

# NATIONAL HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION SOC LTD (NHFC)

**BID NUMBER:** FM01/02/2026

**BID DESCRIPTION:** REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF INTERNAL AUDITORS FOR THE PERIOD OF 36 (THIRTY-SIX) MONTHS



Issued by:
NHFC
<b>90 Grayston Drive</b> <b>5<sup>th</sup> Floor, 90</b> <b>Grayston</b> <b>Sandton</b>

**Full Name of Bidding/Tendering Entity:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact Person:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Tel Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Advert Date:** 11 February 2026

**Non-Compulsory Briefing Session:** 20 February 2026 at 14:00 (Via MS Team)  
**Meeting ID:** 359 440 307 237 50  
**Passcode:** Q3NJ7oe2

**Closing Date and Time:** 09 March 2026 at 11:00 (**No late submissions will be accepted**)

**Bid enquiries:** Tenders01@nhfc.co.za

**Bidder's Authorised Signatory:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Initials and Surname:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

## BID DOCUMENTS CHECK LIST:

The contents of the BID document must be as follows, and numbered as per the numbering below, with each schedule punched, placed in a file and separated from the next schedule with a file divider.

Please complete the checklist below to verify your submission of the relevant documents:

<b>Schedules</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Submitted – Indicate YES or NO</b>
Annexure 1	Tax Compliance Status Pin	
Annexure 2	Copies of Company Registration Documents	
Annexure 3	Copy B-BBEE Certificate/ Sworn Affidavit	
Annexure 4	Current Central Supplier Database Report Copy	
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Annexure 10	Resolution to Sign	
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Annexure 12	One (1) original hard copy and a soft copy of the RFP (USB) must be submitted in a sealed envelope, appropriately addressed.	
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## 1. OVERVIEW OF THE BIDDING PROCESS

**The bidding process shall comprise of 3 main phases:**

- 1) **Phase 1: Administrative Requirements** - which involves completing and submitting certain documents/information that will be considered when evaluating the proposal.
- 2) **Phase 2: Functionality Evaluation** – Bidders are required to score a minimum of **75 points** to qualify for the last evaluation phase.
- 3) **Phase 3: Evaluation based on the Price and Preference Points** - Bidders will be subjected to the Preferential Procurement Framework Act.

## 2. TENDER CONDITIONS

- This bid is subject to the Preferential Procurement Framework Act 2000 and the Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2022, the general conditions of contract (GCC), and, if applicable, any other legislation or special conditions of contract.
- The lowest or any bid will not necessarily be accepted.
- NHFC reserves the right to reject the submitted proposal if deemed necessary. Should it be discovered by the NHFC that the bidder did not act in good faith and/or has declared incorrectly/falsey, NHFC reserves the right to disqualify or reject the bid.
- The NHFC reserves the right to disqualify a bid proposal if the bidders' proposal is not compliant with the scope of work/terms of reference,
- The bidder is subjected to due diligence process, which includes screening, vetting, and/or any best practice that may subject NHFC to comply with legislation and its Policies and Procedures.
- The NHFC reserves the right to disqualify a bid if the bidder fails to provide reasonable request (s) for documentation/information which the NHFC deems necessary for the purpose of evaluation within reasonable timelines. This includes the set deadline per request,
- Bid rigging/collusive behaviour by the bidder will result in disqualification. A bidder is not permitted to submit a proposal from more than one registered company with a common director/shareholder.
- This bid is subject to the general Conditions Contract as stipulated in this invitation.
- The NHFC deems the Bidder has read and accepted these Conditions of the Contract.
- Bidders must submit the bid in a hard copy format and a soft copy of the RFP (USB). The soft copy of these original sets of bid documents serves as the legal bid contract document and the master record between the bidder and the NHFC.
- In the event of any discrepancy between the evaluation copies and the master (original Soft copy) record, the master record will supersede the hard copy. Any discrepancy between the

original sets deposited with the NHFC and those kept by the bidder, the original set deposited with the NHFC is the master contract for both parties.

- The shortlisted bidders must avail themselves to present to a bid evaluation committee on the day stipulated by the NHFC.
- The NHFC undertakes to pay out within 30 days from the issuance of substantiated invoices issued in terms of this appointment (Payment schedule as defined in the service level agreement). No payment will be made for outstanding information not submitted by the service provider.
- NHFC is dedicated to operating in an ethical and honest manner, as well as putting in place and upholding policies that ensure all forms of bribery, corruption, and fraud are avoided. NHFC has no tolerance for acts of corruption or bribery. In all of our business interactions and the relationships we establish, we are dedicated to conducting ourselves in a professional, equitable, and honest manner.
- The NHFC reserves the right to reject submitted proposal(s) if it discovers that the bidder (or its directors/members) has any serious adverse reports, whether confirmed by a court or not, such as:
  - Being cited as aiding and abetting state capture;
  - Involvement in fraud and / or corrupt activities;
  - Misrepresenting audit outcomes of an organisation;
  - Listed on the National Treasury restricted database;
  - Being under investigation or facing allegations that may result in criminal charges; or
  - Any report as a result of which the NHFC may suffer reputational harm in any way by doing business with the bidder;.

**SBD 1 INVITATION TO BID – PART A**

<b>YOU ARE HEREBY INVITED TO BID FOR REQUIREMENTS OF THE NHFC SOC LTD.</b>					
BID NUMBER:	FM01/02/2026	CLOSING DATE:	09 March 2026	CLOSING TIME:	11:00
DESCRIPTION	REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF INTERNAL AUDITORS FOR THE PERIOD OF 36 (THIRTY-SIX) MONTHS				
<b>BID RESPONSE DOCUMENTS MAY BE DEPOSITED IN THE BID BOX SITUATED AT (STREET ADDRESS)</b>					
90 Grayston Drive, 5 <sup>th</sup> Floor, 90 Grayston, Sandton					
<b>BIDDING PROCEDURE ENQUIRIES MAY BE DIRECTED TO</b>			<b>TECHNICAL ENQUIRIES MAY BE DIRECTED TO:</b>		
CONTACT PERSON	Khensani Zungu		CONTACT PERSON		
TELEPHONE NUMBER			TELEPHONE NUMBER		
FACSIMILE NUMBER	N/A		FACSIMILE NUMBER		
E-MAIL ADDRESS	<a href="mailto:tenders01@nhfc.co.za">tenders01@nhfc.co.za</a>		E-MAIL ADDRESS	<a href="mailto:tenders01@nhfc.co.za">tenders01@nhfc.co.za</a>	
<b>SUPPLIER INFORMATION</b>					
NAME OF BIDDER					
POSTAL ADDRESS					
STREET ADDRESS					
TELEPHONE NUMBER	CODE		NUMBER		
CELLPHONE NUMBER					
FACSIMILE NUMBER	CODE		NUMBER		
E-MAIL ADDRESS					
VAT REGISTRATION NUMBER					
SUPPLIER COMPLIANCE STATUS	TAX COMPLIANCE SYSTEM PIN:		OR	CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE No:	MAAA
B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE	TICK APPLICABLE BOX]		B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL SWORN AFFIDAVIT		[TICK APPLICABLE BOX]
	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>[A B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE/ SWORN AFFIDAVIT (FOR EMES &amp; QSEs) MUST BE SUBMITTED IN ORDER TO QUALIFY FOR PREFERENCE POINTS FOR B-BBEE]</b>					
ARE YOU THE ACCREDITED REPRESENTATIVE IN SOUTH AFRICA FOR THE GOODS /SERVICES /WORKS OFFERED?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No [IF YES ENCLOSURE PROOF]		ARE YOU A FOREIGN BASED SUPPLIER FOR THE GOODS /SERVICES /WORKS OFFERED?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No [IF YES, ANSWER THE QUESTIONNAIRE BELOW]
<b>QUESTIONNAIRE TO BIDDING FOREIGN SUPPLIERS</b>					
IS THE ENTITY A RESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA (RSA)?				<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	
DOES THE ENTITY HAVE A BRANCH IN THE RSA?				<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	
DOES THE ENTITY HAVE A PERMANENT ESTABLISHMENT IN THE RSA?				<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	
DOES THE ENTITY HAVE ANY SOURCE OF INCOME IN THE RSA?				<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	

IS THE ENTITY LIABLE IN THE RSA FOR ANY FORM OF TAXATION?

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 BELOW.

## PART B

### TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR BIDDING

#### 1. BID SUBMISSION:

- 1.1. BIDS MUST BE DELIVERED BY THE STIPULATED TIME TO THE CORRECT ADDRESS. LATE BIDS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED FOR CONSIDERATION.
- 1.2. **ALL BIDS MUST BE SUBMITTED ON THE OFFICIAL FORMS PROVIDED–(NOT TO BE RE-TYPED) OR IN THE MANNER PRESCRIBED IN THE BID DOCUMENT.**
- 1.3. THIS BID IS SUBJECT TO THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT POLICY FRAMEWORK ACT, 2000 AND THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS, 2022, THE GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT (GCC) AND, IF APPLICABLE, ANY OTHER SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT.
- 1.4. **THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER WILL BE REQUIRED TO FILL IN AND SIGN A WRITTEN CONTRACT FORM (SBD7).**

#### 2. TAX COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS

- 2.1 BIDDERS MUST ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THEIR TAX OBLIGATIONS.
- 2.2 BIDDERS ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT THEIR UNIQUE PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (PIN) ISSUED BY SARS TO ENABLE THE ORGAN OF STATE TO VERIFY THE TAXPAYER'S PROFILE AND TAX STATUS.
- 2.3 APPLICATION FOR TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS (TCS) PIN MAY BE MADE VIA E-FILING THROUGH THE SARS WEBSITE WWW.SARS.GOV.ZA.
- 2.4 BIDDERS MAY ALSO SUBMIT A PRINTED TCS CERTIFICATE TOGETHER WITH THE BID.
- 2.5 IN BIDS WHERE CONSORTIA / JOINT VENTURES / SUB-CONTRACTORS ARE INVOLVED; EACH PARTY MUST SUBMIT A SEPARATE TCS CERTIFICATE / PIN / CSD NUMBER.
- 2.6 WHERE NO TCS PIN IS AVAILABLE BUT THE BIDDER IS REGISTERED ON THE CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE (CSD), A CSD NUMBER MUST BE PROVIDED.
- 2.7 NO BIDS WILL BE CONSIDERED FROM PERSONS IN THE SERVICE OF THE STATE, COMPANIES WITH DIRECTORS WHO ARE PERSONS IN THE SERVICE OF THE STATE, OR CLOSE CORPORATIONS WITH MEMBERS PERSONS IN THE SERVICE OF THE STATE."

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

SIGNATURE OF BIDDER: .....

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

DATE: .....

## **TENDER CONDITIONS**

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### **3. DEFINITIONS**

- (a) The word “Bidder” in these conditions shall mean and include any firm of Contractors, Suppliers, Service Providers or any company or body incorporated or unincorporated.
- (b) The word “Employer” in these conditions shall mean the NHFC.

### **4. ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS**

The following copies must be attached when returning the RFP:

- a) Submission of the following Signed and Completed Standard Bid Documents (SBD) Forms
  - SBD 1: Bidders Information
  - SBD 3.3: Pricing Schedule
  - SBD 4: Bidders Disclosure
  - SBD 6.1: Preference Points Claim Form in terms of preferential procurement
  - SBD 7.2: Contract of Rendering of Services
- b) Tax Compliance Status Pin (TCS Pin);
- c) Copy of Valid B-BBEE Certificate/ Sworn Affidavit (B-BBEE certificate issued by a SANAS accredited agency and the Sworn Affidavit signed by a commissioner of oaths and deponents);
- d) Proof of Company Registration;
- e) Identity Documents for Directors;
- f) Current Copy of Central Supplier Database (CSD) Report;
- g) Signed or initialized General Conditions of Contract (GCC);
- h) Protection of personal information Consent form
- i) Consent For Credit and World Checks (form 1,2,3,4)

**NB:** if the bidder failed to comply with any of the Administrative Compliance Requirements, or if the NHFC is unable to verify whether the Administrative Compliance Requirements are met, then the NHFC reserves the right to:

- Accept the bid for evaluation on condition that the bidder submits within 7 working days from the date of correspondence any supplementary information to achieve full compliance on Administrative Compliance Requirements. Please ensure that the submitted information is clear, concise, and directly addresses the specified criteria. Failure to provide the requested information by the deadline will result in your bid not being evaluated.

All forms, annexures and addendums shall be signed and completed and returned with the

Bid Document as a whole.

## **5. BID DOCUMENT**

- (a) The bid document must be completed in all respects in non-erasable ink.
- (b) Bids must be submitted on original bid documents.
- (c) Bid documents must remain intact and no portion may be detached.

## **6. PERIOD OF VALIDITY FOR BIDS AND WITHDRAWAL OF BID AFTER CLOSING DATE**

All Bids must remain valid for a period of **120 days** from the closing date as stipulated in the Bid document.

## **7. VALUE ADDED TAX**

In calculating the cost of the supply and delivery of services and / or material, the supplier will issue a "Tax Invoice" for all services rendered and / or materials supplied, which will reflect the exclusive cost of such services, goods or materials with the relevant Value Added Tax being added to the total. VAT must be included in the Bid price but must be shown separately.

## **8. AUTHORITY TO SIGN BID DOCUMENTS**

In the case of a Bid being submitted on behalf of a company, close corporation or partnership, evidence must be submitted to the employer at the time of submission of the Bid that the Bid has been signed by persons properly authorised thereto by resolution of the directors or under the articles of the entity.

## **9. SUBMISSION OF BIDS**

Bids must be submitted in sealed envelopes clearly marked **REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF INTERNAL AUDITORS FOR THE PERIOD OF 36 (THIRTY-SIX) MONTHS**. The Bid must be deposited in the bid box during normal office hours viz. 08:30 – 16:30 Mondays to Fridays at the below address:

**90 Grayston Drive**  
**5<sup>th</sup> Floor,**  
**90 Grayston,**  
**Sandton**

## **10. CLOSING DATE AND TIME**

Bid should reach the above address for submission by no later than **11:00 a.m. on 09 March 2026**. No late bids will be accepted or considered.

## 11. BID ENQUIRIES

Please refer all enquiries to the below mentioned persons for assistance during normal office hours viz. 08:30 – 16:30 Mondays to Fridays. **Closing time for clarification queries is ten (10) working days before the submission deadline.**

### All Enquiries

**Name: Khensani Zungu**

**Email address: [Tenders01@nhfc.co.za](mailto:Tenders01@nhfc.co.za)**

## 12. JOINT VENTURE REQUIREMENTS

**DEFINITION:** - “**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.

Should a group of companies/firms and/or interested parties wish to enter into a joint venture/consortium agreement the following minimum requirements must be met: -

- (a) A properly signed copy of the joint venture/consortium agreement must be attached.
- (b) Each member of the joint venture/consortium must provide a Tax Clearance Certificate.
- (c) After the award of a contract to a joint venture/consortium, the successful joint venture group or consortium must provide a combined joint venture/consortium Tax Clearance Certificate.
- (d) After the award of a contract to a joint venture/consortium, the successful joint venture group or consortium must provide the details of the joint venture / consortium banking details.
- (e) A trust, consortium or joint venture will qualify for preference points as a legal entity, provided that the entity submits the required proof for claiming preference points. A trust, consortium or joint venture will qualify for preference points as an unincorporated entity, provided that the entity submits the required proof for claiming preference points as if they were a group structure.

### 12.1 THE JOINT VENTURE/CONSORTIUM AGREEMENT MUST CONTAIN THE FOLLOWING: -

- (a) Who the managing member will be?
- (b) Who the signatory of authority will be?
- (c) How the joint venture/consortium share of profit will be split.
- (d) The bank account details where payments will be deposited into.
- (e) The agreement must be signed by all parties.
- (f) The agreement must be certified by a Commissioner of Oaths.
- (g) The postal and physical address where all correspondence will be sent to.

## TERMS OF REFERENCE

### 1. INTRODUCTION

The NHFC is a public entity listed as a Schedule 3A of the Public Finance Management Act (PFMA) of 1999 (as amended). The entity was established by the National Department of Human Settlements (NDOHS) as a development finance institution (DFI) in 1996, with the mandate of broadening access to affordable housing for the low- and middle-income households. NHFC, as a national public entity, adheres to the regulatory framework of the Public Finance Management Act (PFMA) of 1999.

The NHFC operates largely as a wholesale funder providing funding in the affordable housing market through a network of clients that include social housing institutions, property developers and investors, contractors, as well as non-banking financial retail intermediaries. In addition, it facilitates national implementation of a housing subsidy programme on behalf of the Department of Human Settlements, which is focused on providing a subsidy for aspiring first-time homeowners, known as the First Home Finance Programme. The entity also provides programme management services to augment the capacity of provincial and local governments in the implementation of various housing programmes. The company operates nationally mostly through intermediaries operating in the four (4) main financing channels, namely, the residential developer financing channel, the Social Housing institution /Other Delivery Agents (ODAs) financing channel, the contractor financing channel as well as the incremental housing intermediary financing channel. In addition to providing loans to its intermediary partners, the company also provides other forms of funding in the form of strategic investments, such as equity and quasi-equity to certain niche businesses in the affordable housing value chain.

As the human settlements DFI, NHFC supports the NDOHS in its objective to achieve its constitutional mandate of human settlements delivery throughout the country.

### 2. PURPOSE OF THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)

The National Housing Finance Corporation SOC Limited (NHFC) is seeking proposals from suitably qualified institutions to provide internal audit services for a period of three years to NHFC and its wholly owned subsidiary, CTCHC, based in Cape Town, and NHFC Management Services (NMS) based in the Eastern Cape, subject to annual performance review.

### 3. SCOPE OF WORK

The successful service provider will be expected to perform the internal audit activities in line with the requirements of the PFMA, and the approved NHFC Internal Audit Charter, which states that the internal audit function (under the direction of the CEO and Group Risk Executive or GM: Enterprise-Wide Risk Management) has the responsibility to, amongst other things:

- Develop a three-year rolling strategic internal audit plan using appropriate risk-based methodology, including any risks or control concerns identified by management, and submit that plan to the Audit and Risk Committee for review and approval; the strategic plan will include both the internal and external audit tracking schedules. The NHFC is audited by the Auditor-General South Africa.
- Prepare a detailed internal audit charter and plan for the first year of the rolling plan and proposed plan for two years, to be presented to management and the Audit and Risk Committee together with the fee estimate, for the work to be conducted;
- Estimated audit hours for the 3-year period are as follows:
  - 15 000 hours for audit reviews
  - 5 500 hours for irregular, Fruitless and wasteful expenditure determination tests, whistleblower hotline and other investigations
  - 2000 hours for special audits such as live audits of tenders, investigations, etc.
  - Ensure availability of resources throughout the year
- Implement the annual audit plan, as approved, including, and as appropriate, any special tasks or projects requested by Management and the Audit and Risk Committee, as well as periodic updates;
- Annual review of the annual financial statements prior to sign off and submission to the Auditor-General South Africa;
- Report to the Audit and Risk Committee on a quarterly basis: on the performance against the annual internal audit plan and on other areas of concern. Monthly reports to management and quarterly reports to the Audit and Risk Committee to summarise the results of the audit activities and detailing its performance against the annual internal audit plan to allow effective monitoring and possible intervention. Present all completed audit reports to management (monthly) and the Audit and Risk Committee quarterly;
- Implement, maintain and report on combined assurance within the NHFC to EXCOM monthly and Audit and Risk Committee quarterly;

- Review and maintain the combined assurance policy, framework and plan. Establish the relevant governance structures and committees. Facilitate meetings and discussions to implement and monitor combined assurance;
- Training of all staff on combined assurance: X1 training session per annum;
- Maintain a professional audit staff with sufficient knowledge, skills, experience, and professional certifications to meet the requirements of this Charter;
- Evaluate and assess significant merging/consolidating functions and new or changing services, processes, operations, and control processes coincident with their development, implementation, and/or expansion;
- Keep the Audit and Risk committee and management informed of emerging trends and successful practices in internal auditing;
- Assist in the investigation of significant suspected fraudulent activities (reported through the whistleblower hotline) within the organisation and notify Group Risk Executive/ GM: Enterprise-Wide Risk Management, CEO and the Audit and Risk committee of the results. Prepare a detailed report with recommendations, maintain a file of all evidence, and present the findings to the Audit and Risk Committee. Present evidence at disciplinary hearings (as a witness). Conduct approximately 15 investigations per annum;
- Conduct approximately 40 irregular, fruitless and wasteful expenditure incident determinations per annum, prepare a detailed report with recommendations, maintain a file of all evidence, present the findings to the Audit and Risk Committee and the Loss Control Committee;

The NHFC plans to establish a fully operational in-house Internal Audit function. In addition to the above scope of work, the appointed Internal Audit service provider will be expected to assist the NHFC with the following during this transition period. **If the NHFC chooses not to in-source the IA function, these costs will be eliminated.**

- A detailed transitional plan must be provided in Year Three of the contract:
- Contents of Year Three Plan:
- Advise on the organisational structure requirements for the IA function which management will implement.
- Provide inputs for the job evaluations, skills and competency requirements and budget;
- Planning requirements for the unit and a transition and skills transfer plan
- Develop a detailed skills transfer and transition plan which must be presented to EXCOM and the Audit and Risk Committee for consideration and approval.
- Implement the approved transition plan;

- Work closely with the appointed IA staff to capacitate the team and ensure a smooth transition;
- Report progress to EXCOM monthly and the Audit and Risk Committee Quarterly;

The Internal Audit Function (IAF) will interact with various governance groups and/ or assurance groups within the NHFC to ensure that the combined assurance objectives are achieved to the extent possible.

## **4. PROJECT MANAGEMENT**

### **4.1 Hybrid Working**

The NHFC has a hybrid working arrangement. Where the office is accessed, this is subject to compliance with the NHFC health and safety protocols. The NHFC uses MS Teams for its meetings.

### **4.2 Performance of assignments**

Assignments are to be performed in accordance with the Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing. All working papers and reports must be retained, at the Auditors' expense, for a minimum of three years (3) from the date of appointment, unless the firm/individual is notified in writing by the NHFC of the need to extend the retention period. The service provider will be required to make working papers available, upon request by the NHFC or its external auditors.

### **4.3 Timing of assignments**

The performance of each assignment shall be in accordance with the internal audit plan approved by the Audit and Risk Committee (aligned to the strategic and operational risk registers). Changes to the timing of audits must be agreed with the CEO/ Group Risk Executive/ GM: Enterprise-Wide Risk Management and communicated to the Audit and Risk Committee at its quarterly meetings.

### **4.4 Quality assurance of reviews**

The service provider shall ensure that all work conforms to the Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing. Such work shall further be subject to external quality assurance in line with the internal audit standards.

### **4.5 Monitoring progress of audit assignments**

On a mutually agreed basis, the service provider shall be expected to meet with the CEO/ Group Risk Executive/ GM: Enterprise-Wide, to report progress on the work performed. On a quarterly

basis, the service provider shall be expected to report progress against the internal audit plan to EXCOM and the Audit and Risk Committee in line with the scope of works.

#### **4.6 Reporting of Audit Results**

The report on findings and recommendations from each audit assignment should be addressed to the Chief Executive Officer and the respective executive managers. These reports will be expected to contain management comments which would have been already discussed and agreed with the responsible persons.

### **5. CONTRACT DURATION**

The duration of this contract is three (3) years or thirty-six (36) months and is subject to successful annual performance evaluation.

### **6. EVALUATION CRITERIA**

#### **Phase 1 – Administrative Compliance Requirements**

This stage checks and validates the bidders' compliance with the legal requirements to conduct business in South Africa, as well as with the industry requirements for the supply of goods and services. All SBDs must be submitted (signed), noting where it is not applicable. If any specific SBD is not submitted, documentary proof, clearly stating the reason, must be attached.

#### **Phase 2 – Functionality [Technical Evaluation]**

Functionality is worth 100 points. The minimum threshold is 75 points. Bidders who score less than 75 points on functionality will therefore be disqualified. The functionality evaluation is broken down as follows.

<b>Functionality [Technical Evaluation] Criteria</b>	<b>Sub Min</b>	<b>Max</b>
<b>Past Relevant Experience in Internal Audit</b> <b>Note: Bidders will need at least 2 letters of public sector experience to qualify for the minimum points</b>	12 points	30 points
<b>Key Personnel</b> <b>Note: Bidders must provide CVs, qualifications and other relevant industry certifications for the following key roles in the project:</b>	At each criteria the bidder must meet minimum requirements	
<b>1. Director in Internal Audit's experience and qualifications</b>	8	10
<b>2. IT Manager's experience and qualifications</b>	8	10

<b>3. Forensic Manager's experience and qualifications</b>	8	10
<b>4. Internal Audit Manager's experience and qualifications</b>	8	10
<b>Proposed Methodology, Approach and Project Plan</b>	15	25
<b>Independence and objectivity</b>	0	5 points

<b>Past Relevant Experience in Internal Audit</b>	<b>30 points</b>				
Bidders must demonstrate knowledge and experience in public sector entities and financial services, which can be either the public or private sector.					
Demonstrated experience in providing internal audit services to public sector entities and financial services , with specific emphasis on financial services,	30 points				
Bidders will be evaluated based on six (6) signed reference letters only, comprising:					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Three (3) references from public sector entities</li> <li>• Three (3) references from financial services where similar internal audit services were rendered. No other sector reference letters will be considered for evaluation purposes.</li> </ul> <p>Submitted client reference letters should contain at least the following information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The reference letters must be on the client's letterhead, dated and signed by the referee.</li> <li>• A description of services conducted in similar work as indicated above.</li> <li>• The client must indicate if the Bidder carried out the service satisfactorily.</li> <li>• Date of appointment.</li> <li>• Contact details of the referee.</li> </ul> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Max of 3 letters from public sector entities</td> <td>Max of 3 letters from lending financial institutions</td> </tr> <tr> <td>6 points per letter</td> <td>4 points per letter</td> </tr> </table> <p>No relevant letters, bidders will score zero</p> <p><b>NB: The NHFC will verify the details of the work cited in the submitted reference letter(s) Should a referee fail to respond within seven (7) working days, the reference letter will be regarded as invalid, and the points allocated to that reference letter will be deducted from the bidder's total score.</b></p>	Max of 3 letters from public sector entities	Max of 3 letters from lending financial institutions	6 points per letter	4 points per letter	
Max of 3 letters from public sector entities	Max of 3 letters from lending financial institutions				
6 points per letter	4 points per letter				

<p><b>A minimum of two (2) reference letters from public sector entities is required. Failure to meet this sub-minimum requirement will result in no points being awarded.</b></p> <p><b>Bidders who do not submit at least two (2) valid reference letters from public sector entities and therefore fail to meet the sub-minimum requirement will be disqualified.</b></p>	
<p><b>Key Personnel (bidders must meet the minimum points for each criterion</b></p> <p>For each nominated key personnel, bidders must submit:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A detailed Curriculum Vitae (CV)</li> <li>• Copies of qualifications and professional certificates</li> <li>• Proof of <b>valid</b> membership and certification with the relevant body (Bidders who do not submit a valid membership certificate will not be evaluated further and will be allocated a score of zero)</li> <li>• CVs must clearly reflect: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Name of institution</li> <li>◦ Sector (Public sector or Financial services )</li> <li>◦ Project description and scope of internal audit work</li> <li>◦ Role and responsibilities performed</li> <li>◦ Duration of each project (start and end dates)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<b>40 Points</b>
<p><b>Director In Internal Audit</b></p> <p>Director in Internal Audit with a minimum of 10 years' experience within public sector entities and financial services. Demonstrate Internal Audit experience in public sector entities and Financial Services, as reflected above (Detailed CVs, qualification and copies of certificates must be submitted). Proof of a valid Certified Internal Auditor (CIA) and/or Chartered Accountant (CA (SA)) certificate: Failure to submit proof of a valid Certified Internal Auditor(CIA) and/or CA (SA) certificate will result in a score of zero for this criterion, and the proposed director will not be evaluated further, as possession of a valid certificate is a mandatory pre-requisite.</p> <p><b>Requirements:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minimum NQF Level 8 qualification (Postgraduate Diploma / Honours or equivalent) in Internal Audit, Accounting, and or Finance related fields = 2 points</li> <li>• CV that demonstrates a minimum of ten (10) years in internal audit experience = 6 points</li> <li>• CV that demonstrates eleven (11) years or more internal audit experience = 8 points <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Experience must be within, with specific emphasis on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Public sector Entities and</li> <li>▪ Financial Services</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> <li>• CA(SA) registered with the South African Institution of Chartered Accountants (SAICA) and/ or CIA registered with Institution of Internal</li> </ul>	<b>10 points</b>

Auditor (IIA) <b>(mandatory)</b> . No points will be allocated if the director does not have valid certificates	
<b>IT Manager</b>	<b>10 points</b>
IT Manager specialising in IT Internal Audit with a minimum of 5 years of experience within public sector entities and Financial Services. Detailed CVs, qualification and copies of certificates must be submitted. Proof of a valid Certified Information System Auditor (CISA) certificate registered with the Information System Audit and Control Association (ISACA): Failure to submit proof of a valid CISA certificate will result in a score of zero for this criterion, and the proposed personnel will not be evaluated further, as possession of a valid certificate is a mandatory prerequisite.	
<b>Requirements:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minimum NQF Level 7 qualification in Information Systems, IT Audit, Computer Science, or other IT-related fields = 2 points</li> <li>• CV must demonstrate a minimum of five (5) years of IT Internal Audit experience = 6 points</li> <li>• CV that demonstrates six (6) years or more IT internal audit experience = 8 points <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Experience must be within, with specific emphasis on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Public sector entities and</li> <li>▪ Financial Services</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> <li>• Valid CISA certification <b>(mandatory)</b>. No points will be allocated if the manager does not have a valid certificate.</li> </ul>	
<b>Forensic Manager</b>	<b>10 Points</b>

Forensic Manager Specialising in Forensic with minimum 5 years' experience within public sector entities and Financial Service . Detailed CVs, qualification and copies of certificates must be submitted. Proof of **valid Certified Fraud Examiner (CFE)** professional certification registered with the Association Of Certified Fraud Examiners (ACFE): Failure to submit proof of a valid certificate will result in a score of zero for this criterion, and the proposed manager will not be evaluated further, as possession of a valid certification is a mandatory prerequisite.

**Requirements:**

- Minimum NQF Level 7 qualification in Internal Audit, Accounting, Finance or Legal-related fields = 2 Points
- Minimum Five (5) years forensic auditing experience = 6 points
- CV that demonstrates six (6) years or more forensic audit experience = 8 points
  - Experience must be within, with specific emphasis on:
    - Public sector Entities and
    - Financial services
- Valid CFE certification (**mandatory**). No points will be allocated if the manager does not have a valid certificate.

**Internal Audit Manager**

**10 Points**

Internal Audit Manager with minimum 5 years' experience within public sector entities and Financial Services. Detailed CV's, qualification and copies of certificates must be submitted. Proof of a valid CA(SA) and/or CIA certificate: Failure to submit proof of a valid CA(SA) and/or CIA certificate will result in a score of zero for this criterion, and the proposed manager will not be evaluated further, as possession of a valid certificate is a mandatory pre-requisite.

**Requirements:**

- Minimum NQF Level 7 qualification in Internal Audit, Accounting or Finance-related field = 2 Points
- Minimum Five (5) years internal audit experience = 6 points
- CV that demonstrates six (6) years or more internal audit experience = 8 points
  - Experience must be within, with specific emphasis on:
    - Public sector Entities and
    - Financial services
- Valid CA(SA) registered with SAICA and/or CIA registered with IIA (**mandatory**). No points will be allocated if the manager does not have valid certificate(s).

<p><b>Proposed Methodology, Approach and Project Plan</b></p> <p>Bidders are required to submit a clear, detailed, and structured Methodology and Approach for the provision of Internal Audit Services. The methodology must demonstrate an understanding of the NHFC environment and outline how the bidder will deliver the services in compliance with the Public Finance Management Act (PFMA), National Treasury Regulations, the approved NHFC Internal Audit Charter, and the International Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing (IIA Standards).</p>	<p><b>25 points</b></p>
<p>Bidders are encouraged to structure their responses in line with the elements outlined below. Failure to adequately address these elements may result in a lower score.</p> <p><b>1. Understanding of NHFC's Mandate and Operating Environment</b></p> <p>Bidders must demonstrate an understanding of NHFC's mandate, strategic objectives, governance structures, regulatory environment, and key risks relevant to a public-sector entity. The response should show how this understanding will inform the internal audit approach.</p> <p><b>2. Risk-Based Internal Audit Planning</b></p> <p>Bidders must describe their approach to developing and implementing a risk-based internal audit plan. This should include how NHFC's risk register, strategic objectives, prior audit outcomes, and emerging risks will be considered to prioritise audit coverage.</p> <p><b>3. Engagement Planning and Scoping</b></p> <p>Bidders must explain how individual audit engagements will be planned and scoped. This should include the process for defining audit objectives, scope, criteria, timelines, and resource allocation, as well as the use of engagement letters or agreed terms of reference.</p> <p><b>4. Audit Methodology and Professional Standards</b></p> <p>Bidders must outline the audit methodology to be applied and demonstrate alignment with the IIA Standards and the NHFC Internal Audit Charter. The response should clearly describe the phases of the audit process, including planning, fieldwork, reporting, and follow-up.</p> <p><b>5. Fieldwork and Audit Execution Approach</b></p> <p>Bidders must describe the techniques and procedures that will be applied during audit execution. This should include approaches to walkthroughs, interviews, sampling, data analysis, and testing of both control design and operating effectiveness.</p>	

## **6. Quality Assurance and Review Processes**

Bidders must explain the quality assurance measures that will be applied throughout the audit process. This should include supervision, review of working papers and reports, and alignment to a Quality Assurance and Improvement Programme (QAIP).

## **7. Reporting and Communication**

Bidders must describe their approach to reporting audit outcomes. This should include the format and timing of draft and final audit reports, the process for obtaining management responses, and reporting to senior management and the Audit Committee.

## **8. Issue Tracking and Follow-Up**

Bidders must outline their approach to tracking agreed management actions and conducting follow-up reviews. The response should indicate how the status of findings will be monitored and reported until all issues are resolved.

## **9. Independence and Objectivity**

Bidders must demonstrate how independence and objectivity will be maintained throughout the engagement. This should include safeguards to ensure no management responsibility is assumed, in line with the IIA Code of Ethics.

## **10. Project Management and Timelines**

Bidders must provide a high-level project plan outlining key activities, milestones, deliverables, and indicative timelines for the execution of internal audit services, ensuring effective coordination and timely delivery.

**Bidders must ensure that their submission explicitly covers each of the elements listed above. Submissions that are detailed, well-organised, and tailored to the NHFC context will receive higher evaluation scores.**

**Bidders who do not achieve the minimum threshold of 15 points for this criterion will be disqualified.**

## **11 Project timeline must include a transitioning plan that will assist NHFC to transition to in-sourcing the internal audit function**

No Proposed Methodology, approach and project plan or Methodology and Approach and project plan that does not address any elements or timelines.	0 Points
Proposed methodology with a project plan (with timelines) outlining three (1 -3) elements	1 - 5 points
Proposed methodology with a project plan (with timelines) outlining four (4 - 5) elements	6 - 10 points
Proposed methodology with a project plan (with timelines) outlining six (6 - 7) elements	11 - 15 points

Proposed methodology with a project plan (with timelines) outlining eight (8 -9) elements	16 - 20 Points
Proposed methodology with a project plan (with timelines) outlining all ten (10) elements	21 - 25 Points
<b>Independence and objectivity</b>	<b>5 points</b>
<p>Current audited/reviewed financials (not older than 12-18 months) solvent and profitable</p> <p>Current audited/ reviewed financials (not older than 12-18 months) with an unqualified audit opinion</p> <p>Bidders <b>must submit</b> 2 sets of the latest Audited or Reviewed Financial Statements = <b>1 point per set to a maximum of 2 Points</b> for both sets, <b>zero points</b> will be given for no submission or the submission of 1 set of financials</p> <p>The following financial ratio's should be included in the submission with the calculation:</p> <p><b>Current Ratio (Current assets / current liabilities)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <math>\geq 1.2 = 3</math> points</li> <li>• <math>&lt; 1.2 = 0</math> points</li> </ul> <p>In case of a joint venture/consortium, the following will apply: 2 sets of the latest Audited or Reviewed Financial Statements for all parties to the joint venture/consortium must be submitted. The score will be allocated to the party with the highest points. The above ratios will still apply. If either of the JV companies does not submit their financials, the bidder will score zero</p> <p><b>NOTE: please submit your calculations with your Annual Financial Statements if your calculations are not submitted you will score a zero points.</b></p>	
Total	100 Points
Minimum Threshold	75 Points

#### Phase 4 – Price and Preference Evaluation

Bidders who score a minimum of **75 points out of 100 points** on the Functionality Phase will be further evaluated in terms of Price and Preference points. As per the table below, price is evaluated over 80 points and preference points over 20:

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1	Price		80 points
2	Specific Goals		20 points
#	Specific Goal	Proof	Points Allocation
1	South African citizen who had no franchise in national elections prior to the introduction of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, 1983 (Act 200 of 1983) or the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, 1996. (Minimum >50% ownership or more)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Company Registration Certification (CIPC)</li> <li>• Certified identification documentation of company director/s</li> <li>• CSD report/ CSD registration number (MAAA number)</li> </ul>	7
2	Woman Ownership >50%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Company Registration Certification (CIPC)</li> <li>• Certified identification documentation of company director/s</li> <li>• CSD report/ CSD registration number (MAAA number)</li> </ul>	8
3	Disabled Ownership >50%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Company Registration Certification (CIPC)</li> <li>• Certified identification documentation of company director/s</li> <li>• CSD report/ CSD registration number (MAAA number)</li> <li>• Certified medical certificate from a registered medical practitioner</li> </ul>	1
4	Military veteran Ownership >50%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Company Registration Certification (CIPC)</li> <li>• Certified identification documentation of company director/s</li> <li>• CSD report/ CSD registration number (MAAA number)</li> <li>• A verifiable letter from an authorised body/entity certifying the military status of the claimant (bidder).</li> </ul>	1

5	Youth Ownership >50%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Company Registration Certification (CIPC)</li><li>• Certified identification documentation of company director/s</li><li>• CSD report/ CSD registration number (MAAA number)</li></ul>	3
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**PRICING SCHEDULE****SBD 3.3****PRICING SCHEDULE**  
**(Professional Services)**

NAME OF BIDDER..... BID NO: FM01/02/2026

CLOSING TIME 11:00

CLOSING DATE: 09 March 2026

OFFER TO BE VALID FOR **120** DAYS FROM THE CLOSING DATE OF BID.**BIDDERS MUST PROVIDE THEIR PRICING BREAKDOWN FOR THE DURATION OF THE CONTRACT.**

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ITEM DESCRIPTION NO**(ALL APPLICABLE TAXES INCLUDED)	BID PRICE IN RSA CURRENCY
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1. The accompanying information must be used for the formulation of proposals.
2. Bidders are required to indicate a ceiling price based on the total estimated time for completion of all phases and including all expenses, inclusive of all applicable taxes for the project. R.....
  - Hourly Rate per level

Level of Resource	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
	Rate per hour including Vat	Rate per hour including Vat	Rate per hour including Vat
Director			
Manager			
Quality Control Reviewer			
IT Internal Audit Manager			
Forensic Audit Manager			
Senior Auditor			
Auditor			

- Audit Reviews- Total Hours and cost for 3 years. The hours per year indicated below is used for estimation purposes. Pricing should include all relevant resource rates as stated above.

Year	Total Number of hours	Internal Audit Services Cost	Disbursements Costs	Total Costs including Vat
Year 1	5 000			
Year 2	5 000			
Year 3	5 000			
<b>Total price including Vat</b>	15 000			

- Irregular, fruitful and wasteful expenditure determination tests, whistle blower hotline and other investigations - Total Hours and cost for 3 years. The hours per year indicated below is used for estimation purposes. Pricing should include all relevant resource rates as stated above.

Year	Total Number of hours	Internal Audit Services Cost	Disbursements Costs	Total Costs including Vat
Year 1	1 833			
Year 2	1 833			
Year 3	1 834			
<b>Total price including Vat</b>	5 500			

- Special audit (e.g. live audits of tenders, special investigations) - Total Hours and cost for 3 years. The hours per year indicated below is used for estimation purposes. Pricing should include all relevant resource rates as stated above

Year	Total Number of hours	Internal Audit Services Cost	Disbursements Costs	Total Costs including Vat
Year 1	666			
Year 2	666			

<b>Year 3</b>	668			
<b>Total price including Vat</b>	2000			

**SBD 4**  
**BIDDER'S DISCLOSURE**

**1. PURPOSE OF THE FORM**

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

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

**2. Bidder's declaration**

2.1 Is the bidder, or any of its directors / trustees / shareholders / members / partners or any person having a controlling interest<sup>1</sup> in the enterprise, employed by the state? **YES/NO**

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

Full Name	Identity Number	Name of State institution

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

2.2.1 If so, furnish particulars:

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

2.3.1 If so, furnish particulars:

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

### 3 DECLARATION

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

- 3.1 I have read, and I understand the contents of this disclosure;
- 3.2 I understand that the accompanying bid will be disqualified if this disclosure is found not to be true and complete in every respect.
- 3.3 The bidder has arrived at the accompanying bid independently from, and without consultation, communication, agreement or arrangement with any competitor. However, communication between partners in a joint venture or consortium<sup>2</sup> will not be construed as collusive bidding.
- 3.4 In addition, there have been no consultations, communications, agreements or arrangements with any competitor regarding the quality, quantity, specifications, prices, including methods, factors or formulas used to calculate prices, market allocation, the intention or decision to submit or not to submit the bid, bidding with the intention not to win the bid and conditions or delivery particulars of the products or services to which this bid invitation relates.
- 3.4 The terms of the accompanying bid have not been, and will not be, disclosed by the bidder, directly or indirectly, to any competitor, prior to the date and time of the official bid opening or of the awarding of the contract.
- 3.5 There have been no consultations, communications, agreements or arrangements made by the bidder with any official of the procuring institution in relation to this procurement process prior to and during the bidding process except to provide clarification on the bid submitted where so required by the institution; and the bidder was not involved in the drafting of the specifications or terms of reference for this bid.
- 3.6 I am aware that, in addition and without prejudice to any other remedy provided to combat any restrictive practices related to bids and contracts, bids that are suspicious will be reported to the Competition Commission for investigation and possible imposition of administrative penalties in terms of section 59 of the Competition Act No 89 of 1998 and or may be reported to the National Prosecuting Authority (NPA) for criminal investigation and or may be restricted from conducting business with the public sector for a period not exceeding ten (10) years in terms of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act No 12 of 2004 or any other applicable legislation.

I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION FURNISHED IN PARAGRAPHS 1, 2 and 3 ABOVE IS CORRECT. I ACCEPT THAT THE STATE MAY REJECT THE BID OR ACT AGAINST ME IN TERMS OF PARAGRAPH 6 OF PFMA SCM INSTRUCTION 03 OF 2021/22 ON PREVENTING AND COMBATING ABUSE IN THE SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT SYSTEM SHOULD THIS DECLARATION PROVE TO BE FALSE.

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Signature

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Date

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Position

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Name of bidder

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

## 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**

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### 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

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 **80/20** preference point system.
- b) Either the **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:

	<b>POINTS</b>
<b>PRICE</b>	80
<b>SPECIFIC GOALS</b>	20
<b>Total points for Price and SPECIFIC GOALS</b>	<b>100</b>

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 PREFERENCE POINT SYSTEMS

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

**80/20**

$$Ps = 80 \left( 1 - \frac{Pt - P_{min}}{P_{min}} \right)$$

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 points is allocated for price on the following basis:

**80/20**

$$Ps = 80 \left( 1 + \frac{Pt - P_{max}}{P_{max}} \right)$$

Where

Ps = Points scored for price of tender under consideration

Pt = Price of tender under consideration

Pmax = 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 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 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 80/20 preference point system.

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

**(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	Supporting evidence for meeting preferential procurement targets (bidder to provider the below supporting evidence to claim allocated points for each specific goal)	Number of points allocated (80/20 system) (To be completed by the organ of state)	Number of points claimed (80/20 system) (To be completed by the tenderer)
South African citizen who had no franchise in national elections prior to the introduction of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, 1983 (Act 200 of 1983) or the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, 1996.  (Minimum >50% ownership or more)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Company Registration Certification (CIPC)</li> <li>• Certified identification documentation of company director/s</li> <li>• CSD report/ CSD registration number (MAAA number)</li> </ul>	7	
Woman Ownership >50%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Company Registration Certification (CIPC)</li> <li>• Certified identification documentation of company director/s</li> <li>• CSD report/ CSD registration number (MAAA number)</li> </ul>	8	
Disabled Ownership >50%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Company Registration Certification (CIPC)</li> <li>• Certified identification documentation of company director/s</li> <li>• CSD report/ CSD registration number (MAAA number)</li> <li>• Certified medical certificate from a registered medical practitioner</li> </ul>	1	
Military veteran Ownership >50%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Company Registration Certification (CIPC)</li> <li>• Certified identification documentation of company director/s</li> </ul>	1	

The specific goals allocated points in terms of this tender	Supporting evidence for meeting preferential procurement targets (bidder to provider the below supporting evidence to claim allocated points for each specific goal)	Number of points allocated (80/20 system) (To be completed by the organ of state)	Number of points claimed (80/20 system) (To be completed by the tenderer)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CSD report/ CSD registration number (MAAA number)</li> <li>• A verifiable letter from an authorised body/entity certifying the military status of the claimant (bidder).</li> </ul>		
Youth Ownership >50%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Company Registration Certification (CIPC)</li> <li>• Certified identification documentation of company director/s</li> <li>• CSD report/ CSD registration number (MAAA number)</li> </ul>	3	

## 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 proprietor  
 Close corporation  
 Public Company  
 Personal Liability Company  
 (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:** .....

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## CONSENT FORMS

**Please ensure that Form 1, Form 2; Form 3 and Form 4 are fully completed.**

## FORM 1- CONSENT FOR CREDIT AND WORLD CHECKS

## Consent for Credit and World Checks Form

\_\_\_\_\_ (Name)

Company you are representing \_\_\_\_\_

With CIPC number

Hereby voluntarily provide consent for a credit and world checks to be carried out on me or the company I represent.

I accept that such checks do not infringe any of my fundamental rights and I accept that the checks are part of the application process in terms of the NHFC policies.

Signed

Dated D D M M 2 0 2 6

## FORM 2- POLITICAL PARTY FUNDING DECLARATION FORM

## Political Party Funding Declaration Form

The Political Party Funding Act 6 of 2018 introduces a strict regulatory framework for the private funding of political parties. This includes setting limits for the source, size and use of donated funds by political parties.

Having read and understood the requirements of the above legislation I confirm that:  
I comply with the requirements of Political Party Funding Act 6 of 2018

<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>

**Name** (in blocks): \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature** \_\_\_\_\_

## FORM 3- PEP SELF CERTIFICATION FORM

### Politically Exposed Person (PEP) Self-Certification Form

NHFC is obliged to establish an appropriate risk management system when establishing a business relationship or conducting transactions, including risk assessment procedures to determine whether a party, legal representative, proxy or real owner of a party is politically exposed person.

In accordance with South African Anti-Money Laundering (AML) legislation NHFC has an obligation to undertake Enhanced Due Diligence (EDD) on those clients who are classified as a Politically Exposed Person (PEP).

Please read the definition below carefully, select the relevant box, confirming you are/are not a PEP, sign the declaration at the bottom of the form and return this Form to our offices. It is your obligation to inform us of a change to your status as a PEP or Non PEP should it change at any time in the future.

*The Financial Intelligence Centre Act 1 of 2017 (FICA) defines a PEP as a person who holds, A politically exposed person or PEP is the term used for an individual who is or has in the past been entrusted with prominent public functions in a particular country. The principles issued by the Wolfsberg Group of leading international financial institutions give an indication of best banking practice guidance on these issues. These principles are applicable to both domestic and international PEPs.*

The following examples serve as aids in defining PEPs:

- Heads of State, Heads of Government and cabinet ministers;
- Influential functionaries in nationalised industries and government administration;
- Senior judges;
- Senior political party functionaries;
- Senior and/or influential officials, functionaries and military leaders and people with similar functions in international or supranational organisations;
- Members of ruling or royal families;
- Senior and/or influential representatives of religious organisations (if these functions are connected to political, judicial, military or administrative responsibilities).
- Families of PEPs.

- The term "families" includes close family members such as spouses, children, parents and siblings and may also include other blood relatives and relatives by marriage;
- Closely associated persons.

The category of "closely associated persons" includes close business colleagues and personal advisers/consultants to the PEP as well as persons, who obviously benefit significantly from being close to such a person.

Having read and understood the above definition I confirm that: (select only one of the following options)

I am not a Politically Exposed Person (PEP) as defined above (DEFAULT)

I am a Politically Exposed Person (PEP) as defined above

**Name** (in blocks): \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature** \_\_\_\_\_

## **FORM 4: PEP ULTIMATE BENEFICIARY OWNER FORM**

### **Politically Exposed Person (PEP) Ultimate Beneficiary Owner Form**

The law on the prevention of money laundering and the financing of terrorism requires banks to fulfil a number of client identification obligations. One such obligation consists in identifying the Ultimate Beneficial Owners (UBO) of their clients.

Within the meaning of the law, the Ultimate Beneficial Owners of a legal entity are the private individuals who directly or indirectly hold or control a stake of at least 25% in the capital or of at least 25% of the voting rights of the company, or who undertake the de jure or de facto management of the legal entity.

a) \_\_\_\_\_ certifies, that on \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ , the Shareholder Ultimate Beneficial Owners are the following private individuals who hold or control at least 25% in the capital or at least 25% of the voting rights in the company.

Please remember to enclose a copy of the identity document of each Shareholder or Decision-Making Ultimate Beneficial Owner and to validly sign behind your name above this text.

<b>Surname and First Name</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>% of shares</b>	<b>Position (in the company, where appropriate)</b>	<b>Tick as appropriate</b>
				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
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## **CONTRACT FORM - RENDERING OF SERVICES**

THIS FORM MUST BE FILLED IN DUPLICATE BY BOTH THE SERVICE PROVIDER (PART 1) AND THE PURCHASER (PART 2). BOTH FORMS MUST BE SIGNED IN THE ORIGINAL SO THAT THE SERVICE PROVIDER AND THE PURCHASER WOULD BE IN POSSESSION OF ORIGINALLY SIGNED CONTRACTS FOR THEIR RESPECTIVE RECORDS.

### **PART 1 (TO BE FILLED IN BY THE SERVICE PROVIDER)**

I hereby undertake to render services described in the attached bidding documents to NHFC in accordance with the requirements and task directives / proposals specifications stipulated in Bid Number ..... at the price/s quoted. My offer/s remain binding upon me and open for acceptance by the Purchaser during the validity period indicated and calculated from the vp0 date of the bid.

The following documents shall be deemed to form and be read and construed as part of this agreement:

Bidding documents, viz

Invitation to bid;

Tax clearance certificate;

Pricing schedule(s);

Filled in task directive/proposal;

Preference claims for Broad Based Black Economic Empowerment Status Level of Contribution in terms of the Preferential Procurement Regulations 2011;

Declaration of interest;

Declaration of bidder's past SCM practices;

Certificate of Independent Bid Determination;

Special Conditions of Contract;

General Conditions of Contract; and

Other (specify)

I confirm that I have satisfied myself as to the correctness and validity of my bid; that the price(s) and rate(s) quoted cover all the services specified in the bidding documents; that the price(s) and rate(s) cover all my obligations and I accept that any mistakes regarding price(s) and rate(s) and calculations will be at my own risk.

I accept full responsibility for the proper execution and fulfilment of all obligations and conditions devolving on me under this agreement as the principal liable for the due fulfilment of this contract.

I declare that I have no participation in any collusive practices with any bidder or any other person regarding this or any other bid.

I confirm that I am duly authorised to sign this contract.

NAME (PRINT) .....

CAPACITY .....

SIGNATURE .....

NAME OF FIRM .....

DATE .....

**WITNESSES**

1 .....

2 .....

DATE:.....

**CONTRACT FORM - RENDERING OF SERVICES****PART 2 (TO BE FILLED IN BY THE PURCHASER)**

I..... in my capacity as.....

accept your bid under reference number ..... dated..... for the rendering of services indicated hereunder and/or further specified in the annexure(s).

An official order indicating service delivery instructions is forthcoming.

I undertake to make payment for the services rendered in accordance with the terms and conditions of the contract, within 30 (thirty) days after receipt of an invoice.

DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE	PRICE (ALL APPLICABLE TAXES INCLUDED)	COMPLETION DATE	B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL OF CONTRIBUTION	MINIMUM THRESHOLD FOR LOCAL PRODUCTIO N AND CONTENT (if applicable)

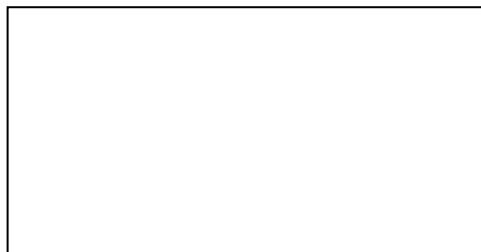
4. I confirm that I am duly authorised to sign this contract.

SIGNED AT ..... ON.....

NAME (PRINT) .....

SIGNATURE .....

OFFICIAL STAMP



WITNESSES

1 .....  
.....

2 .....  
.....

## 1. PROTECTION OF PERSONAL INFORMATION

- 1.1. The Service Provider shall ensure that its employees, representatives and officers, comply with the provisions of the Protection of Personal Information Act, 2013 (“POPIA”) and all other applicable data protection laws and, without limitation to the foregoing, shall ensure the security and confidentiality of all Personal Information processed by that Party is in accordance with POPIA and all other applicable data protection laws.
- 1.2. The Service Provider must only process personal information of the NHFC and third parties on behalf of the NHFC, with the NHFC’s knowledge or authorisation, treat such information which comes to their knowledge as confidential and must not disclose it unless required by law or in the course of the proper performance of the Service Provider’s duties. The Service Provider must comply with the responsible party’s obligations in clause section 19 of POPIA.
- 1.3. Where the Service Provider, its agents, subcontractors, officers, directors, shareholders, representatives, or employees has/have access to any Personal Information held by the NHFC for any reason in connection with this Agreement or is/are supplied with or otherwise provided with Personal Information by the NHFC or on behalf of the NHFC for any purpose, or are supplied with or otherwise provided with Personal Information relating to the Services, the Service Provider shall:
  - 1.3.1. process such Personal Information only for purposes of performing its/their obligations under this Agreement and shall not otherwise modify, amend or alter the contents of such Personal Information or disclose or permit the disclosure of such Personal Information to any third party, unless specifically authorised to do so by the NHFC or as required by law or any regulatory authority, and shall take all such steps as may be necessary to protect and safeguard such Personal Information;
  - 1.3.2. without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, ensure that appropriate, reasonable technical and organisational measures shall be taken by it/them to prevent
    - 1.3.2.1. the unauthorised or unlawful processing of such Personal Information; and
    - 1.3.2.2. the accidental loss or destruction of, or damage to, such Personal Information; and
    - 1.3.2.3. promptly notify the NHFC when it becomes aware of any unauthorised, unlawful or dishonest conduct or activities, or any breach of the terms of this Agreement relating to Personal Information.
  - 1.4. Both Parties will comply with their obligations under POPIA in relation to personal

information for which they are the responsible party.

- 1.5. The Service Provider must notify the NHFC immediately where there are reasonable grounds to believe that personal information has been accessed or acquired by any unauthorised person (Data Breach) and must assist the NHFC, at its own cost:
  - 1.5.1. with any investigation or notice to the Regulator or data subjects that the NHFC may Make in relation to a Data Breach; and
  - 1.5.2. in responding to any directions by the Regulator to publicise the Data Breach, including assisting the NHFC to make public announcements if required.
  - 1.5.3 The Service Provider indemnifies the NHFC against any civil or criminal action or administrative fine or other penalty or loss as a result of the Service Provider's breach of this clause.

## 2. POPIA CONSENT

- 2.1. The Service Provider, by submitting its proposal/ quotation, consents to the use of his/her personal information contained therein and confirms that:
  - 2.1.1. The information is voluntarily supplied, without undue influence from any party; and
  - 2.1.2. The information is necessary for the purposes of the engagement with NHFC.
- 2.2. The tenderer acknowledges that he /she is aware of his/her right to:
  - 2.2.1. Access the information at any reasonable time for the purposes of rectification thereof;
  - 2.2.2. Object to the processing of the information;
  - 2.2.3. Lodge a complaint with the Information Regulator.

## CERTIFICATION

I, THE UNDERSIGNED (FULL NAME)  
CERTIFY THAT WE CONSENT TO THE ABOVE AS PER REQUIREMENTS OF THE  
PROTECTION OF PERSONAL INFORMATION ACT.

.....  
Signature

.....  
Date

.....  
Position

.....  
Name of Bid

## **RESOLUTION TO SIGN**

Signatory for companies shall confirm their authority thereto by either signing the below or attaching a duly signed and dated copy of the relevant resolution of the boards of directors to this form.

An example is given below:

By resolution of the board of directors passed at a meeting held on .....

Mr/Mrs ..... , whose signature appears below, has been duly authorised

to sign all documents in connection with the Bid for Contract No. ..... and any Contract  
that may arise there from on behalf of (name of Bidder in block capitals) .....

.....

**SIGNED ON BEHALF OF THE COMPANY:**

**IN HIS/HER CAPACITY AS:** .....

**DATE:** .....

**SIGNATURE OF SIGNATORY:** .....

**WITNESSES:** 1. .....

2. .....

# **GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT**

## **GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT**

### **NOTES**

The purpose of this document is to:

- (i) Draw special attention to certain general conditions applicable to government bids, contracts and orders; and
- (ii) To ensure that clients be familiar with regard to the rights and obligations of all parties involved in doing business with government.

In this document words in the singular also mean in the plural and vice versa and words in the masculine also mean in the feminine and neuter.

- The General Conditions of Contract will form part of all bid documents and may not be amended.
- Special Conditions of Contract (SCC) relevant to a specific bid, should be compiled separately for every bid (if applicable) and will supplement the General Conditions of Contract. Whenever there is a conflict, the provisions in the SCC shall prevail.

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## **General Conditions of Contract**

### **1. Definitions**

1. The following terms shall be interpreted as indicated:
  - 1.1 "Closing time" means the date and hour specified in the bidding documents for the receipt of bids.
  - 1.2 "Contract" means the written agreement entered into between the purchaser and the supplier, as recorded in the contract form signed by the parties, including all attachments and appendices thereto and all documents incorporated by reference therein.
  - 1.3 "Contract price" means the price payable to the supplier under the contract for the full and proper performance of his contractual obligations.
  - 1.4 "Corrupt practice" means the offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting of any thing of value to influence the action of a public official in the procurement process or in contract execution.
  - 1.5 "Countervailing duties" are imposed in cases where an enterprise abroad is subsidized by its government and encouraged to market its products internationally.
  - 1.6 "Country of origin" means the place where the goods were mined, grown or produced or from which the services are supplied. Goods are produced when, through manufacturing, processing or substantial and major assembly of components, a commercially recognized new product results that is substantially different in basic characteristics or in purpose or utility from its components.
  - 1.7 "Day" means calendar day.
  - 1.8 "Delivery" means delivery in compliance of the conditions of the contract or order.
  - 1.9 "Delivery ex stock" means immediate delivery directly from stock actually on hand.
  - 1.10 "Delivery into consignees store or to his site" means delivered and unloaded in the specified store or depot or on the specified site in compliance with the conditions of the contract or order, the supplier bearing all risks and charges involved until the supplies are so delivered and a valid receipt is obtained.
  - 1.11 "Dumping" occurs when a private enterprise abroad market its goods on own initiative in the RSA at lower prices than that of the country of origin and which have the potential to harm the local industries in the RSA.
  - 1.12 "Force majeure" means an event beyond the control of the supplier and not involving the supplier's fault or negligence and not foreseeable.

Such events may include, but is not restricted to, acts of the purchaser in its sovereign capacity, wars or revolutions, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions and freight embargoes.

- 1.13 “Fraudulent practice” means a misrepresentation of facts in order to influence a procurement process or the execution of a contract to the detriment of any bidder, and includes collusive practice among bidders (prior to or after bid submission) designed to establish bid prices at artificial non-competitive levels and to deprive the bidder of the benefits of free and open competition.
- 1.14 “GCC” means the General Conditions of Contract.
- 1.15 “Goods” means all of the equipment, machinery, and/or other materials that the supplier is required to supply to the purchaser under the contract.
- 1.16 “Imported content” means that portion of the bidding price represented by the cost of components, parts or materials which have been or are still to be imported (whether by the supplier or his subcontractors) and which costs are inclusive of the costs abroad, plus freight and other direct importation costs such as landing costs, dock dues, import duty, sales duty or other similar tax or duty at the South African place of entry as well as transportation and handling charges to the factory in the Republic where the supplies covered by the bid will be manufactured.
- 1.17 “Local content” means that portion of the bidding price which is not included in the imported content provided that local manufacture does take place.
- 1.18 “Manufacture” means the production of products in a factory using labour, materials, components and machinery and includes other related value-adding activities.
- 1.19 “Order” means an official written order issued for the supply of goods or works or the rendering of a service.
- 1.20 “Project site,” where applicable, means the place indicated in bidding documents.
- 1.21 “Purchaser” means the organization purchasing the goods.
- 1.22 “Republic” means the Republic of South Africa.
- 1.23 “SCC” means the Special Conditions of Contract.
- 1.24 “Services” means those functional services ancillary to the supply of the goods, such as transportation and any other incidental services, such as installation, commissioning, provision of technical assistance, training, catering, gardening, security, maintenance and other such obligations of the supplier covered under the contract.
- 1.25 “Written” or “in writing” means handwritten in ink or any form of electronic or mechanical writing.

- 2. Application**
  - 2.1 These general conditions are applicable to all bids, contracts and orders including bids for functional and professional services, sales, hiring, letting and the granting or acquiring of rights, but excluding immovable property, unless otherwise indicated in the bidding documents.
  - 2.2 Where applicable, special conditions of contract are also laid down to cover specific supplies, 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 With certain exceptions, invitations to bid are only published in the Government Tender Bulletin. The Government Tender Bulletin may be obtained directly from the Government Printer, Private Bag X85, Pretoria 0001, or accessed electronically from [www.treasury.gov.za](http://www.treasury.gov.za)
- 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.
- 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 in SCC.

**8. Inspections, tests and analyses**

**8.1** All pre-bidding testing will be for the account of the bidder.

**8.2** If it is a bid condition that supplies to be produced or services to be rendered should at any stage during production or execution or on completion be subject to inspection, the premises of the bidder or contractor shall be open, at all reasonable hours, for inspection by a representative of the Department or an organization acting on behalf of the Department.

**8.3** If there are no inspection requirements indicated in the bidding documents and no mention is made in the contract, but during the contract period it is decided that inspections shall be carried out, the purchaser shall itself make the necessary arrangements, including payment arrangements with the testing authority concerned.

**8.4** If the inspections, tests and analyses referred to in clauses 8.2 and 8.3 show the supplies to be in accordance with the contract requirements, the cost of the inspections, tests and analyses shall be defrayed by the purchaser.

**8.5** Where the supplies or services referred to in clauses 8.2 and 8.3 do not comply with the contract requirements, irrespective of whether such supplies or services are accepted or not, the cost in connection with these inspections, tests or analyses shall be defrayed by the supplier.

**8.6** Supplies and services which are referred to in clauses 8.2 and 8.3 and which do not comply with the contract requirements may be rejected.

**8.7** Any contract supplies may on or after delivery be inspected, tested or analyzed and may be rejected if found not to comply with the requirements of the contract. Such rejected supplies shall be held at the cost and risk of the supplier who shall, when called upon, remove them immediately at his own cost and forthwith substitute them with

supplies which do comply with the requirements of the contract. Failing such removal the rejected supplies shall be returned at the suppliers cost and risk. Should the supplier fail to provide the substitute supplies forthwith, the purchaser may, without giving the supplier further opportunity to substitute the rejected supplies, purchase such supplies as may be necessary at the expense of the supplier.

8.8 The provisions of clauses 8.4 to 8.7 shall not prejudice the right of the purchaser to cancel the contract on account of a breach of the conditions thereof, or to act in terms of Clause 23 of GCC.

**9. Packing**

9.1 The supplier shall provide such packing of the goods as is required to prevent their damage or deterioration during transit to their final destination, as indicated in the contract. The packing shall be sufficient to withstand, without limitation, rough handling during transit and exposure to extreme temperatures, salt and precipitation during transit, and open storage. Packing, case size and weights shall take into consideration, where appropriate, the remoteness of the goods' final destination and the absence of heavy handling facilities at all points in transit.

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

**10. Delivery and documents**

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

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

**11. Insurance**

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

**12. Transportation**

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

**13. Incidental services**

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

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

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

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

**14. Spare parts**

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

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

**15. Warranty**

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

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

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

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

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

**16. Payment**

- 16.1 The method and conditions of payment to be made to the supplier under this contract shall be specified in SCC.
- 16.2 The supplier shall furnish the purchaser with an invoice accompanied by a copy of the delivery note and upon fulfillment of other obligations stipulated in the contract.
- 16.3 Payments shall be made promptly by the purchaser, but in no case later than thirty (30) days after submission of an invoice or claim by the supplier.
- 16.4 Payment will be made in Rand unless otherwise stipulated in SCC.

**17. Prices**

- 17.1 Prices charged by the supplier for goods delivered and services performed under the contract shall not vary from the prices quoted by the supplier in his bid, with the exception of any price adjustments authorized in SCC or in the purchaser's request for bid validity extension, as the case may be.

**18. Contract amendments**

- 18.1 No variation in or modification of the terms of the contract shall be made except by written amendment signed by the parties concerned.

**19. Assignment**

- 19.1 The supplier shall not assign, in whole or in part, its obligations to perform under the contract, except with the purchaser's prior written consent.

**20. Subcontracts**

- 20.1 The supplier shall notify the purchaser in writing of all subcontracts awarded under this contracts if not already specified in the bid. Such notification, in the original bid or later, shall not relieve the supplier from any liability or obligation under the contract.

**21. Delays in the supplier's performance**

- 21.1 Delivery of the goods and performance of services shall be made by the supplier in accordance with the time schedule prescribed by the purchaser in the contract.
- 21.2 If at any time during performance of the contract, the supplier or its subcontractor(s) should encounter conditions impeding timely delivery of the goods and performance of services, the supplier shall promptly notify the purchaser in writing of the fact of the delay, its likely duration and its cause(s). As soon as practicable after receipt of the supplier's notice, the purchaser shall evaluate the situation and may at his discretion extend the supplier's time for performance, with or without the imposition of penalties, in which case the extension shall be ratified by the parties by amendment of contract.
- 21.3 No provision in a contract shall be deemed to prohibit the obtaining of supplies or services from a national department, provincial department, or a local authority.
- 21.4 The right is reserved to procure outside of the contract small quantities or to have minor essential services executed if an emergency arises, the supplier's point of supply is not situated at or near the place where the supplies are required, or the supplier's services are not readily available.

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

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

**22. Penalties**

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

**23. Termination for default**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**24. Anti-dumping and countervailing duties and rights**

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

**25. Force Majeure**

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

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

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

**26. Termination for insolvency**

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

**27. Settlement of Disputes**

27.1 If any dispute or difference of any kind whatsoever arises between the purchaser and the supplier in connection with or arising out of the contract, the parties shall make every effort to resolve amicably such dispute or difference by mutual consultation.

27.2 If, after thirty (30) days, the parties have failed to resolve their dispute or difference by such mutual consultation, then either the purchaser or the supplier may give notice to the other party of his intention to commence with mediation. No mediation in respect of this matter may be commenced unless such notice is given to the other party.

27.3 Should it not be possible to settle a dispute by means of mediation, it may be settled in a South African court of law.

27.4 Mediation proceedings shall be conducted in accordance with the rules of procedure specified in the SCC.

27.5 Notwithstanding any reference to mediation and/or court proceedings herein,

(a) the parties shall continue to perform their respective obligations under the contract unless they otherwise agree; and

(b) the purchaser shall pay the supplier any monies due the supplier.

**28. Limitation of liability**

28.1 Except in cases of criminal negligence or willful misconduct, and in the case of infringement pursuant to Clause 6;

(a) the supplier shall not be liable to the purchaser, whether in contract, tort, or otherwise, for any indirect or consequential loss or damage, loss of use, loss of production, or loss of profits or interest costs, provided that this exclusion shall not apply to any obligation of the supplier to pay penalties and/or damages to the purchaser; and

(b) aggregate liability of the supplier to the purchaser, whether under the contract, in tort or otherwise, shall not exceed the total contract price, provided that this limitation shall not apply to the cost of repairing or replacing defective equipment.

**29. Governing language**

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

**30. Applicable law**

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

**31. Notices**

31.1 Every written acceptance of a bid shall be posted to the supplier concerned by registered or certified mail and any other notice to him shall be posted by ordinary mail to the address furnished in his bid or to the address notified later by him in writing and such posting shall be deemed to be proper service of such notice

31.2 The time mentioned in the contract documents for performing any act after such aforesaid notice has been given, shall be reckoned from the date of posting of such notice.

**32. Taxes and duties**

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

32.2 A local supplier shall be entirely responsible for all taxes, duties, license fees, etc., incurred until delivery of the contracted goods to the purchaser.

32.3 No contract shall be concluded with any bidder whose tax matters are not in order. Prior to the award of a bid the Department must be in possession of a tax clearance certificate, submitted by the bidder. This certificate must be an original issued by the South African Revenue Services.

**33. National Industrial Participation (NIP) Programme**

33.1 The NIP Programme administered by the Department of Trade and Industry shall be applicable to all contracts that are subject to the NIP obligation.