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TENDER RULES AND CHECK LIST

1. All the documents accompanying this invitation to bid must be completed in detail, be **sealed in an envelope** and be deposited in the tender box before the closing date and time. The tender box is situated at the reception of the Council for Geoscience, 280 Pretoria Street, Silverton, Pretoria. Tenders must only be submitted on the tender documentation issued. The retyping of the tender document is not permitted.

2. Duly completed and signed original bid document should be sealed in an envelope marked:

Description: APPOINTMENT OF A SERVICE PROVIDER TO PROVIDE OFF-SITE MEDIA STORAGE AND SCANNING SERVICES TO THE COUNCIL FOR GEOSCIENCE OVER A PERIOD OF THREE (3) YEARS

Tender No: CGS-2021-004T

Closing date: 15 June 2021

Closing time: 11:00am

3. Compulsory Briefing Session

24 May 2021, at 11H00

Address: 280 Pretoria Street
Silverton
Pretoria
0184

4. CHECK LIST

ALL THE RELEVANT FORMS ATTACHED TO THIS BID DOCUMENTS MUST BE COMPLETED AND SIGNED BACK IN BLACK INK WHERE APPLICABLE BY A DULY AUTHORISED OFFICIAL.

5. BIDDING STRUCTURE

Indicate the type of Bidding structure by marking with an 'X':	
Individual Bidder	
Joint venture	
Consortium	
Subcontractors	
Other	

If Joint Venture or Consortium, indicate the following for <u>Prime Bidder</u>:	
Name of Prime Contractor	
Registration number	
VAT registration number	
Contact person	
Telephone number	
Fax number	
E-mail address	
Postal address	
Physical address	

If Joint Venture or Consortium, indicate the following for <u>all</u> partners other than Prime Bidder:	
Name of partners	
Registration number	
VAT registration number	
Contact person	
Telephone number	

Fax number	
E-mail address	
Postal address	
Physical address	

If using other contractors:	
Name of Prime Contractor	
Registration number	
VAT registration number	
Contact person	
Telephone number	
Fax number	
E-mail address	
Postal address	
Physical address	

If using Subcontractors, indicate the following for <u>all</u> Subcontractors:	
Name of Subcontractor(s)	
Registration number	
VAT registration number	
Percentage of work subcontracted	
Value of work sub contracted in Rands	R
Contact person	
Telephone number	
Fax number	
E-mail address	
Postal address	
Physical address	

6. RESPONSE FORMAT

Bidders must respond using the following response format:

Schedule	Description
Schedule 1	Executive Summary

Schedule 2	SBD 1
Schedule 3	- Bidders must provide proof of Tax Clearance compliance from SARS, The Council for Geoscience will verify your tax compliance proof in terms of practice note 4A of 2016/2017 - Originally Certified BBBEE certificate (For consortium or joint venture a consolidated BBBEE Certificate must be submitted)
Schedule 4	Functional response
Schedule 5	Price Breakdown (Quotation)
Schedule 6	SBD 3.1
Schedule 7	SBD 4
Schedule 8	SDB 6.1
Schedule 9	SBD 6.2 (N/A)
Schedule 10	SBD 8
Schedule 11	SBD 9
Schedule 12	Central Supplier Database Summary Report
Schedule 13	General Conditions of Contract 2010

Schedule 14

Certified copies of identity documents of the directors, trustees, main shareholders and members of the company		
Latest Original Certified copies of all share certificates (i.e. copy with original stamp), in case of a company		
Shareholding breakdown per race, gender and percentage shareholding with shareholders of the bidding company who are not individuals.		
CGS will only award BBBEE points to companies that submit an originally certified BBBEE rating certificate (Copy of certified BBBEE certificate will not be considered). Certificates issued by IRBA and Accounting Officers have been discontinued, however valid certificates already issued before January 2017 may be used until they phase out completely by December 2017. BBBEE points will be awarded to companies with a valid SANAS or DTI accredited certificate, and also IRBA and Accounting officers certificates that were issued		

before 1 January 2017		
List of references of past and present clients (Company name, department, branch, contact person with office telephone number		
The Council's document must be kept as supplied and submitted with all Schedules/Forms fully completed.		
Any other documents, certificates etc. must be attached as annexure to the official Council document		
Where the Council's official document is taken apart and not submitted as supplied, the bid will be rejected		
No bid forwarded by telegram, telex, facsimile or similar apparatus will be considered.		
Company registration documents		
• Proposal In case of Joint venture, trust or consortiums please submit joint venture agreement.		

NB: The response must have an index and the document must be neatly divided using the above mentioned format in sequence.

7. BID CONDITIONS

- Bidders shall provide full and accurate answers to all (including mandatory) questions posed in this document, and, are required to explicitly state either "Accept" or "Not Accept" (with a ✓) regarding compliance with the requirements. Where necessary, the bidder shall substantiate their response to a specific question.
- A "✓" under **"Accept"** will be interpreted as full compliance/acceptance to the applicable paragraph. A "✓" under **"Accept"** will be interpreted that the Bidder/s has/have read and understood the paragraph, A "✓" under **"Not Accept"** will be interpreted that the bidder does **not accept** the content of the applicable paragraph.

The following bid conditions will govern the contract between the Council for Geoscience and the successful bidder:

Requirement	ACCEPT	NOT ACCEPT
Bidders are invited to offer the Services in accordance with the attached Specifications and the conditions within this document.		
The Bidder/s shall accept CGS's interpretation of any specific requirement in the Bid documents or Specifications should there be a difference of interpretation between the Bidder/s and CGS.		
Should any dispute arise as a result of this of this Bid and/or the subsequent contract, which cannot be settled to the mutual satisfaction of the Bidder/s and CGS's, it shall be dealt with in terms of paragraph 23 of the general conditions of contract?		
Should there be any discrepancies between the Bid conditions and any other documentation that forms part of this RFB, the Bid conditions shall take preference.		

Documentation	ACCEPT	NOT ACCEPT
Fully comprehensive service documentation shall be supplied in English by each Bidder, which shall explicitly and detail, describe the service/s offered. This documentation shall include sufficient detail to clearly give the reader a precise and unambiguous description of the service/s offered. Incomplete or incomprehensive service documentation will result in rejection of the offer.		

Selection	ACCEPT	NOT ACCEPT
CGS reserves the right to make a selection solely on the information received in the Bids or to negotiate further with one or more Bidder/s.		
Should CGS consider it necessary, the Bidder/s shall agree to an inspection of the resources and works of the Bidder, if so required?		
To contact any Bidder during the evaluation period, to clarify information only, without informing any other Bidder.		

Copyright	ACCEPT	NOT ACCEPT
The specifications are the intellectual property of		

Council for Geoscience.		
The contents of any specifications are the property of CGS and are confidential. It shall not in any manner be reproduced, destroyed, lent or given away without the permission.		

Submission of Bid	ACCEPT	NOT ACCEPT
CGS may also reject an offer if the Bidder/s fail to complete the standard bidding documents in this tender document.		

Service approval	ACCEPT	NOT ACCEPT
The Procuring of the Services shall not take place until CGS has given final approval of all procedures.		

Upfront/Deposit Payments	ACCEPT	NOT ACCEPT
CGS will not make any upfront payment or deposit payments to the successful bidder/s for goods or services. CGS will pay 30 days after delivery of goods or service and receipt of an invoice.		

...PART A INVITATION TO BID

YOU ARE HEREBY INVITED TO BID FOR REQUIREMENTS OF THE (NAME OF DEPARTMENT/ PUBLIC ENTITY)					
BID NUMBER:	CGS-2021-004T	CLOSING DATE:	15 June 2021	CLOSING TIME:	11:00
DESCRIPTION	Appointment of a service provider to provide off-site media storage and scanning services to the council for geoscience for a period of three (3) years				
BID RESPONSE DOCUMENTS MAY BE DEPOSITED IN THE BID BOX SITUATED AT (STREET ADDRESS)					
BIDDING PROCEDURE ENQUIRIES MAY BE DIRECTED TO			TECHNICAL ENQUIRIES MAY BE DIRECTED TO:		
CONTACT PERSON	Tlou Mulangaphuma		CONTACT PERSON		
TELEPHONE NUMBER	012 841 1509		TELEPHONE NUMBER		
FACSIMILE NUMBER			FACSIMILE NUMBER		
E-MAIL ADDRESS	Tmulangaphuma@geoscience.org.za		E-MAIL ADDRESS		
SUPPLIER INFORMATION					
NAME OF BIDDER					
POSTAL ADDRESS					
STREET ADDRESS					
TELEPHONE NUMBER	CODE		NUMBER		
CELLPHONE NUMBER					
FACSIMILE NUMBER	CODE		NUMBER		
E-MAIL ADDRESS					
VAT REGISTRATION NUMBER					
SUPPLIER COMPLIANCE STATUS	TAX COMPLIANCE SYSTEM PIN:		OR	CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE No:	MAAA
B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE	TICK APPLICABLE BOX] ☐ Yes ☐ No		B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL SWORN AFFIDAVIT		[TICK APPLICABLE BOX] ☐ Yes ☐ No
[A B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE/ SWORN AFFIDAVIT (FOR EMES & QSEs) MUST BE SUBMITTED IN ORDER TO QUALIFY FOR PREFERENCE POINTS FOR B-BBEE]					
ARE YOU THE ACCREDITED REPRESENTATIVE IN SOUTH AFRICA FOR THE GOODS /SERVICES /WORKS OFFERED?	☐ Yes ☐ No [IF YES ENCLOSE PROOF]		ARE YOU A FOREIGN BASED SUPPLIER FOR THE GOODS /SERVICES /WORKS OFFERED?		☐ Yes ☐ No [IF YES, ANSWER THE QUESTIONNAIRE BELOW]
QUESTIONNAIRE TO BIDDING FOREIGN SUPPLIERS					
IS THE ENTITY A RESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA (RSA)?				☐ YES ☐ NO	
DOES THE ENTITY HAVE A BRANCH IN THE RSA?				☐ YES ☐ NO	
DOES THE ENTITY HAVE A PERMANENT ESTABLISHMENT IN THE RSA?				☐ YES ☐ NO	
DOES THE ENTITY HAVE ANY SOURCE OF INCOME IN THE RSA?				☐ YES ☐ 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, 2017, 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:

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Bid no	: CGS-2021-004T
Date Issued	: 14 May 2021
Closing date and time	: 15 June 2021
Compulsory briefing session	: (Physical/Online) 24 May 2021 @11:00am
Bid Validity Period	: 120 calendar days

TENDER BOX ADDRESS:

280 Pretoria Road
Silverton
Pretoria
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1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1. The Council for Geoscience (CGS) is a schedule 3A public entity organisation as defined by the Public Finance Management Act (Act No. 1 of 1999). The CGS derives its mandate from the Geoscience Act No. 100 of 1993. The objectives of the CGS under the Act, is to produce world-class geoscience knowledge products and to render geoscience-related services to the South African public and industry. The strategic position of the CGS is to ensure that its activities contribute to the national imperatives, namely to free the potential of individuals by improving the quality of life of all citizens, assisting in the growth and wealth of the country and eradicating poverty especially in the rural areas of South Africa. It does this through the mandate of the Geoscience Act, which includes the following activities:
- a. To systematically document and compile the geology of the earth's surface and continental crust, including offshore areas within the territorial boundaries of South Africa;
 - b. To compile geoscience data, especially geological, geophysical, metallogenic and engineering geological information in the form of maps and accompanying explanations and to make this information available to the public;
 - c. To do basic geoscience research into the nature and origin of rocks, ores, minerals and the history and evolution of life and to understand the geological evolution of the earth. These findings are published in peer reviewed geoscience publications nationally and internationally;
 - d. To collect and curate all geoscience knowledge for the country into the National Geoscience Repository and to make such information available to the public as far as it is possible;
 - e. To render geoscience knowledge services and advice to the State to enable informed and scientifically based decisions on the use of the earth's surface and its resources within the territory of South Africa;
 - f. To manage several national geoscience facilities on behalf of the country such as the National Seismograph Network, the National Borehole-Core Repository, the National Geoscience Heritage Collections (Geoscience Museum) and the National Geoscience Library; and
 - g. To render commercial geoscience services and products to national and international clients.

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2. LEGISLATIVE FRAMEWORK OF THE BID

2.1 TAX LEGISLATION

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

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

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

2.1.4 is a requirement that bidders grant a written confirmation when submitting this bid that SARS may on an on-going basis during the tenure of the contract disclose the bidder's tax compliance status and by submitting this bid such confirmation is deemed to have been granted.

2.1.5 Bidders are required to be registered on the Central Supplier Database and the National Treasury shall verify the bidder's tax compliance status through the Central Supplier Database.

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

3. PROCUREMENT LEGISLATION

Council for Geoscience has a detailed evaluation methodology premised on Treasury Regulation 16A3 promulgated under Section 76 of the Public Finance Management Act, 1999 (Act, No. 1 of 1999), the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act 2000 (Act, No.5 of 2000) and the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act, 2003 (Act, No. 53 of 2003).

4. TECHNICAL LEGISLATION AND/OR STANDARDS

Bidders should be cognisant of the legislation and/or standards specifically applicable to the services.

5. PURPOSE OF THIS APPOINTMENT

The purpose and objective of this tender is to invite service providers to submit their proposals for the provision of off-site media storage and scanning services to the Council for Geoscience (CGS) for a period of three (3) years.

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6. SCOPE OF WORK

The service provider will provide weekly rotation of containers to-and-from the CGS' offices listed below and secure long-term storage of some containers (storage trunks and boxes), at their premises, in an environmentally controlled area.

Locations:

- | | | |
|---------------------------|---|--|
| • Pretoria (Head Office) | – | 280 Pretoria Street, Silverton, Pretoria |
| • Bellville Office | – | 3 Oos Street, Bellville, Cape Town |
| • Pietermaritzburg Office | – | 139 Jabu Ndlovu Street, Pietermaritzburg |
| • Polokwane Office | – | 30A Schoeman Street, Polokwane |
| • Port Elizabeth Office | – | 16, 2nd Avenue, Port Elizabeth |
| • Upington Office | – | 24 Josling Street, Upington |
| • Disaster Recovery Site | – | Gauteng |

The service provider shall meet the following record storage requirements and provide valid and up-to-date evidence to support their submission:

- Controlled access
- Gas fire protection
- Fireproof storage (minimum three-hour rating)
- Protection against water damage
- Climate controlled
- Appropriate protection against damage caused by insects or vermin
- CCTV footage in vaults
- Secure transportation of records
- Protection against magnetic interference

The service provider shall be subjected to an annual facility inspection for the duration of the contract.

7. SPECIFICATIONS

The section below outlines the specifications required for the provision of off-site media storage and scanning services.

SECTION A: BACKUP MANAGEMENT - WEEKLY ROTATION & STORAGE

Scheduled **weekly rotation** of offsite storage. Dates to be specified during appointment.

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Location	Description	Quantity
Pretoria (Head Office)	Steel Container (Approx. 60cm x 35cm x 15cm) (securely holds 40 LTO-7 Ultrium Data Cartridges)	2
	External Hard Drive Container (securely holds 1 x 3.5' HDD)	1
	Monthly storage of steel containers (Trunk) (Approx. 85cm x 50 x 35 cm)	1
Bellville Office	External Hard Drive Container (securely holds 1 x 3.5' HDD)	1
Pietermaritzburg Office	External Hard Drive Container (securely holds 1 x 3.5' HDD)	1
Polokwane Office	External Hard Drive Container (securely holds 1 x 3.5' HDD)	1
Port Elizabeth Office	External Hard Drive Container (securely holds 1 x 3.5' HDD)	1
Uppington Office	External Hard Drive Container (securely holds 1 x 3.5' HDD)	1
Other service charges	Express	1
	Unscheduled	1
	Scheduled	1
	After hours	1
Disaster Recovery Site	Steel Container ¹ (Approx. 60cm x 35cm x 15cm) (securely holds 40 LTO-7 Ultrium Data Cartridges)	2

SECTION B: LONG-TERM STORAGE

The CGS owns a number of storage boxes and trunks that need to be stored and retrieved on an ad-hoc basis.

Location	Description	Quantity
Head Office	Storage Boxes with lids (Approx. 45cm x 33cm x 20cm)	1
	Storage Tubes – A0 Maps	1

¹ Subject to change over time

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SECTION C: ADDITIONAL SERVICES/ITEMS

Item	Quantity
Unscheduled/Emergency Deliveries	Per Trip
Tamper Proof Seals (Pack of 100)	1
Container returns book/form	1
Permanent box withdrawal	1
Destruction handling fee	1
Tubes – A0 Maps	1
Storage Box and lid	1
Storage Box labels	1
Packing per day	1
Data entry per box	1
Storage Box handling fee	1
Onsite scanning (CGS Head Office): A2, A1, A0	1
Onsite scanning (CGS Head Office): A3, A4	1
Offsite scanning (Service Provider's Offices): A2, A1, A0	1
Offsite scanning (Service Provider's Offices): A3, A4	1
Indexing of scanned images X2 capturing fields – Document number/Document name	1
Transport :	
Same day charge for 10 boxes or less	1
Same day charge for 10 tubes or less	1
Next day charge for 10 boxes or more	1
Next day charge for 10 tubes or more	1

8. TENDER COMMUNICATION

Technical and tender questions can be directed to Tlou Mulangaphuma at: tmulangaphuma@geoscience.org.za and/or 012-841-1509.

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9. COMPULSORY BRIEFING SESSION

A compulsory briefing session will be held on the 24 May 2021 at 11h00 at Council for Geoscience: 280 Pretoria Road Silverton Pretoria0001

The link for online session will be made available on request.

10. TIMELINE OF THE BID PROCESS

The period of validity of tender and the withdrawal of offers, after the closing date and time is 30 days. The project timeframes of this bid are set out below (all times and dates below are according South African standard time, i.e., GMT +02h00):

Table 1: Timeline of the bid process

ACTIVITY	DUE DATE
Advertisement of bid on Government e-tender portal / print media / Tender Bulletin	14 May 2021
Compulsory briefing session date	24 May 2021 at 11h00
Closing date of questions relating to bid from bid	07 June 2021
Bid closing date	15 June 2021 at 11h00
Notice to bidders	Council for Geoscience will endeavour to inform bidders of the progress until conclusion of the tender.

11. CONTACT AND COMMUNICATION

- 11.1 A nominated official of the bidders can make enquiries in writing, to the specified person, Tlou Mulangaphuma at tmulangaphuma@geoscience.org.za and/or 012-841-1509. Bidders must reduce all telephonic enquiries to writing and send to the above email address.
- 11.2 The delegated office of Council for Geoscience may communicate with Bidders where clarity is sought in the bid proposal.
- 11.3 Any communication to an official or a person acting in an advisory capacity for Council for Geoscience in respect of the bid between the closing date and the award of the bid by the Bidders is discouraged.

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- 11.4 All communication between the Bidders and Council for Geoscience must be done in writing.
- 11.5 Whilst all due care has been taken in connection with the preparation of this bid, Council for Geoscience makes no representations or warranties that the content of the bid or any information communicated to or provided to Bidders during the bidding process is, or will be, accurate, current or complete. Council for Geoscience and its employees and advisors will not be liable with respect to any information communicated which may not accurate, current or complete.
- 11.6 If Bidders finds or reasonably believes it has found any discrepancy, ambiguity, error or inconsistency in this bid or any other information provided by Council for Geoscience (other than minor clerical matters), the Bidders must promptly notify Council for Geoscience in writing of such discrepancy, ambiguity, error or inconsistency in order to afford Council for Geoscience an opportunity to consider what corrective action is necessary (if any).
- 11.7 Any actual discrepancy, ambiguity, error or inconsistency in the bid or any other information provided by Council for Geoscience will, if possible, be corrected and provided to all Bidders without attribution to the Bidders who provided the written notice.
- 11.8 All persons (including Bidders) obtaining or receiving the bid and any other information in connection with the Bid or the Tendering process must keep the contents of the Bid and other such information confidential, and not disclose or use the information except as required for the purpose of developing a proposal in response to this Bid.

12. LATE BIDS

Bids received after the closing date and time, at the address indicated in the bid documents, will not be accepted for consideration and where practicable, be returned unopened to the Bidders.

13. COUNTER CONDITIONS

Bidders' attention is drawn to the fact that amendments to any of the Bid Conditions or setting of counter conditions by Bidders or qualifying any Bid Conditions will result in the invalidation of such bids.

14. FRONTING

- 14.1 Government supports the spirit of broad based black economic empowerment and recognizes that real empowerment can only be achieved through individuals and businesses conducting themselves in accordance with the Constitution and in an honest, fair, equitable, transparent and legally compliant manner. Against this background the Government condemn any form of fronting.

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14.2 The Government, in ensuring that Bidders conduct themselves in an honest manner will, as part of the bid evaluation processes, conduct or initiate the necessary enquiries/investigations to determine the accuracy of the representation made in bid documents. Should any of the fronting indicators as contained in the Guidelines on Complex Structures and Transactions and Fronting, issued by the Department of Trade and Industry, be established during such enquiry / investigation, the onus will be on the Bidder / contractor to prove that fronting does not exist. Failure to do so within a period of 14 days from date of notification may invalidate the bid / contract and may also result in the restriction of the Bidder /contractor to conduct business with the public sector for a period not exceeding ten years, in addition to any other remedies Council for Geoscience may have against the Bidder / contractor concerned.

15. SUPPLIER DUE DILIGENCE

The Council for Geoscience reserves the right to conduct supplier due diligence prior to the final award or at any time during the contract period. This may include site visits and requests for additional information. The CGS reserves the right to verify any information supplied by the bidder in the tender document and should the information be found to be false or incorrect, the CGS will exercise any of the remedies available to it in the bid document. Reference letters will also be authenticated.

16. SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS

16.1 Bid documents may either be posted to Council for Geosciences, 280 Pretoria Road, Silverton, Pretoria, 0001 (preferably registered mail) OR placed in the tender box OR couriered to the aforesaid address on or before the closing date and time.

16.2 Bid documents will only be considered if received by Council for Geoscience before the closing date and time, regardless of the method used to send or deliver such documents to Council for Geoscience.

16.3 The bidders are required to submit three (3) copies of each file one (1) original and two copies (2) by closing date 15 June 2021 at 11:00 am.

16.4 Bidders are requested to initial each page of the tender document on the top right-hand corner.

Table 1: Overview of files required to be submitted

FILE 1 (TECHNICAL FILE)	FILE 2 (PRICE AND BBBEE)
<i>Exhibit 1:</i> Administrative evaluation	<i>Exhibit 1:</i> Pricing schedule

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Exhibit 2: • Technical Responses and Bidder Compliance SBD's Checklist for Technical Evaluation • Supporting documents for technical responses	
Exhibit 3: General conditions of contract	
Exhibit 4: Any other supplementary information	

17. PRESENTATION / DEMONSTRATION

17.1 Council for Geoscience reserves the right to request presentations/demonstrations from the short-listed bidders as part of the bid evaluation process

17.2 EVALUATION AND SELECTION CRITERIA

17.3 Council for Geoscience has set minimum standards (Gates) that a bidder needs to meet in order to be evaluated and selected as a successful bidder. The minimum standards consist of the following:

17.4 The CGS retains the right not to award the tender to the lowest

18 Table 2: Overview of the evaluation and selection criteria

Administrative Evaluation Criteria (Gate 0)	Mandatory Evaluation Criteria (Gate 1)	Functional Evaluation Criteria (Gate 2)	Price and BBBEE (Gate 3)
Only Bidders who fully complied with the administrative requirements and submitted all compulsory documents will proceed to Gate 1	Only Bidders who fully complied with the mandatory requirements will be evaluated for the Technical Evaluation Criteria, which is Gate 2	Only Bidders who achieve the 70 points minimum threshold will be evaluated on Price and BBBEE	Only Bidders who achieve the 70 points minimum threshold will be evaluated

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18. EVALUATION APPROACH

18.1 All tender applications will be subjected to the following process:

- Phase 1: Administrative evaluation
- Phase 2: Mandatory technical evaluation criteria
- Phase 3: Technical evaluation criteria
- Phase 4: Price and BBBEE evaluation criteria

19. Administrative Evaluation Criteria

Table 3: Overview of the administrative evaluation criteria

Document that must be submitted	Non-submission may result in disqualification?	
Invitation to Bid – SBD 1	YES	Complete and sign the supplied SBD1 form
Tax Status Tax Clearance Certificate – SBD 2	YES	Written confirmation that SARS may on an on-going basis during the tenure of the contract disclose the bidder's tax compliance status. (Refer Section 4.1.4) Proof of Registration on the Central Supplier Database (Refer Section 4.1.5) Vendor number In the event where the Bidder submits a hard copy of the Tax Clearance Certificate, the CSD verification outcome will take precedence.
Declaration of Interest – SBD 4	YES	Complete and sign the supplied SBD form
Preference Point Claim Form – SBD 6.1	YES	Non-submission of an originally certified BBBEE certificate will lead to a zero (0) score on BBBEE scoring
Declaration of Bidder's Past Supply Chain Management Practices – SBD 8	YES	Complete and sign the supplied SBD8 form.
Certificate of Independent Bid Determination – SBD 9	YES	Complete and sign the supplied SBD9 form

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Registration on Central Supplier Database (CSD)	YES	The companies must be registered as a service provider on the Central Supplier Database (CSD). If you are not registered proceed to complete the registration of your company prior to submitting your proposal. Visit https://secure.csd.gov.za/ to obtain your vendor number. Submit proof of registration.
Pricing Schedule	YES	Submit full details of the pricing proposal

20. Mandatory Evaluation Criteria

20.1. Mandatory Evaluation

The following mandatory evaluation will be applied:

Service providers are required to comply 100% with the criteria listed below and indicate the location (i.e. page number) in the bid response documentation. Evidence to support each requirement should be provided. Evidence can include organisational procedures, processes, certificates and maintenance and/or service plans.

ITEM	COMPLY	NOT COMPLY
PART 2: STORAGE REQUIREMENTS		
a. Controlled Access		
b. Gas Fire Protection		
c. Fire Proof Storage (Minimum Three-Hour Rating)		
d. Protection against water damage		
e. Climate control		
f. Appropriate protection against damage caused by insects or vermin		
g. CCTV footage in vaults		
h. Secure transportation of records		
i. Protection against magnetic interference		

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ITEM	COMPLY	NOT COMPLY
PART 2: SPECIFICATION		
a. Weekly Services		
i. Support for Pretoria (Head Office)		
ii. Support for Bellville Office		
iii. Support for Pietermaritzburg Office		
iv. Support for Polokwane Office		
v. Support for Port Elizabeth Office		
vi. Support for Upington Office		
vii. Support for Disaster Recovery Site		
b. Long-Term Offsite Storage		
c. Unscheduled Deliveries		

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20.2. Technical Evaluation Criteria

NO.	CRITERIA	WEIGHTING
1	Company Experience The service provider must have extensive knowledge and experience in providing off-site media storage services. Provide company profile that demonstrate the number of years in the offsite media storage services. • 10 or more years' experience = 30 points • 5-9 years' experience = 20 points • 2-4 years' experience = 10 points • Less than 2 years' experience = 0 points	30
2	Reference Letters The service provider must submit reference letters from their clients which indicates the services rendered for offsite media storage and the period of the contract, i.e. start and end date. Letters must be on the company letterhead and must be signed, dated, include contactable details and be less than 10 years old. • 5 or more reference letters = 40 points • 3-4 reference letters = 20 points • Less than 2 reference letters = 0 points	40
3	Detailed Business Continuity Plan (BCP) The service provider must attached a detailed plan on their business continuity for the planned CGS media that is to be stored in their facility in case of an emergency situation or disaster. • Detailed BCP attached = 30 points • No BCP attached = 0 points	30
	Total Points	100
	The cut-off weighting is 70 points and service providers who score less than this will not be evaluated further on price and BBBEE.	

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20.3 PRICING SCHEDULE

Prices shall be VAT inclusive.

WEEKLY SERVICES (ROTATION & STORAGE)

Description	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
Pretoria (Head Office)			
Bellville Office			
Pietermaritzburg Office			
Polokwane Office			
Port Elizabeth Office			
Upington Office			
Other service charges			
Express			
Unscheduled			
Scheduled			
After hours			
Disaster Recovery Site			
TOTAL			
VAT			
TOTAL VAT INCLUSIVE			

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LONG-TERM STORAGE AND ADDITIONAL SERVICES/ITEMS

Description		Price Per Item
Head Office Long-Term Storage (Trunks)		
Head Office Long-Term Storage (Tubes)		
Unscheduled/Emergency Deliveries		
Tamper Proof Seals (Pack of 100)		
Container returns book/form		
Permanent box withdrawal		
Destruction handling fee		
Tubes – A0		
Storage Box and lid		
Storage Box labels		
Packing per day		
Data entry per box		
Storage Box handling fee		
Onsite scanning (CGS Head Office):	A2	
	A1	
	A0	
Onsite scanning (CGS Head Office):	A3	
	A4	
Offsite scanning (Service Provider's Offices):	A2	
	A1	
	A0	
Offsite scanning (Service Provider's Offices):	A3	
	A4	
Indexing of scanned images X2 capturing fields – Document number/Document name		
Transport : Same day charge for 10 boxes or less Same day charge for 10 tubes or less Next day charge for 10 boxes or more Next day charge for 10 tubes or more		

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20.4 Stage 1 – Price Evaluation (80 Points)

Table 4: Price evaluation

CRITERIA	POINTS
Price Evaluation: $P_s = 80 \left(1 - \frac{P_t - P_{\min}}{P_{\min}} \right)$	20

The following formula will be used to calculate the points for price, where:

- P_s = Points scored for comparative price of bid under consideration
- P_t = Comparative price of bid under consideration
- $P_{\min}$ = Comparative price of lowest acceptable bid

Stage 2 – BBBEE Evaluation (20 Points)

BBBEE Points allocation

A maximum of 20 points may be allocated to a bidder for attaining their B-BBEE status level of contributor in accordance with the table below:

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Table 5: Overview of the BBEEE evaluation

B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor	Number of Points
1	20
2	18
3	14
4	12
5	8
6	6
7	4
8	2
Non-compliant contributor	0

B-BBEE points may be allocated to bidders on submission of the following documentation or evidence:

- a. A duly completed Preference Point Claim Form: Standard Bidding Document (SBD 6.1); and
- b. B-BBEE Certificate

21. Joint Ventures, Consortiums and Trusts

- 21.1 A trust, consortium or joint venture, will qualify for points for their B-BBEE status level as a legal entity, provided that the entity submits their B-BBEE status level certificate.
- 21.2 A trust, consortium or joint venture will qualify for points for their B-BBEE status level as an unincorporated entity, provided that the entity submits their consolidated B-BBEE scorecard as if they were a group structure and that such a consolidated B-BBEE scorecard is prepared for every separate bid.
- 21.3 Bidders must submit concrete proof of the existence of joint ventures and/or consortium arrangements. Council for Geoscience will accept signed agreements as acceptable proof of the existence of a joint venture and/or consortium arrangement.
- 21.4 The joint venture and/or consortium agreements must clearly set out the roles and responsibilities of the Lead Partner and the joint venture and/or consortium party. The agreement must also clearly identify the Lead Partner, who shall be given the power of

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attorney to bind the other party/parties in respect of matters pertaining to the joint venture and/or consortium arrangement.

22. CONTRACT PERIOD

The period will last until the data is supplied and delivered.

23. GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

23. 1 Any award made to a bidder under this bid is conditional, amongst others, upon:
- The bidders accepting the terms and conditions contained in the General Conditions of Contract as the minimum terms and conditions upon which Council for Geoscience is prepared to enter into a contract with the successful Bidders; and
 - The bidder submitting the General Conditions of Contract to Council for Geoscience together with its bid, duly signed by an authorised representative of the bidder.

24. CONTRACT PRICE ADJUSTMENT

Contract price adjustments will be done annually on the anniversary of the contract start date. The price adjustment will be based on the Consumer Price Index Headline Inflation.

STATS SA P0141 (CPI), Table E	Table E - All Items
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25. SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENT

- 25.1 Upon award Council for Geoscience and the successful bidder will conclude a Service Level Agreement regulating the specific terms and conditions applicable to the services being procured by Council for Geoscience more or less in the format of the draft Service Level Indicators included in this tender pack.
- 25.2 Council for Geoscience reserves the right to vary the proposed draft Service Level Indicators during the course of negotiations with a bidder by amending or adding thereto.
- 25.3 Bidders are requested to:
- Comment on draft Service Level Indicators and where necessary, make proposals to the indicators;
 - Explain each comment and/or amendment; and
 - Use an easily identifiable colour font or "track changes" for all changes and/or amendments to the Service Level Indicators for ease of reference.

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- 25.4 Council for Geoscience reserves the right to accept or reject any or all amendments or additions proposed by a bidder if such amendments or additions are unacceptable to Council for Geoscience or pose a risk to the organisation.

26. SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF THIS BID

- 26.1 Council for Geoscience reserves the right to award this tender to a bidder that did not score the highest total number of points, only in accordance with section 2(1)(f) of the PPPFA (Act 5 of 2000)
- 26.2 Council for Geoscience reserves the right to negotiate with one or more preferred bidders identified in the evaluation process, regarding any terms and conditions, including price without offering the same opportunity to any other bidders who has not been awarded the status of the preferred bidders.
- 26.3 Council for Geoscience reserves the right to accept part of a tender rather than the whole tender.
- 26.4 Council for Geoscience reserves the right to carry out site inspections, product evaluations or explanatory meetings in order to verify the nature and quality of the services offered by the bidders, whether before or after adjudication of the Bid.
- 26.5 Council for Geoscience reserves the right to correct any mistakes at any stage of the tender that may have been in the Bid documents or occurred at any stage of the tender process.
- 26.6 Council for Geoscience reserves the right to cancel and/or terminate the tender process at any stage, including after the Closing Date and/or after presentations have been made, and/or after tenders have been evaluated and/or after the preferred bidders have been notified of their status as such.
- 26.7 Council for Geoscience reserves the right to award to multiple bidders based either on size or geographic considerations.

27. COUNCIL FOR GEOSCIENCE REQUIRES BIDDERS TO DECLARE

- 27.1 In the Bidder's Technical response, bidders are required to declare the following:
- a. Act honestly, fairly, and with due skill, care and diligence, in the interests of Council for Geoscience
 - b. Have and employ effectively the resources, procedures and appropriate technological systems for the proper performance of the services;
 - c. Act with circumspection and treat Council for Geoscience fairly in a situation of conflicting interests;

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- d. Comply with all applicable statutory or common law requirements applicable to the conduct of business;
- e. Make adequate disclosures of relevant material information including disclosures of actual or potential own interests, in relation to dealings with Council for Geoscience
- f. Avoidance of fraudulent and misleading advertising, canvassing and marketing;
- g. To conduct their business activities with transparency and consistently uphold the interests and needs of Council for Geoscience as a client before any other consideration; and
- h. To ensure that any information acquired by the bidders from Council for Geoscience will not be used or disclosed unless the written consent of the client has been obtained to do so.

28. CONFLICT OF INTEREST, CORRUPTION AND FRAUD

- 28.1 Council for Geoscience reserves its right to disqualify any bidder who either itself or any of whose members (save for such members who hold a minority interest in the bidder through shares listed on any recognised stock exchange), indirect members (being any person or entity who indirectly holds at least a 15% interest in the bidder other than in the context of shares listed on a recognised stock exchange), directors or members of senior management, whether in respect of Institution name or any other government organ or entity and whether from the Republic of South Africa or otherwise ("Government Entity")
- 28.2 Engages in any collusive tendering, anti-competitive conduct, or any other similar conduct, including but not limited to any collusion with any other bidder in respect of the subject matter of this bid;
- 28.3 Seeks any assistance, other than assistance officially provided by a Government Entity, from any employee, advisor or other representative of a Government Entity in order to obtain any unlawful advantage in relation to procurement or services provided or to be provided to a Government Entity;
- 28.4 Makes or offers any gift, gratuity, anything of value or other inducement, whether lawful or unlawful, to any of Council for Geoscience officers, directors, employees, advisors or other representatives;
- 28.5 Makes or offers any gift, gratuity, anything of any value or other inducement, to any Government Entity's officers, directors, employees, advisors or other representatives in order to obtain any unlawful advantage in relation to procurement or services provided or to be provided to a Government Entity;
- 28.6 Accepts anything of value or an inducement that would or may provide financial gain, advantage or benefit in relation to procurement or services provided or to be provided to a Government Entity;

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- 28.7 Pays or agrees to pay to any person any fee, commission, percentage, brokerage fee, gift or any other consideration, that is contingent upon or results from, the award of any tender, contract, right or entitlement which is in any way related to procurement or the rendering of any services to a Government Entity; and
- 28.8 has in the past engaged in any matter referred to above; or has been found guilty in a court of law on charges of fraud and/or forgery, regardless of whether or not a prison term was imposed and despite such bidder, member or director's name not specifically appearing on the List of Tender Defaulters kept at National Treasury.

29. MISREPRESENTATION DURING THE LIFECYCLE OF THE CONTRACT

- 29.1 The bidder should note that the terms of its Tender will be incorporated in the proposed contract by reference and that Council for Geoscience relies upon the bidder's Tender as a material representation in making an award to a successful bidder and in concluding an agreement with the bidder.
- 29.2 It follows therefore that misrepresentations in a Tender may give rise to service termination and a claim by Council for Geoscience against the bidder notwithstanding the conclusion of the Service Level Agreement between Council for Geoscience and the bidder for the provision of the Service in question. In the event of a conflict between the bidder's proposal and the Service Level Agreement concluded between the parties, the Service Level Agreement will prevail.

30. PREPARATION COSTS

The Bidder will bear all its costs in preparing, submitting and presenting any response or Tender to this bid and all other costs incurred by it throughout the bid process. Furthermore, no statement in this bid will be construed as placing Council for Geoscience, its employees or agents under any obligation whatsoever, including in respect of costs, expenses or losses incurred by the bidders in the preparation of their response to this bid.

31. INDEMNITY

If a bidder breaches the conditions of this bid and, as a result of that breach, Council for Geoscience incurs costs or damages (including, without limitation, the cost of any investigations, procedural impairment, repetition of all or part of the bid process and/or enforcement of intellectual property rights or confidentiality obligations), then the bidder indemnifies and holds Council for Geoscience harmless from any and all such costs which Council for Geoscience may incur and for any damages or losses Council for Geoscience may suffer.

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32. PRECEDENCE

This document will prevail over any information provided during any briefing session whether oral or written, unless such written information provided, expressly amends this document by reference.

33. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

A bidder participates in this bid process entirely at its own risk and cost. Council for Geoscience shall not be liable to compensate a bidder on any grounds whatsoever for any costs incurred or any damages suffered as a result of the Bidder's participation in this Bid process.

34. TAX COMPLIANCE

34.1 No tender shall be awarded to a bidder who is not tax compliant. Council for Geoscience reserves the right to withdraw an award made, or cancel a contract concluded with a successful bidder in the event that it is established that such bidder was in fact not tax compliant at the time of the award, or has submitted a fraudulent Tax Clearance Certificate to Council for Geoscience or whose verification against the Central Supplier Database (CSD) proves non-compliant. Council for Geoscience further,

34.2 Reserves the right to cancel a contract with a successful bidder in the event that such bidder does not remain tax compliant for the full term of the contract.

35. TENDER DEFAULTERS AND RESTRICTED SUPPLIERS

No tender shall be awarded to a bidder whose name (or any of its members, directors, partners or trustees) appears on the Register of Tender Defaulters kept by National Treasury, or who have been placed on National Treasury's List of Restricted Suppliers. Council for Geoscience reserves the right to withdraw an award, or cancel a contract concluded with a Bidder should it be established, at any time, that a bidder has been blacklisted with National Treasury by another government institution.

36. GOVERNING LAW

South African law governs this bid and the bid response process. The bidder agrees to submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the South African courts in any dispute of any kind that may arise out of or in connection with the subject matter of this bid, the bid itself and all processes associated with the bid.

37. RESPONSIBILITY FOR SUB-CONTRACTORS AND BIDDER'S PERSONNEL

A bidder is responsible for ensuring that its personnel (including agents, officers, directors, employees, advisors and other representatives), its sub-contractors (if any) and personnel

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of its sub-contractors comply with all terms and conditions of this bid. In the event that Council for Geoscience allows a bidder to make use of sub-contractors, such sub-contractors will at all times remain the responsibility of the bidder and Council for Geoscience will not under any circumstances be liable for any losses or damages incurred by or caused by such sub-contractors.

38. CONFIDENTIALITY

38.1 Except as may be required by operation of law, by a court or by a regulatory authority having appropriate jurisdiction, no information contained in or relating to this bid or a bidder's tender(s) will be disclosed by any bidder or other person not officially involved with Council for Geoscience's examination and evaluation of a Tender.

38.2 No part of the bid may be distributed, reproduced, stored or transmitted, in any form or by any means, electronic, photocopying, recording or otherwise, in whole or in part except for the purpose of preparing a Tender. This bid and any other documents supplied by Council for Geoscience remain proprietary to Council for Geoscience and must be promptly returned to Council for Geoscience upon request together with all copies, electronic versions, excerpts or summaries thereof or work derived there from.

38.3 Throughout this bid process and thereafter, bidders must secure Council for Geoscience's written approval prior to the release of any information that pertains to (i) the potential work or activities to which this bid relates; or (ii) the process which follows this bid. Failure to adhere to this requirement may result in disqualification from the bid process and civil action.

39. COUNCIL FOR GEOSCIENCE PROPRIETARY INFORMATION

Bidder will on their bid cover letter make declaration that they did not have access to any Council for Geoscience proprietary information or any other matter that may have unfairly placed that bidder in a preferential position in relation to any of the other bidders.

40. AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

Should funds no longer be available to pay for the execution of the responsibilities of this bid RFP. Council for Geoscience may terminate the Agreement at its own discretion or temporarily suspend all or part of the services by notice to the successful bidder who shall immediately make arrangements to stop the performance of the services and minimize further expenditure: Provided that the successful bidder shall thereupon be entitled to payment in full for the services delivered, up to the date of cancellation or suspension.

PRICING SCHEDULE
(Professional Services)

NAME OF BIDDER: BID NO.: CGS-2021-004T

CLOSING TIME 11:00

CLOSING DATE: 2021/06/15

OFFER TO BE VALID FOR 120 DAYS FROM THE CLOSING DATE OF BID.

ITEM NO	DESCRIPTION	BID PRICE IN RSA CURRENCY **(ALL APPLICABLE TAXES INCLUDED)	
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.....	
3.	PERSONS WHO WILL BE INVOLVED IN THE PROJECT AND RATES APPLICABLE (CERTIFIED INVOICES MUST BE RENDERED IN TERMS HEREOF)		
4.	PERSON AND POSITION	HOURLY RATE	DAILY RATE
	.....	R.....	.....
	.....	R.....	.....
	.....	R.....	.....
	.....	R.....	.....
	.....	R.....	.....
5.	PHASES ACCORDING TO WHICH THE PROJECT WILL BE COMPLETED, COST PER PHASE AND MAN-DAYS TO BE SPENT		
	.....	R.....	 days
	.....	R.....	 days
	.....	R.....	 days
	.....	R.....	 days
5.1	Travel expenses (specify, for example rate/km and total km, class of airtravel, etc). Only actual costs are recoverable. Proof of the expenses incurred must accompany certified invoices.		
	DESCRIPTION OF EXPENSE TO BE INCURRED	RATE	QUANTITY AMOUNT
	.....	.....	R.....
	.....	.....	R.....
	.....	.....	R.....
	.....	.....	R.....
		TOTAL: R.....	

** "all applicable taxes" includes value- added tax, pay as you earn, income tax, unemployment insurance contributions and skills development levies.

Name of Bidder:

- 5.2 Other expenses, for example accommodation (specify, eg. Three star hotel, bed and breakfast, telephone cost, reproduction cost, etc.). On basis of these particulars, certified invoices will be checked for correctness. Proof of the expenses must accompany invoices.

DESCRIPTION OF EXPENSE TO BE INCURRED	RATE	QUANTITY	AMOUNT
.....			R.....
.....			R.....
.....			R.....
.....			R.....

TOTAL: R.....

6. Period required for commencement with project after acceptance of bid
7. Estimated man-days for completion of project
8. Are the rates quoted firm for the full period of contract? *YES/NO
9. If not firm for the full period, provide details of the basis on which adjustments will be applied for, for example consumer price index.
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Any enquiries regarding bidding procedures may be directed to:

Tlou Mulangaphuma
Supply Chain Management
280 Pretoria Street
Silverton
Pretoria
0001

Tel: 012 841 1509

SBD 4

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

1. Any legal person, including persons employed by the state¹, or persons having a kinship with persons employed by the state, including a blood relationship, may make an offer or offers in terms of this invitation to bid (includes an advertised competitive bid, a limited bid, a proposal or written price quotation). In view of possible allegations of favouritism, should the resulting bid, or part thereof, be awarded to persons employed by the state, or to persons connected with or related to them, it is required that the bidder or his/her authorised representative declare his/her position in relation to the evaluating/adjudicating authority where-

- the bidder is employed by the state; and/or

the legal person on whose behalf the bidding document is signed, has a relationship with persons/a person who are/is involved in the evaluation and or adjudication of the bid(s), or where it is known that such a relationship exists between the person or persons for or on whose behalf the declarant acts and persons who are involved with the evaluation and or adjudication of the bid.

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

2.1 Full Name of bidder or his or her representative:

2.2 Identity Number:

2.3 Position occupied in the Company (director, trustee, shareholder², member):

2.4 Registration number of company, enterprise, close corporation, partnership agreement or trust:

2.5 Tax Reference Number:

2.6 VAT Registration Number:

2.6.1 The names of all directors / trustees / shareholders / members, their individual identity numbers, tax reference numbers and, if applicable, employee / PERSAL numbers must be indicated in paragraph 3 below.

¹"State" means -

- (a) any national or provincial department, national or provincial public entity or constitutional institution within the meaning of the Public Finance Management Act, 1999 (Act No. 1 of 1999);
- (b) any municipality or municipal entity;
- (c) provincial legislature;
- (d) national Assembly or the national Council of provinces; or
- (e) Parliament.

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

2.7 Are you or any person connected with the bidder
presently employed by the state? YES / NO

2.7.1 If so, furnish the following particulars:

Name of person / director / trustee / shareholder/ member:

Name of state institution at which you or the person
connected to the bidder is employed :

Position occupied in the state institution:

Any other particulars:

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2.7.2 If you are presently employed by the state, did you obtain the appropriate authority to undertake remunerative work outside employment in the public sector? YES / NO

2.7.2.1 If yes, did you attach proof of such authority to the bid document? YES / NO

(Note: Failure to submit proof of such authority, where applicable, may result in the disqualification of the bid.

2.7.2.2 If no, furnish reasons for non-submission of such proof:

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2.8 Did you or your spouse, or any of the company's directors / trustees / shareholders / members or their spouses conduct business with the state in the previous twelve months? YES / NO

2.8.1 If so, furnish particulars:

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2.9 Do you, or any person connected with the bidder, have any relationship (family, friend, other) with a person employed by the state and who may be involved with the evaluation and or adjudication of this bid? YES / NO

2.9.1 If so, furnish particulars.

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2.10 Are you, or any person connected with the bidder, aware of any relationship (family, friend, other) between any other bidder and any person employed by the state who may be involved with the evaluation and or adjudication of this bid? YES/NO

2.10.1 If so, furnish particulars.

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2.11 Do you or any of the directors / trustees / shareholders / members of the company have any interest in any other related companies whether or not they are bidding for this contract? YES/NO

2.11.1 If so, furnish particulars:

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

Full Name	Identity Number	Personal Income Tax Reference Number	State Employee Number / Persal Number

4 DECLARATION

I, THE UNDERSIGNED (NAME).....

CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION FURNISHED IN PARAGRAPHS 2 and 3 ABOVE IS CORRECT.
 I ACCEPT THAT THE STATE MAY REJECT THE BID OR ACT AGAINST ME SHOULD THIS DECLARATION PROVE TO
 BE FALSE.

.....
 Signature

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 Date

.....
 Position

.....
 Name of bidder

November 2011

**PREFERENCE POINTS CLAIM FORM IN TERMS OF THE PREFERENTIAL
PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS 2017**

This preference form must form part of all bids invited. It contains general information and serves as a claim form for preference points for Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment (B-BBEE) Status Level of Contribution

NB: BEFORE COMPLETING THIS FORM, BIDDERS MUST STUDY THE GENERAL CONDITIONS, DEFINITIONS AND DIRECTIVES APPLICABLE IN RESPECT OF B-BBEE, AS PRESCRIBED IN THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS, 2017.

1. GENERAL CONDITIONS

1.1 The following preference point systems are applicable to all bids:

- the 80/20 system for requirements with a Rand value of up to R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included); and

1.2

- a) The value of this bid is estimated not exceed R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included) and therefore the **80/20** preference point system shall be applicable; or

1.3 Points for this bid shall be awarded for:

- (a) Price; and
- (b) B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor.

1.4 The maximum points for this bid are allocated as follows:

	POINTS
PRICE	80
B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL OF CONTRIBUTOR	20
Total points for Price and B-BBEE must not exceed	100

1.5 Failure on the part of a bidder to submit proof of B-BBEE Status level of contributor together with the bid, will be interpreted to mean that preference points for B-BBEE status level of contribution are not claimed.

1.6 The purchaser reserves the right to require of a bidder, either before a bid is adjudicated or at any time subsequently, to substantiate any claim in regard to preferences, in any manner required by the purchaser.

B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor	Number of points (90/10 system)	Number of points (80/20 system)
1	10	20
2	9	18
3	6	14
4	5	12
5	4	8
6	3	6
7	2	4
8	1	2
Non-compliant contributor	0	0

5. BID DECLARATION

- 5.1 Bidders who claim points in respect of B-BBEE Status Level of Contribution must complete the following:

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

- 6.1 B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor: =(maximum of 10 or 20 points)
(Points claimed in respect of paragraph 7.1 must be in accordance with the table reflected in paragraph 4.1 and must be substantiated by relevant proof of B-BBEE status level of contributor.

7. SUB-CONTRACTING

- 7.1 Will any portion of the contract be sub-contracted?

(Tick applicable box)

YES	☐	NO	☐
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- 7.1.1 If yes, indicate:

- What percentage of the contract will be subcontracted.....%
- The name of the sub-contractor.....
- The B-BBEE status level of the sub-contractor.....
- Whether the sub-contractor is an EME or QSE

(Tick applicable box)

YES	☐	NO	☐
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- v) Specify, by ticking the appropriate box, if subcontracting with an enterprise in terms of Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2017:

Designated Group: An EME or QSE which is at least 51% owned by:	EME √	QSE √
Black people	☐	☐
Black people who are youth	☐	☐
Black people who are women	☐	☐
Black people with disabilities	☐	☐
Black people living in rural or underdeveloped areas or townships	☐	☐
Cooperative owned by black people	☐	☐

Black people who are military veterans		
OR		
Any EME		
Any QSE		

8. DECLARATION WITH REGARD TO COMPANY/FIRM

8.1 Name _____ of
company/firm:.....

8.2 VAT _____ registration
number:.....

8.3 Company _____ registration
number:.....

8.4 TYPE OF COMPANY/ FIRM

- ☐ Partnership/Joint Venture / Consortium
- ☐ One person business/sole propriety
- ☐ Close corporation
- ☐ Company
- ☐ (Pty) Limited

[TICK APPLICABLE BOX]

8.5 DESCRIBE PRINCIPAL BUSINESS ACTIVITIES

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8.6 COMPANY CLASSIFICATION

- ☐ Manufacturer
- ☐ Supplier
- ☐ Professional service provider
- ☐ Other service providers, e.g. transporter, etc.

[TICK APPLICABLE BOX]

8.7 Total number of years the company/firm has been in business:.....

8.8 I/we, the undersigned, who is / are duly authorised to do so on behalf of the company/firm, certify that the points claimed, based on the B-BBE status level of contributor indicated in paragraphs 1.4 and 6.1 of the foregoing certificate, qualifies the company/ firm for the preference(s) shown and I / we acknowledge that:

- 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 6.1, the contractor may be required to furnish documentary proof to the satisfaction of the purchaser that the claims are correct;
- iv) If the B-BBEE status level of contributor has been claimed or obtained on a

fraudulent basis or any of the conditions of contract have not been fulfilled, the purchaser may, in addition to any other remedy it may have –

- (a) disqualify the person from the bidding 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 bidder or contractor, its shareholders and directors, or only the shareholders and directors who acted on a fraudulent basis, be restricted by the National Treasury from obtaining business from any organ of state for a period not exceeding 10 years, after the *audi alteram partem* (hear the other side) rule has been applied; and
- (e) forward the matter for criminal prosecution.

WITNESSES

1.
2.

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SIGNATURE(S) OF BIDDERS(S)

DATE:

ADDRESS

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DECLARATION OF BIDDER'S PAST SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

- 1 This Standard Bidding Document must form part of all bids invited.
- 2 It serves as a declaration to be used by institutions in ensuring that when goods and services are being procured, all reasonable steps are taken to combat the abuse of the supply chain management system.
- 3 The bid of any bidder may be disregarded if that bidder, or any of its directors have-
 - a. abused the institution's supply chain management system;
 - b. committed fraud or any other improper conduct in relation to such system; or
 - c. failed to perform on any previous contract.
- 4 In order to give effect to the above, the following questionnaire must be completed and submitted with the bid.

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

4.3	Was the bidder or any of its directors convicted by a court of law (including a court outside of the Republic of South Africa) for fraud or corruption during the past five years?	Yes ☐	No ☐
4.3.1	If so, furnish particulars:		
4.4	Was any contract between the bidder and any organ of state terminated during the past five years on account of failure to perform on or comply with the contract?	Yes ☐	No ☐
4.4.1	If so, furnish particulars:		

SBD 8

CERTIFICATION

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

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

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Signature

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Date

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Position

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Name of Bidder

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CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT BID DETERMINATION

- 1** This Standard Bidding Document (SBD) must form part of all bids¹ invited.
- 2** Section 4 (1) (b) (iii) of the Competition Act No. 89 of 1998, as amended, prohibits an agreement between, or concerted practice by, firms, or a decision by an association of firms, if it is between parties in a horizontal relationship and if it involves collusive bidding (or bid rigging).² Collusive bidding is a *per se* prohibition meaning that it cannot be justified under any grounds.
- 3** Treasury Regulation 16A9 prescribes that accounting officers and accounting authorities must take all reasonable steps to prevent abuse of the supply chain management system and authorizes accounting officers and accounting authorities to:
 - a. disregard the bid of any bidder if that bidder, or any of its directors have abused the institution's supply chain management system and or committed fraud or any other improper conduct in relation to such system.
 - b. cancel a contract awarded to a supplier of goods and services if the supplier committed any corrupt or fraudulent act during the bidding process or the execution of that contract.
- 4** This SBD serves as a certificate of declaration that would be used by institutions to ensure that, when bids are considered, reasonable steps are taken to prevent any form of bid-rigging.
- 5** In order to give effect to the above, the attached Certificate of Bid Determination (SBD 9) must be completed and submitted with the bid:

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

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

CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT BID DETERMINATION

I, the undersigned, in submitting the accompanying bid:

(Bid Number and Description)

in response to the invitation for the bid made by:

(Name of Institution)

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

I certify, on behalf of: _____ that:

(Name of Bidder)

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

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

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

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

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Signature

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Date

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Position

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Name of Bidder

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THE NATIONAL TREASURY

Republic of South Africa



GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT: GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

July 2010

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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

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.

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| 16. Payment | <p>16.1 The method and conditions of payment to be made to the supplier under this contract shall be specified in SCC.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>16.4 Payment will be made in Rand unless otherwise stipulated in SCC.</p> |
| 17. Prices | <p>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.</p> |
| 18. Contract amendments | <p>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.</p> |
| 19. Assignment | <p>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.</p> |
| 20. Subcontracts | <p>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.</p> |
| 21. Delays in the supplier's performance | <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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</p> |

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) the aggregate liability of the supplier to the purchaser, whether under the contract, in tort or otherwise, shall not exceed the total contract price, provided that this limitation shall not apply to the cost of repairing or replacing defective equipment.
29. Governing language	29.1	The contract shall be written in English. All correspondence and other documents pertaining to the contract that is exchanged by the parties shall also be written in English.
30. Applicable law	30.1	The contract shall be interpreted in accordance with South African laws, unless otherwise specified 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 Programme (NIP)	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.
34 Prohibition of Restrictive practices	34.1	In terms of section 4 (1) (b) (iii) of the Competition Act No. 89 of 1998, as amended, an agreement between, or concerted practice by, firms, or a decision by an association of firms, is prohibited if it is between parties in a horizontal relationship and if a bidder (s) is / are or a contractor(s) was / were involved in collusive bidding (or bid rigging).
	34.2	If a bidder(s) or contractor(s), based on reasonable grounds or evidence obtained by the purchaser, has / have engaged in the restrictive practice referred to above, the purchaser may refer the matter to the Competition Commission for investigation and possible imposition of administrative penalties as contemplated in the Competition Act No. 89 of 1998.

- 34.3 If a bidder(s) or contractor(s), has / have been found guilty by the Competition Commission of the restrictive practice referred to above, the purchaser may, in addition and without prejudice to any other remedy provided for, invalidate the bid(s) for such item(s) offered, and / or terminate the contract in whole or part, and / or restrict the bidder(s) or contractor(s) from conducting business with the public sector for a period not exceeding ten (10) years and / or claim damages from the bidder(s) or contractor(s) concerned.

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