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## **TERMS OF REFERENCE**

**BID NUMBER: BID0000009-24/25**

**BID – PROVISION OF A DEDICATED INTERNET LINE AND MANAGED FIREWALL SERVICES  
FOR A PERIOD OF TWENTY-FOUR (24) MONTHS FOR THE COMPETITION COMMISSION OF  
SOUTH AFRICA**



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## 1. BACKGROUND

- 1.1 The Competition Commission (Commission) is a statutory body constituted in terms of the Competition Act, No. 89 of 1998 (the Act). It is one of three, independent competition regulatory authorities established in terms of the Act, with the other two being the Competition Tribunal and the Competition Appeal Court. The Commission is empowered by the Competition Act to investigate, control and evaluate restrictive business practices, abuse of dominant positions, mergers, undertake market inquiries and advocacy in order to achieve equity and efficiency in the South African economy.
- 1.2 CCSA is a public entity listed in schedule 3A of the Public Finance Management Act (PFMA), and acts in compliance with section 217 of the Constitution of South Africa and applicable Public Procurement Regulations and Prescripts.
- 1.3 Therefore, the CCSA is requiring a suitability qualified and competent expert with adequate capacity and relevant experience to **provide a Dedicated Internet Line and Managed Firewall Services for a period of twenty-four (24) months.**

## 2. INTRODUCTION

- 2.1 The Competition Commission of South Africa (CCSA) currently utilises a 500MB Fibre, 100 Mbps Wireless failover connection service and managed firewall services from an outsourced service provider. The contract terminates at the end of December 2024. CCSA plans to maintain the current connection to a minimum of 500MB with an appropriate service level agreement and guaranteed quality of service that will cater for additional growth requirements. A highly available environment is key to CCSA and the proposed solution must have adequate failover capability to ensure business continuity. The preferred bidder should ensure a smooth transition of the existing services. The successful bidder will be required to provide CCSA with the following services.
- 2.2 The preferred bidder will be expected to plan and conduct a detailed takeover plan with minimal impact to CCSA's normal business continuity (including staff).
- 2.3 Bidder must
- 2.3 Data Connectivity with redundant connectivity requirements.
- 2.4 Enable selected CCSA staff access to monitoring (e.g. Utilization, Status, Quality, uptime and performance)
- 2.5 Monthly reporting
- 2.6 Dedicated Service manager / Account manager to handle all service-related queries and escalations

- 2.7 Transfer and management of all DNS records for CCSA owned domains from current service provider(s).
- 2.8 Provided services are required to be monitored 24/7/365 and reported on with alerts on outages.
- 2.9 Alert system when the dedicated line and fall-over line is down.
- 2.10 NB – Briefing session compulsory and onsite to allow service providers to plan for access point at Block C and G.

### 3. SCOPE OF WORK AND DELIVERABLES

Details of the requirements are listed below:

#### 3.1 INTERNET AND DATA SERVICES:

- 3.1.1. A dedicated, leased line of a minimum bandwidth of **500 Mbps** internet breakout and **100Mbps** fall-over line from bidder's network and make provision for redundancy or Backup. This connection will primarily be used for hosting of corporate applications, data replication requirements to connect to the cloud, sending and receiving of emails, hosted VoIP PBX solution calling, video conferencing, and internet browsing.
- 3.1.2 Dedicated 100MBPS Wireless failover backup line
- 3.1.2 No limitations on traffic/ports; bandwidth capacity should be ensured through direct IP connection; no mandatory cloud proxy servers and firewalls.
- 3.1.3 The provided bandwidth should be dedicated uncontended, if contended please specify ratios.
- 3.1.4 Internet service should not have additional payment or limitation by (a) traffic amount or (b) time.
- 3.1.6 Subnet of at least two (2) static publicly routable IP addresses is required. (scalable)
- 3.1.7 Service reliability of 99.9%.
- 3.1.8 The bidder should provide service report, weekly, monthly, quarterly and on demand, including internet line downtimes live reporting, via email and/or SMS.



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### 3.2. FIREWALL MANAGEMENT:

- 3.2.1. Provision for network security review, design, deployment, management of detective and preventative security controls; examples include, but are not limited to:
  - a) Next generation firewall
  - b) Access Points with 2.5Ghz, 5Ghz and 6Ghz capabilities
  - c) VPN connectivity with Multi Factor Authentication [MFA] (tokens that changes every minute)
  - d) Antivirus
  - e) Web filtering
  - f) Intrusion prevention and detection services
  - g) Sandboxing
  - h) Antispam
  - i) Automated reporting facilities
- 3.2.2 Provides management of secure VPN services access for users.
- 3.2.3 Perform monthly firewall audits and assessments in alignment with CCSA policies and industry best practices. Add line for report aligned to 3.1.8
- 3.2.4 Develop recommendations for improved security methods, Implement, approved recommendations and Knowledge and skills transfer.
- 3.2.5 Perform ad-hoc requests/investigations as requested by CCSA and submit recommendations for consideration.
- 3.2.6 Perform regular patch or OS upgrades for new feature release or remediation of bugs/vulnerabilities
- 3.2.7 Reporting and threat intelligence services.

### 3.2 Security Operation Centre SERVICES:

- 3.2.1 The Service Provider should provide real-time, 24/7/365 threat monitoring, detection, response, and analysis with actionable intelligence to enable CCSA IT team to effectivity and quickly resolve issues.
- 3.2.2 The Managed Security Operations Centre (SOC) should include the following services.
  - a) Management Detection and Response
  - b) 24/7/365 Threat Detection and Response
  - c) Expert-Led Threat Hunting
  - d) Full-Scale Incident Response Capabilities
  - e) Monitor and Integrate with Existing Fortinet Firewalls
  - f) Full integration with Microsoft 365 Email platform
  - g) Full integration with other security platforms.
- 3.2.3 The Managed Security Operations Centre (SOC) services should provide the following functionality and capabilities, but not limited to:
  - a) Threat intelligence
  - b) 24/7 Security monitoring
  - c) The bidder should provide service report, weekly, monthly, quarterly and on demand, including internet line downtimes live reporting, via email and/or SMS
  - d) Incident Response
  - e) Monthly intelligence briefing: Managed Detection and Response (MDR) Threat Cast
  - f) Threat Containment: attacks are interrupted, preventing spread



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- g) Account Health Check
- h) Expert-led threat hunting
- i) Direct call-in support during active incidents
- j) Incident Response Process
- k) Root Cause Analysis: performed to prevent future recurrence
- l) Dedicated Incident Response Lead
- m) Full-scale Incident Response: threats are fully eliminated
- n) Detection and response of cyber threats/data breach
- o) Compliance with Cybersecurity regulations and Cybersecurity best practices.

#### **4 TIMEFRAMES**

- 4.1 The duration of the is twenty-four (24) months from date of appointment.

#### **5 CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATION**

- 5.1. All bidders must complete SBD 3.3 as well as the applicable **Annexure B (Pricing schedule)**, the total bid price (including all applicable taxes, discounts, and or increases, **including VAT** must be transferred to the SBD 3.3 document – as submission of the **total bid price**.
- 5.2. In the case of the contractor using sub-contractors, the former will be responsible for ensuring delivery of services from any such sub-contractors and for making any payments to such sub-contractors.
- 5.3. Unsatisfactory performance can result in CCSA invoking its right to terminate the contract. Bidder will be subjected to performance against each project milestone, in terms of measuring satisfactory performance.
- 5.4. Bidder must adhere to Protection of Personal Information (POPI) Act.
- 5.5. The successful Bidder(s) will be required, on or before the effective date of the Service Level Agreement (SLA herein referred to as the Contract) and for the duration of the SLA, to have and maintain in force:
  - 5.5.1 professional indemnity insurance cover to a minimum of five hundred thousand rand (R500 000.00) per Security Incident against all actions, suits, claims or other expenses arising in connection with damages or loss suffered by CCSA as a result of breach of the terms and conditions of the SLA in providing the Services or component thereof.

#### **6. ABSENCE OF OBLIGATION & CONFIDENTIALITY**

- 6.1. No legal or other obligation shall arise between the Contractor and CCSA unless/until both parties have signed a formal Service Level Agreement (here in referred to as the Contract)
- 6.2. The Contract site is at **CCSA**.

## **7. WORKMEN AND SUPERVISION ON SITE**

- 7.1. The contractor shall be held responsible for the conduct of his employees and the conduct of his sub-contractor's employees for the full duration of the contract.

## **8. ADMINISTRATIVE CRITERIA (Phase 1)**

- 8.1 Proof of registration on CSD (Central Supplier Database)
- 8.2 General Conditions of Contract - Please initial each page.
- 8.3 Standard Bid Document 1 – Proof of authority must be submitted e.g., company resolution including - complete and sign.
- 8.4 Standard Bid Document 3.3 – complete and sign 3.3 (Standard Bid Document 3.3 – complete and sign 3.3 (bidder must complete the attached Annexure B) total bid price must be clearly tabled in SBD 3.3.
- 8.5 Standard Bid Document SBD 4
- 8.6 Standard Bid Document and SBD 6.1
- 8.7 Bidders are required to submit valid B-BBEE certificate or a sworn affidavit in order to substantiate their rating claims. If bidders do not submit certificates or are non-compliant contributors to B-BBEE they do not qualify for preference points for B-BBEE but will not be disqualified from the process.
- 8.8 Bidders are required to submit their unique personal identification number (PIN) issued by SARS to enable the organ of state to view the taxpayer's profile and tax status. Bidders must also submit a printed TCS together with the bid.

***Bidders that do not submit the returnable documents will be disqualified.***

## **9. MANDATORY (PHASE 2)**

### **9.1. Internet Connectivity:**

- 9.1.1 Bidders must have and submit a valid partnership letter or agreement with South African telecommunications operator.
- 9.1.2 Bidder must have and submit a valid Internet Service Provider Association (ISPA) membership.



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## 9.2 Provision of Firewall

9.2.1 The bidder must have and submit valid accreditation of **OEM (Original Equipment Manufacturer) Partner**. The bidder must submit a valid OEM letter verifying their accreditation.

**Note: All bidders who do not comply with the items listed below will be disqualified.**

## 10. EVALUATION CRITERIA (PHASE 3)

10.1. Responses will be evaluated using a predetermined set of evaluation criteria. The evaluation criteria are designed to reflect the Commissions requirements in terms of identifying a suitable Contractor and ensure the selection process is transparent and affords all the bidders a fair opportunity for evaluation and selection.

### 10.2. Functional Evaluation threshold (Phase 3)

10.2.1 The tender submission will be functionally evaluated out of a **minimum of 70 points – any bidder who scores less than 70** will not be considered for further evaluation, **maximum score is 100.**

10.2.2 Bidders who comply with the Phase 3 will be evaluated in terms of Price and Specific Goals Preference Point system (Phase 3)

Evaluation Area	Evaluation Criterion	Minimum Points	Maximum Points
<b>Firewall Features</b>	Bidder must provide a brochure of the proposed solution in terms of the Firewall that illustrates the following features:	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>
	• Advanced firewall features (Intrusion Detection System/IPS, Virtual Private Network (VPN)		
	• Unified Treat Management, Unified Treat Management)		
	• Intrusion Detection System (IDS) /Intrusion Detection (ID)		
	• Virtual Private Network (VPN)		
	• Unified Treat Management (UTM)		
	<b>Noncompliance with any of the above = 0 Points</b>		
<b>Firewall Performance</b>	Bidder must provide a brochure of the proposed solution for the Firewall that illustrates the following performance:	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>
	Throughput (500 Mbps)		
	• 500 Mbps or above		



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	<b>Noncompliance with any of the above = 0 Points</b>		
<b>Access Points</b>	Bidder must provide a brochure of the proposed solution for access points that illustrates the following:	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>
	• Support for 2.4 GHz, 5 GHz, and 6 GHz bands		
	• 2.5GHz, 5GHz and 6 GHz		
	<b>Noncompliance with any of the above = 0 Points</b>		
<b>Backup Internet (100 Mbps)</b>	Bidder must provide a brochure of the proposed Backup Internet (100Mbps) that illustrates the following:	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>
	• Wireless backup availability		
	• Bidder must have presence in Pretoria/ Sunnyside for wireless Internet. Proof must be provided i.e. microwave tower and coordinates/ address of wireless backup availability		
	<b>Noncompliance with any of the above = 0 Points</b>		
<b>Internet Line Speed</b>	Bidder must provide a brochure of the proposed solution for the Internet Line Speed that illustrates the following:	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>
	• Minimum guaranteed <b>speed (500 Mbps)</b>		
	• Bidder must show that line is contended (1:1 contention ratio)		
	<b>Noncompliance with any of the above = 0 Points</b>		
<b>Uptime and Redundancy</b>	Bidder must provide a brochure of the proposed solution of an Uptime and Redundancy that illustrates the following:	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>
	• Guaranteed uptime (99.9% or higher)		
	<b>Noncompliance with any of the above = 0 Points</b>		
<b>Security Features</b>	Bidder must provide a brochure of the proposed solution that has Security Features illustrating the following:	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>
	• Data encryption, compliance with security standards		





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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bidder must provide the data sheet of the managed firewall and valid OEMs i.e. ISO27001 – naming convention / National Institution of Standards and Technology (NIST) SP800-41</li> </ul>		
	<b>Noncompliance with any of the above = 0 Points</b>		
<b>Infrastructure</b>	<p>Bidders proposed solution must include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Network infrastructure capabilities</li> <li>Bidders must have their own infrastructure as an ISP.</li> <li>Bidders must provide confirmation on the following list.</li> <li>Symmetrical Bandwidth: Ensure both upload and download speeds are sufficient to accommodate heavy data transfer, video conferencing, and cloud-based applications.</li> <li>Quality of Service (QoS):</li> <li>Prioritization: Prioritize critical applications like VoIP and video conferencing to ensure optimal performance.</li> <li>Traffic Shaping: Manage network traffic effectively to avoid congestion and maintain consistent performance</li> <li>24/7 Monitoring: The ISP should provide 24/7 network monitoring to detect and resolve issues promptly.</li> <li>Remote Management: Enable remote management of network devices to reduce downtime and simplify maintenance.</li> </ul> <p><b>Noncompliance with any of the above = 0 Points</b></p>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Project Team Experience</b>	<p>Bidder must provide a project team experience that includes CVs of Allocated Resources:</p> <p><b>1. Network Support Resource (Engineer)</b></p> <p>Bidder must provide a CV of Network Support Resource (Engineer) with minimum 3 years' experience in managing FortiGate Firewall <b>and</b> Certificate of the Network Support Resource (Engineer) certified to Manage FortiGate Firewall.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>for submission of a CV with 3 - 4 years of experience in managing FortiGate Firewall and Certificate of the Network Support Resource (Engineer) certified to Manage FortiGate Firewall. <b>= 5 points</b></li> </ul>	<b>10</b>	<b>20</b>



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>for submission of a CV with <b>5 years</b> of experience in managing FortiGate Firewall and Certificate of the Network Support Resource (Engineer) certified to Manage FortiGate Firewall. = <b>10 points</b></li> </ul>		
	<b>and</b>		
	<b>2. Security Operations Centre Analysts</b>		
	Bidder must provide CVs and Certificates of the Security Operations Centre Analysts		
	<b>Tier 2 (Intermediate Analyst)</b>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>for submission of a CV with 3-4 years' experience and Certificate of the Security Operations Centre Analyst. = <b>5 points</b></li> </ul>		
	<b>Tier 3 (Senior Analyst)</b>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>for submission of a CV with 5 and more years' experience and Certificate of the Security Operations Centre Analyst. = <b>10 points</b></li> </ul>		
	<b>Non-compliance with any of the above = 0 Points</b>		
<b>Experience of the bidder in delivering Managed Firewall services and Security Operations Centre (SOC)</b>	The Bidder to submit a completed reference template (Annexure B) from each client referenced as confirmation of <b>Managed Firewall services</b> and <b>Security Operations Centre (SOC)</b> rendered. ( <b>no references or completion certificates or testimonials or purchase orders will be accepted</b> )	<b>15</b>	<b>35</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Managed Firewall services and Security Operations Centre (SOC):</b> Minimum 3 to 4 completed and signed reference templates = <b>15 points</b></li> </ul>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Managed Firewall services and Security Operations Centre (SOC):</b> Above 5 completed and signed reference templates = <b>35 points</b></li> </ul>		
	<b>Non-compliance with any of the above = 0 Points</b>		
	<b>Bidders to note that due diligence will be conducted against received references.</b>		
<b>Total</b>		<b>70</b>	<b>100</b>

10.2.3. Bidders who obtained less than the minimum threshold of **70 points** will be declared non-responsive and therefore will not be eligible for **evaluation of BBBEE, Specific Goals and Price Preference**.

### 10.3. BBBEE, Specific Goals and Price Preference.

10.3.1. As the tender price is estimated to be between R2001 and R50 million including VAT, the tender responses will be evaluated on the **80/20**-point system.



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## 11. ADJUDICATION USING A POINT SYSTEM

- 11.1 objective criteria justify the award to another bidder.
- 11.2 Preference points shall be calculated after process has been brought to a comparative basis taking into account all factors of non-firm prices.
- 11.3 In the event that two or more bids have scored equal points in terms of price and preference points for B-BBEE and specific goals, the successful bid must be the one scoring the highest number of preference points for B-BBEE and specific goals - in terms of PPPFA Act 5 of 2000.
- 11.4 However, when functionality is part of the evaluation process and two or more bids have scored equal points for B-BBEE, the successful bid must be the one scoring the highest score for functionality.
- 11.5 Should two or more bids be equal in all respect, the award shall be decided by the drawing of lots.

## 12. POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE AND BBBEE & SPECIFIC GOALS PREFERENCE POINT

The **80/20** Preference Point System:

- 12.1. A maximum of **80** points is allocated for price on the following basis:

**20** points allocated in terms of the Commissions specific goals (*further recognition*):

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

P min

Where:

P<sub>s</sub> = Points scored for comparative price of bid under  
Consideration

P<sub>t</sub> = Comparative price of bid under consideration

P<sub>min</sub> = Comparative price of lowest acceptable bid



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**13. B-BBEE & SPECIFIC GOALS PREFERENTIAL POINTS WILL BE AWARDED AS FOLLOWS:**

The specific goals allocated points in terms of this tender	Number of points allocated (80/20 system) (To be completed by the organ of state)	Number of points claimed (80/20 system) (To be completed by the tenderer)
B-BBEE LEVEL 1	10	
B-BBEE LEVEL 2	9	
B-BBEE LEVEL 3	8	
B-BBEE LEVEL 4	6	
B-BBEE LEVEL 5	4	
B-BBEE LEVEL 6	3	
B-BBEE LEVEL 7	2	
B-BBEE LEVEL 8	1	
Non-compliant contributor	0	
Further recognition for EME/QSE and or Women and or Youth, and or Rural Enterprise to be determined by the specification adjudication authority	10	

13.1 Bidders who qualify as EME's and QSE's in terms of the B-BBEE Act must submit a Sworn affidavit. Misrepresentation of information constitutes a criminal offence.

13.2 Bidders other than EME's or QSE's must submit their original and valid B-BBEE status level verification certificate, substantiating their B-BBEE rating issued by SANAS.

13.3 Tertiary institutions and public entities will be required to submit their B-BBEE status level certificates in terms of the specialized scorecard contained in the B-BBEE Codes of Good Practice.

**14. CONSORTIUM**

14.1 A consortium is an association of two or more individuals, companies, organisations or governments (or any combination of these entities) with the objective of participating in a common activity or pooling their resources for achieving a common goal.

14.2 A consortium requires that each participant retains its separate legal status and the consortium's control over each participant is generally limited to activities involving the joint endeavour,



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particularly the division of profits. A consortium is formed by contract, which designates the rights and obligations of each member.

14.3 In a consortium, only the lead bidder's credentials both in terms of financial and technical qualifications are considered. Therefore, the interpretation and application to a Bid process is such that the lead partner is identified, and the following requirements are required as follows:

**a) Lead Partner**

- All administrative documents (consortium agreement between the lead partner and the partner)
- Technical requirements (which will show in the proposal and other requirements why the need for the consortium, which for all intent and purpose fulfils the requirements of the bid through combination of skills)

**b) Partner**

- Proof of CSD registration.
- Tax Pin.
- BBBEE Sworn-Affidavit.
- SBD 4

14.4 It should be taken into cognisance that although the lead partner is the qualifying entity, the partner should prove that it can do business with state-owned entities, through CSD registration, proof that the taxes are compliant, its level of BBBEE status in order to align with the BBBEE status level required by the BID, declare interest and answer questions that it is not a disqualified entity with the National Treasury. The foregoing ensures compliance from an SCM process perspective that the consortium is in order.

14.5 Of importance is that in a consortium, each individual team members retain their identities.



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## 15. A JOINT VENTURE

A joint venture is a business entity created by two or more parties, generally characterized by shared ownership, returns and risks and shared governance.

### 15.1 Unincorporated joint venture:

15.1.1. All SCM documents are filled in by the joint venture in the name of the joint venture, although the submission of administrative documents (partnership agreement between parties) will be completed in the name of the joint venture, and the following will be required from both parties, amongst others

- a) SBD 4
- b) SBD 6.1
- c) Tax pin
- d) CSD registration.
- e) The JV agreement will direct which bank account of the two entities will be used.
- f) Consolidated Joint BBBEE Certificate.

### 15.2 Incorporated joint venture

15.2.1 This aligned to a registered entity or company. A registered entity/ company with a consolidated BBBEE certificate and a bank account in the name of the Joint venture. The required compliance documents must be complete by the entity/ company the name of the joint venture, and the following will be required amongst others

- a) SBD 4
- b) SBD 6.1
- c) Tax pin
- d) CSD registration.
- e) The JV agreement will direct which bank account of the two entities will be used.
- f) Consolidated Joint BBBEE Certificate.

15.2.2 A person will not be awarded points for B-BBEE status level if it is indicated in the bid documents that such a bidder intends sub-contracting more than 25% of the value of the contract to any other enterprise that does not qualify for at least the points that such a bidder qualifies for, unless the intended Sub-contractor is an EME that has the capacity and the ability to execute the sub-contract.

15.3 A person awarded a contract may not sub-contract more than 25% of the value of the contract to any other enterprise that does not have equal or higher B-BBEE status level than the person concerned, unless the contract is sub-contracted to an EME that has the capacity and the ability to execute the sub-contract.



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## 16. COMMUNICATION

Respondents are warned that a response will be disqualified should any attempt be made by a bidder either directly or indirectly to canvass any officer(s) or employees of CCSA in respect of BID process, between the closing date and the date of the award of the business.

All enquiries relating to this BID should be emailed **three days before the closing date**.

## 17. CONDITIONS TO BE OBSERVED WHEN BIDDING

The Commission does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any BID, nor shall it be responsible for or pay any expenses or losses which may be incurred by the bidder in the preparation and delivery of his BID submission. The Commission also reserves the right to withdraw or cancel the BID at any stage.

No BID shall be deemed to have been accepted unless and until a formal contract / Contract Form and letter of award or Purchase Order is prepared and executed.

The competitive shall remain open valid by the Commission for a period of **120 days** from the closing date of the BID Enquiry.

CCSA reserves the right to:

- 17.1. Not evaluate and award a bid that do not comply strictly with this BID document.
- 17.2. Make a selection solely on the information received in the Bid Document and Enter into negotiations with any one or more of preferred bidder(s) based on the criteria specified in the terms of reference.
- 17.3. Contact any bidder during the evaluation process, to clarify any information, without informing any other bidders. During the evaluation process, no change in the content of the BID shall be sought, offered or permitted.
- 17.4. Cancel this BID at any time.
- 17.5. Should bidder(s) be selected for further negotiations, they will be chosen on the basis of the cost effectiveness and the principal of value for money not necessarily on the basis of the lowest costs.

## 18. COST OF BIDDING

- 18.1. The bidder shall bear all costs and expenses associated with preparation and submission of its BID submission and the CCSA shall under no circumstances be responsible or liable for any such costs, regardless of, without limitation, the conduct or outcome of the bidding, evaluation, and selection process.

## 19. NOTE TO BIDDERS

- 19.1 The Competition Commission reserves the right to conduct due diligence prior to the award of the contract.



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## **END OF TERMS OF REFERENCE DOCUMENT**

### **Annexed to this document for completion and return with the document:**

- ANNEXURE SBD 1 and conditions to tender. – must be fully completed and signed.
- ANNEXURE SBD 3.3 (*pricing schedule- Annexure A*) – *must be fully completed and signed.*
- ANNEXURE SBD 4 – must be fully completed and signed.
- ANNEXURE SBD 6.1 – must be fully completed and signed.
- ANNEXURE General Conditions of Contract (GCC) initialled on each page.
- ANNEXURE B – Reference format



**BID NUMBER: BID0000009-24/25 – PROVISION OF INTERNET LINE AND MANAGED FIREWALL SERVICES FOR A PERIOD OF TWENTY-FOUR (24) MONTHS FOR THE COMPETITION CCOMMISSION OF SOUTH AFRICA**

**ANNEXURE B – PRICING SCHEDULE** - The pricing must strictly be quoted in accordance with table below and must be inclusive of VAT.

Item Description	Quantity	Unit Price	Year 1	Year 2
Internet and Firewall Configuration	Once-off			
Internet Line (see ToR) and Fall-over	Monthly			
Managed Firewall Services and WiFi APs	Monthly			
Security Operations Centre	Monthly			
Licenses (alight to ToR)	Once-off			
Maintenance and Support of the solution proposed	Monthly			
Sub-total				
VAT @15%				
TOTAL				

*Note: All instructions regarding the format of the proposal must be followed, including pricing for all elements listed in this **Annexure A (total bid price must be state in SBD 3.3 including VAT)**; otherwise, Bidders will be excluded from the rest of the bidding process. Please ensure that you comply fully with all requirements set out in the tender document terms of reference. (With all applicable increases, discounts included, taxes **including VAT** in the total bid price).*



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## RECOMMENDATION OF TOR'S BY BSC AND DECLARATION

**BID NUMBER : BID0000009-24/25**

**BID DESCRIPTION : PROVISION OF A DEDICATED INTERNET LINE AND MANAGED FIREWALL SERVICES FOR A PERIOD OF TWO (2) YEARS TO THE COMPETITION COMMISSION OF SOUTH AFRICA**

**DEPARTMENT : CSD**

We, members of the Bid Specification Committee (BSC) as indicated below, hereby individually and collectively recommend the specification/terms of reference for the **PROVISION OF A DEDICATED INTERNET LINE AND MANAGED FIREWALL SERVICES FOR A PERIOD OF TWENTY-FOUR (24) MONTHS FOR THE COMPETITION COMMISSION OF SOUTH AFRICA** bid as prepared by the BSC. The BSC hereby disclose that the specification was not prepared neither intentionally and/or negligently, to favour nor prejudiced any natural and/or legal person/body/entity and that we have acted in good faith in respect of the fair, equitable, transparent, competitive, and cost-effective execution of drafting of the terms of reference/specification, to allow for an efficient competitive bid process.

### APPROVED BY BSC MEMBERS:

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