  | NO |  |

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 last 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 |  |  |
| **Designated Group: An EME or QSE which is at last 51% owned by:** | **EME**  **√** | **QSE**  **√** |
| Cooperative owned by black people |  |  |
| Black people who are military veterans |  |  |
| **OR** |  |  |
| Any EME |  |  |
| Any QSE |  |  |

## DECLARATION WITH REGARD TO COMPANY/FIRM

7.1 Name of

company/firm:…………………………………………………………………………….

7.2 VAT registration

number:……………………………………….…………………………………

7.3 Company registration

number:…………….……………………….…………………………….

7.4 TYPE OF COMPANY/ FIRM

 Partnership/Joint Venture / Consortium

 One person business/sole propriety

 Close corporation

 Company

 (Pty) Limited

[TICK APPLICABLE BOX]

7.5 DESCRIBE PRINCIPAL BUSINESS ACTIVITIES

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7.6 COMPANY CLASSIFICATION

 Manufacturer

 Supplier

 Professional service provider

 Other service providers, e.g. transporter, etc.

[*TICK APPLICABLE BOX*]

7.7 Total number of years the company/firm has been in business:………………………

7.8 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:

1. The information furnished is true and correct;

1. The preference points claimed are in accordance with the General Conditions as indicated in paragraph 1 of this form;
2. 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;
3. 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 –

* 1. disqualify the person from the bidding process;
  2. recover costs, losses or damages it has incurred or suffered as a result of that person’s conduct;
  3. 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;
  4. 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
  5. forward the matter for criminal prosecution.

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| |  | | --- | | WITNESSES         1. ……………………………………..      1. ……………………………………. | | |  | | --- | | ……………………………………….  SIGNATURE(S) OF BIDDERS(S)  DATE:    …………………………………..  ADDRESS ………………………………….. | |

**SBD 6.2**

**DECLARATION CERTIFICATE FOR LOCAL PRODUCTION AND CONTENT FOR**

**DESIGNATED SECTORS**

This Standard Bidding Document (SBD) must form part of all bids invited. It contains general information and serves as a declaration form for local content (local production and local content are used interchangeably).

Before completing this declaration, bidders must study the General Conditions, Definitions, Directives applicable in respect of Local Content as prescribed in the Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2017, the South African Bureau of Standards (SABS) approved technical specification number SATS 1286:2011 (Edition 1) and the Guidance on the Calculation of Local Content together with the Local Content Declaration Templates [Annex C (Local Content Declaration: Summary Schedule), D (Imported Content Declaration: Supporting Schedule to Annex C) and E (Local Content Declaration: Supporting Schedule to Annex C)].

1. General Conditions

* 1. Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2017 (Regulation 8) make provision for the promotion of local production and content.

* 1. Regulation 8.(2) prescribes that in the case of designated sectors, organs of state must advertise such tenders with the specific bidding condition that only locally produced or manufactured goods, with a stipulated minimum threshold for local production and content will be considered.

* 1. Where necessary, for tenders referred to in paragraph 1.2 above, a two stage bidding process may be followed, where the first stage involves a minimum threshold for local production and content and the second stage price and B-BBEE.

* 1. 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.

* 1. The local content (LC) expressed as a percentage of the bid price must be calculated in accordance with the SABS approved technical specification number SATS 1286: 2011 as follows:

LC = [1 - x / y] \* 100

Where x is the imported content in Rand

y is the bid price in Rand excluding value added tax (VAT)

Prices referred to in the determination of x must be converted to Rand (ZAR) by using the exchange rate published by South African Reserve Bank (SARB) at 12:00 on the date of advertisement of the bid as indicated in paragraph 4.1 below.

The SABS approved technical specification number SATS 1286:2011 is accessible on http:/www.thedti.gov.za/industrial development/ip.jsp at no cost.

* 1. A bid may be disqualified if this Declaration Certificate and the Annex C (Local Content Declaration: Summary Schedule) are not submitted as part of the bid documentation;

1. The stipulated minimum threshold(s) for local production and content (refer to Annex A of SATS 1286:2011) for this bid is/are as follows:

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
|  | Minimum  Threshold for  Local Content |
| Street Light Steel Poles, | 100% |
| Office Furniture | 85% |
| Solar Water Heater Components | 70% |
| Electrical and telecom cables | 90% |
| Valves products and actuators | 70% |
| Electricity Meters  SMART Meters | 70%  50% |
| Solar PV Components:   * Laminated PV Modules * Module Frame * DC Combiner Boxes * Mounting Structure * Inverter | 15%  65%  65%  90%  40% |
| Steel Value-added Products   * Fabricated Structural Steel * Joining/Connecting Components * Frames * Roof and Cladding * Fasteners * Wire Products * Ducting and Structural pipework  Gutters, downpipes & lauders      * Plates * Sheets * Galvanised and Colour Coated Coils * Wire Rod and Drawn Wire * Sections * Reinforcing bars | 100%  100%  100%  100%  100%  100%  100%  100%    100%  100%  100%  100%  100%  100% |
| Rails and rail joints | 100% |
| Plastic Pipes:   * Polyvinyl chloride (PVC) pipes * High density polyethylene (HDPE) pipes * Polypropylene (PP) pipes * Glass reinforced plastic (GRP) pipes * Wheely Bins | 100%  100%  100%  100%  100% |
| Super structure | 100% |
| Sub structure | 100% |
| Structural Steel | 100% |
| Manhole cover & Frame | 100% |
| Concrete Paving Asphalt | 100%  100% |
| Timber & all carpentry | 100% |

1. Does any portion of the goods or services offered

have any imported content?

(Tick applicable box)

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| YES |  | NO |  |

3..1 If yes, the rate(s) of exchange to be used in this bid to calculate the local content as prescribed in paragraph 1.5 of the general conditions must be the rate(s) published by SARB for the specific currency at 12:00 on the date of advertisement of the bid.

The relevant rates of exchange information is accessible on www.reservebank.co.za

Indicate the rate(s) of exchange against the appropriate currency in the table below (refer to Annex A of SATS 1286:2011):

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Currency | Rates of exchange |
| US Dollar |  |
| Pound Sterling |  |
| Euro |  |
| Yen |  |
| Other |  |

NB: Bidders must submit proof of the SARB rate (s) of exchange used.

1. Where, after the award of a bid, challenges are experienced in meeting the stipulated minimum threshold for local content the dti must be informed accordingly in order for the dti to verify and in consultation with the AO/AA provide directives in this regard.

LOCAL CONTENT DECLARATION

(REFER TO ANNEX B OF SATS 1286:2011)

LOCAL CONTENT DECLARATION BY CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER OR OTHER LEGALLY RESPONSIBLE PERSON NOMINATED IN WRITING BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OR SENIOR MEMBER/PERSON WITH MANAGEMENT RESPONSIBILITY (CLOSE CORPORATION, PARTNERSHIP OR INDIVIDUAL)

IN RESPECT OF BID NO. .................................................................................

ISSUED BY: (Procurement Authority / Name of Institution):

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NB

1. The obligation to complete, duly sign and submit this declaration cannot be transferred to an external authorized representative, auditor or any other third party acting on behalf of the bidder.
2. Guidance on the Calculation of Local Content together with Local Content Declaration Templates (Annex C, D and E) is accessible on http://www.thdti.gov.za/industrial development/ip.jsp. Bidders should first complete

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| Declaration D. After completing Declaration D, bidders should complete Declaration E and then consolidate the information on Declaration C. Declaration C should be submitted with the bid documentation at the closing date and time of the bid in order to substantiate the declaration made in paragraph (c) below. Declarations D and E should be kept by the bidders for verification purposes for a period of at least 5 years. The successful bidder is required to continuously update Declarations C, D and E with the actual values for the duration of the contract.    I, the undersigned, …………………………….................................................... (full names), do hereby declare, in my capacity as ……………………………………… ………..  of ...............................................................................................................(name of bidder entity), the following:     1. The facts contained herein are within my own personal knowledge.      1. I have satisfied myself that:   (i) the goods/services/works to be delivered in terms of the above-specified bid  comply with the minimum local content requirements as specified in the bid, and as measured in terms of SATS 1286:2011; and   1. The local content percentage (%) indicated below has been calculated using the formula given in clause 3 of SATS 1286:2011, the rates of exchange indicated in paragraph 4.1 above and the information contained in Declaration D and E which has been consolidated in Declaration C:  |  |  | | --- | --- | | Bid price, excluding VAT (y) | R | | Imported content (x), as calculated in terms of SATS 1286:2011 | R | | Stipulated minimum threshold for local content (paragraph 3 above) |  | | Local content %, as calculated in terms of SATS 1286:2011 |  |     If the bid is for more than one product, the local content percentages for each product contained in Declaration C shall be used instead of the table above.  The local content percentages for each product has been calculated using the formula given in clause 3 of SATS 1286:2011, the rates of exchange indicated in paragraph 4.1 above and the information contained in Declaration D and E.     1. I accept that the Procurement Authority / Institution has the right to request that the local content be verified in terms of the requirements of SATS 1286:2011. 2. I understand that the awarding of the bid is dependent on the accuracy of the information furnished in this application. I also understand that the submission of incorrect data, or data that are not verifiable as described in SATS 1286:2011, may result in the Procurement Authority / Institution imposing any or all of the remedies as provided for in Regulation 14 of the Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2017 promulgated under the Preferential Policy Framework Act (PPPFA), 2000 (Act No. 5 of 2000).     SIGNATURE: DATE: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_    WITNESS No. 1 DATE: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_    WITNESS No. 2 DATE: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |

# validity period

This RFP shall be valid for *90 days* calculated from Bid closing date.

# B-BBEE REQUIREMENTS

A Bidder must submit proof of its B-BBEE status level contributor, a Bidder failing to submit proof of B-BBEE status level of contributor or is a non-compliant contributor to B-BBEE may not be disqualified and will score 0 points out of 20 for B-BBEE.

# POST TENDER NEGOTIATION (IF APPLICABLE)

PRASA reserves the right to conduct post tender negotiations with a shortlist of Respondent(s). The shortlist could comprise of one or more Respondents. Should PRASA conduct post tender negotiations, Respondents will be requested to provide their best and final offers to PRASA based on such negotiations. A final evaluation will be conducted in terms of 80/20.

# BEST AND FINAL OFFER

PRASA reserves the right to embark on the Best and Final Offer (BAFO) Process where:

1. None of the proposals meet the RFP requirements;
2. None of the responses to RFP are affordable and demonstrate value for money; and
3. There is no clear preferred Response to this RFP.

Upon the decision by PRASA to embark on a BAFO process it shall notify the response to RFP.

# FINAL CONTRACT AWARD

PRASA will negotiate the final terms and condition the contract with the successful Respondent(s). This may include aspects such as Supplier Development, the B-BBEE Improvement Plan, price and delivery. Thereafter the final contract will be awarded to the successful Respondent(s).

# FAIRNESS AND TRANSPARENCY

PRASA views fairness and transparency during the RFP Process as an absolute on which PRASA will not compromise. PRASA will ensure that all members of evaluation committees declare any conflicting or undue interest in the process and provide confidentiality undertakings to PRASA.

The evaluation process will be tightly monitored and controlled by PRASA to assure integrity and transparency throughout, with all processes and decisions taken being approved and auditable.

**SECTION 3**

PRICING AND DELIVERY SCHEDULE

Respondents are required to complete the Pricing Schedule/ BOQ Form C (Volume 2 /Envelop 2

1. PRICING
   * + 1. Prices must be quoted in South African Rand, inclusive of VAT.
       2. Price offer is firm and clearly indicate the basis thereof.
       3. Pricing Bill of Quantity is completed in line with schedule if applicable.
       4. Cost breakdown must be indicated.
       5. Price escalation basis and formula must be indicated.
       6. To facilitate like-for like comparison bidders must submit pricing strictly in accordance with this price schedule and not utilise a different format. Deviation from this pricing schedule could result in a bid being declared non-responsive.
       7. Please note that should you have offered a discounted price(s), PRASA will only consider such price discount(s) in the final evaluation stage on an unconditional basis.
       8. Respondents are to note that if price offered by the highest scoring bidder is not market related, PRASA may not award the contract to the Respondent. PRASA may:
       9. negotiate a market-related price with the Respondent scoring the highest points or cancel the RFP;
       10. if that Respondent does not agree to a market-related price, negotiate a market-related price with the Respondent scoring the second highest points or cancel the RFP; and
       11. if the Respondent scoring the second highest points does not agree to a market-related price, negotiate a market-related price with the Respondent scoring the third highest points or cancel the RFP.
       12. If a market-related price is not agreed with the Respondent scoring the third highest points, PRASA must cancel the RFP.
2. DISCLOSURE OF PRICES QUOTED

Respondents are to note that, on award of business, PRASA is required to publish the tendered prices and preferences claimed of the successful and unsuccessful Respondents inter alia on the National Treasury e-Tender Publication Portal, ([www.etenders.gov.za](http://www.etenders.gov.za)), as required per National Treasury Instruction Note 01 of 2015/2016.

1. PERFORMANCE AND BID BONDS (NOT APPLICABLE)

## The preferred Bidder shall where applicable provide PRASA with a performance bond which shall be 10% of the value of the entire Project price offered and it shall be issued with 30 days of receipt of notice of appointment. The Performance Bond shall be valid for the Contract period.

1. OWNERSHIP OF DESIGN

## The plans and design developed and to be provided by PRASA shall at all times remain the property of PRASA.]

1. SERVICE LEVELS

## An experienced national account representative(s) is required to work with PRASA’s procurement department. [No sales representatives are needed for individual department or locations]. Additionally, there shall be a minimal number of people, fully informed and accountable for this agreement.

## PRASA will have quarterly reviews with the Service provider’s account representative on an on-going basis.

## PRASA reserves the right to request that any member of the Service provider’s team involved on the PRASA account be replaced if deemed not to be adding value for PRASA.

## The Service provider guarantees that it will achieve a 100% [hundred per cent] service level on the following measures:

* + 1. Random checks on compliance with quality/quantity/specifications
    2. On time delivery.

## The Service provider must provide a telephone number for customer service calls.

## Failure of the Service provider to comply with stated service level requirements will give PRASA the right to cancel the contract in whole, without penalty to PRASA, giving 30 [thirty] calendar days’ notice to the Service provider of its intention to do so.

**Acceptance of Service Levels:**

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| **YES** |  |

6.TOTAL COST OF OWNERSHIP (TCO)

* 1. PRASA will strive to procure goods, services and works which contribute to its mission. In order to achieve this, PRASA must be committed to working with suppliers who share its goals of continuous improvement in service, quality and reduction of Total Cost of Ownership (TCO).
  2. Respondents shall indicate whether they would be committed, for the duration of any contract which may be awarded through this RFP process, to participate with PRASA in its continuous improvement initiatives to reduce the total cost of ownership [TCO], which will reduce the overall cost of transportation services and related logistics provided by PRASA’s operating divisions within South Africa to the ultimate benefit of all end-users.

1. FINANCIAL STABILITY

Respondents are required to submit their latest financial statements prepared and signed off by a professional accountant for the past 2 years with their Proposal in order to enable PRASA to establish financial stability.

SIGNED at \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 20…….

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1. VALIDITY OF RETURNABLE DOCUMENTS

The successful Respondent will be required to ensure the validity of all returnable documents, including but not limited to its Tax Clearance Certificate and valid B-BBEE Verification Certificate, for the duration of any contract emanating from this RFP. Should the Respondent be awarded the contract [the Agreement] and fail to present PRASA with such renewals as and when they become due, PRASA shall be entitled, in addition to any other rights and remedies that it may have in terms of the eventual Agreement, to terminate such Agreement forthwith without any liability and without prejudice to any claims which PRASA may have for damages against the Respondent.

SIGNED at \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 20…….

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1. CERTIFICATE OF ACQUAINTANCE WITH RFP TERMS & CONDITIONS & APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS

By signing this certificate the Respondent is deemed to acknowledge that he/she has made himself/herself thoroughly familiar with, and agrees with all the conditions governing this RFP, including those contained in any printed form stated to form part hereof, including but not limited to the documents stated below and PRASA will recognise no claim for relief based on an allegation that the Respondent overlooked any such condition or failed properly to take it into account for the purpose of calculating tendered prices or any other purpose:

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| 1. PRASA’s General Bid Conditions\* |
| 2. Standard RFP Terms and Conditions for the supply of Goods or Services or Works to PRASA |

Should the Bidder find any terms or conditions stipulated in any of the relevant documents quoted in the RFP unacceptable, it should indicate which conditions are unacceptable and offer alternatives by written submission on its company letterhead, attached to its submitted Bid. Any such submission shall be subject to review by PRASA’s Legal Counsel who shall determine whether the proposed alternative(s) are acceptable or otherwise, as the case may be. A material deviation from the Standard terms or conditions could result in disqualification.

Bidders accept that an obligation rests on them to clarify any uncertainties regarding any bid to which they intend to respond, before submitting the bid. The Bidder agrees that he/she will have no claim based on an allegation that any aspect of this RFP was unclear but in respect of which he/she failed to obtain clarity.

The bidder understands that his/her Bid will be disqualified if this Certificate of Acquaintance with RFP documents included in the RFP as a returnable document, is found not to be true and complete in every respect.

SIGNED at \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_2….

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1. GENERAL CONDITIONS
   1. ALTERNATIVE BIDS

Bidders may submit alternative Bid only if a main Bid, strictly in accordance with all the requirements of the RFP is also submitted. The alternative Bid is submitted with the main Bid together with a schedule that compares the requirements of the RFP with the alternative requirements the Bidders proposes. Bidders must note that in submitting an alternative Bid they accept that PRASA may accept or reject the alternative Bid and shall be evaluated in accordance with the criteria stipulated in this RFP.

* 1. PRASA’S TENDER FORMS

Bidders must sign and complete the PRASA’s Bid Forms and attach all the required documents. Failure by Bidders to adhere to this requirement may lead to their disqualification.

* 1. Precedent

In case of any conflict with this RFP and Bidders response, this RFP and its briefing notes shall take precedence.

* 1. Response to RFP-Confidentiality

Response to RFPs must clearly indicate whether any information conveyed to or requested from PRASA is confidential or should be treated confidentially by PRASA. In the absence of any such clear indication in writing from a response to RFP, PRASA shall deem the response to RFP to have waived any right to confidentiality and treat such information as public in nature.

Where a Bidder at any stage during the RFP Process indicates to PRASA that information or any response to RFP requested from PRASA is or should be treated confidentially, PRASA shall treat such information or response to RFP confidentially, unless PRASA believes that to ensure the transparency and competitiveness of the RFP Process the content of the information or response to RFP should be conveyed to all Bidders, in which event it shall apply the following process:

* PRASA shall confirm with the Bidder whether the raising of confidentiality applies to the entire response to the RFP or only specific elements or sections of the response;
* Where confidentiality is maintained by the Bidder and PRASA is of the opinion that the information or response to RFP if made publicly available would affect the commercial interests of the Bidder or is commercially sensitive information, PRASA shall not release such information to other Bidders if providing such information or response to the RFP would prejudice the competitiveness and transparency of the RFP Process;
* Where PRASA is of the opinion that information provided is not commercially sensitive or would have no impact on the commercial interests of the relevant Bidder if released and fairness and transparency requires that such information be released to all Bidders, PRASA may:
  + 1. inform the relevant Bidder of the necessity to release such information and/or response to RFP and request the Bidder to consent to the release thereof by PRASA; or
    2. obtain legal advice regarding the confidentiality of the relevant information and/or response to RFP and the legal ability of PRASA to release such information; or
    3. refrain from releasing the information and/or response to RFP, in which event PRASA shall not take account of the contents of such information in the evaluation of the relevant response to RFP.

The above procedures regarding confidentiality shall not apply to any information which is already public knowledge or available in the public domain or in the hands of PRASA or is required to be disclosed by any legal or regulatory requirements or order of any competent court, tribunal or forum.

* 1. Response to the RFP – RFP Disqualification

Responses to RFP which do not comply with the RFP requirements, formalities, terms and conditions may be disqualified by PRASA from further participation in the RFP Process.

In particular (but without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing) PRASA may disqualify, at its sole discretion and without prejudice to any other remedy it may have, a Bidder where the Bidder, or any of its consortium members, subcontractors or advisors have committed any act of misrepresentation, bad faith or dishonest conduct in any of its dealings with or information provided to PRASA.

* 1. Corruption, Gifts and Payments

Neither the Bidders to RFPs, its equity members, the sub-contractors, consortium members nor any of their agents, lenders or advisors shall directly or indirectly offer or give to any person in the employment of PRASA or any other Government official or any of the Advisory Team any gift or consideration of any kind as an inducement or reward for appointing a particular Bidder, or for showing or omitting to show favour or disfavour to any of the Bidders, its equity members or the sub-contractors in relation to the Project.

In the event that any of the prohibited practices contemplated under the above paragraph is committed, PRASA shall be entitled to terminate any Response to RFP’s status and to prohibit such Response to RFP, its equity members, its SPV members, its Sub Contractors and their agents, lenders and advisors from participating in any further part of the procurement of the Project.

* 1. INSURANCE

Unless specifically provided for in this RFP or draft contracts, Bidders will be required to submit with their Bid for services professional indemnity insurance and works insurance to an extent (if any) if insurance provided by PRASA may not be for the full cover required in terms of the relevant category listed in this RFP. The Bidder is advised to seek qualified advice regarding insurance.

* 1. No Contact Policy

Bidders may only contact the bid administrator of PRASA as per the terms of the Communication Structure established by this RFP, except in the case of pre-existing commercial relationships, in which case contact may be maintained only with respect thereto and, in making such contact, no party may make reference to the Project or this RFP.

* 1. Conflict of Interest

No Bidder member, subcontractor or advisor of the response to RFP may be a member of or in any other way participate or be involved, either directly or indirectly in more than one response to RFP or response to RFP during any stage of the Project procurement process, but excluding specialist suppliers of systems and equipment, non-core service providers or financial or commercial institutions whose role is limited purely to lending money or advancing credit to the response to RFP. Bidders are to sign the declaration of interest form. In order to prevent the conflict or potential conflict of interest between Lenders and Bidders to RFP, no advisors or the Contractor/s or Consortium/s to any response to RFP, consortium member or subcontractor may fulfil the role of arranger, underwriter and/or lead bank to the response to RFP. PRASA may disqualify the response to RFP from further participation in the event of a failure to comply with this provision. PRASA views the potential conflict of interest so great as to warrant the reduction of competition for advisory services.

* 1. Collusion AND CORRUPTION

Any Bidder shall, without prejudice to any other remedy available to PRASA, be disqualified, where the response to RFP –

* communicates to a person other than persons nominated by PRASA a material part of its response to RFP; or
* Enters into any Contract or arrangement with any other person or entity that it shall refrain from submitting a response to RFP to this RFP or as to any material part of its Response to RFP to this RFP (refer the prohibition contained in Section 4(1)(b)(iii) of the Competition Act 89 of 1998). . The Bidders represents that the Bidder has not, directly or indirectly, entered into any agreement, arrangement or understanding or any such like for the purpose of, with the intention to, enter into collusive Biding or with reasonable appreciation that, collusive any agreement, arrangement or understanding or any such like may result in or have the effect of collusive Biding. The Bidder undertakes that in the process of the Bid but prior to PRASA awarding the Bid to a preferred bidder become involved in or be aware of or do or caused to be done any agreement, arrangement or understanding or any such like for the purpose of or which may result in or have the effect of a collusive Bid, the Bidder will notify PRASA of such any agreement, arrangement or understanding or any such like.; or
* offers or agrees to pay or give any sum of money, inducement or valuable consideration directly or indirectly to any person for doing or having done, or causing, or having caused to be done any act or omission in relation to the RFP Process or any proposed response to RFP (provided nothing contained in this paragraph shall prevent a response to RFP from paying any market-related commission or bonus to its employees or contractors within the agreed terms of their employment or contract).
  1. Consortium Changes

If exceptional circumstances should arise in which a after the submission to the bid and after closing date of submission of bids, there is change in the composition of the Bidder, either through substitution or omission of any member of the Bidder:

* The Response to RFP must notify PRASA in writing of the proposed changes supported by complete details of the material reasons for the changes, the parties impacted by the changes and the impact on the response to RFP.
* PRASA shall evaluate the reasons advanced by the Bidder for the requested changes to the Bidder structure and where PRASA is not satisfied that the reasons advanced are reasonable or material, refuse to accept the change and disqualify the response to RFP, or notify the Bidder in writing of its non-acceptance of the changes and require the Bidder to propose a suitable alternative to PRASA within 10 (TEN) days of its receipt of the decision of PRASA, upon receipt of which PRASA shall -

1. Evaluate the alternative proposed for suitability to PRASA, and where the alternative is accepted by PRASA, inform the Bidder in writing of such acceptance and PRASA shall reassess the response to RFP against the RFP requirements and criteria; or
2. Where the alternative is not accepted by PRASA, inform the Bidder in writing of such non-acceptance as well as its disqualification from the RFP Process.
3. Where PRASA is satisfied that the changes requested under (i) above are reasonable and material, the response to RFP, shall be allowed to effect the required changes and PRASA shall reassess the response to RFP against the RFP requirements and criteria.
   1. Costs of Response to the RFP Submission

All costs and expenses associated with or incurred by the Bidder in relation to any stage of the Project, shall be borne by the Bidder. PRASA shall not be liable for any such costs or expenses or any claim for reimbursement of such costs or expenses.

To avoid doubt, PRASA shall not be liable for any samples submitted by the Bidder in support of their Responses to RFP and reserves the right not to return to them such samples and to dispose of them at its discretion.

* 1. Response to the RFP Warranty

Bidders must provide a warranty as part of their Responses to RFP that their Responses to RFP are true and correct in all respects, that it does not contain a misrepresentation of any kind and that the taxes of all members of the Bidder company, consortium members and or subcontractors are in order and none of the members are undergoing corruption or any criminal-related investigations or have any past convictions for fraud or corruption.

1. CONDITIONS OF TENDER

**General**

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| **Actions** | 1 | PRASA's *Representative* and each *tenderer* submitting a tender shall act as stated in these Conditions of Tender and in a manner which is fair, equitable, transparent, competitive and cost-effective. |
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| **Interpretation** | 2 | Terms shown in *italics* vary for each tender. The details of each term for this tender are identified in the Request for Tender / Scope of work/ specification. Terms shown in capital initials are defined terms in the appropriate conditions of contract. |
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|  | 3 | Any additional or amended requirements in the Scope of work/ specification, and additional requirements given in the Schedules in the *tender returnables* are deemed to be part of these Conditions of Tender. |
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|  | 4 | The Conditions of Tender and the Scope of work/ specification shall form part of any contract arising from this invitation to tender. |
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| **Communication** | 5 | Each communication between PRASAand a *tenderer* shall be to or from PRASA*'s* *Representative* only, and in a form that can be read, copied and recorded. Communication shall be in the English language*.* PRASA takes no responsibility for non-receipt of communications from or by a *tenderer.* |
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| **PRASA's rights to accept or reject any tender** | 6 | PRASA may accept or reject any variation, deviation, tender, or alternative tender, and may cancel the tender process andreject all tenders at any time prior to the formation of a contract. PRASA or PRASA*'s Representative* will not accept or incur any liability to a *tenderer* for such cancellation and rejection, but will give reasons for the action. PRASA reserves the right to accept the whole or any part of any tender. |
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|  | 7 | After the cancellation of the tender process or the rejection of all tenders PRASA may abandon the proposed work and services, have it performed in any other manner, or re-issue a similar invitation to tender at any time. |

**Tenderer's obligations**

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|  |  | The *tenderer* shall comply with the following obligations when submitting a tender and shall: |
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| **Eligibility** | 1 | Submit a tender only if the *tenderer* complies with the criteria stated in the Scope of work/ specification. |
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| **Cost of tendering** | 2 | Accept that PRASA will not compensate the *tenderer* for any costs incurred in the preparationand submission of a tender. |
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| **Check documents** | 3 | Check the *tender documents* on receipt, including pages within them, and notify PRASA*'s Representative* of any discrepancy or omissions in writing. |
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| **Copyright of documents** | 4 | Use and copy the documents provided by PRASA only for the purpose of preparing and submitting a tender in response to this invitation. |
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| **Standardised specifications and other publications** | 5 | Obtain, as necessary for submitting a tender, copies of the latest revision of standardised specifications and other publications, which are not attached but which are incorporated into the *tender documents* by reference. |
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| **Acknowledge receipt** | 6 | Preferably complete the Receipt of invitation to submit a tender form attached to the Letter of Invitation and return it within five days of receipt of the invitation. |
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|  | 7 | Acknowledge receipt of Addenda / Tender Briefing Notes to the *tender documents,* which PRASA*'s* *Representative* may issue, and if necessary apply for an extension to the *deadline for tender submission*, in order to take the Addenda into account. |
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| **Site visit and / or clarification meeting** | 8 | Attend a site visit and/or clarification meeting at which *tenderer*s may familiarise themselves with the proposed work, services or supply, location, etc. and raise questions, if provided for in the Scope of work/ specification. Details of the meeting are stated in the RFP document, *i-*tender website and CIDB website. |
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| **Seek clarification** | 9 | Request clarification of the *tender documents,* if necessary, by notifying PRASA*'s* *Representative* earlier than the *closing time for clarification of queries*. |
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| Insurance | 10 | Be informed of the risk that needs to be covered by insurance policy. The *tenderer* is advised to seek qualified advice regarding insurance. |
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| **Pricing the tender** | 11 | Include in the rates, prices, and the tendered total of the prices (if any) all duties, taxes (except VAT), and other levies payable by the successful *tenderer.* Such duties, taxes and levies are those applicable 14 days prior to the *deadline for tender submission*. |
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|  | 12 | Show Value Added Tax (VAT) payable by PRASA separately as an addition to the tendered total of the prices. |
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|  | 13 | Provide rates and prices that are fixed for the duration of the contract and not subject to adjustment except as provided for in the *conditions of contract.* |
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|  | 14 | State the rates and Prices in South African Rand unless instructed otherwise as an additional condition in the Scope of work/ specification. The selected *conditions of contract* may provide for part payment in other currencies. |
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| **Alterations to documents** | 15 | Not make any alterations or an addition to the tender documents, except to comply with instructions issued by PRASA’s *Representative* or if necessary to correct errors made by the *tenderer.*  All such alterations shall be initialled by all signatories to the tender. Corrections may not be made using correction fluid, correction tape or the like. |
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| **Alternative tenders** | 16 | Submit alternative tenders only if a main tender, strictly in accordance with all the requirements of the *tender documents* is also submitted. The alternative tender is submitted with the main tender together with a schedule that compares the requirements of the *tender documents* with the alternative requirements the *tenderer* proposes. |
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|  | 17 | Accept that an alternative tender may be based only on the criteria stated in the Scope of work/ specification and as acceptable to PRASA. |
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| **Submitting a tender** | 18 | Submit a tender for providing the whole of the works, services or supply identified in the Contract Data unless stated otherwise as an additional condition in the Scope of work/ specification. |
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| **NOTE:** | 19 | **Return the completed and signed *PRASA Tender Forms and SBD forms provided with the tender. Failure to submit all the required documentation will lead to disqualification*** |
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|  | 20 | **Submit the tender as an original plus 1 copy and an electronic version which must be contained in CDs or Memory Cards clearly marked in the Bidders name as stated in the RFP and provide an English translation for documentation submitted in a language other than English. Tenders may not be written in pencil but must be completed in ink.** |
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|  | 21 | Sign and initial the original and all copies of the tender where indicated. PRASA will hold the signatory duly authorised and liable on behalf of the *tenderer*. |
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|  | 22 | Seal the original and each copy of the tender as separate packages marking the packages as "ORIGINAL" and "COPY". Each package shall state on the outside PRASA's address and invitation to tender number stated in the Scope of work/ specification, **as well as the *tenderer*'s name and contact address.** Where the tender is based on a two envelop system tenderers must further indicate in the package whether the document is **envelope / box 1 or 2.** |
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|  | 23 | Seal original and copies together in an outer package that states on the outside only PRASA's address and invitation to tender number as stated in the Scope of work/ specification. The outer package must be marked “CONFIDENTIAL” |
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|  | 24 | Accept that PRASA will not assume any responsibility for the misplacement or premature opening of the tender if the outer package is not sealed and marked as stated. |
|  |  | Note:  PRASA prefers not to receive tenders by post, and takes no responsibility for delays in the postal system or in transit within or between PRASA offices.  PRASA prefers not to receive tenders by fax, PRASA takes no responsibility for difficulties in transmission caused by line or equipment faults.  Where tenders are sent via courier, PRASA takes no responsibility for tenders delivered to any other site than the tender office.  PRASA employees are not permitted to deposit a tender into the PRASA tender box on behalf of a tenderer, except those lodged by post or courier. |
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| **Closing time** | 25 | Ensure that PRASA has received the tender at the stated address with the Scope of work / specification no later than the *deadline for tender submission*. Proof of posting will not be taken by PRASA as proof of delivery. PRASA will not accept a tender submitted telephonically, by Fax, E-mail or by telegraph unless stated otherwise in the Scope of work/ specification. |
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|  | 26 | Accept that, if PRASA extends the *deadline for tender submission* for any reason, the requirements of these Conditions of Tender apply equally to the extended deadline. |
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| **Tender validity** | 27 | Hold the tender(s) valid for acceptance by PRASA at any time within the *validity period* after the *deadline for tender submission*. |
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|  | 28 | Extend the *validity period* for a specified additional period if PRASA requests the *tenderer* to extend it. A *tenderer* agreeing to the request will not be required or permitted to modify a tender, except to the extent PRASA may allow for the effects of inflation over the additional period. |
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| **Clarification of tender after submission** | 29 | Provide clarification of a tender in response to a request to do so from PRASA's *Representative* during the evaluation of tenders. This may include providing a breakdown of rates or Prices. No change in the total of the Prices or substance of the tender is sought, offered, or permitted except as required by PRASA*'s Representative* to confirm the correction of arithmetical errors discovered in the evaluation of tenders. The total of the Prices stated by the *tenderer* as corrected by PRASA*'s Representative* with the concurrence of the *tenderer*, shall be binding upon the *tenderer* |
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| **Submit bonds, policies etc.** | 30 | If instructed by PRASA*'s* *Representative* (before the formation of a contract), submit for PRASA*'s* acceptance, the bonds, guarantees, policies and certificates of insurance required to be provided by the successful *tenderer* in terms of the *conditions of contract*. |
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|  | 31 | Undertake to check the final draft of the contract provided by PRASA's *Representative,* and sign the Form of Agreement all within the time required. |
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|  | 32 | Where an agent on behalf of a principal submits a tender, an authenticated copy of the authority to act as an agent must be submitted with the tender. |
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| **Fulfil BEE requirements** | 33 | Comply with PRASA’s requirements regarding BBBEE Suppliers. |

## PRASA's undertakings

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|  |  | PRASA, and PRASA's *Representative*, shall: |
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| **Respond to clarification** | 1 | Respond to a request for clarification received earlier than the *closing time for clarification of queries.* The response is notified to all *tenderer*s. |
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| **Issue Addenda** | 2 | If necessary, issue to each *tenderer* from time to time during the period from the date of the Letter of Invitation until the *closing time for clarification of queries*, Addenda that may amend, amplify, or add to the *tender documents.*  If a *tenderer* appliesfor an extension to the *deadline for tender submission*, in order to take Addenda into account in preparing a tender, PRASA may grant such an extension and PRASA's *Representative* shall notify the extension to all *tenderer*s. |
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| **Return late tenders** | 3 | Return tenders received after the *deadline for tender submission* unopened to the *tenderer* submitting a late tender. Tenders will be deemed late if they are not in the designated tender box at the date and time stipulated as the deadline for tender submission. |
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| **Non-disclosure** | 4 | Not disclose to *tenderer*s, or to any other person not officially concerned with such processes, information relating to the evaluation and comparison of tenders and recommendations for the award of a contract. |
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| **Grounds for rejection** | 5 | Consider rejecting a tender if there is any effort by a *tenderer* to influence the processing of tenders or contract award. |
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| **Disqualification** | 6 | Instantly disqualify a *tenderer* (and his tender) if it is established that the *tenderer* offered an inducement to any person with a view to influencing the placing of a contract arising from this invitation to tender. |
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| **Test for responsiveness** | 7 | Determine before detailed evaluation, whether each tender properly received   * meets the requirements of these Conditions of Tender, * has been properly signed, and * is responsive to therequirementsof the *tender documents*. |
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|  | 8 | Judge a responsive tender as one which conforms to all the terms, conditions, and specifications of the *tender documents* without material deviation or qualification. A material deviation or qualification is one which, in PRASA *'s* opinion would   * detrimentally affect the scope, quality, or performance of the works, services or supply identified in the Contract Data*,* * change PRASA*'s* or the *tenderer*'s risks and responsibilities under the contract, or * affect the competitive position of other *tenderer*s presenting responsive tenders, if it were to be rectified. |
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| **Non-responsive tenders** | 10 | Reject a non-responsive tender, and not allow it to be subsequently made responsive by correction or withdrawal of the non-conforming deviation or reservation. |
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| **Arithmetical errors** | 11 | Check responsive tenders for arithmetical errors, correcting them as follows:   * Where there is a discrepancy between the amounts in figures and in words, the amount in words shall govern. * If a bill of quantities applies and there is a discrepancy between the rate and the line item total, resulting from multiplying the rate by the quantity, the rate as quoted shall govern. Where there is an obviously gross misplacement of the decimal point in the rate, the line item total as quoted shall govern, and the rate will be corrected. * Where there is an error in the total of the Prices, either as a result of other corrections required by this checking process or in the *tenderer*'s addition of prices, the total of the Prices, if any, will be corrected. |
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|  | 12 | Reject a tender if the *tenderer* does not accept the corrected total of the Prices (if any). |
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| **Evaluating the tender** | 13 | Evaluate responsive tenders in accordance with the procedure stated in the RFP / Scope of work/ specification. The evaluated tender price will be disclosed only to the relevant PRASA tender committee and will not be disclosed to *tenderer*s or any other person. |
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| **Clarification of a tender** | 14 | Obtain from a *tenderer* clarification of any matter in the tender which may not be clear or could give rise to ambiguity in a contract arising from this tender if the matter were not to be clarified. |
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| **Acceptance of tender** | 15 | Notify PRASA's acceptance to the successful *tenderer* before the expiry of the *validity period*, or agreed additional period. Providing the notice of acceptance does not contain any qualifying statements, it will constitute the formation of a contract between PRASA and the successful *tenderer*. |
| **Notice to unsuccessful tenderers** | 16 | After the successful *tenderer* has acknowledged PRASA’*s* notice of acceptance*,* notify other *tenderer*s that their tenders have not been accepted, following PRASA’s current procedures. |
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| **Prepare contract documents** | 17 | Revise the contract documents issued by PRASA as part of the *tender documents* to take account of   * Addenda issued during the tender period, * inclusion of some of the *tender returnables*, and * other revisions agreed between PRASA and the successful *tenderer,* before the issue of PRASA's notice of acceptance (of the tender). |
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| **Issue final contract** | 18 | Issue the final contract documents to the successful *tenderer* for acceptance within one week of the date of PRASA's notice of acceptance. |
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| **Sign Form of Agreement** | 19 | Arrange for authorised signatories of both partiesto complete and sign the original and one copy of the Form of Agreement within two weeks of the date of PRASA's notice of acceptance of the tender. If either party requires the signatories to initial every page of the contract documents, the signatories for the other party shall comply with the request. |
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| **Provide copies of the contracts** | 20 | Provide to the successful *tenderer* the number of copies stated in the Scope of work/ specification of the signed copy of the contracts within three weeks of the date of PRASA's acceptance of the tender. |

1. The Minister of the Department of Trade and Industry has the power to designate certain Organs of State or Public Entities as B-BBEE Facilitators. For example, the South African National Military Veterans’ Association (SANMVA) has been designated as a B-BBEE Facilitator. As such they will be treated as having rights of ownership held 100% by Black People, 40% by Black Women and 20% by Black designated groups. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)