



UMDONI MUNICIPALITY
THE J.E.W.E.L OF THE SOUTH COAST

PROPOSALS FOR THE PLACEMENT ON THE MUNICIPAL PANEL OF ATTORNEYS FOR THE PERIOD OF THIRTY-SIX (36) MONTHS

BIDNU: 19-2026

MN 103/2026

NAME & ADDRESS OF BIDDER

Name: _____

Tel: _____

Address: _____

Fax: _____

Cell: _____

E-mail: _____

Postal code: _____



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INVITATION TO TENDER

APPOINTMENT OF SERVICE PROVIDERS FOR THE FOLLOWING SERVICES/PROJECTS:

BID NU & MN	PROJECT	TECHNICAL ISSUES	Minimum points	Validity Period	START DATE	CLOSING DATE
19/2026 MN103/2026	PROPOSALS FOR THE PLACEMENT ON THE MUNICIPAL PANEL OF ATTORNEYS FOR THE PERIOD OF THIRTY-SIX (36) MONTHS	Ms S Reddy: Manager – Legal Estate Email: sayarikar@umdoni.gov.za Tell: 039 976 1202 SCM ISSUES Mr D Nyathi: SCM Manager Email: davidn@umdoni.gov.za Tell: 039 976 1202	80 points	120 days	22-04-2026	06-05-2026 At 12:00 pm
20/2026 MN104/2026	PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE HUMBERDALE LANDFILL SITE FOR THE PERIOD OF THIRTY-SIX (36) MONTHS	Ms A Cele: Acting Manager – Solid Waste Email: ayandac@umdoni.gov.za Tell: 066 239 3160 SCM ISSUES Mr D Nyathi: SCM Manager Email: davidn@umdoni.gov.za Tell: 039 976 1202	80%	90 days	22-04-2026	06-05-2026 At 12:00 pm

MANDATORY DOCUMENTS TO BE SUBMITTED, FAILURE TO DO SO WILL LEAD TO THE TENDER BEING REGARDED AS NON-RESPONSIVE.

Tender documents will be available in the Etender Publication Portal which can be obtained through the following website: www.etenders.gov.za from the **22 April 2026**.

Umdoni Local Municipality subscribes to the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act, 2000, (Act No.5 of 2000).

Bid documents, clearly marked with bid name and bid number must be deposited in the tender box inside the reception area of UMDONI MUNICIPALITY situated at Cnr of Bram Fischer and Williamson Street, Scottburgh, where bids will be opened in public. The name and address of the bidder must be clearly written on the sealed envelope containing the bid. Umdoni Municipality will not take responsibility for documents delivered or collected via courier services. **Late bids or Bids received by way of facsimile or e-mail will under no circumstances be considered.**

The Umdoni Municipality does not bind itself to accept the lowest, or any bid, either wholly or in part or give any reason for such action.



Mr D D NAIDOO

Acting MUNICIPAL MANAGER



ITEM NUMBER

REPORT TO BID SPECIFICATION

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR THE PLACEMENT ON THE MUNICIPAL PANEL OF ATTORNEYS FOR A PERIOD OF THIRTY- SIX (36) MONTHS

1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

The purpose is to invite all prospective, accredited and qualifying service providers for the handling of Umdoni Local Municipality Legal matters for a period of three (03) years. Umdoni Local Municipality shall appoint Attorneys who shall be assigned matters as and when they so arise. NB: LEGAL COSTS: Costs will be in line with the existing rates as determined in the Law of South Africa (LSSA)

2. BACKGROUND

Umdoni Local Municipality commonly referred to as "the ULM" is an organ of state established by section 12 of the Local Government: Municipal Structure Act, Act 117 of 1998 (The Act). Section 217 of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa provides that when an organ of state in the national, provincial or local sphere of government, or any other institution identified in national legislation, contracts for goods or services, it must do so in accordance with a system which is fair, equitable, transparent, competitive and cost-effective. In order for this objective to be realised, the Umdoni Local Municipality needs to consistently review its current pool of service providers and provide firms of attorneys with the opportunity to submit competitive proposals. The Accounting Officer of the Umdoni Local Municipality ("the MLM") is in terms of the Supply Chain Management Policy read with Treasury Regulations, mandated to establish a list of accredited prospective service providers for services that are required on a recurring basis, such as consultancy and /or professional services of which legal services is one such area.

3. SCOPE OF WORK/ACTIVITIES OR OUTCOMES

Providing legal opinion (oral or written) and appearing in Court, when a written instruction from the Legal services issued and in respect of the following areas of operation:

- 3.1 Administrative and Constitutional Law;
- 3.2 Debt Collection;
- 3.3 Forensic Investigations;

- 3.4 Legislative drafting
- 3.5 Property law and conveyancing related advices and transactions;
- 3.6 Spatial Planning and Land Use Management.
- 3.7 Providing advices in respect of labour matters and Alternative Dispute Resolution (appearing in the Labour Courts and related forums, where applicable);
- 3.8 Litigation;
- 3.9 Criminal and Civil law

4. CATEGORIES OF SPECIALISATION

- 4.1 Administrative and Constitutional Law
- 4.2 Procurement and Contracts;
- 4.3 Litigation and Alternative Dispute Resolution;
- 4.4 Debt Collection
- 4.5 Policies and By-laws
- 4.6 Labour Law;
- 4.7 Criminal Law;
- 4.8 Civil law;
- 4.9 Forensic investigations;
- 4.10 Land(Town Planning), Property, Conveyancing; and
- 4.11 Any other area of law that the Municipality might require legal support in order to fulfil its constitutional and legislative mandate.

5. PROCUREMENT PROCESS

- 5.1 Only firms of attorneys who are on the panel of attorneys shall be instructed to render legal services to the Municipality.
- 5.2 The accounting officer as delegated by Council, and duly assisted by the Manager: Legal Services, shall determine a need to procure the services of an Attorney.
- 5.3 A firm of attorneys shall be appointed by the Accounting Officer of the Municipality. in a competitive, fair and equitable manner.
- 5.4 Before accepting an engagement, a firm of attorneys shall be required to report any conflict of interest that could impair their personnel's professional judgement or objectivity on a specific matter.
- 5.5 The firms shall be appointed on condition that the work is performed by the professionals specified in the proposal. If the specified should leave the firm, the Municipality and the firm may agree that the firm may substitute the professional with another professional of similar experience;
- 5.6 If a firm of attorneys is unable to retain the services of an attorney who left the firm on a part time basis or unable to substitute the attorney with another attorney to the satisfaction of the Municipality, the agreement between the firm and the Municipality shall be terminated.
- 5.7 All Fees for services rendered must be in line with the existing rates as determined in the Law of South Africa (LSSA) as amended from time to time, however fees in excess are not allowed and persons available to provide such services must be identified and their service provided.

- 5.8 Depending on the nature and complexity of the matter, the Municipality may elect not to appoint the firm of attorneys for a particular matter if no demonstrable experience to deal with certain matter has been provided by the firm at submission of the tender;
- 5.9 The complexity of a matter will be a determining factor for the rotation of the appointment of four Panel of Attorneys for handling of Umdoni Local Municipality Legal matters for a period of three (03) years and a rotation system shall apply. Therefore, the rotational system shall apply.
- 5.10 All consultations in relation to legal matters, except where there are compelling reasons shall be held at the Municipality's offices alternatively electronically via Zoom or Microsoft teams etc. Where consultations and/or meetings are not possible to be convened and therefore a 24hrs Notice was served by either party, no fee is due for services not rendered.

6. MANAGEMENT AND MONITORING OF LAW FIRMS

- 6.1 A firm of attorneys appointed to assist the Municipality must report on a bi-quarterly basis and/or when the need arises to, liaise with the Accounting Officer or delegated official, which is the Manager: Legal Services or any other delegated official in the same capacity thereof.
- 6.2 Attorneys appointed to render services must document and provide evidence of work done when submitting itemised invoices for payment, which includes court papers, correspondences, working papers, methods used, the analysis, basic facts, data and information collected, assumptions adopted (if any), conclusions formed, and other related matters.
- 6.3 The documentary evidence of work done may not be discussed or made available to any other parties without the prior written approval from the Accounting Officer and all information exchanged between the parties remains privileged as information between an attorney and his or her client.

7. PROPOSAL:

Arising from the above, the municipality is inviting legal firms, familiar with the municipal environment, in particular, and who have sufficient work experience, staff and qualifications to deliver timeously on the mandates given, from whom a selection of service providers shall be made, to submit proposals in regard to their areas of specialisation as indicated above. The legal firms are required to provide a business proposal with clear recommendations and actions, which shall demonstrate:

- 7.1 The entity's equity or ownership
- 7.2 Knowledge of municipal legislation and prescripts as well as experience in relevant legislation of other spheres of government.
- 7.3 The methodology and process to be followed, and which is expected to best respond to the requirements.
- 7.4 experience, quality and provision of best advantage from a competitiveness perspective and timeous delivery to the municipality.
- 7.5 ability to fulfil its obligations in terms of prospective instructions, that is, that the firm can demonstrate that it possesses the necessary professional qualifications, professional and

technical competence, financial resources, equipment and other physical facilities, managerial capability, reliability, experience, reputation, personnel to perform the work.

8. GENERAL CONDITIONS

The municipality requires prospective, accredited and qualifying panel of Attorneys for the handling of Umdoni Local Municipality Legal matters for a period of three (03) years. This shall be done on rotation basis on each specialised area as and when the need for the services arises. These are the conditions which must be met by each prospective service provider;

- 8.1 The prospective service provider must be a registered practitioner in terms of the Legal Practice Act 28 of 2014, and the registration certificate, the certificate of good standing (not older than 3 (three) months from the date of submission) and Fidelity Fund certificates of each member must be attached to the bid documents;
- 8.2 The prospective bidder must have a right of appearance in the High Court as envisaged in terms of Section 4 (2) of Act 62 of 1995;
- 8.3 Firms, once selected, may not act against the municipality except only with prior authorisation by the municipality's Accounting Officer, which authorization should not be unreasonably withheld;
- 8.4 In case of Conveyancers, confirmation from Deeds Registry that all Deeds Office fees are fully paid and proof of registration as Conveyancer must be submitted;
- 8.5 Neither joint ventures nor consortia shall be allowed, unless the purpose is to be considered only for special projects such as by-law development, forensic investigations and other similar work.

9. ACCEPTANCE OF OFFER

Offers will only be accepted if:

- 9.1) the firm is registered and in good standing with the South African Revenue Service (SARS) and has submitted evidence in the form of a Tax Compliance Status Pin issued by SARS;
- 9.2) the firm or any of its directors, partners or associates are not listed on the Register of Tender Defaulters in terms of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act of 2004 as a person prohibited from doing business with the public sector;
- 9.3) The firm has not:
 - I. abused the municipality's Supply Chain Management System; or
 - II. failed to pay municipal rates and taxes or service charges and such rates, taxes and charges are in arrears for more than three (3) months;
 - III. failed to perform on any previous instruction and has been given a written notice of this effect;
- 9.4) the firm has no conflicts of interest which may impact on the firm's ability to perform instruction in the best interests of the municipality or potentially compromise instructions.

10. TEST OF RESPONSIVENESS

The municipality shall determine, after opening and before detailed evaluation, whether each offer received:

- 10.1) complies with the requirements of these Conditions of Invitation,
- 10.2) has been properly and fully completed with non-erasable ink and signed, and
- 10.3) is responsive to the other requirements of the terms of reference.

A responsive offer is one that conforms to all the terms, conditions, and specifications of this Invitation document. The municipality may obtain clarification from a firm on any matter that could give rise to ambiguity arising from the offer.

11. APPOINTMENT:

Appointment of a Panel of Attorneys for handling of Umdoni Local Municipality Legal matters for a period of three (03) years.

12. SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENT

The successful proposals will be expected to enter into a service level agreement with the Umdoni Local Municipality. The service level agreement will include, amongst others, the following

- 12.1 Period of agreement;
- 12.2 Charges;
- 12.3 Method of communication and reporting;
- 12.4 Non-performance and penalties;
- 12.5 Financial penalties and termination of contract;
- 12.6 Procedures relating to payments;
- 12.7 Procedures relating to management reports;
- 12.8 Terms of deliverables;
- 12.9 Forms and formats of working papers;
- 12.10 Reviews;
- 12.11 Uncompleted work;
- 12.12 Confidentiality; and
- 12.13 Disputes.

13. DUTY OF CARE AND EXERCISE OF AUTHORITY:

The service providers shall exercise reasonable skill, care and diligence in the performance of their mandate.

14. STATUTORY OBLIGATIONS, NOTICES, FEES AND CHARGES:

The service providers shall carry out their obligations so as to comply with all relevant laws and regulations and by-laws and shall give all notices required by any relevant authority, which may be

required in relation to any matter arising out of the Agreement. The service provider shall be responsible for payment of all costs, taxes, duties, levies and charges arising out of compliance with such laws and regulations. The service providers will be liable for, and shall indemnify the Client against, any claim arising out of the service provider's non-compliance with any laws and regulations applicable to the execution of this assignment.

15. INSURANCE FOR LIABILITY AND INDEMNITY:

The service provider shall arrange and keep in force professional indemnity insurance cover in respect of the services provided under this Agreement.

16. ASSIGNMENT/CESSION:

Neither the Client nor the service provider shall, without the written consent of the other, assign the Contract or any part thereof or any obligation under the Contract or cede any right or benefit thereunder.

17. CONFLICT OF INTEREST, CORRUPTION AND FRAUD:

Notwithstanding any penalties that may be enforced against the service providers under South African Law, the Client will be entitled to terminate the Agreement if it is shown that the service provider is guilty of:

17.1 offering, giving, receiving or soliciting anything of value with a view to influencing the behaviour or action of anyone, whether a public official or otherwise, directly or indirectly in the selection process or in the conduct of the Agreement; or

17.2 mis-representation of facts in order to influence a selection process or the execution of a contract to the detriment of the Client, including the use of collusive practices intended to stifle or reduce the benefits of free and open competition.

18. CONFIDENTIALITY:

Unless otherwise provided for the parties warrant that each party thereof shall keep confidential all matters relating to the Project, and that the parties, their employees, agents and servants shall not divulge or disclose to any organisation or any person any information, data, documents, secrets, dealings, transactions or affairs relating to or incidental to the Project. The obligation of confidentiality shall not apply to the following: -

18.1 any matter generally available in the public domain;

18.2 any disclosure which may reasonably be required for the performance of that party's obligations under the Agreement;

18.3 disclosure of information which is required by statute, regulation or any other law;

19. SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES:

The parties shall seek to resolve in good faith any dispute or difference arising between them in respect of any matter connected with this Agreement and may not initiate any further proceedings until either party has, by written notice to the other, declared that such negotiations have failed.

20. COPYRIGHTS:

The service providers shall, and does, by the submission of a proposal, warrant that all sources of data and information provided have been obtained through legal means, and that where any material is used from outside sources, the written consent of all copyright holders has been obtained. The service providers, by the submission of a proposal, acknowledge and agree that the report, all associated documents and references become the copyright property of the Umdoni Local Municipality and that no data contained in the report (or presentations) may be reproduced in part or whole without the prior written permission of the Umdoni Local Municipality's Accounting Officer. In cases where a fee is levied, the Umdoni Local Municipality may allow the use of such copyright material, provided that it will retain copyright of the data or information and in return for a commercial charge.

21. USE OF MUNICIPAL SOURCES:

The service providers shall be entitled to obtain reasonable information from sources determined by the Umdoni Local Municipality. The Umdoni Local Municipality shall provide reasonable information within such time frames as the Accounting Officer or delegated official may in his/ her discretion determine. The Umdoni Local Municipality shall not be liable for any additional costs sustained or incurred by a service provider arising from any delay in the provision of such information.

22. COMPLIANCE WITH ALL LEGISLATION:

The service providers shall submit proof from the South African Revenue Services, the relevant District and Local Municipality that all taxes, levies and service charges are paid up to date or that suitable arrangements have been made to settle such debts

23. . EVALUATION CRITERIA

Upon request by the Employer on the Employer, the Bidder undertakes to provide adequate documentation to fully justify his points claim. Failure to provide any justification shall result in the tender being rejected. The employer may evaluate the justification documentation independently and shall in such cases, in his evaluation of the tender determine, as his sole discretion, the quality points applicable

No.	Criteria	Evidence Required	Weighting	Score
1	References from three other municipalities stating attorneys' performance and/or confirming relationship regarding general legal practice, litigation, provision of legal opinions	3x letters of reference	3 x reference letters = 5 pts 1 - 2 reference letters = 2 pts 0 reference letter = 0 pts	
2	Evidence of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Administrative and Constitutional law • Litigation: Civil or Criminal • Alternative Dispute Resolution • Law of Contract, • Procurement law and regulations • Labour Law, • National Building Regulations • Collections • Forensic Investigations • Property law encompassing but not limited to Conveyancing, Spatial Planning and Land Use Management and Property Rates law. • Drafting of policies and or By- laws within a municipal environment. 	Letter of instruction and acknowledgement of receipt of final product (i.e. agreement, opinion etc.)	8 x Letter of instruction and acknowledgement of receipt of final product = 15pts 5 x Letter of instruction and acknowledgement of receipt of final product = 10 pts 1 - 4 Letter of instruction and acknowledgement of receipt of final product = 5 pts 0 Letter of instruction and acknowledgement of receipt of final product = 0 pts	
3	Affidavit duly commissioned by Commissioner of Oaths not from the same law firm; confirming that: The partners, directors and attorneys do not have any of the following convictions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ No adverse criminal convictions; ➤ No adverse professional convictions; ➤ No adverse civil convictions; 	Duly commissioned affidavit	1 x commissioned affidavit = 5pts 0 commissioned affidavit = 0 pts	
4	Evidence of Transactional advice and guidance provided to clients' relating to fields of law mentioned in item 2 above	Letter of instruction for transactional advice	10 x letters of instruction = 15 pts 5 - 9 letters of instruction = 10 pts	

			1 – 4 letters of instruction = 5 pts	
			0 letters of instruction = 0 pts	
5	Evidence of Interpretation of laws provided to Public Sector organizations relating to fields of law as mentioned in item 2 above where applicable	Copy of Interpretation memo/document submitted to Client(client information may be redacted)	10 x Copies of Interpretation memo/document submitted to Client = 20 pts 5 – 9 Copies of Interpretation memo/document submitted to Client = 10 pts 1 – 4 Copies of Interpretation memo/document submitted to Client = 5 pts 0 Copy of Interpretation memo/document submitted to Client = 0 pts	

6.	Evidence of legal opinions provided to organisations relating to fields of law as mentioned in item 2 above where applicable	Written legal opinion provided (client information may be redacted)	10 x Written legal opinion provided = 15pts 5 - 9 Written legal opinion provided = 10 pts 1 – 4 Written legal opinion provided = 5 pts 0 Written legal opinion provided = 0 pts	
7.	Evidence of conveyancing and general property transactional advise provided to clients where applicable	Letter of instruction for conveyancing and/or property transactional advice	10 x Letters of instruction for conveyancing and/or property transactional advice = 20 pts 5 - 9 Letters of instruction for conveyancing and/or property transactional advice = 15 pts	

			<p>1 – 4 Letters of instruction for conveyancing and/or property transactional advice = 10 pts</p> <p>0 Letter of instruction for conveyancing and/or property transactional advice = 0 pts</p>	
8	Evidence of legal practitioner (director) being admitted on the Roll of Legal Practitioners for no less than 6 (six) years	Certified Legal Practitioner (attorney) admission certificate	<p>Admission certificate indicating date of admission not less than 6 (six) years = 5 pts</p> <p>Admission certificate date under 6 (six) years = 0 pts</p>	

Bidders must obtain a minimum of 80 points for functionality before they will be listed in the Panel. Any bidders obtained less than 80 points will be disqualified and will not continue to the next stage of evaluation.

80/20 preference points will only apply when making allocations from appointed panel of attorneys.

FEES/PRICING SCHEDULEs

- a) Bidders are required to expressly cover their proposed fee/price and disbursement structure based on the service they propose to provide, based on the current fees in the terms of the Magistrate and High Court rules of practice.
- b) The Municipality reserves the right to negotiate any aspect of the proposed fees/ pricing disbursements with the preferred bidder(s) and shall not be bound to the fees/ pricing and disbursements submitted by the any bidder(s).
- c) The panel members will not be remunerated for items not prescribed by the Magistrates Court or High Court Tariff and a first Consultation for each matter shall be free of charge. Where necessary work to be undertaken, is not prescribed in the appropriate tariff, such fees shall be agreed upon prior to the instruction being accepted by way of a quotation and acceptance thereof by the Municipality.
- d) Bidders to take note that a final payment for case allocated is subject to receipt of a final complete case file to the satisfaction of the municipality.

PRICING SCHEDULE
YEAR 1

PRICING SCHEDULE UGU -		DESCRIPTION (where applicable)	PRINCIPAL RATE	PROFESSIONAL ASSISTANT RATE	CANDIDATE ATTORNEY RATE
Hourly rates					
	CONSULTATION and attendances				
	PERUSAL OF PAPERS, E-MAILS AND LETTERS				
	AGREEMENT DRAFTING				
	AGREEMENT VETTING				
	POLICY AND DRAFTING OF BY-LAWS				
	TRANSACTIONAL ADVICE				
	OPINION AND ADVICE				
	CONVEYANCING ACTIVITIES				
	PRESENTATION AT MUNICIPAL FORUMS				
	TRAVEL CLAIM RATE				
	MAKING OF TELEPHONE CALLS				
	RECEIVING OF TELEPHONE CALLS				
	RECEIVING AND PERUSING EMAIL/ LETTERS OR FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION				
	DRAFTING OF COMMUNIQUE TO CLIENT				
	COPIES PER PAGE				
<p>NB: Litigation Costs in respect of this Contract will be charged at "Attorney and Client" rates</p>					

YEAR 2

PRICING SCHEDULE UGU -	DESCRIPTION (where applicable)	PRINCIPAL RATE	PROFESSIONAL ASSISTANT RATE	CANDIDATE ATTORNEY RATE
CONSULTATION				
PERUSAL OF PAPERS				
AGREEMENT DRAFTING				
AGREEMENT VETTING				
POLICY AND BY-LAW DRAFTING				
TRANSACTIONAL ADVICE				
OPINION AND ADVICE				
CONVEYANCING ACTIVITIES				
PRESENTATION AT MUNICIPAL FORUMS				
TRAVEL CLAIM RATE				
MAKING OF TELEPHONE CALLS				
RECEIVING OF TELEPHONE CALLS				
RECEIVING AND PERUSING EMAIL OR FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION				
DRAFTING OF COMMUNIQUE TO CLIENT				
COPIES PER PAGE				

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YEAR 3

PRICING SCHEDULE UGU	DESCRIPTION (where applicable)	PRINCIPAL RATE	PROFESSIONAL ASSISTANT RATE	CANDIDATE ATTORNEY RATE
CONSULTATION				
PERUSAL OF PAPERS				
CONTRACT DRAFTING				
CONTRACT VETTING				
POLICY DRAFTING				
TRANSACTIONAL ADVICE				
OPINION AND ADVICE				
CONVEYANCING ACTIVITIES				
PRESENTATION AT MUNICIPAL FORUMS				
TRAVEL CLAIM RATE				
MAKING OF TELEPHONE CALLS				
RECEIVING OF TELEPHONE CALLS				
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24. TENDER NOTICE PERIOD

120 days

25. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS/BUDGET AVAILABLE

Budget Certificate

26. RETURNABLE DOCUMENTATION

- Valid tax clearance certificate or SARS pin
- Certified copies of Company or CK documents together with certified copies of members' IDs, if applicable
- Company profile
- Central Supplier database registration
- Costing proposal as per year pricing schedules (explaining the reasoning behind it)
- Curriculum Vitae and qualifications of personnel to be used.
- Proof of municipal taxes paid for a period not less than 3 (three) months, which shall not indicate taxes in arrears
- Certified copy of B – BBEE certificate or affidavit, whichever one is applicable

27. TENDER ADVERT

Tender be advertised in the following platforms;

- 16.1 Local Newspaper
- 16.2 Municipal Website
- 16.3 eTender Portal
- 16.4 Municipal Notice board

**PART A
INVITATION TO BID**

YOU ARE HEREBY INVITED TO BID FOR REQUIREMENTS OF THE (NAME OF MUNICIPALITY/ MUNICIPAL ENTITY)

BID NUMBER:	19-2026	CLOSING DATE:	06-05-2026	CLOSING TIME:	12:00 PM
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DESCRIPTION	PROPOSALS FOR THE PLACEMENT ON THE MUNICIPAL PANEL OF ATTORNEYS FOR THE PERIOD OF THIRTY-SIX (36) MONTHS
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THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER WILL BE REQUIRED TO FILL IN AND SIGN A WRITTEN CONTRACT FORM (MBD7).

BID RESPONSE DOCUMENTS MAY BE DEPOSITED IN THE BID BOX
SITUATED AT (STREET ADDRESS

PO BOX 19
SCOTTBURGH
4180

SUPPLIER INFORMATION

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

BIDDING PROCEDURE ENQUIRIES MAY BE DIRECTED TO:	TECHNICAL INFORMATION MAY BE DIRECTED TO:
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DEPARTMENT	FINANCE	CONTACT PERSON	Mr S Reddy – Legal Estates Manager
CONTACT PERSON	MR DAVID NYATHI	TELEPHONE NUMBER	039 976 1202
TELEPHONE NUMBER	039 976 1202	FACSIMILE NUMBER	039 976 0017
FACSIMILE NUMBER	039 97 0017	E-MAIL ADDRESS	sayarika@umdoni.gov.za
E-MAIL ADDRESS	davidn@umdoni.gov.za		

**PART B
TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR BIDDING**

1. BID SUBMISSION:

1.1. BIDS MUST BE DELIVERED BY THE STIPULATED TIME TO THE CORRECT ADDRESS. LATE BIDS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED FOR CONSIDERATION.

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

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

2. TAX COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS

2.1 BIDDERS MUST ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THEIR TAX OBLIGATIONS.

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

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

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

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

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

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

3. QUESTIONNAIRE TO BIDDING FOREIGN SUPPLIERS

3.1. IS THE ENTITY A RESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA (RSA)? YES NO

3.2. DOES THE ENTITY HAVE A BRANCH IN THE RSA? YES NO

3.3. DOES THE ENTITY HAVE A PERMANENT ESTABLISHMENT IN THE RSA? YES NO

3.4. DOES THE ENTITY HAVE ANY SOURCE OF INCOME IN THE RSA? YES NO

3.5. IS THE ENTITY LIABLE IN THE RSA FOR ANY FORM OF TAXATION? YES NO

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

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

SIGNATURE OF BIDDER:

CAPACITY UNDER WHICH THIS BID IS SIGNED:

DATE:

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DECLARATION OF INTEREST

1. No bid will be accepted from persons in the service of the state¹.
2. Any person, having a kinship with persons in the service of the state, including a blood relationship, may make an offer or offers in terms of this invitation to bid. In view of possible allegations of favouritism, should the resulting bid, or part thereof, be awarded to persons connected with or related to persons in service of the state, it is required that the bidder or their authorised representative declare their position in relation to the evaluating/adjudicating authority.

3 In order to give effect to the above, the following questionnaire must be completed and submitted with the bid.

3.1 Full Name of bidder or his or her representative:.....

3.2 Identity Number:

3.3 Position occupied in the Company (director, trustee, shareholder²):.....

3.4 Company Registration Number:

3.5 Tax Reference Number:.....

3.6 VAT Registration Number:

3.7 The names of all directors / trustees / shareholders members, their individual identity numbers and state employee numbers must be indicated in paragraph 4 below.

3.8 Are you presently in the service of the state? YES / NO

3.8.1 If yes, furnish particulars.
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¹MSCM Regulations: "in the service of the state" means to be –

- (a) a member of –
 - (i) any municipal council;
 - (ii) any provincial legislature; or
 - (iii) the national Assembly or the national Council of provinces;
- (b) a member of the board of directors of any municipal entity;
- (c) an official of any municipality or municipal entity;
- (d) an employee of any national or provincial department, national or provincial public entity or constitutional institution within the meaning of the Public Finance Management Act, 1999 (Act No.1 of 1999);
- (e) a member of the accounting authority of any national or provincial public entity; or
- (f) an employee of Parliament or a provincial legislature.

² Shareholder" means a person who owns shares in the company and is actively involved in the management of the company or business and exercises control over the company.

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

3.9.1 If yes, furnish particulars.....
.....

3.10 Do you have any relationship (family, friend, other) with persons in the service of the state and who may be involved with the evaluation and or adjudication of this bid? YES / NO

3.10.1 If yes, furnish particulars.
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.....

3.11 Are you, aware of any relationship (family, friend, other) between any other bidder and any persons in the service of the state who may be involved with the evaluation and or adjudication of this bid? YES / NO

3.11.1 If yes, furnish particulars
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3.12 Are any of the company's directors, trustees, managers, principle shareholders or stakeholders in service of the state? YES / NO

3.12.1 If yes, furnish particulars.
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.....

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

3.13.1 If yes, furnish particulars.
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.....

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

3.14.1 If yes, furnish particulars:
.....
.....

4. Full details of directors / trustees / members / shareholders.

Full Name	Identity Number	State Employee Number

.....
Signature

.....
Date

.....
Capacity

.....
Name of Bidder

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

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

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

1. GENERAL CONDITIONS

- 1.1 The following preference point systems are applicable to invitations to tender:
- the 80/20 system for requirements with a Rand value of up to R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included); and
 - the 90/10 system for requirements with a Rand value above R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included).

1.2 To be completed by the organ of state

(delete whichever is not applicable for this tender).

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

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

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

1.4 To be completed by the organ of state:

The maximum points for this tender are allocated as follows:

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

- 1.5 Failure on the part of a tenderer to submit proof or documentation required in terms of this tender to claim points for specific goals with the tender, will be interpreted to mean that preference points for specific goals are not claimed.
- 1.6 The organ of state reserves the right to require of a tenderer, either before a tender is adjudicated or at any time subsequently, to substantiate any claim in regard to preferences, in any manner required by the organ of state.

2. DEFINITIONS

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

3. FORMULAE FOR PROCUREMENT OF GOODS AND SERVICES

3.1. POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE

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

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

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

Where

- Ps = Points scored for price of tender under consideration
Pt = Price of tender under consideration
Pmin = Price of lowest acceptable tender

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

3.2.1. **POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE**

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

$$P_s = 80 \left(1 + \frac{P_t - P_{max}}{P_{max}} \right) \text{ or } P_s = 90 \left(1 + \frac{P_t - P_{max}}{P_{max}} \right)$$

Where

- P_s = Points scored for price of tender under consideration
 P_t = Price of tender under consideration
 P_{max} = Price of highest acceptable tender

4. **POINTS AWARDED FOR SPECIFIC GOALS**

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

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

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

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

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

DECLARATION WITH REGARD TO COMPANY/FIRM

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

4.4. Company registration number:

4.5. TYPE OF COMPANY/ FIRM

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

[TICK APPLICABLE BOX]

(Pty) Limited
Non-Profit Company
State Owned Company
[TICK APPLICABLE BOX]

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

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

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SIGNATURE(S) OF TENDERER(S)	
SURNAME AND NAME:
DATE:
ADDRESS:

DECLARATION OF BIDDER'S PAST SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

- 1 This Municipal Bidding Document must form part of all bids invited.
- 2 It serves as a declaration to be used by municipalities and municipal entities in ensuring that when goods and services are being procured, all reasonable steps are taken to combat the abuse of the supply chain management system.
- 3 The bid of any bidder may be rejected if that bidder, or any of its directors have:
 - a. abused the municipality's / municipal entity's supply chain management system or committed any improper conduct in relation to such system;
 - b. been convicted for fraud or corruption during the past five years;
 - c. willfully neglected, reneged on or failed to comply with any government, municipal or other public sector contract during the past five years; or
 - d. been listed in the Register for Tender Defaulters in terms of section 29 of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act (No 12 of 2004).
- 4 In order to give effect to the above, the following questionnaire must be completed and submitted with the bid.

Item	Question	Yes	No
4.1	<p>Is the bidder or any of its directors listed on the National Treasury's Database of Restricted Suppliers as companies or persons prohibited from doing business with the public sector?</p> <p>(Companies or persons who are listed on this Database were informed in writing of this restriction by the Accounting Officer/Authority of the institution that imposed the restriction after the <i>audi alteram partem</i> rule was applied).</p> <p>The Database of Restricted Suppliers now resides on the National Treasury's website (www.treasury.gov.za) and can be accessed by clicking on its link at the bottom of the home page.</p>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
4.1.1	If so, furnish particulars:		
4.2	<p>Is the bidder or any of its directors listed on the Register for Tender Defaulters in terms of section 29 of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act (No 12 of 2004)?</p> <p>The Register for Tender Defaulters can be accessed on the National Treasury's website (www.treasury.gov.za) by clicking on its link at the bottom of the home page.</p>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
4.2.1	If so, furnish particulars:		
4.3	<p>Was the bidder or any of its directors convicted by a court of law (including a court of law outside the Republic of South Africa) for fraud or corruption during the past five years?</p>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>

4.3.1	If so, furnish particulars:		
Item	Question	Yes	No
4.4	Does the bidder or any of its directors owe any municipal rates and taxes or municipal charges to the municipality / municipal entity, or to any other municipality / municipal entity, that is in arrears for more than three months?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
4.4.1	If so, furnish particulars:		
4.5	Was any contract between the bidder and the municipality / municipal entity or any other organ of state terminated during the past five years on account of failure to perform on or comply with the contract?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
4.7.1	If so, furnish particulars:		

CERTIFICATION

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

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

.....
Signature

.....
Date

.....
Position

.....
Name of Bidder

CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT BID DETERMINATION

- 1 This Municipal Bidding Document (MBD) must form part of all bids¹ invited.

- 2 Section 4 (1) (b) (iii) of the Competition Act No. 89 of 1998, as amended, prohibits an agreement between, or concerted practice by, firms, or a decision by an association of firms, if it is between parties in a horizontal relationship and if it involves collusive bidding (or bid rigging).² Collusive bidding is a *pe se* prohibition meaning that it cannot be justified under any grounds.

- 3 Municipal Supply Regulation 38 (1) prescribes that a supply chain management policy must provide measures for the combating of abuse of the supply chain management system, and must enable the accounting officer, among others, to:
 - a. take all reasonable steps to prevent such abuse;
 - b. reject the bid of any bidder if that bidder or any of its directors has abused the supply chain management system of the municipality or municipal entity or has committed any improper conduct in relation to such system; and
 - c. cancel a contract awarded to a person if the person committed any corrupt or fraudulent act during the bidding process or the execution of the contract.

- 4 This MBD serves as a certificate of declaration that would be used by institutions to ensure that, when bids are considered, reasonable steps are taken to prevent any form of bid-rigging.

- 5 In order to give effect to the above, the attached Certificate of Bid Determination (MBD 9) must be completed and submitted with the bid:

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

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

CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT BID DETERMINATION

I, the undersigned, in submitting the accompanying bid:

(Bid Number and Description)

in response to the invitation for the bid made by:

(Name of Municipality / Municipal Entity)

do hereby make the following statements that I certify to be true and complete in every respect:

I certify, on behalf of: _____ that:

(Name of Bidder)

1. I have read and I understand the contents of this Certificate;
2. I understand that the accompanying bid will be disqualified if this Certificate is found not to be true and complete in every respect;
3. I am authorized by the bidder to sign this Certificate, and to submit the accompanying bid, on behalf of the bidder;
4. Each person whose signature appears on the accompanying bid has been authorized by the bidder to determine the terms of, and to sign, the bid, on behalf of the bidder;
5. For the purposes of this Certificate and the accompanying bid, I understand that the word "competitor" shall include any individual or organization, other than the bidder, whether or not affiliated with the bidder, who:
 - (a) has been requested to submit a bid in response to this bid invitation;
 - (b) could potentially submit a bid in response to this bid invitation, based on their qualifications, abilities or experience; and
 - (c) provides the same goods and services as the bidder and/or is in the same line of business as the bidder

6. The bidder has arrived at the accompanying bid independently from, and without consultation, communication, agreement or arrangement with any competitor. However communication between partners in a joint venture or consortium³ will not be construed as collusive bidding.
7. In particular, without limiting the generality of paragraphs 6 above, there has been no consultation, communication, agreement or arrangement with any competitor regarding:
 - (a) prices;
 - (b) geographical area where product or service will be rendered (market allocation)
 - (c) methods, factors or formulas used to calculate prices;
 - (d) the intention or decision to submit or not to submit, a bid;
 - (e) the submission of a bid which does not meet the specifications and conditions of the bid; or
 - (f) bidding with the intention not to win the bid.
8. In addition, there have been no consultations, communications, agreements or arrangements with any competitor regarding the quality, quantity, specifications and conditions or delivery particulars of the products or services to which this bid invitation relates.
9. The terms of the accompanying bid have not been, and will not be, disclosed by the bidder, directly or indirectly, to any competitor, prior to the date and time of the official bid opening or of the awarding of the contract.

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

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

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Signature

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Date

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Position

.....
Name of Bidder

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APPENDIX 3: TERMS AND CONDITIONS: GOODS

1. This purchase order, including these terms and conditions, constitutes the sole and entire agreement between the parties hereto.
2. The Vendor's quotation is incorporated in and made a part of this purchase order only to the extent of specifying the nature and description of the goods ordered and then only to the extent that such items are consistent with the order in terms of this purchase order. No other terms and conditions shall be binding upon the Purchaser unless accepted in writing.
3. An advice note or packing slip bearing the Purchaser's order number must be sent to the Purchaser on the same day that the goods are dispatched and a copy of such advice note or packing slip bearing the Purchaser's order number must be enclosed with the goods.
4. An Invoice bearing the Purchaser's order number shall be sent to the Purchaser on the day on which goods are dispatched.
5. Payment will be effected within 30 days of receipt of invoice, provided that the Purchaser is satisfied with the goods rendered. The Purchaser shall not be responsible for delays in payment which are beyond its reasonable control.
6. The price herein specified, shall otherwise expressly stated include all taxes and duties of any kind which either party is required to pay with respect to the sale of goods rendered in terms of this agreement.
7. Ownership of and the risk in and to the goods shall pass to the Purchaser only upon receipt of the goods by the Purchaser in or on its premises and upon an authorized signatory certifying that the goods were received in good order.
8. Materials bought or obtained by the Vendor for use on contract works, shall become the property of the Purchaser immediately when the relevant portion of the actual price of the materials is paid to the contractor in accordance with the terms of payment as set out in this agreement. Property in and the title to the contract works shall pass to the Purchaser in proportion to the amount paid to the Vendor in accordance with the terms of payment.

9. The Vendor indemnifies the Purchaser against all loss of any kind whatsoever which may be occasioned by loss or damage to the material or works concerned in this agreement, whether these are the property of the Purchaser, the Vendor or of any other party.
10. The Purchaser shall not be liable for any loss, damage or expense arising from the Vendor's execution of the order with the Purchaser and the Vendor shall indemnify and keep the Purchase indemnified against any loss, damage, expense or injury to any property or any person in consequence of any defect in design (not originating with the Purchaser) work or material or from any negligence of the Vendor, its servant or agents. If the Purchaser becomes subject to any such claim, the Vendor shall render all reasonable assistance as required by the Purchaser to settle or defend any such claim or arbitration or proceeding arising there from and shall be liable for inter alia all legal fees incurred by the Purchaser in defending and/or settling such claims.
11. All delivery instructions of the Purchaser shall be strictly complied with and failure to do so will render the order subject to total or partial cancellation at the option of the Purchaser and the Purchaser shall be entitled to Purchase such goods elsewhere and debit the contractor with any loss, expense and cost thereby incurred.
12. The Vendor is required to acknowledge receipt and acceptance of this purchase order and the terms and conditions therein. Non-receipt of the Vendor's acknowledgment within three (3) working days from the date of this purchase order shall be deemed to signify acceptance by the Vendor of this purchase order and its conditions.
13. All goods delivered under any order of the Purchaser must be strictly to the quality control, engineering and building specifications, drawing, descriptions, samples or any other data furnished or adopted by the Purchaser and all goods must be in a new condition when delivered.
14. The Vendor warrants that all goods delivered under this order are fit and sufficient for the purpose for which they are intended to be used, that they are of merchantable quality and free from defects, whether they are patent or latent, in both material and workmanship.
15. The terms of all orders of the Purchaser or information supplied thereunder or derived therefrom are strictly confidential and shall not be divulged to any third party.

16. Failure by the Purchaser to enforce any of these issues shall not be construed as a waiver of any of the Purchaser's rights hereunder.

Responsibilities of the Vendor:

1. In accordance with the requirements of the Request for Quotation, provide Goods in the quantity, on or before the due date determined in or stated in a written order issued by the Purchaser.
2. Ensure that all goods shall be packaged with the provisions of the Request for Quotation. Where no provisions are made in the specifications for packaging, the goods shall be properly packed for long term storage in containers suitable to protect the contents against damage through rough handling and for over-storage in transit or whilst in stores.
3. Ensure that all containers (including packaging cases, boxes, tins, drum and wrappings) supplied by the Vendor shall be considered as non-returnable, and their cost having been included in the price of the goods.
4. Ensure that each consignment is clearly marked on the outside of the consignment or package with the Vendor's name and full details on the destination in accordance with the Purchaser's order and include a packaging note stating the contents thereof.
5. Ensure that on dispatch of each consignment, the Vendor shall send to the Purchaser at the address for delivery of the goods, an advice note specifying the means of transport, weight, number or volume as appropriate and the point and date of dispatch.
6. Send to the purchaser a detailed priced invoice as soon as reasonably practical after dispatch of the goods.
7. Ensure that the delivery of goods is effected within 7 days from receipt of the Purchaser's order, or if otherwise specified by the Purchaser. Should the Vendor have reason to suspect delays in delivery, the Vendor shall advise the Purchaser upon receipt of an order, in writing, of any anticipated delays citing reasons therefore and put forward a new anticipated delivery timeline. The Purchaser may extend the delivery date as it sees fit. Unless and until the Vendor receives a notification of the new, extended delivery date, there shall be no extension to the delivery date.

Signed on behalf of the Purchaser:

Designation: _____

Date: _____

Signed on behalf of the Vendor:

Designation: _____

Date: _____

THE NATIONAL TREASURY

Republic of South Africa



**GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT:
GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT**

July 2010

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General Conditions of Contract

1. Definitions
1. The following terms shall be interpreted as indicated:
 - 1.1 "Closing time" means the date and hour specified in the bidding documents for the receipt of bids.
 - 1.2 "Contract" means the written agreement entered into between the purchaser and the supplier, as recorded in the contract form signed by the parties, including all attachments and appendices thereto and all documents incorporated by reference therein.
 - 1.3 "Contract price" means the price payable to the supplier under the contract for the full and proper performance of his contractual obligations.
 - 1.4 "Corrupt practice" means the offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting of any thing of value to influence the action of a public official in the procurement process or in contract execution.
 - 1.5 "Countervailing duties" are imposed in cases where an enterprise abroad is subsidized by its government and encouraged to market its products internationally.
 - 1.6 "Country of origin" means the place where the goods were mined, grown or produced or from which the services are supplied. Goods are produced when, through manufacturing, processing or substantial and major assembly of components, a commercially recognized new product results that is substantially different in basic characteristics or in purpose or utility from its components.
 - 1.7 "Day" means calendar day.
 - 1.8 "Delivery" means delivery in compliance of the conditions of the contract or order.
 - 1.9 "Delivery ex stock" means immediate delivery directly from stock actually on hand.
 - 1.10 "Delivery into consignees store or to his site" means delivered and unloaded in the specified store or depot or on the specified site in compliance with the conditions of the contract or order, the supplier bearing all risks and charges involved until the goods are so delivered and a valid receipt is obtained.
 - 1.11 "Dumping" occurs when a private enterprise abroad market its goods on own initiative in the RSA at lower prices than that of the country of origin and which have the potential to harm the local industries in the RSA.

- 1.12 "Force majeure" means an event beyond the control of the supplier and not involving the supplier's fault or negligence and not foreseeable. Such events may include, but is not restricted to, acts of the purchaser in its sovereign capacity, wars or revolutions, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions and freight embargoes.
- 1.13 "Fraudulent practice" means a misrepresentation of facts in order to influence a procurement process or the execution of a contract to the detriment of any bidder, and includes collusive practice among bidders (prior to or after bid submission) designed to establish bid prices at artificial non-competitive levels and to deprive the bidder of the benefits of free and open competition.
- 1.14 "GCC" means the General Conditions of Contract.
- 1.15 "Goods" means all of the equipment, machinery, and/or other materials that the supplier is required to supply to the purchaser under the contract.
- 1.16 "Imported content" means that portion of the bidding price represented by the cost of components, parts or materials which have been or are still to be imported (whether by the supplier or his subcontractors) and which costs are inclusive of the costs abroad, plus freight and other direct importation costs such as landing costs, dock dues, import duty, sales duty or other similar tax or duty at the South African place of entry as well as transportation and handling charges to the factory in the Republic where the goods covered by the bid will be manufactured.
- 1.17 "Local content" means that portion of the bidding price, which is not included in the imported content provided that local manufacture does take place.
- 1.18 "Manufacture" means the production of products in a factory using labour, materials, components and machinery and includes other related value-adding activities.
- 1.19 "Order" means an official written order issued for the supply of goods or works or the rendering of a service.
- 1.20 "Project site," where applicable, means the place indicated in bidding documents.
- 1.21 "Purchaser" means the organization purchasing the goods.
- 1.22 "Republic" means the Republic of South Africa.
- 1.23 "SCC" means the Special Conditions of Contract.
- 1.24 "Services" means those functional services ancillary to the

supply of the goods, such as transportation and any other incidental services, such as installation, commissioning, provision of technical assistance, training, catering, gardening, security, maintenance and other such obligations of the supplier covered under the contract.

- 1.25 "Supplier" means the successful bidder who is awarded the contract to maintain and administer the required and specified service(s) to the State.
- 1.26 "Tort" means in breach of contract.
- 1.27 "Turnkey" means a procurement process where one service provider assumes total responsibility for all aspects of the project and delivers the full end product / service required by the contract.
- 1.28 "Written" or "in writing" means hand-written in ink or any form of electronic or mechanical writing.

2. Application

- 2.1 These general conditions are applicable to all bids, contracts and orders including bids for functional and professional services (excluding professional services related to the building and construction industry), sales, hiring, letting and the granting or acquiring of rights, but excluding immovable property, unless otherwise indicated in the bidding documents.
- 2.2 Where applicable, special conditions of contract are also laid down to cover specific goods, services or works.
- 2.3 Where such special conditions of contract are in conflict with these general conditions, the special conditions shall apply.

3. General

- 3.1 Unless otherwise indicated in the bidding documents, the purchaser shall not be liable for any expense incurred in the preparation and submission of a bid. Where applicable a non-refundable fee for documents may be charged.
- 3.2 Invitations to bid are usually published in locally distributed news media and on the municipality/municipal entity website.

4. Standards

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

5. Use of contract documents and information inspection

- 5.1 The supplier shall not, without the purchaser's prior written consent, disclose the contract, or any provision thereof, or any specification, plan, drawing, pattern, sample, or information furnished by or on behalf of the purchaser in connection therewith, to any person other than a person employed by the supplier in the performance of the contract. Disclosure to any such employed person shall be made in confidence and shall

extend only so far as may be necessary for purposes of such performance.

- 5.2 The supplier shall not, without the purchaser's prior written consent, make use of any document or information mentioned in GCC clause 5.1 except for purposes of performing the contract.
- 5.3 Any document, other than the contract itself mentioned in GCC clause 5.1 shall remain the property of the purchaser and shall be returned (all copies) to the purchaser on completion of the supplier's performance under the contract if so required by the purchaser.
- 5.4 The supplier shall permit the purchaser to inspect the supplier's records relating to the performance of the supplier and to have them audited by auditors appointed by the purchaser, if so required by the purchaser.

6. Patent Rights

- 6.1 The supplier shall indemnify the purchaser against all third-party claims of infringement of patent, trademark, or industrial design rights arising from use of the goods or any part thereof by the purchaser.
- 6.2 When a supplier developed documentation / projects for the municipality / municipal entity, the intellectual, copy and patent rights or ownership of such documents or projects will vest in the municipality / municipal entity.

7. Performance security

- 7.1 Within thirty (30) days of receipt of the notification of contract award, the successful bidder shall furnish to the purchaser the performance security of the amount specified in SCC.
- 7.2 The proceeds of the performance security shall be payable to the purchaser as compensation for any loss resulting from the supplier's failure to complete his obligations under the contract.
- 7.3 The performance security shall be denominated in the currency of the contract, or in a freely convertible currency acceptable to the purchaser and shall be in one of the following forms:
 - (a) a bank guarantee or an irrevocable letter of credit issued by a reputable bank located in the purchaser's country or abroad, acceptable to the purchaser, in the form provided in the bidding documents or another form acceptable to the purchaser; or
 - (b) a cashier's or certified cheque.
- 7.4 The performance security will be discharged by the purchaser and returned to the supplier not later than thirty (30) days following the date of completion of the supplier's performance obligations under the contract, including any warranty obligations, unless otherwise specified.

8. Inspections, tests and analyses

- 8.1 All pre-bidding testing will be for the account of the bidder.
- 8.2 If it is a bid condition that goods to be produced or services to be rendered should at any stage be subject to inspections, tests and analyses, the bidder or contractor's premises shall be open, at all reasonable hours, for inspection by a representative of the purchaser or organization acting on behalf of the purchaser.
- 8.3 If there are no inspection requirements indicated in the bidding documents and no mention is made in the contract, but during the contract period it is decided that inspections shall be carried out, the purchaser shall itself make the necessary arrangements, including payment arrangements with the testing authority concerned.
- 8.4 If the inspections, tests and analyses referred to in clauses 8.2 and 8.3 show the goods to be in accordance with the contract requirements, the cost of the inspections, tests and analyses shall be defrayed by the purchaser.
- 8.5 Where the goods or services referred to in clauses 8.2 and 8.3 do not comply with the contract requirements, irrespective of whether such goods or services are accepted or not, the cost in connection with these inspections, tests or analyses shall be defrayed by the supplier.
- 8.6 Goods and services which are referred to in clauses 8.2 and 8.3 and which do not comply with the contract requirements may be rejected.
- 8.7 Any contract goods may on or after delivery be inspected, tested or analysed and may be rejected if found not to comply with the requirements of the contract. Such rejected goods shall be held at the cost and risk of the supplier who shall, when called upon, remove them immediately at his own cost and forthwith substitute them with goods, which do comply with the requirements of the contract. Failing such removal the rejected goods shall be returned at the suppliers cost and risk. Should the supplier fail to provide the substitute goods forthwith, the purchaser may, without giving the supplier further opportunity to substitute the rejected goods, purchase such goods as may be necessary at the expense of the supplier.
- 8.8 The provisions of clauses 8.4 to 8.7 shall not prejudice the right of the purchaser to cancel the contract on account of a breach of the conditions thereof, or to act in terms of Clause 22 of GCC.

9. Packing

- 9.1 The supplier shall provide such packing of the goods as is required to prevent their damage or deterioration during transit to their final destination, as indicated in the contract. The packing shall be sufficient to withstand, without limitation, rough handling during transit and exposure to extreme temperatures, salt and precipitation during transit, and open storage. Packing, case size

weights shall take into consideration, where appropriate, the remoteness of the goods' final destination and the absence of heavy handling facilities at all points in transit.

- 9.2 The packing, marking, and documentation within and outside the packages shall comply strictly with such special requirements as shall be expressly provided for in the contract, including additional requirements, if any, and in any subsequent instructions ordered by the purchaser.

10. Delivery and documents

- 10.1 Delivery of the goods and arrangements for shipping and clearance obligations, shall be made by the supplier in accordance with the terms specified in the contract.

11. Insurance

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

12. Transportation

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

13. Incidental Services

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

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

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

14. Spare parts

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

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

15. Warranty

- 15.1 The supplier warrants that the goods supplied under the contract are new, unused, of the most recent or current models, and that they incorporate all recent improvements in design and materials unless provided otherwise in the contract. The supplier further warrants that all goods supplied under this contract shall have no defect, arising from design, materials, or workmanship (except when the design and/or material is required by the purchaser's specifications) or from any act or omission of the supplier, that may develop under normal use of the supplied goods in the conditions prevailing in the country of final destination.
- 15.2 This warranty shall remain valid for twelve (12) months after the goods, or any portion thereof as the case may be, have been delivered to and accepted at the final destination indicated in the contract, or for eighteen (18) months after the date of shipment from the port or place of loading in the source country, whichever period concludes earlier, unless specified otherwise.
- 15.3 The purchaser shall promptly notify the supplier in writing of any claims arising under this warranty.
- 15.4 Upon receipt of such notice, the supplier shall, within the period specified and with all reasonable speed, repair or replace the defective goods or parts thereof, without costs to the purchaser.
- 15.5 If the supplier, having been notified, fails to remedy the defect(s) within the period specified, the purchaser may proceed to take such remedial action as may be necessary, at the supplier's risk and expense and without prejudice to any other rights which the purchaser may have against the supplier under the contract.

16. Payment

- 16.1 The method and conditions of payment to be made to the supplier under this contract shall be specified.
- 16.2 The supplier shall furnish the purchaser with an invoice accompanied by a copy of the delivery note and upon fulfillment of other obligations stipulated in the contract.

- 16.3 Payments shall be made promptly by the purchaser, but in no case later than thirty (30) days after submission of an invoice or claim by the supplier.
- 16.4 Payment will be made in Rand unless otherwise stipulated.
- 17. Prices** 17.1 Prices charged by the supplier for goods delivered and services performed under the contract shall not vary from the prices quoted by the supplier in his bid, with the exception of any price adjustments authorized or in the purchaser's request for bid validity extension, as the case may be.
- 18. Variation orders** 18.1 In cases where the estimated value of the envisaged changes in purchase does not vary more than 15% of the total value of the original contract, the contractor may be instructed to deliver the goods or render the services as such. In cases of measurable quantities, the contractor may be approached to reduce the unit price, and such offers may be accepted provided that there is no escalation in price.
- 19. Assignment** 19.1 The supplier shall not assign, in whole or in part, its obligations to perform under the contract, except with the purchaser's prior written consent.
- 20. Subcontracts** 20.1 The supplier shall notify the purchaser in writing of all subcontracts awarded under this contracts if not already specified in the bid. Such notification, in the original bid or later, shall not relieve the supplier from any liability or obligation under the contract.
- 21. Delays in the supplier's performance** 21.1 Delivery of the goods and performance of services shall be made by the supplier in accordance with the time schedule prescribed by the purchaser in the contract.
- 21.2 If at any time during performance of the contract, the supplier or its subcontractor(s) should encounter conditions impeding timely delivery of the goods and performance of services, the supplier shall promptly notify the purchaser in writing of the fact of the delay, its likely duration and its cause(s). As soon as practicable after receipt of the supplier's notice, the purchaser shall evaluate the situation and may at his discretion extend the supplier's time for performance, with or without the imposition of penalties, in which case the extension shall be ratified by the parties by amendment of contract.
- 21.3 The right is reserved to procure outside of the contract small quantities or to have minor essential services executed if an emergency arises, the supplier's point of supply is not situated at or near the place where the goods are required, or the supplier's services are not readily available.

21.4 Except as provided under GCC Clause 25, a delay by the supplier in the performance of its delivery obligations shall render the supplier liable to the imposition of penalties, pursuant to GCC Clause 22, unless an extension of time is agreed upon pursuant to GCC Clause 22.2 without the application of penalties.

21.5 Upon any delay beyond the delivery period in the case of a goods contract, the purchaser shall, without cancelling the contract, be entitled to purchase goods of a similar quality and up to the same quantity in substitution of the goods not supplied in conformity with the contract and to return any goods delivered later at the supplier's expense and risk, or to cancel the contract and buy such goods as may be required to complete the contract and without prejudice to his other rights, be entitled to claim damages from the supplier.

22. Penalties

22.1 Subject to GCC Clause 25, if the supplier fails to deliver any or all of the goods or to perform the services within the period(s) specified in the contract, the purchaser shall, without prejudice to its other remedies under the contract, deduct from the contract price, as a penalty, a sum calculated on the delivered price of the delayed goods or unperformed services using the current prime interest rate calculated for each day of the delay until actual delivery or performance. The purchaser may also consider termination of the contract pursuant to GCC Clause 23.

23. Termination for default

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

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

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

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

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- 23.4 If a purchaser intends imposing a restriction on a supplier or any person associated with the supplier, the supplier will be allowed a time period of not more than fourteen (14) days to provide reasons why the envisaged restriction should not be imposed. Should the supplier fail to respond within the stipulated fourteen (14) days the purchaser may regard the supplier as having no objection and proceed with the restriction.
- 23.5 . Any restriction imposed on any person by the purchaser will, at the discretion of the purchaser, also be applicable to any other enterprise or any partner, manager, director or other person who wholly or partly exercises or exercised or may exercise control over the enterprise of the first-mentioned person, and with which enterprise or person the first-mentioned person, is or was in the opinion of the purchaser actively associated.
- 23.6 If a restriction is imposed, the purchaser must, within five (5) working days of such imposition, furnish the National Treasury, with the following information:
- (i) the name and address of the supplier and / or person restricted by the purchaser;
 - (ii) the date of commencement of the restriction
 - (iii) the period of restriction; and
 - (iv) the reasons for the restriction.

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

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

- 24. Anti-dumping and countervailing duties and rights**
- 24.1 When, after the date of bid, provisional payments are required, or anti-dumping or countervailing duties are imposed, or the amount of a provisional payment or anti-dumping or countervailing right is increased in respect of any dumped or subsidized import, the State is not liable for any amount so required or imposed, or for the amount of any such increase. When, after the said date, such a provisional payment is no longer required or any such anti-dumping or countervailing right is abolished, or where the amount of such provisional payment or any such right is reduced, any such favourable difference shall on demand be paid forthwith by the supplier to the purchaser or the purchaser may deduct such amounts from moneys (if any) which may otherwise be due to the supplier in regard to goods or services which he delivered or rendered, or is to deliver or render in terms of the contract or any other contract or any other amount which may be due to him.
- 25. Force Majeure**
- 25.1 Notwithstanding the provisions of GCC Clauses 22 and 23, the supplier shall not be liable for forfeiture of its performance security, damages, or termination for default if and to the extent that his delay in performance or other failure to perform his obligations under the contract is the result of an event of force majeure.
- 25.2 If a force majeure situation arises, the supplier shall promptly notify the purchaser in writing of such condition and the cause thereof. Unless otherwise directed by the purchaser in writing, the supplier shall continue to perform its obligations under the contract as far as is reasonably practical, and shall seek all reasonable alternative means for performance not prevented by the force majeure event.
- 26. Termination for insolvency**
- 26.1 The purchaser may at any time terminate the contract by giving written notice to the supplier if the supplier becomes bankrupt or otherwise insolvent. In this event, termination will be without compensation to the supplier, provided that such termination will not prejudice or affect any right of action or remedy, which has accrued or will accrue thereafter to the purchaser.
- 27. Settlement of Disputes**
- 27.1 If any dispute or difference of any kind whatsoever arises between the purchaser and the supplier in connection with or arising out of the contract, the parties shall make every effort to resolve amicably such dispute or difference by mutual consultation.
- 27.2 If, after thirty (30) days, the parties have failed to resolve their dispute or difference by such mutual consultation, then either the purchaser or the supplier may give notice to the other party of his intention to commence with mediation. No mediation in respect of this matter may be commenced unless such notice is given to the other party.

- 27.3 Should it not be possible to settle a dispute by means of mediation, it may be settled in a South African court of law.
- 27.4 Notwithstanding any reference to mediation and/or court proceedings herein,
- (a) the parties shall continue to perform their respective obligations under the contract unless they otherwise agree; and
 - (b) the purchaser shall pay the supplier any monies due the supplier for goods delivered and / or services rendered according to the prescripts of the contract.

28. Limitation of Liability

- 28.1 Except in cases of criminal negligence or willful misconduct, and in the case of infringement pursuant to Clause 6;
- (a) the supplier shall not be liable to the purchaser, whether in contract, tort, or otherwise, for any indirect or consequential loss or damage, loss of use, loss of production, or loss of profits or interest costs, provided that this exclusion shall not apply to any obligation of the supplier to pay penalties and/or damages to the purchaser; and
 - (b) the aggregate liability of the supplier to the purchaser, whether under the contract, in tort or otherwise, shall not exceed the total contract price, provided that this limitation shall not apply to the cost of repairing or replacing defective equipment.

29. Governing language

- 29.1 The contract shall be written in English. All correspondence and other documents pertaining to the contract that is exchanged by the parties shall also be written in English.

30. Applicable law

- 30.1 The contract shall be interpreted in accordance with South African laws, unless otherwise specified.

31. Notices

- 31.1 Every written acceptance of a bid shall be posted to the supplier concerned by registered or certified mail and any other notice to him shall be posted by ordinary mail to the address furnished in his bid or to the address notified later by him in writing and such posting shall be deemed to be proper service of such notice.
- 31.2 The time mentioned in the contract documents for performing any act after such aforesaid notice has been given, shall be reckoned from the date of posting of such notice.

32. Taxes and duties

- 32.1 A foreign supplier shall be entirely responsible for all taxes, stamp duties, license fees, and other such levies imposed outside the purchaser's country.

- 32.2 A local supplier shall be entirely responsible for all taxes, duties, license fees, etc., incurred until delivery of the contracted goods to the purchaser.
- 32.3 No contract shall be concluded with any bidder whose tax matters are not in order. Prior to the award of a bid SARS must have certified that the tax matters of the preferred bidder are in order.
- 32.4 No contract shall be concluded with any bidder whose municipal rates and taxes and municipal services charges are in arrears.
- 33. Transfer of contracts** 33.1 The contractor shall not abandon, transfer, cede assign or sublet a contract or part thereof without the written permission of the purchaser
- 34. Amendment of contracts** 34.1 No agreement to amend or vary a contract or order or the conditions, stipulations or provisions thereof shall be valid and of any force unless such agreement to amend or vary is entered into in writing and signed by the contracting parties. Any waiver of the requirement that the agreement to amend or vary shall be in writing, shall also be in writing.
- 35. Prohibition of restrictive practices** 35.1 In terms of section 4 (1) (b) (iii) of the Competition Act No. 89 of 1998, as amended, an agreement between, or concerted practice by, firms, or a decision by an association of firms, is prohibited if it is between parties in a horizontal relationship and if a bidder(s) is / are or a contractor(s) was / were involved in collusive bidding.
- 35.2 If a bidder(s) or contractor(s) based on reasonable grounds or evidence obtained by the purchaser has / have engaged in the restrictive practice referred to above, the purchaser may refer the matter to the Competition Commission for investigation and possible imposition of administrative penalties as contemplated in section 59 of the Competition Act No 89 Of 1998.
- 35.3 If a bidder(s) or contractor(s) has / have been found guilty by the Competition Commission of the restrictive practice referred to above, the purchaser may, in addition and without prejudice to any other remedy provided for, invalidate the bid(s) for such item(s) offered, and / or terminate the contract in whole or part, and / or restrict the bidder(s) or contractor(s) from conducting business with the public sector for a period not exceeding ten (10) years and / or claim damages from the bidder(s) or contractor(s) concerned.