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BIODIVERSITY MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT

PROCUREMENT DOCUMENT

GOODS / SERVICES

Documents are to be obtained, free of charge, in electronic format, from the [National Treasury's eTenders website](#) or the [eThekweni Municipality's website](#).

Tender No: 7N-29821

Title: Grassland Management by The Biodiversity Management
Department For 36 Months

CLARIFICATION MEETING AND QUERIES

Clarification Meeting: A Compulsory Clarification Meeting will be held [30 Archie Gumede Place, ETA Building 2nd Floor Boardroom 213 on 07 October 2024 at [10h00].

Queries can be addressed to:

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Errol.Douwes@durban.gov.za . Email queries to be submitted by 24
October 2024 and consolidated answers to questions will be
uploaded 31 October 2024

DELIVERY OF TENDERS

Sealed Tenders, addressed to the City Manager and marked with the Tender Number, are to be placed in the Tender Box **located in the ground floor foyer of the Municipal Buildings, 166 KE Masinga Road (Old Fort Rd), Durban** (and not any other municipal department), no later than:

Closing Date: Friday, 08 November 2024

Time: 11:00am

FACSIMILE, eMAIL or POSTED TENDERS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED

Issued by:

ETHEKWINI MUNICIPALITY

Deputy Head: BIODIVERSITY MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT

NAME OF TENDERER:

Tender Price: R

VAT Registered: YES / NO
(circle applicable)

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PROCUREMENT DOCUMENT (Goods / Services)

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SECTION 1: GENERAL INFORMATION

YOU ARE HEREBY INVITED TO TENDER FOR REQUIREMENTS OF THE ETHEKWINI MUNICIPALITY

TENDER No.: 7N-29821

DESCRIPTION: **Grassland Management by The Biodiversity Management
Department For 36 Months**

CLOSING DATE / TIME: Friday, 08 November 2024 at 11:00am

All tenders must be submitted on official tender documentation issued (in electronic format) by the eThekweni Municipality from:

- the National Treasury's eTenders website (<https://www.etenders.gov.za/>), or
- the eThekweni Municipality's website (<https://www.durban.gov.za/pages/business/procurement>).

Electronically downloaded documentation should be printed by the tenderer.

Tenderers are required to be registered on the **National Treasury Central Supplier Database** (CSD) as a service provider. In the case of a Joint Venture, this requirement will apply individually to each party in the Joint Venture.

Registration on the **eThekweni Municipality's Database** can be done via website: <https://ethekwinivendor.durban.gov.za/>

Tenderers should ensure that tenders are delivered timeously to the correct address as stated in the Conditions of Tender. If a tender is late, it will not be accepted for consideration.

The Municipality will consider a tender submitted in response to this request for tender to be an offer from your company to perform the supply on the basis of that tender. Accordingly, please review the attached General and Special Terms and Conditions which will form the basis for any supply arrangement entered into between the Municipality and your company.

The Municipality is seeking tenders from potential suppliers only and makes no representation or promise in relation to procuring work from a supplier or suppliers. The Municipality will not be responsible for any costs associated with preparing and submitting a tender.

The Municipality does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender. It reserves the right to accept the whole or any part of a tender to place orders. Bidders shall not bind the Municipality to any minimum quantity per order. The successful Tenderer (s) shall be bound to provide any quantities stipulated in the specification.

The successful tenderer will be required to fill in and sign a written Contract Form (MBD 7).

NB: NO TENDER WILL BE CONSIDERED FROM PERSONS IN THE SERVICE OF THE STATE
(as defined in Regulation 44 of the Local Government: Municipal Supply Chain Management Regulations).

**THE FOLLOWING PARTICULARS MUST BE FURNISHED
(Failure to do so may result in your tender being disqualified)**

Name of Tenderer:

Postal Address:

Street Address:

E-Mail Address:

Telephone Number:

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Cell phone Number:

Facsimile Number:

Circle Applicable

Is your entity registered on the **eThekwini Municipality's supplier database?**

YES / NO

- **If YES insert** your PR Number:

PR

Is your entity registered on the **National Treasury Central Supplier Database (CSD)?**

YES / NO

- **If YES, insert** your MAAA Number:

MAAA

Insert a SARS Tax Compliance Status PIN

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Is your entity VAT registered?

YES / NO

- **If YES insert** Vat Registration Number:

.....

Has a **Declaration of Municipal Fees** been submitted?

YES / NO

Has a **Declaration of Interest** (MBD 4) been submitted?

YES / NO

Has a **Declaration for Procurement Above R10 Million** (MBD 5) been submitted?

YES / NO

Has a **Preference Points Claim** (MBD 6.1) been submitted?

YES / NO

Has a **Declaration of Bidder's Past SCM Practices** (MBD 8) been submitted?

YES / NO

Has a **Certificate of Independent Bid Determination** (MBD 9) been submitted?

YES / NO

Are you the accredited representative in South Africa for the goods / services / works offered? **If YES, enclose proof** at the back of the tender submission.

YES / NO

Signature of Tenderer:

Date:

Name / Surname: (in block capitals)

Capacity under which
this tender is signed:

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SECTION 2 : CONDITIONS OF TENDER – (Goods / Services : June 2019)

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SPECIAL / ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS OF TENDER

STANDARD CONDITIONS OF TENDER (Goods / Services)

1. DEFINITIONS

General:

- (1) Defined words / phrases are printed in *Italic font*.
- (2) Definitions apply to the singular as well as the plural.
- (3) Any reference to the masculine gender shall be taken to include the feminine and any reference to the feminine gender shall be taken to include the masculine.
- (4) The words “bid” and “tender”, and “bidder” and “tenderer” can be used interchangeably.
- (5) All definitions as defined in the **General Conditions of Contract** are applicable to these **Standard Conditions of Tender**. These definitions include:
 - “Closing time”
 - “Contract”
 - “Contract Price”
 - “Corrupt practice”
 - “Countervailing duties”
 - “Country of origin”
 - “Day”
 - “Delivery”
 - “Delivery ex stock”
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 - “Dumping”
 - “Force majeure”
 - “Fraudulent practice”
 - “GCC”
 - “Goods”
 - “Imported content”
 - “Local content”
 - “Manufacture”
 - “Order”
 - “Project site”
 - “Purchaser”
 - “Republic”
 - “SCC”
 - “Services”
 - “Supplier”
 - “Tort”
 - “Turnkey”
 - “Written” or “in writing”
- (6) **Bid or Tender:** The offer submitted in respect of an invitation to submit such an offer.
- (7) **Bidder or Tenderer:** An entity (company, close corporation, partnership, joint venture, sole proprietor) which submits a *bid/tender*.
- (8) **Municipality:** The eThekweni Municipality, as represented by the duly authorised delegate, official or committee.
- (9) **SCT:** Special Conditions of Tender (found in Section 3).
- (10) **Week:** A period of seven (7) consecutive *days*.
- (11) **Material Deviation:** A material deviation or qualification is one which, in the *Municipality’s* opinion, would:
 - (a) Detrimentially affect the scope, quality, or performance of the services or supply identified in the Scope;
 - (b) Significantly change the *Municipality’s* or the *Tenderer’s* risks and responsibilities under the contract; or
 - (c) Affect the competitive position of other *Tenderers* presenting responsive *tenders*, if it were to be rectified.

2. CONDITIONS OF TENDER & CONTRACT

The specification will be governed by the **Standard Conditions of Tender** (Goods and Services), **Special Conditions of Tender (SCT)**, **General Conditions of Contract (GCC)** (Government Procurement General Conditions (July 2010), as amended by National Treasury Circular 52 dated 30 July 2010), the **Special Conditions of Contract (SCC)**, the **Occupational Health and Safety Act** (Act No. 85 of 1993), and the **eThekweni Code of Conduct**.

Complete Acceptance of Conditions

Unless otherwise expressly stipulated in a letter covering the *tender*, every *Tenderer* shall be deemed to have waived, renounced, and abandoned any conditions printed or written upon any stationery used for the purpose of, or in connection with, the submission of their *tender*, which are in conflict with the **General Conditions of Contract** and **Special Conditions of Contract**. *Tenderers* are advised that any *material divergences / qualifications* from the official Conditions or Specification will render their *tenders* liable to disqualification.

3. TENDER INFORMATION

(1) General

- (a) *Tenders* will be liable for rejection unless made out on the official tendering documentation.
- (b) Any alterations effected upon any of the tendering documents must be clearly shown by means of a hand written (black, non-erasable ink), or typed, entry and must be signed in full by the *Tenderer*. **The use of correction fluid is not permitted.**
- (c) *Tenderers* may submit alternative solutions that, in the *Tenderer’s* opinion, are to the *Municipality’s* advantage economically and technically. Full technical details of the alternative *tender(s)* shall be submitted with the tender documents. Alternative *tender(s)* shall be submitted separately.

(2) Obtaining Tender Documentation

All tenders must be submitted on official tender documentation issued, in electronic format, by the eThekweni Municipality. Electronically downloaded documentation (obtainable free of charge) should be printed and suitably bound by tenderer.

(3) Queries Relating to this Tender

Queries can be directed to the person / Department as stated in the **SCT**.

(4) Briefing Session (Clarification Meeting)

Details of the briefing session are stated in the **SCT**.

Failure to attend a **compulsory** briefing session will invalidate the *tender*. *Tenderers* must sign the attendance list in the name of the tendering entity. *Tenders* will only be evaluated from those tendering entities appearing on the attendance list.

(5) Closing Date and Delivery of Tender Submissions

Sealed *tenders* made out on the enclosed Official Tender Form, which shall be signed by or on behalf of the *Tenderer*, and addressed to the City Manager, marked with the appropriate Tender number, must be placed in the **Tender Box** as stated in the **SCT** not later than the **date and time** as stated in the **SCT**, where after they will be opened publicly.

All tender documents **must** be placed directly into the Tender Box and should not be delivered to any other Municipal Department. *Bidders* are advised that *tenders* submitted by post, fax or email **will not** be considered. All couriered documents must be placed directly into the Tender Box and should not be delivered to any other Municipal Department.

Any *tender* received after the closing date and time stated for the receipt thereof **shall not** be accepted for consideration and shall be returned to the *Tenderer*.

(6) Tender Validity and Withdrawal of Tenders

Tenders must hold good until 16:00 of the 5th week following the date on which *tenders* are opened, or during such other period as may be specified in the **SCT**. The *Municipality* may, during the period for which *tenders* are to remain open for acceptance, authorize a *Tenderer* to withdraw their *tender* in whole or in part on condition that the *Tenderer* pays to the *Municipality* on demand, a sum of one thousand Rand (R1,000.00). The *Municipality* may, if it thinks fit, waive payment of such sum in whole or in part.

4. RETURNABLE SCHEDULES, FORMS, CERTIFICATES

Each *Tenderer* shall complete fully and accurately the following documents and submit these documents with the *tender*:

- (1) **Authority of Signatory:** In terms of Clause 4(5)(c) of the Conditions of Tender.
- (2) **Tax Compliance Status PIN / Tax Clearance Certificate:** SARS has introduced a new Tax Compliance Status System. Tenderers can submit a Tax Compliance Status PIN (TCS PIN) instead of an original Tax Clearance Certificate. This TCS PIN can be used by third parties to certify the taxpayer's real-time compliance status.
- (3) **Declaration of Municipal Fees:** Only those *Bidders* whose municipal fees are fully paid, or those that have concluded acknowledgement of debt agreements with the *Municipality*, are eligible to *tender*.
All *Bidders* must sign the Declaration of Municipal Fees returnable form, declaring that their municipal fees are in order or that acknowledgement of debt agreements have been concluded, and include the relevant account numbers in the declaration. Failure to include account numbers or sign will invalidate the *tender*. The completion of the declaration is also applicable to *Bidders* outside of the eThekweni Municipal Area.
- (4) **Declaration with respect to the Occupational Health and Safety Act:** Acceptance of undertaking in terms of the Occupational Health and Safety Act (Act 85 of 1993) and the relevant Regulations.

(5) Municipal Bidding Documents (which includes):

- (a) **MBD 4: Declaration of Interest:** All *Bidders* are to sign the Declaration of Interest wherein they declare any relationship that may exist with an official of the Municipality involved in the evaluation process.
Regulation 44 of the Supply Chain Management Regulations states that a Municipality or Municipal Entity may not make any award to a person:
 - (i) Who is in the service of the state;
 - (ii) If that person is not a natural person, of which any Director, Manager, Principal, Shareholder or Stakeholder is a person in the service of the state; or
 - (iii) Who is an advisor or consultant contracted with the Municipality or municipal entity.
 Should a contract be awarded, and it is subsequently established that Regulation 44 has been breached, the Municipality shall have the right to terminate the contract with immediate effect.
- (b) **MBD 5: Declaration for Procurement Above R10 Million (if applicable):** For all procurement expected to exceed R10 million (all applicable taxes included), tenderers must complete this questionnaire.
- (c) **MBD 6.1: Preference Points Claim Form:** For the awarding of Preference Points, *Bidders* are required to complete the attached MBD 6.1 form and return it with their tender submission. Failure on the part of a tenderer to complete and submit this form will be interpreted to mean that preference points for **Specific Goals** are not claimed.
The Municipality reserves the right to require of a tenderer, 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 Municipality.
- (d) **MBD 8: Declaration of Bidders Past Supply Chain Management Practices Form:** This form serves as a declaration to be used by municipalities and municipal entities in ensuring that when goods and services are being procured, all reasonable steps are taken to combat the abuse of the supply chain management system.
- (e) **MBD 9: Certificate of Independent Bid Determination:** Section 4(1)(b)(iii) of the Competition Act No. 89 of 1998, as amended, prohibits an agreement between, or concerted practice by, firms if it involves collusive tendering or tender rigging. In order to give effect to this, the Certificate of Bid Determination must be completed and submitted with the tender.

(5) **Official Tender Form** (see Section 9)**(a) Legal Status of Tenderer**

It is essential for the purpose of entering into a legal contract that *Bidders* state on the Official Tender Form, under "Name and Address of Tenderer", their full legal status:

- (i) the full registered name of the company making a *tender*; or
- (ii) if the *Tenderer* is a person conducting business under a recognised trading name then:
 - State the name of the person(s);
 - State recognised trading name; and
 - State whether an owner, co-owner, proprietor, etc.

(b) Signing of Official Tender Form

Failure of a *Tenderer* to complete, in its entirety, and sign the Official Tender Form will invalidate the *tender*.

(c) Authority of Signatory

Bidders are to complete and sign the Authority of Signatory returnable document, and attach the required additional documents.

(d) Differences or Discrepancies

Should there be any difference or discrepancy between the prices or price contained in the Official Tender Form and those contained in any covering letter from the *Tenderer*, the prices or price contained in the Official Tender Form shall prevail.

(6) **Any additional Schedules, Forms, or Certificates as stated in the SCT.**5. **INFORMATION TO BE SUPPLIED REGARDING SUB-CONTRACTORS**

Bidders are to state in their *tenders*, or covering letters, whether, if the contract were to be awarded to them, the whole of the work would be executed by them in their own workshop / factory. If the answer is in the negative, they are required to state which part(s) would be handed to sub-contractors and the name and address of such sub-contractors.

6. **SAMPLES**

Bidders may be required to state where samples of the full range of products can be inspected or be required to submit samples for inspection prior to the closing date of the *tender*.

7. **MANUFACTURERS**

The names of the manufacturers of the goods or equipment offered must be stated in the *tender*.

Bidders who are not manufacturers, accredited distributors, or agents must provide a valid agreement / Joint Venture Agreement, entered into with the manufacturer, accredited distributors, or agents, with their submission. This agreement must meet all the requirements as laid down in the *tender* document, and must cover the contract period.

8. **CLARIFICATION**

The Head: Supply Chain Management Unit, or an authorized representative, may request clarification or further information on any aspect of the *tender*. The *Tenderer must* supply the requested information within the time specified. Failure to comply will render the *tender* non-responsive.

9. **PRICING**

Bidders would be precluded from this *tender* if their pricing structure deviates from the Official Tender Form.

(1) **Nett Prices**

All prices shall be quoted in South African currency (Rand) after deduction of any brokerage or discount allowed to the Municipality.

(2) **Unit Prices**

Bidders shall quote only one price in respect of each item. Such price is to hold good for the full duration of the contract period, being subject to variation only in accordance with specified criteria, as stated in the ***Conditions of Contract***.

(3) **Firm Tenders**

Bidders may submit firm prices for each 12 month period. These prices shall be free from all fluctuations, including any statutory increases.

(4) **Value Added Tax (V.A.T)**

Prices exclusive and inclusive of VAT must be stated separately on the Official Tender Form.

10. **ESTIMATED QUANTITIES**

The estimated quantities are set out in Section 8 : Bill of Quantities / Schedule of Rates/Activities which forms part of the official tender documents. The quantities are stated purely for the information of the *Bidders* and are in order to ascertain an estimated total contract price. The *Supplier* will, however, be bound to supply whatever quantity or quantities the *Municipality* may actually require, and may exceed, or be less than, the estimated quantities stated.

11. **DELIVERY, RISK, PACKAGES, ETC**

- (1) Unless otherwise provided, all goods are to be supplied only against the form of order issued by the *Municipality*.
- (2) *Bidders* shall quote a unit price which shall include delivery to the specified delivery point, as stated in the ***SCT***.
- (3) The risk in all goods purchased by the *Municipality* under the contract shall remain with the *Supplier* until such goods shall have been duly delivered.
- (4) *Bidders* shall clearly state the period within which delivery will be made after receipt of the official order, as this may be material in the adjudication of the *tender*.

12. RATES OF EXCHANGE

- (1) Where the goods are imported the *Supplier* shall, within seven days of date of official Purchase Order, arrange through their bankers for the foreign commitment to be covered forward down to the Rand in order to fix the rate of exchange. The *Supplier* shall notify the *Municipality* as soon as possible thereafter regarding the rate which has been fixed on such forward exchange.

Any increase or decrease between the basic rate of exchange as at a date seven days prior to the date of closing of *tenders* and that existing at the date of establishment of the forward exchange cover within the period stipulated above shall be paid or deducted by the Municipality. Upon the failure of the *Supplier* to arrange forward exchange cover, the *Supplier* shall be liable should there be any increase in the basic rate of exchange occurring after the last mentioned date.

The bank charges incurred in obtaining the forward exchange cover shall be for the *Municipality's* account.

- (2) The *Supplier* shall on request:
- Submit documentary proof of the rate of exchange; and
 - When an adjustment is claimed in terms of this sub-clause, whether by the *Supplier* or the *Municipality*, submit documentary proof to the satisfaction of the Deputy City Manager: Treasury in respect of such claim.

13. IMPORT PERMITS

- (1) In order to minimise special importation, *Bidders* should, where possible, have recourse to local suppliers and / or manufacturers.
- (2) *Bidders* must state whether their *tender* is dependent upon the issue of a special import permit or whether they are able to supply the goods by making use of the import facilities available to them.
- (3) In the event of a tender being dependent upon the issue of a special import permit, application for such special import permit shall be made by the Tenderer, unless otherwise provided for in the *SCT*.

14. EVALUATION PROCESS

The procedure for evaluation of responsive Tender Offers will be in accordance with the eThekweni Municipality's current SCM Policy and the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act (5 of 2000), and the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act Regulations (November 2022).

Details of additional evaluation criteria, if applicable, are stated in the *SCT*.

Evaluation points for price and preference will only be calculated for *Bidders* who comply with the contractual and technical specification, and if applicable, have attained the minimum Functionality Score as stated in the *SCT*.

The evaluation process of responsive *tenders* will be as follows:

- Score each *tender* in respect of the financial offer made and preferences claimed (if any);
- Calculate the total number of evaluation points (T_{EV}) in accordance with the following formula:

$$T_{EV} = N_{FO} + N_P$$
 where: N_{FO} : is the number of evaluation points awarded for the financial offer; and N_P : is the number of evaluation points awarded for preferences claimed.
- Rank *tenders* from the highest number of evaluation points to the lowest.
- Recommend the *Tenderer* with the highest number of evaluation points for the award of the contract, unless there are compelling and justifiable reasons not to do so.
- Rescore and re-rank all *Bidders* should there be compelling and justifiable reasons not to recommend the *Tenderer* with the highest number of evaluation points, and recommend the *Tenderer* with the highest number of evaluation points, unless there are compelling and justifiable reasons not to do so, and the process set out in this sub-clause is repeated.

(1) Evaluation points awarded for the financial offer:

Reference is to be made to the Special Conditions of Tender (*SCT*), and returnable form 5(c) in Section 4.

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The financial offer will be scored using the formula:

$$N_{FO} = W \left(1 + \frac{P_t - P_{max}}{P_{max}} \right)$$

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The financial offer will be scored using the formula:

$$N_{FO} = W \left(1 - \frac{P_t - P_{min}}{P_{min}} \right)$$

Where the value of W is:

- (a) **90** where the financial value inclusive of VAT of all responsive *tenders* received have a value in excess of R 50,000,000; OR
- 80** where the financial value inclusive of VAT of one or more responsive *tenders* offers have a value that equals or is less than R 50,000,000.

It is unclear (at the time of advertising) which of the two preference point systems applies. Either the 80/20 or 90/10 preference point system will apply, determined by the price offered by the lowest acceptable tender.

- (b) **P_{max}** is the comparative offer of the most favourable comparative offer (highest acceptable tender).

- (c) **P_{min}** is the comparative offer of the most favourable comparative offer (lowest acceptable tender).

- (d) **P_t** is the comparative offer of the *tender* offer under consideration.

(2) Evaluation points awarded for preference:

The **Specific Goals** for Preference Points are specified in the *SCT*.

15. **BRIBERY AND COMMUNICATION WITH COUNCILLORS / OFFICIALS**

(1) **Bribery**

No *Tenderer* shall offer, promise or give to any person or person connected with a *tender* or the awarding of a contract, any gratuity, bonus or discount etc, in connection with the obtaining of a contract.

(2) **Communication, Councillors and Officials**

A *Tenderer* shall not in any way communicate with a member of the *Municipality* or with any official of the *Municipality* on a question affecting any contract for the supply of goods or for any work, undertaking or services which is the subject of a *tender* during the period between the closing date for receipt of *tenders* and the dispatch of the written notification of the *Municipality's* decision on the award of the contract; provided that a *Tenderer* shall not hereby be precluded:

- (a) At the request of the Head: SCM Unit, or an authorized representative, from furnishing him with additional information or with a sample or specimen for testing purposes or otherwise from giving a demonstration so as to enable the recommendation to the Bid Committee on the award of the contract to be formulated;
- (b) From obtaining from the Head : SCM Unit, or an authorised representative, information as to the date upon which the award of the contract is likely to be made, or, after the decision upon the award has been made by the *Municipality* or any Committee to which the *Municipality* has delegated its powers, information as to the nature of the decision or such information as was publicly disclosed at the opening of *tenders* or from submitting to the Accounting Officer in writing any communication relating to their *tender* or the award of the contract or a request for leave to withdraw their *tender*; and
- (c) Provided further that nothing contained herein shall be construed so as to prevent information being sought and obtained from an Official in regard to any decision taken at an open Municipal meeting, or any Committee to which the *Municipality* has delegated its powers.

A contravention of subsection (1) and / or (2), or an attempt to contravene such subsection, shall be reported to the Accounting Officer, who may on receipt of such report disqualify the *tender* of the *Tenderer* concerned.

16. **NEGOTIATIONS WITH PREFERRED BIDDERS**

The *Municipality* reserves the right to invoke Regulation 24 of Municipal Finance Management Act if required.

- (1) The Accounting Officer may negotiate the final terms of a contract with *Bidders* identified through a competitive tendering process as preferred *Bidders*, provided that such negotiation:
 - Does not allow any preferred *Tenderer* a second or unfair opportunity;
 - Is not to the detriment of any other *Tenderer* ; and
 - Does not lead to a higher price than the *tender* as submitted.
- (2) Minutes of such negotiations must be kept for record purposes.
- (3) Such negotiation may be delegated by the Accounting Officer.

17. **CANCELLATION OF TENDER PROCESS**

The municipality is entitled to cancel the tender at any time before the award of a tender and the decision to cancel the tender shall be published in the same manner in which the original tender invitation was advertised. The Municipality shall, in no way, be liable for any damages whatsoever, including, without limitation, damages for loss of profit, in any way connected with the cancellation of this bid.

18. **ACCEPTANCE OF BID**

- (1) The *Municipality* does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any *tender*, and reserves the right to accept the whole or any part of a *tender* to place orders.
- (2) The *Municipality* reserves the right to accept more than one technically and contractually compliant *tender* for part or the whole of the contract and to place orders on the price and availability.
- (3) *Bidders* shall not bind the *Municipality* to any minimum quantity per order.
- (4) The successful *Tenderer (s)* shall be bound to provide any quantities stipulated in the specification.
- (5) Tenders will only be accepted on condition that:
 - (a) The *tender* is signed by a person authorised to sign on behalf of the *Tenderer* .
 - (b) A valid (at time of close of tenders), original, Tax Clearance Certificate OR Tax Compliance Status PIN is included with the *tender* submission. Both should have sufficient validity to ensure the process is adequately covered;
 - (c) A *Tenderer* who submitted their *tender* as a Joint Venture has included an acceptable Joint Venture Agreement and a B-BBEE Certificate pertaining to the Joint Venture with their *tender*.
- (6) Financial Standing: The Head: Supply Chain Management reserves the right to require *Bidders* to submit evidence that their financial standing is adequate to meet their obligations under the contract should they be successful.
- (7) Change of Ownership or Major Policy: Where it is known to a *Tenderer* that a change in ownership or major policy (of the tendering entity) will occur, or is likely to occur, during a specified contract period, the scope and effect thereof must be fully defined in a covering letter to be submitted with the *tender*.
- (8) Purchase of Goods From Other Sources: Nothing contained in this contract shall be held to restrain the *Municipality* from purchasing from persons other than the *Supplier*, any of the goods described or referred to in this contract, if it shall in its discretion think fit to do so.
- (9) Capability and Breach of Contract: Tenderers that do not have the capability of undertaking this enquiry in terms of the requirements of the contract or have been in breach of contract previously will not be considered.

19. **PAYMENT and FACTORING**

Payment conditions will be as per the **Conditions of Contract**.

Payment will be made only to the *Supplier(s)*. Factoring arrangements will not be accepted.

20. **APPEALS**

In terms of Regulation 49 of the Municipal Supply Chain Management Regulations persons aggrieved by decisions or actions taken by the *Municipality*, may lodge an appeal within 14 days of the decision or action, in writing to the *Municipality*. The appeal (clearly setting out the reasons for the appeal) and queries with regard to decision of award are to be directed to the office of the City Manager, attention:

Ms. S. Pillay, P.O. Box 1394, Durban, 4000;
eMail: Simone.Pillay@durban.gov.za.

SECTION 3: SPECIAL / ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS OF TENDER

3.1 SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF TENDER (SCT)

The **Standard Conditions of Tender** (Goods / Services) make several references to the **Special Conditions of Tender** (SCT) for details that apply specifically to this tender. The **Special Conditions of Tender** shall have precedence in the interpretation of any ambiguity or inconsistency between it and the **Standard Conditions of Tender**.

Each item below is cross-referenced to the clause in the **Standard Conditions of Tender** to which it mainly applies.

SCT 3(1) TENDER INFORMATION: General

The tender document comprises of a cover page and 60 pages.

SCT 3(2) TENDER INFORMATION: Obtaining Tender Documentation

Documents are issued by the eThekweni Municipality electronic format.

Electronically downloaded documentation is obtainable from:

- the National Treasury's eTenders website
 - (<https://www.etenders.gov.za/>), or
- the eThekweni Municipality's website
 - (<https://www.durban.gov.za/pages/business/procurement>).

The entire document should be printed on A4 paper (one sided), and suitably bound by the tenderer.

SCT 3(3) TENDER INFORMATION: Queries Relating to this Tender

General and Contractual Queries are to be directed to:

Nokuphila Buthelezi; Tel: 013-311-7834; eMail: Nokuphila.Buthelezi@durban.gov.za

Technical Queries are to be directed to:

Errol Douwes; Tel: 031-311-7952; eMail: Errol.Douwes@durban.gov.za

SCT 3(4) TENDER INFORMATION: Briefing Session

A Compulsory Clarification Meeting will be held [30 Archie Gumede Place, ETA Building 2nd Floor Boardroom 213 on 07 October 2024 at [10h00].

SCT 3(5) TENDER INFORMATION: Closing Date and Delivery of Tender Submissions

Sealed Tenders, addressed to the City Manager and marked with the Tender Number, are to be placed in the Tender Box **located in the ground floor foyer of the Municipal Buildings, 166 KE Masinga Road (Old Fort Rd), Durban** (and not any other municipal department), no later than: **Friday, 08 November 2024 at 11:00am**.

Bidders are required to also make an electronic submission via SSS. Bidders must ensure that the hard copy and electronic submission are the same, failing which the submission will be deemed invalid. Bidders are responsible for resolving all access rights and submission queries before the tender closing date.

SSS Queries Contact: Lindo Dlamini: Tel: 031-3227133/031-3227153 email:
supplier.selfservice@durban.gov.za

SCT 3(6) TENDER INFORMATION: Tender Validity and Withdrawal of Tenders

Tenders must hold good for 120 days following the date on which tenders are opened.

SCT 4(6) RETURNABLE SCHEDULES, FORMS, CERTIFICATES

There are no additional returnable schedules, forms, certificates

SCT 14 EVALUATION PROCESS

14.1 Price and Preference

The procedure for the evaluation of responsive tenders is **PRICE AND PREFERENCE** in accordance with the Employer's current SCM Policy, the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act (5 of 2000), and the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act Regulations (2022).

It is unclear (at the time of advertising) which of the two preference point systems applies. Either the 80/20 or 90/10 preference point system will apply, determined by the price offered by the lowest acceptable tender.

14.2 Preference Point System and Specific Goals

The definitions as per the SCM Policy are applicable.

Preference Points (either 20 or 10) will be derived from points claimed on Returnable Document **MBD 6.1: "Preference Points Claim Form"** (in Section 4 of this procurement document) for the **Specific Goal(s)** as indicated on the table(s) below, and according to the specified **Goal Weightings**.

Ownership Goal

The tendering entity's **Percentage Ownership**, in terms of the **Ownership Category(s)** listed below, is to be used in the determination of the tenderer's claim for **Preference Points**.

Goal Weighting 51 %			
Ownership Categories	Criteria	80/20	90/10
Race: Black (w1)	>0% and <51%	8	4
	≥51% and <100%	15	7.5
Proof of claim as declared on MBD 6.1 (1 or more of the following will be used in verifying the tenderer's status) - Companies and Intellectual Property Commission registration document (CIPC) - CSD report. - B-BBEE Certificate of the tendering entity. - Consolidated B-BBEE Certificate if the tendering entity is a Consortium, Joint Venture, or Trust (Issued by verification agency accredited by the South African Accreditation System). - Agreement for a Consortium, Joint Venture, or Trust.			
The Category Weightings of the Ownership Categories will be: w1 = 100%,			

RDP Goal: Creation of new jobs to address black youth unemployment

The tendering entity's **Commitment to Appointment or Actual Appointment**, in terms of the categories below, is to be used in the determination of the tenderer's claim for **Preference Points** for this Specific Goal.

Goal Weighting 19 %		
Number of jobs created	80/20	90/10
0 – 49	5	2.5
50 – 100	10	5
Over 100	20	10
Proof of claim as declared on MBD 6.1 (1 or more of the following will be used in verifying the tenderer's status) • Commitment letter to appoint youth from local ward (for a year or more) • Appointment letters signed by local councillor or chief (for a year or more) • Consider other evidence etc Copies of IDs and proof of address in Ethekekwini		

RDP Goal: The promotion SMMEs that are 51% black owned – Contracts > R5m

The tendering entity's **Commitment to Sub-Contracting** (to Sub-Contractors conforming to the specified ownership demographics) the **percentage works**, as specified below, is to be used in the determination of the tenderer's claim for **Preference Points** for this Specific Goal.

Goal Weighting 30 %		
Contract Participation Goal	80/20	90/10
Sub-contracting 30%	0	0
Sub-contracting <35%	5	2.5
Sub-contracting 40%	10	5
Sub-contracting ≥40% and <50%	20	10
Proof of claim as declared on MBD 6.1 (1 or more of the following will be used in verifying the tenderer's status) • Contract Participation Goal Plan (% work to be allocated)		

FUNCTIONALITY

Functionality is to be used as a threshold. Tender offers that fail to score 70 evaluation points for Functionality will be rejected as non-responsive.

Quality criteria	Sub-criteria		Max points
CAPACITY	Approach and Methodology	An implementation methodology is presented and contains the following: a) A sequential breakdown of elements including Invasive Alien Plant (IAP) control through manual methods; use of machinery; herbicides and fire control; as well as how labour will be sourced. b) A table that shows which staff oversees operations, and an indication of the team size. c) Methodology demonstrates the ability to deliver all project outcomes within the budget and project timeframes. d) The budget breakdown includes explanations for all costed items and activities and makes provision for relevant risk factors.	30
	Equipment	a) Bidder must have 3 vehicles, with 2 of the vehicles having a minimum load capacity of 750kg, for carrying fire-fighting equipment. Bidder to indicate (and provide evidence) if these are hired. A commitment to lease vehicles and a quotation are provided.	15
Expertise and experience of Key Staff	Expertise and Experience of Key Staff	a) Bidder to provide a list and/or organogram of proposed key staff with their designation and tasks. CVs, proof of qualifications, details of years of experience, and traceable references are provided for each. Key staff to include: 1. Project Manager with an Environmental related qualification and 4-5 years experience overseeing and providing strategic support in the Fire Control and Invasive Alien Plant Control Programmes. 2. Project Coordinator with an Environmental related qualification and 4-5 years experience managing operations and providing	30

		technical support in Fire Control and Invasive Alien Plant Control Programmes. Must be trained in Fire management and IAP control. 3. GIS Officer with a GIS related qualification and 1-2 years in GIS mapping and reporting. 4. Administrator with an Administrative related qualification and 1-2 years in office administration (i.e., payroll, reporting, record keeping, check stock, checklists etc.).	
Experience of Company	Company experience	a) The company has undertaken at least 3 - 4 projects of this nature, in the past 5 years. b) The company has experience in control of alien plants and veld-fire management operations, as well as small business development. c) A detailed list of previous work contracts, with values and client contact details were provided.	25
	Maximum possible score for functionality		100

ACT 2: EVALUATION OF FUNCTIONALITY WILL BE BASED ON THE FOLLOWING INDICATORS

QUALITY CRITERIA	SUB CRITERIA	INDICATORS				
		Not responsive (Score 0%)	Poor (Score 40%)	Satisfactory (Score 70%)	Good (Score 90%)	Excellent (100%)
CAPACITY	Approach and Methodology	Un- responsive	The tenderer has covered only item (a) listed under the 'Approach and Methodology' criterion in the above table.	The tenderer has covered items (a) and (b) listed under the 'Approach and Methodology' criterion in the above table.	The tenderer has covered items (a), (b), (c) and (d) listed under the 'Approach and Methodology' criterion in the above table.	The tenderer has covered items (a), (b), (c) and (d) listed under the 'Approach and Methodology' criterion in the above table. In addition, a risk analysis clearly sets out how setbacks, problems and emergencies will be addressed, mitigated and/or resolved, including through use of relevant insurances and backup resources. A detailed section on subcontractor implementation plan included.
	Equipment	Un- responsive	Bidder only has 2 vehicles, with only 1 vehicle having a minimum load capacity of 750kg, for carrying fire-fighting equipment.	Bidder has 3 vehicles, with 2 of the vehicles having a minimum load capacity of 750kg, for carrying fire-fighting equipment. Bidder to indicate (and provide evidence) if these are hired. A commitment to lease vehicles and a quotation are provided.	Bidder has 4 vehicles having a minimum load capacity of 750kg, for carrying fire-fighting equipment. The vehicles must be owned (evidence of ownership provided). Clear reference must be made to equipment and vehicle maintenance plans, as well as the availability of backup resources (vehicles and tools).	Bidder has 5 vehicles, with 2 of the vehicles having a minimum load capacity of 750kg, for carrying fire-fighting equipment. The vehicles must be owned (evidence of ownership provided). Clear reference must be made to equipment and vehicle maintenance plans, as well as the availability of backup resources (vehicles and tools).
Experience of Company	Company experience	Un- responsive	The tenderer has completed 2 projects of this nature, in the past 5 years, which is deemed insufficient.	The tenderer demonstrated that the company has completed at least 3 to 4 projects of this nature, in the past 5 years. The company has experience in control of alien plants and fire management operations, as well as small business development. A detailed list of previous work contracts, with values and client contact details were provided. Additional details and samples of reports were supplied.	The tenderer demonstrated that the company has completed at least 5 to 6 projects of this nature, in the past 5 years. The company has experience in control of alien plants and veld-fire management operations, as well as small business development. A detailed list of previous work contracts, with values and client contact details were provided. Additional details and samples of reports were supplied.	The tenderer demonstrated that the company has completed 7 or more projects of a similar nature, in the past 5 years. The company has experience in control of alien plants and veld-fire management operations, as well as small business development. A detailed list of previous work contracts, with values and client contact details were provided. Additional details and samples of reports were supplied.
Expertise and experience of Key Staff	Expertise and Experience of Key Staff	Un- responsive	A list and/or organogram of proposed key staff with their designation and tasks is included. Detailed CV's, proof of qualifications and	A list and/or organogram of proposed key staff with their designation and tasks is included. Detailed CV's, proof of qualifications and traceable references	A list and/or organogram of proposed key staff with their designation and tasks is included. Detailed CV's, proof of qualifications and	A list and/or organogram of proposed key staff with their designation and tasks is included. Detailed CV's, proof of qualifications and traceable references

			traceable references for of each of these staff members was included. Key staff to include: 1. Project Manager with an Environment related qualification and 4-5 years experience overseeing and providing strategic support in the Fire Control and Invasive Alien Plant Control Programmes. 2. Project Coordinator with an Environment related qualification and 4-5 years experience managing operations and providing technical support in Fire Control and Invasive Alien Plant Control Programmes. Must be trained in Fire management and IAP control. 3. GIS Officer with a GIS related qualification and less than 1 year in GIS mapping and reporting. 4. Administrator with an Administrative related qualification less than 1 year in office administration (i.e., payroll, reporting, filing, checklists, etc.).	for of each of these staff members was included. Key staff to include: 1. Project Manager with an Environment related qualification and 6-7 years experience overseeing and providing strategic support in the Fire Control and Invasive Alien Plant Control Programmes. 2. Project Coordinator with an Environment related qualification and 6-7 years experience managing operations and providing technical support in Fire Control and Invasive Alien Plant Control Programmes. Must be trained in Fire management and IAP control. 3. GIS Officer with a GIS related qualification and 1-2 years in GIS mapping and reporting. 4. Administrator with an Administrative related qualification and 1-2 years in office administration (i.e., payroll, reporting, filing, checklists, etc.).	traceable references for of each of these staff members was included. Key staff to include: 1. Project Manager with an Environment related qualification and 8-9 years experience overseeing and providing strategic support in the Fire Control and Invasive Alien Plant Control Programmes. 2. Project Coordinator with an Environment related qualification and 8 - 9 years experience managing operations and providing technical support in Fire Control and Invasive Alien Plant Control Programmes. Must be trained in Fire management and IAP control. 3. GIS Officer with a GIS related qualification and 3-4 years in GIS mapping and reporting. 4. Administrator with an Administrative related qualification and 3-4 years in office administration (i.e., payroll, reporting, filing, checklists, etc.).	for of each of these staff members was included. Key staff to include: 1. Project Manager with an Environment related qualification and over 10 years experience overseeing and providing strategic support in the Fire Control and Invasive Alien Plant Control Programmes. 2. Project Coordinator with an Environment related qualification and over 10 years experience managing operations and providing technical support in Fire Control and Invasive Alien Plant Control Programmes. Must be trained in Fire management and IAP control. 3. GIS Officer with a GIS related qualification and over 5 years experience in GIS mapping and reporting. 4. Administrator with an Administrative related qualification and over 5 experience years in office administration (i.e., payroll, reporting, filing, checklists, etc.).
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3.2 ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS OF TENDER (ACT)

ACT 1 ELIGIBILITY – CSD REGISTRATION

Tenderers are required to be registered on the National Treasury Central Supplier Database (CSD) as a service provider. In the case of a Joint Venture, this requirement will apply individually to each party in the Joint Venture. Tenderers not so registered, at time of closing of tenders, will not be eligible to submit tenders.

The Tenderer's CSD Supplier Number (starting with "MAAA") is to be provided on the information table in Section 1.

Tenderers who wish to register on the CSD may do so via web address <https://secure.csd.gov.za>.

SECTION 4: RETURNABLE TENDER DOCUMENTS

The required returnable documents are as detailed in [Section 2 \(Clause 4\)](#): “Returnable Schedules, Forms, Certificates” of the Conditions of Tender / Special Conditions of Tender.

- 1) Authority of Signatory
- 2) Tax Compliance Status PIN / Tax Clearance Certificate
- 3) Declaration of Municipal Fees
- 4) Declaration with respect to The Occupational Health and Safety Act
- 5(a) MBD 4: Declaration of Interest
- 5(b) MBD 5: Declaration for Procurement Above R10 Million
- 5(c) MBD 6.1: Preference Points Claim
- 5(d) MBD 8: Declaration of Bidder's Past Supply Chain Management Practices
- 5(e) MBD 9: Certificate of Independent Bid Determination

The Tender Form can be found in [Section 9](#): “Official Tender Form”, and any additional schedules, forms, certificates can be found in [Section 10](#): “Annexures”.

1) AUTHORITY OF SIGNATORY

Reference is made to the Conditions of Tender: [Clause 4\(5\)\(c\)](#).

Indicate the status of the tenderer by ticking the appropriate box hereunder.

COMPANY		CLOSE CORPORATION		PARTNERSHIP		JOINT VENTURE		SOLE PROPRIETOR	
Refer to Notes at the bottom of the page									

I / We, the undersigned, being the Chairperson (Company), Member(s) (Close Corporation), Partners (Partnership), Sole Owner (Sole Proprietor), Lead Partner (JV), in the company / business trading as:

.....

hereby authorise Mr/Mrs/Ms

acting in the capacity of

to sign all documents in connection with the tender for Contract No. [7N-29821](#) and any contract resulting from it on our behalf.

NAME	ADDRESS	SIGNATURE	DATE

Notes

Tenderers are to include, at the back of their tender submission document, a printout of the following documents:

If a Company : a "Resolution of the Board" in this regard.

If a Joint Venture : a "Power of Attorney" signed by the legally authorised signatories of all the partners to the Joint venture.

2) TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS PIN / TAX CLEARANCE CERTIFICATE

SARS has introduced a new Tax Compliance Status System. Tenderers can submit a Tax Compliance Status PIN (TCS PIN) instead of an original Tax Clearance Certificate. This TCS PIN can be used by third parties to certify the taxpayer's real-time compliance status.

Separate Tax Clearance Certificates / TCS PINs are required for each entity in a Joint Venture.

The TCS PIN(s) are to be entered on the information table in **SECTION 1: GENERAL INFORMATION**.

Tenderers are to include, at the back of their tender submission document, a printout of their Tax Compliance Status PIN (TCS PIN) OR an original Tax Clearance Certificate.

Failure to include the required document will make the tender submission non-responsive.

*I, the undersigned, who warrants that they are authorised to sign on behalf of the Tenderer, confirms that the information contained in this form is within my personal knowledge and is to the best of my belief both true and correct, **and that the requested documentation has been included in the tender submission.***

NAME (Block Capitals):

Date

SIGNATURE:

4) DECLARATION WITH RESPECT TO THE OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY ACT

Definitions

The Act: The Occupational Health and Safety Act No 85 of 1993 (as amended by the Occupational Health and Safety Amendment Act No 181 of 1993), and any associated / applicable Regulations.

Declaration by Tenderer

1. I, the undersigned, hereby declare and confirm that I am fully conversant with the Act.
2. I hereby declare that my company has the competence and the necessary resources to safely carry out the work / supply / services under this contract in compliance with the Act, and the Employer's / Purchaser's / Client's Health and Safety Specifications.
3. I hereby undertake, if my tender is accepted, to provide on request a suitable and sufficiently documented Health and Safety Plan which plan shall be subject to approval by the Employer / Purchaser / Client.
4. I hereby confirm that adequate provision has been made in my tendered rates to cover the cost of all resources, actions, training and all health and safety measures envisaged in the Act, and that I will be liable for any penalties that may be applied by the Employer / Purchaser / Client for failure to comply with the provisions of the Act.
5. I agree that my failure to complete and execute this declaration to the satisfaction of the Employer / Purchaser / Client will mean that I am unable to comply with the requirements of the Act and accept that my tender will be prejudiced and may be rejected at the discretion of the Employer / Purchaser / Client.

NAME (Block Capitals):**Date****SIGNATURE:**

5(a) MBD 4: DECLARATION OF INTEREST**NOTES**

MSCM Regulations: “in the service of the state” means to be:

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

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

- 1 No bid will be accepted from persons **in the service of the state**.
- 2 Any person, having a kinship with persons **in the service of the state**, including a blood relationship, may make an offer or offers in terms of this invitation to bid. In view of possible allegations of favouritism, should the resulting bid, or part thereof, be awarded to persons connected with or related to **persons in service of the state**, it is required that the bidder or their authorised representative declare their position in relation to the evaluating/adjudicating authority and/or take an oath declaring his/her interest.
- 3 In order to give effect to the above, the following questionnaire must be completed and submitted with the bid.

3.1 Name of enterprise

Name of enterprise’s representative

3.2 ID Number of enterprise’s representative

3.3 Position enterprise’s representative occupies in the enterprise

3.4 Company Registration number

3.5 Tax Reference number

3.6 VAT registration number

3.7 The names of all directors / trustees / shareholders / members / sole proprietors / partners in partnerships, their individual identity numbers and state employee numbers must be indicated in paragraph 4 below. In the case of a joint venture, information in respect of each partnering enterprise must be completed and submitted.

3.8 Are you presently in the service of the state?

If yes, furnish particulars:

.....

3.9 Have you been in the service of the state for the past twelve months?

If yes, furnish particulars:

.....

Circle Applicable

YES

NO

YES

NO

3.10 Do you have any relationship (family, friend, other) with persons in the service of the state and who may be involved with the evaluation and or adjudication of this bid?

YES

NO

If yes, furnish particulars:

.....

.....

3.11 Are you, aware of any relationship (family, friend, other) between any other bidder and any persons in the service of the state who may be involved with the evaluation and or adjudication of this bid?

YES

NO

If yes, furnish particulars:

.....

.....

3.12 Are any of the company's directors, trustees, managers, principle shareholders or stakeholders in service of the state?

YES

NO

If yes, furnish particulars:

.....

.....

3.13 Are any spouse, child or parent of the company's directors, trustees, managers, principle shareholders or stakeholders in service of the state?

YES

NO

If yes, furnish particulars:

.....

.....

3.14 Do you or any of the directors, trustees, managers, principle shareholders, or stakeholders of this company have any interest in any other related companies or business whether or not they are bidding for this contract?

YES

NO

If yes, furnish particulars:

.....

.....

- 4 The names of all directors / trustees / shareholders / members / sole proprietors / partners in partnerships, their individual identity numbers and state employee numbers must be indicated below. In the case of a joint venture, information in respect of each partnering enterprise must be completed and submitted

Full Name	Identity No.	State Employee No.	Personal income tax No.
Use additional pages if necessary			

I, the undersigned, who warrants that they are authorised to sign on behalf of the Tenderer, confirms that the information contained in this form is within my personal knowledge and is to the best of my belief both true and correct.

NAME (Block Capitals):

.....

Date

.....

SIGNATURE:

.....

5(b) **MBD 5: DECLARATION FOR PROCUREMENT ABOVE R10 MILLION**
(ALL APPLICABLE TAXES INCLUDED)

For all procurement expected to exceed R10 million (all applicable taxes included), bidders must complete the following questionnaire.

		Circle Applicable	
		YES	NO
1.0	Are you by law required to prepare annual financial statements for auditing?		
1.1	If YES, submit audited annual financial statements for the past three years or since the date of establishment if established during the past three years.		
2.0	Do you have any outstanding undisputed commitments for municipal services towards any municipality for more than three months or any other service provider in respect of which payment is overdue for more than 30 days?		
2.1	If NO, this serves to certify that the bidder has no undisputed commitments for municipal services towards any municipality for more than three months or other service provider in respect of which payment is overdue for more than 30 days.		
2.2	If YES, provide particulars.		
3.0	Has any contract been awarded to you by an organ of state during the past five years, including particulars of any material non-compliance or dispute concerning the execution of such contract?		
3.1	If YES, provide particulars.		
4.0	Will any portion of goods or services be sourced from outside the Republic, and, if so, what portion and whether any portion of payment from the municipality / municipal entity is expected to be transferred out of the Republic?		
4.1	If YES, provide particulars.		

If required by 1.1 above, tenderers are to include, at the back of their tender submission document, a printout of their audited annual financial statements.

I, the undersigned, who warrants that they are authorised to sign on behalf of the Tenderer, confirms that the information contained in this form is within my personal knowledge and is to the best of my belief both true and correct, and, if required, that the requested documentation has been included in the tender submission.

NAME (Block Capitals):

Date

SIGNATURE:

5(c) MBD 6.1: PREFERENCE POINTS CLAIM
In terms of THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS (2022)

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

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

1.0 GENERAL CONDITIONS

1.1 The following preference point systems are applicable to invitations to tender:

- the 80/20 system for requirements with a Rand value of up to R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included).
- the 90/10 system for requirements with a Rand value above R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included).

1.2 **Either the 80/20 or 90/10 preference point system will be applicable in this tender. The lowest/highest acceptable tender will be used to determine the applicable system once tenders are received.**

1.3 Preference Points for this tender shall be awarded for:

- **Price and Specific Goals:** Either 80 or 90 (price) and 20 or 10 (specific goals), in terms of 1.2 above.
- The total Preference Points, for Price and Specific Goals, is 100.

1.4 Failure on the part of the tenderer to submit the required proof or documentation, in terms of the requirements in the (Special) Conditions of Tender for claiming **Specific Goal** preference points, will be interpreted that preference points for **Specific Goals** are not claimed.

1.5 The Municipality reserves the right to require of a tenderer, either before a tender is adjudicated or at any time subsequently, to substantiate any claim in regard of preferences, in any manner required by the Municipality.

2.0 DEFINITIONS

2.1 **“tender”** means a written offer in the form determined by an organ of state in response to an invitation to provide goods or services through price quotations, competitive tendering process or any other method envisaged in legislation.

2.2 **“price”** means an amount of money tendered for goods or services, and includes all applicable taxes less all unconditional discounts.

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

2.4 **“tender for income-generating contracts”** means a written offer in the form determined by Municipality in response to an invitation for the origination of income-generating contracts through any method envisaged in legislation that will result in a legal agreement between the Municipality and a third party that produces revenue for the Municipality, and includes, but is not limited to, leasing and disposal of assets and concession contracts, excluding direct sales and disposal of assets through public auctions.

2.5 **“the Act”** means the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act, 2000 (Act No. 5 of 2000).

3.0 FORMULA FOR CALCULATION OF PREFERENCE PRICE POINTS

3.1 PROCUREMENT OF GOODS AND SERVICES

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

<u>80 / 20 Points System</u>	OR	<u>90 / 10 Points System</u>
$P_s = 80 \left(1 - \frac{P_t - P_{min}}{P_{min}} \right)$		$P_s = 90 \left(1 - \frac{P_t - P_{min}}{P_{min}} \right)$

Where:

P_s = Points scored for price of tender under consideration

P_t = Price of tender under consideration

P_{min} = Price of lowest acceptable tender

4.0 POINTS AWARDED FOR SPECIFIC GOALS

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

then the municipality must indicate the points allocated for specific goals for both the 90/10 and 80/20 preference point system.

TABLE 1: Specific Goals for the tender and points claimed are indicated per the table below.

Tenderers are to indicate their points claim for each of the Specific Goals.

The Specific Goals to be allocated points in terms of this tender	Number of points ALLOCATED (80/20 system)	Number of points ALLOCATED (90/10 system)	Number of points CLAIMED (80/20 system)	Number of points CLAIMED (90/10 system)
Ownership Goal: RACE	20	10		
RDP Goal: The Creation of new jobs to address black youth unemployment	20	10		
RDP Goal: The promotion of SMMEs owned by 51% black owned	20	10		
Should the municipality apply a combination of Specific Goals, the points for the individual goals will be weighted according to the Goal Weightings specified in the Tender Data to arrive at the final points for Preferential Points for Specific Goals .				

I, the undersigned, who warrants that they are authorised to sign on behalf of the Tenderer, certify that the points claimed, based on the specific goals as specified in the tender, qualifies the tendering entity for the preference(s) shown.

I acknowledge that:

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

NAME (Block Capitals):

Date

SIGNATURE:

5(d) MBD 8: DECLARATION OF BIDDER'S PAST SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

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

- 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 audi alteram partem 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.

- 4.1.1 If YES, provide particulars.

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- 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.

- 4.2.1 If YES, provide particulars.

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- 4.3 Was the bidder or any of its directors convicted by a court of law (including a court of law outside the Republic of South Africa) for fraud or corruption during the past five years?

- 4.3.1 If YES, provide particulars.

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Circle Applicable	
YES	NO

YES	NO
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YES	NO
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- 4.4 Does the bidder or any of its directors owe any municipal rates and taxes or municipal charges to the municipality / municipal entity, or to any other municipality / municipal entity, that is in arrears for more than three months?

YES

NO

4.4.1 If YES, provide particulars.

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- 4.5 Was any contract between the bidder and the municipality / municipal entity or any other organ of state terminated during the past five years on account of failure to perform on or comply with the contract?

YES

NO

4.5.1 If YES, provide particulars.

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I, the undersigned, who warrants that they are authorised to sign on behalf of the Tenderer, confirms that the information contained in this form is within my personal knowledge and is to the best of my belief both 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.

NAME (Block Capitals):

Date

SIGNATURE:

5(e) MBD 9: CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT BID DETERMINATION**NOTES**

- 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.
- 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.

- 1.0 This Municipal Bidding Document (MBD) must form part of all **bids**¹ invited.
- 2.0 Section 4 (1) (b) (iii) of the Competition Act No. 89 of 1998, as amended, prohibits an agreement between, or concerted practice by, firms, or a decision by an association of firms, if it is between parties in a horizontal relationship and if it involves collusive bidding (or **bid rigging**).² Collusive bidding is a *pe se* prohibition meaning that it cannot be justified under any grounds.
- 3.0 Municipal Supply Regulation 38 (1) prescribes that a supply chain management policy must provide measures for the combating of abuse of the supply chain management system, and must enable the accounting officer, among others, to:
- a. take all reasonable steps to prevent such abuse;
 - b. reject the bid of any bidder if that bidder or any of its directors has abused the supply chain management system of the municipality or municipal entity or has committed any improper conduct in relation to such system; and
 - c. cancel a contract awarded to a person if the person committed any corrupt or fraudulent act during the bidding process or the execution of the contract.
- 4.0 This MBD serves as a certificate of declaration that would be used by institutions to ensure that, when bids are considered, reasonable steps are taken to prevent any form of **bid rigging**.
- 5.0 In order to give effect to the above, the attached Certificate of Bid Determination (MBD 9) must be completed and submitted with the bid.

CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT BID DETERMINATION

I, the undersigned, in submitting the accompanying bid:

(Bid Number and Description)

in response to the invitation for the bid made by:

(Name of Municipality / Municipal Entity)

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

I certify, on behalf of:

(Name of Bidder)

that:

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.
 - (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.

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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.
 - (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.
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.

NAME (Block Capitals): _____

Date

SIGNATURE: _____

SECTION 5: CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT: CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT (July 2010)

The **Conditions of Contract** are the **General Conditions of Contract** as published by the National Treasury titled "Government Procurement: General Conditions of Contract (July 2010), as amended by National Treasury Circular 52 dated 30 July 2010, hereinafter referred to as **GCC**.

THE NATIONAL TREASURY

Republic of South Africa



GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT: GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

July 2010

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1. Definitions

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 anything 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 consignee store or to his site" means delivered and unloaded in the specified store or depot or on the specified site in compliance with the conditions of the contract or order, the supplier bearing all risks and charges involved until the goods are so delivered and a valid receipt is obtained.
- 1.11 "Dumping" occurs when a private enterprise abroad market its goods on own initiative in the RSA at lower prices than that of the country of origin and which have the potential to harm the local industries in the RSA.
- 1.12 "Force majeure" means an event beyond the control of the supplier and not involving the supplier's fault or negligence and not foreseeable. Such events may include, but is not restricted to, acts of the purchaser in its sovereign capacity, wars or revolutions, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions and freight embargoes.
- 1.13 "Fraudulent practice" means a misrepresentation of facts in order to influence a procurement process or the execution of a contract to the detriment of any bidder, and includes collusive practice among bidders (prior to or after bid submission) designed to establish bid prices at artificial non-competitive levels and to deprive the bidder of the benefits of free and open competition.
- 1.14 "GCC" means the General Conditions of Contract.
- 1.15 "Goods" means all of the equipment, machinery, and/or other materials that the supplier is required to supply to the purchaser under the contract.

- 1.16 "Imported content" means that portion of the bidding price represented by the cost of components, parts or materials which have been or are still to be imported (whether by the supplier or his subcontractors) and which costs are inclusive of the costs abroad, plus freight and other direct importation costs such as landing costs, dock dues, import duty, sales duty or other similar tax or duty at the South African place of entry as well as transportation and handling charges to the factory in the Republic where the goods covered by the bid will be manufactured.
- 1.17 "Local content" means that portion of the bidding price, which is not included in the imported content provided that local manufacture does take place.
- 1.18 "Manufacture" means the production of products in a factory using labour, materials, components and machinery and includes other related value-adding activities.
- 1.19 "Order" means an official written order issued for the supply of goods or works or the rendering of a service.
- 1.20 "Project site," where applicable, means the place indicated in bidding documents.
- 1.21 "Purchaser" means the organization purchasing the goods.
- 1.22 "Republic" means the Republic of South Africa.
- 1.23 "SCC" means the Special Conditions of Contract.
- 1.24 "Services" means those functional services ancillary to the supply of the goods, such as transportation and any other incidental services, such as installation, commissioning, provision of technical assistance, training, catering, gardening, security, maintenance and other such obligations of the supplier covered under the contract.
- 1.25 "Supplier" means the successful bidder who is awarded the contract to maintain and administer the required and specified service(s) to the State.
- 1.26 "Tort" means in breach of contract.
- 1.27 "Turnkey" means a procurement process where one service provider assumes total responsibility for all aspects of the project and delivers the full end product / service required by the contract.
- 1.28 "Written" or "in writing" means hand-written in ink or any form of electronic or mechanical writing.

2. Application

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

3. General

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

4. Standards

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

5. Use of contract documents and information inspection

- 5.1 The supplier shall not, without the purchaser's prior written consent, disclose the contract, or any provision thereof, or any specification, plan, drawing, pattern, sample, or information furnished by or on behalf of the purchaser in connection therewith, to any person other than a person employed by the supplier in the performance of the contract. Disclosure to any such employed person shall be made in confidence and shall extend only so far as may be necessary for purposes of such performance.
- 5.2 The supplier shall not, without the purchaser's prior written consent, make use of any document or information mentioned in GCC clause 5.1 except for purposes of performing the contract.
- 5.3 Any document, other than the contract itself mentioned in GCC clause 5.1 shall remain the property of the purchaser and shall be returned (all copies) to the purchaser on completion of the supplier's performance under the contract if so required by the purchaser.
- 5.4 The supplier shall permit the purchaser to inspect the supplier's records relating to the performance of the supplier and to have them audited by auditors appointed by the purchaser, if so required by the purchaser.

6. Patent Rights

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

7. Performance security

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

8. Inspections, tests and analyses

- 8.1 All pre-bidding testing will be for the account of the bidder.
- 8.2 If it is a bid condition that goods to be produced or services to be rendered should at any stage be subject to inspections, tests and analyses, the bidder or contractor's premises shall be open, at all reasonable hours, for inspection by a representative of the purchaser or organization acting on behalf of the purchaser.

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

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

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

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

- 8.7 Any contract goods may on or after delivery be inspected, tested or analysed and may be rejected if found not to comply with the requirements of the contract. Such rejected goods shall be held at the cost and risk of the supplier who shall, when called upon, remove them immediately at his own cost and forthwith substitute them with goods, which do comply with the requirements of the contract. Failing such removal the rejected goods shall be returned at the suppliers cost and risk. Should the supplier fail to provide the substitute goods forthwith, the purchaser may, without giving the supplier further opportunity to substitute the rejected goods, purchase such goods as may be necessary at the expense of the supplier.

- 8.8 The provisions of clauses 8.4 to 8.7 shall not prejudice the right of the purchaser to cancel the contract on account of a breach of the conditions thereof, or to act in terms of Clause 22 of GCC.

9. Packing

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

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

10. Delivery and documents

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

11. Insurance

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

12. Transportation

- 12.1 Should a price other than an all-inclusive delivered price be required, [this shall be specified](#).

13. Incidental Services

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

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

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

14. Spare parts

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

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

15. Warranty

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

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

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

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

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

16. Payment

16.1 The method and conditions of payment to be made to the supplier under this contract **shall be specified**.

16.2 The supplier shall furnish the purchaser with an invoice accompanied by a copy of the delivery note and upon fulfilment of other obligations stipulated in the contract.

16.3 Payments shall be made promptly by the purchaser, but in no case later than thirty (30) days after submission of an invoice or claim by the supplier.

16.4 Payment will be made in Rand **unless otherwise stipulated**.

17. Prices

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

18. Variation orders

18.1 In cases where the estimated value of the envisaged changes in purchase does not vary more than 15% of the total value of the original contract, the contractor may be instructed to deliver the goods or render the services as such. In cases of measurable quantities, the contractor may be approached to reduce the unit price, and such offers may be accepted provided that there is no escalation in price.

19. Assignment

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

20. Subcontracts

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

21. Delays in the supplier's performance

21.1 Delivery of the goods and performance of services shall be made by the supplier in accordance with the **time schedule prescribed** by the purchaser in the contract.

21.2 If at any time during performance of the contract, the supplier or its subcontractor(s) should encounter conditions impeding timely delivery of the goods and performance of services, the supplier shall promptly notify the purchaser in writing of the fact of the delay, its likely duration and its cause(s). As soon as practicable after receipt of the supplier's notice, the purchaser shall evaluate the situation and may at his discretion extend the supplier's time for performance, with or without the imposition of penalties, in which case the extension shall be ratified by the parties by amendment of contract.

21.3 The right is reserved to procure outside of the contract small quantities or to have minor essential services executed if an emergency arises, the supplier's point of supply is not situated at or near the place where the goods are required, or the supplier's services are not readily available.

- 21.4 Except as provided under GCC Clause 25, a delay by the supplier in the performance of its delivery obligations shall render the supplier liable to the imposition of penalties, pursuant to GCC Clause 22, unless an extension of time is agreed upon pursuant to GCC Clause 22.2 without the application of penalties.
- 21.5 Upon any delay beyond the delivery period in the case of a goods contract, the purchaser shall, without cancelling the contract, be entitled to purchase goods of a similar quality and up to the same quantity in substitution of the goods not supplied in conformity with the contract and to return any goods delivered later at the supplier's expense and risk, or to cancel the contract and buy such goods as may be required to complete the contract and without prejudice to his other rights, be entitled to claim damages from the supplier.
- 22. Penalties**
- 22.1 Subject to GCC Clause 25, if the supplier fails to deliver any or all of the goods or to perform the services within the period(s) specified in the contract, the purchaser shall, without prejudice to its other remedies under the contract, deduct from the contract price, as a penalty, a sum calculated on the delivered price of the delayed goods or unperformed services using the current prime interest rate calculated for each day of the delay until actual delivery or performance. The purchaser may also consider termination of the contract pursuant to GCC Clause 23.
- 23. Termination for default**
- 23.1 The purchaser, without prejudice to any other remedy for breach of contract, by written notice of default sent to the supplier, may terminate this contract in whole or in part:
- 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;
 - if the supplier fails to perform any other obligation(s) under the contract; or
 - if the supplier, in the judgement of the purchaser, has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for or in executing the contract.
- 23.2 In the event the purchaser terminates the contract in whole or in part, the purchaser may procure, upon such terms and in such manner, as it deems appropriate, goods, works or services similar to those undelivered, and the supplier shall be liable to the purchaser for any excess costs for such similar goods, works or services. However, the supplier shall continue performance of the contract to the extent not terminated.
- 23.3 Where the purchaser terminates the contract in whole or in part, the purchaser may decide to impose a restriction penalty on the supplier by prohibiting such supplier from doing business with the public sector for a period not exceeding 10 years.
- 23.4 If a purchaser intends imposing a restriction on a supplier or any person associated with the supplier, the supplier will be allowed a time period of not more than fourteen (14) days to provide reasons why the envisaged restriction should not be imposed. Should the supplier fail to respond within the stipulated fourteen (14) days the purchaser may regard the supplier as having no objection and proceed with the restriction.
- 23.5 Any restriction imposed on any person by the purchaser will, at the discretion of the purchaser, also be applicable to any other enterprise or any partner, manager, director or other person who wholly or partly exercises or exercised or may exercise control over the enterprise of the first-mentioned person, and with which enterprise or person the first-mentioned person, is or was in the opinion of the purchaser actively associated.
- 23.6 If a restriction is imposed, the purchaser must, within five (5) working days of such imposition, furnish the National Treasury, with the following information:
- the name and address of the supplier and / or person restricted by the purchaser;
 - the date of commencement of the restriction
 - the period of restriction; and
 - 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. Antidumping and countervailing duties and rights**
- 24.1 When, after the date of bid, provisional payments are required, or anti-dumping or countervailing duties are imposed, or the amount of a provisional payment or anti-dumping or countervailing right is increased in respect of any dumped or subsidized import, the State is not liable for any amount so required or imposed, or for the amount of any such increase. When, after the said date, such a provisional payment is no longer required or any such anti-dumping or countervailing right is abolished, or where the amount of such provisional payment or any such right is reduced, any such favourable difference shall on demand be paid forthwith by the supplier to the purchaser or the purchaser may deduct such amounts from moneys (if any) which may otherwise be due to the supplier in regard to goods or services which he delivered or rendered, or is to deliver or render in terms of the contract or any other contract or any other amount which may be due to him.
- 25. Force Majeure**
- 25.1 Notwithstanding the provisions of GCC Clauses 22 and 23, the supplier shall not be liable for forfeiture of its performance security, damages, or termination for default if and to the extent that his delay in performance or other failure to perform his obligations under the contract is the result of an event of force majeure.
- 25.2 If a force majeure situation arises, the supplier shall promptly notify the purchaser in writing of such condition and the cause thereof. Unless otherwise directed by the purchaser in writing, the supplier shall continue to perform its obligations under the contract as far as is reasonably practical, and shall seek all reasonable alternative means for performance not prevented by the force majeure event.
- 26. Termination for insolvency**
- 26.1 The purchaser may at any time terminate the contract by giving written notice to the supplier if the supplier becomes bankrupt or otherwise insolvent. In this event, termination will be without compensation to the supplier, provided that such termination will not prejudice or affect any right of action or remedy, which has accrued or will accrue thereafter to the purchaser.

27. Settlement of Disputes

- 27.1 If any dispute or difference of any kind whatsoever arises between the purchaser and the supplier in connection with or arising out of the contract, the parties shall make every effort to resolve amicably such dispute or difference by mutual consultation.
- 27.2 If, after thirty (30) days, the parties have failed to resolve their dispute or difference by such mutual consultation, then either the purchaser or the supplier may give notice to the other party of his intention to commence with mediation. No mediation in respect of this matter may be commenced unless such notice is given to the other party.
- 27.3 Should it not be possible to settle a dispute by means of mediation, it may be settled in a South African court of law.
- 27.4 Notwithstanding any reference to mediation and/or court proceedings herein,
- (a) the parties shall continue to perform their respective obligations under the contract unless they otherwise agree; and
 - (b) the purchaser shall pay the supplier any monies due the supplier for goods delivered and / or services rendered according to the prescripts of the contract.

28. Limitation of Liability

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

29. Governing language

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

30. Applicable law

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

31. Notices

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

32. Taxes and duties

- 32.1 A foreign supplier shall be entirely responsible for all taxes, stamp duties, license fees, and other such levies imposed outside the purchaser's country.
- 32.2 A local supplier shall be entirely responsible for all taxes, duties, license fees, etc., incurred until delivery of the contracted goods to the purchaser.
- 32.3 No contract shall be concluded with any bidder whose tax matters are not in order. Prior to the award of a bid SARS must have certified that the tax matters of the preferred bidder are in order.
- 32.4 No contract shall be concluded with any bidder whose municipal rates and taxes and municipal services charges are in arrears.

33. Transfer of Contracts

- 33.1 The contractor shall not abandon, transfer, cede assign or sublet a contract or part thereof without the written permission of the purchaser.

34. Amendment of contracts

- 34.1 No agreement to amend or vary a contract or order or the conditions, stipulations or provisions thereof shall be valid and of any force unless such agreement to amend or vary is entered into in writing and signed by the contracting parties. Any waiver of the requirement that the agreement to amend or vary shall be in writing, shall also be in writing.

35. Prohibition of restrictive practices

- 35.1 In terms of section 4 (1) (b) (iii) of the Competition Act No. 89 of 1998, as amended, an agreement between, or concerted practice by, firms, or a decision by an association of firms, is prohibited if it is between parties in a horizontal relationship and if a bidder(s) is / are or a contractor(s) was / were involved in collusive bidding.
- 35.2 If a bidder(s) or contractor(s) based on reasonable grounds or evidence obtained by the purchaser has / have engaged in the restrictive practice referred to above, the purchaser may refer the matter to the Competition Commission for investigation and possible imposition of administrative penalties as contemplated in section 59 of the Competition Act No 89 Of 1998.
- 35.3 If a bidder(s) or contractor(s) has / have been found guilty by the Competition Commission of the restrictive practice referred to above, the purchaser may, in addition and without prejudice to any other remedy provided for, invalidate the bid(s) for such item(s) offered, and / or terminate the contract in whole or part, and / or restrict the bidder(s) or contractor(s) from conducting business with the public sector for a period not exceeding ten (10) years and / or claim damages from the bidder(s) or contractor(s) concerned.

SECTION 6: SPECIAL / ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

The **Conditions of Contract** make reference to the **Special Conditions of Contract (SSC)** for details that apply specifically to this bid. The **Special Conditions of Contract** shall have precedence in the interpretation of any ambiguity or inconsistency between it and the **Conditions of Contract**.

Each item below is cross-referenced to the clause in the **Conditions of Contract** to which it mainly applies.

SCC 1.2 CONTRACT

This contract is for 36 months duration, starting 14 days from letter of award.

SCC 7.1 PERFORMANCE SECURITY

The liability of the Performance Security shall be Nil.

SCC 11.1 INSURANCE

The Service Provider will be required to take and maintain a Public Liability Fire Insurance and Spread of Fire Insurance which will cover claims arising from any fire related incidents for the duration of this contract.

The Service Provider will be required to submit a copy of the insurance policy to the EThekweni Municipality within a week of receiving a letter of appointment.

SCC 12.1 TRANSPORTATION

The terrain onto which the programme operates requires off-road vehicles (4x4), hence the appointed company must be prepared to use own/ leased transportation to access the sites. Vehicles to be used by staff for operational purposes must be well suited for Invasive Alien Plan Control and Fire Management (i.e., fire vehicles and crew carriers).

SCC 16.1 PAYMENT

The Contractor shall submit to the Department concerned a detailed account which shall reflect the identifying number of each item / service. Payment will be made on this account when checked and substantiated by the authorised official.

Payment for goods received and accepted by the Municipality shall be made no later than 30 days after submission of invoice or claim, provided however that all the terms of the contract are duly complied with.

Payment will be made only to the supplier. Factoring arrangements will not be accepted.

SCC 17 PRICES

Prices are fixed for the duration of the contract, or for the 36-month period(s) as specified on the Official Tender Form.

SCC 21.1 DELAYS IN THE SUPPLIER'S PERFORMANCE

The supplier's performance will be monitored closely within the first 6 months of implementation. If there are performance delays noted within the first 3 months of the contract, they will be communicated with the service provider, and interventions will be sought (i.e., engagements with business support). If the performance does not improve thereafter (from month 4-6), the Biodiversity Management department will engage with the Supply Chain Management department to initiate the termination process. The monthly progress reports are to be submitted within the first week of the following month.

SCC 22.1 PENALTIES

Replace this clause with the following:

"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 penalty of 5% of the invoice value for the month in question.
Note that this monthly penalty will also be charged if a monthly invoice and accompanying monthly report is delivered later than fifteen days after the end of the relevant month.

ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

ACC1 PERFORMANCE MONITORING & ASSESSMENT OF SERVICE PROVIDERS

For contract awards that are greater than R10m, the Contractor shall be subjected to "Performance Monitoring" assessments in terms of the applicable Section of the Council's current Supply Chain Management Policy.

ACC2 QUALITY OF PRODUCTS

No inferior products will be accepted under this enquiry.

Should there be any cause for complaint against the standard of service or quality of products offered which is not resolved within a period of 10 working days, the Municipality reserves the right to cancel the contract after serving one month's notice, in writing, to the supplier involved. Should such notice be given, the supplier shall nevertheless be obliged to perform the duties covered by the contract up to the date of expiration of the period of notice.

ACC3 SATISFACTORY PERFORMANCE

The supplier shall employ for the purpose of this contract only such personnel as are careful and competent and the Municipality shall be at liberty to object to and require the supplier to remove from the job forthwith any person, including supervisory staff, employed by the supplier who, in the opinion of the Municipality, misconducts himself/herself or is incompetent or negligent in the proper performance of his/her duties and such person shall not again be employed upon this contract without the permission of the Municipality.

ACC4 OCCUPATIONAL INJURIES AND DISEASES ACT

This act replaces the Workmen's Compensation Act:

The supplier shall, before commencement of work, produce documentary proof to the Deputy Municipal Manager, Treasury: Finance that he has complied in all respects with the provisions of the Occupational Injuries and Diseases Act. The supplier undertakes that he/she will perform and comply with all provisions of the Occupational Injuries and Diseases Act and more particularly that he/she will render all returns and pay all assessments for which he/she is liable in terms of such Act.

ACC5 DAMAGE TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY

- (1) The supplier **shall** indemnify and keep indemnified the Council against any claim for death, injury, damage or loss to any person or property whatsoever in respect thereof or in relation thereto.
- (2) The supplier enters into this contract as an independent contractor and shall be solely liable in respect of any claim for death, injury, damage or loss to any person or property whatsoever in respect thereof or in relation thereto.

ACC6 SERVICE PROVIDER OFFICE REQUIREMENTS

The service provider must have, for the duration of the contract, a local presence (within the geographical eThekweni boundary).

ACC7 EMPOWERMENT REQUIREMENT

It is a condition of contract that a minimum of 30% of the work must be sub-contracted.
A CPG implementation Plan must be submitted together with this tender, demonstrating how the above CPG will be achieved.

ACC8 EMPOWERMENT REQUIREMENT: CPG PENALTY

Failure to meet the contract participation goal shall result in the application of penalties, at the discretion of the Employer, payable in Rands, equal to one and a half times the difference between the tendered and achieved participation goals multiplied by the Award Value and divided by one hundred.

SECTION 7: SCOPE AND SPECIFICATION OF REQUIRED SUPPLY / SERVICES

Scope of Supply / Services

Background and Introduction

Proposals are invited from suitably qualified service providers to implement Grassland management on municipal-owned sites.

The Biodiversity Management Department, of the eThekweni Municipality has initiated a programme for control of invasive alien plants on important biodiversity sites. The programme aims to ensure optimal restoration of such biodiversity sites while at the same time delivering green job creation and skills development through employment and training of local people.

It is anticipated that through appropriate control of invasive alien plants, ecological functionality and environmental integrity can be restored to local ecosystems, with the result that the resilience of such ecosystems as well as the ecosystem services that they deliver, will be improved. Control methods are to include manual, mechanical, and chemical means as well as the use of fire.

The programme is expected and required to undertake follow-up control practices in areas previously cleared, particularly in areas where fire control is being implemented as a management tool, as well as to roll-out to other/new pre-determined sites.

The Biodiversity Management Department seeks to appoint a suitable implementing agent to undertake this work, for a three-year period. The successful implementing agent should provide a trained, experienced and institutionally robust service to eThekweni Municipality in order to fulfil the required duty of care, towards these grassland assets (see figure and table below), and to continue and expand the work executed in previous management programmes. Individuals, consortiums and non-governmental organizations who are interested in applying to implement the programme are invited to bid for the tender.

This is acknowledged to be a novel and complex programme, given the objectives of

- a) Protecting critically important biodiversity assets within natural environmental areas,
- b) Promoting the sustainable supply of environmental services to the city and its people,
- c) Providing green jobs and skills development opportunities for previously disadvantaged communities, and
- d) Maximising high quality exit opportunities for workers who leave the programme.

Specifications

The bidder is requested to respond to the following scope of work, and submit a detailed project proposal, which includes detailed information on human resources to be allocated to the project, project approach, methods and plan, and a fixed price cost estimate to complete the work (NB: costs to include VAT where applicable). The contracting period will be for 36 months (3 years) from the date of appointment, during which period the bidder is to ensure that all required tasks, products and services are rendered on time and within budget.

7.1.1 Invasive Alien Plant Infestation Level Assessments

- Details of Invasive Alien Plant species distribution and densities are to be collected and assessed prior to initiation of control operations. The assessment should include (a) recording of densities of all invasive plant species occurring on each site prior to any control operation. Such data must be reported on the monthly report as well as on the Invasive Alien Plant database to be supplied to the successful bidder by the Municipality.

7.1.2 Project Management Plan

- In conjunction with the Biodiversity Management Department, plan and implement Invasive Alien Plant control methods on municipal-owned sites. Such control methods should include initial, follow-up and maintenance control methods.
- A detailed project management plan is to be presented to relevant staff within the municipality's Biodiversity Management Department's, by the successful service provider, four weeks after appointment.
- The Municipality to provide a template for the report.
- The project management plan is to be accompanied by a detailed Budget Plan. The Budget Plan is to be updated at the beginning of each year of the contract.

7.1.3 On-going Monitoring and Verification

- Data capture relating to Invasive Alien Plant control (including through the use of fire) is to be done in a format as proposed by eThekweni Municipality and is to be submitted on a monthly basis.
- Evaluate and assess all work in order to improve outputs and report to eThekweni Municipality.
- Mapping of all Invasive Alien Plant control operations, including burn scars. A relevant geographic information system (GIS) to be used for capture, analysis and presentation of spatial data is required. Maps and shapefiles are to be submitted together with monthly reports.
- Prior to implementing prescribed burns, conduct Veld Condition Assessment and fixed-point photography monitoring (which must be supported by a formal monitoring protocol) initiative with relevant municipal staff on the sites specified in the plan, and use that data, along with fire history data, to inform the fire plan for a specific fire season.
- Collect data on Fire Behaviour for all prescribed burns undertaken on municipal-owned sites. The form and method of capture of this data will be provided, by the Biodiversity Management Department, to the successful bidder.
- Report sightings of the top listed invasive alien plants as well as emerging weeds, either on the Emerging weeds website (<https://invasives.durban.gov.za/>) or via the iNaturalist app (<https://www.inaturalist.org/>). Emerging weeds data is to also be reported in the monthly report, and in the Emerging Weeds database. Where required, the service provider must respond to requests to implement control of these plants.
- Where possible, sightings of invasive alien flora and fauna to be noted in the monthly report, as well as details of control efforts on these.
- The Municipality may, from time to time, run bioblitz or survey events on the managed open spaces, and the service provider may be asked to send team members to assist in photographing grassland species and uploading these to the iNaturalist app (<https://www.inaturalist.org/>). Any critically endangered species found on managed sites should be listed, with images, in a field form to and submitted to the Biodiversity Management Department.

7.1.4 Community Liaison

- Liaise with stakeholders including local authorities and leaders, community members, and land owners.
- Establish an understanding of community ideas and aspirations prior to initiating projects.
- Work with the Municipality and the community to ensure successful project initiation and implementation.
- In conjunction with the Biodiversity Management Department, provide information to land owners/community members regarding the nature of the project and the legal and environmental requirements for control of invasive alien plants.

7.1.5 Employment of Local Staff

- Advertise positions and employ 100 percent locally based and suitable candidates (within the eThekweni Municipal area) into the project teams.
- Staff appointed must be able to undertake physically strenuous work in difficult working conditions.
- Selection is to be done in a manner that is transparent and equitable.
- Remuneration values are to be in line with national and provincial guidelines as dictated by the Working for Water and KZN Invasive Alien Species programmes which oversee similar Invasive Alien Plant control operations.
- The tenderer must also adhere to the country's minimum wage specifications.

7.1.6 Skills Transfer

Tenderer to train employees in current, relevant Invasive Alien Plant control methodologies including:

- Invasive Alien Plant and Weed Control (Accredited certification)
- Invasive Alien Plant Impacts;
- Mechanical control methods (including chainsaw and brush-cutter operations) (Accredited certification)
- Use of fire as a management tool (Accredited certification)
- Herbicide Application and Advanced Herbicide Use (Accredited certification)
- Basic invasion ecology.
- Basic map reading and interpretation for Crew leaders (both type 1 and type 2)
- Bee and bee-sting Awareness
- Snake Awareness and handling
- Training on Bio control (collection, release and mapping of spread) (Accredited certification)

In the event where most of the above training has been provided, the tender should train employees on the following:

- Refresher: Chainsaw Operations (Accredited certification)
- Refresher: Brush cutter Operations (Accredited certification)
- Refresher: Herbicide Application (Accredited certification)
- Refresher: Health and Safety (Accredited certification)
- Refresher: First Aid (Accredited certification)

Provide the following additional training to all employees:

- First aid: basic (Accredited certification)
- Firefighting: Advanced Veld & Forest Fire, Block burns, Tracer belts and Firebreaks (Accredited certification)
- HIV/Aids awareness
- Life Skills
- Personal Finance Management
- Workplace Nutrition
- Basic banking
- Basic ecological principles
- Grassland Ecology, Forest Ecology, Urban Ecology
- Health and fitness awareness.

Provide additional training, as may be required, to selected employees in the following:

- First aid: Level 2 to 3 (Accredited certification)
- High altitude (rope access) training and certification (where required)
- Chain saw Operator, Brush cutter Operator and Machine Maintenance
- Driver Advanced PDP (Accredited certification)
- Leadership skills
- Conflict Management
- Indigenous plant identification
- Basics of bird identification
- Substance abuse
- Adult Based Education and Training (where necessary)
- Project management
- Tender procedures
- Entrepreneurial skills
- Advanced firefighting (Accredited certification)
- Advanced Crew Leader Course
- Disaster Management and
- Advanced Fire Prevention and Management

7.1.7 Safety Standards and OHS Requirements

- Ensure all employees have suitable Personal Protective Equipment and tools for Invasive Alien Plant and Fire Control.
- Comply with all relevant OHS legislation and regulations, as well as the conditions stated in the following:
 - The Scheduled Trade and Occupational bylaws permit from the eThekweni Municipality for registration on the use of herbicides,
 - The certificate for registration as a pest control operator (limited weeds controller).
 - Occupational Health and Safety Act (Act 85 of 1993).

7.1.8 Equipment and Herbicides

- Ensure all employees have suitable equipment and necessary tools for efficient and effective Invasive Alien Plant control, including:
 - Personal Protective Equipment (2 -piece overall, gloves, boots, sun hats, reflective bibs, rainsuits). goggles).
 - Invasive Alien Plant control tools
 - Firefighting Personal Protective Equipment and firefighting equipment (2 -piece overall, gloves, boots, hats, goggles, wildfire helmet, reflective Bibs, respirators, flash hood).
- Ensure appropriate herbicide use, as per guidelines issued by product manufacturers and the eThekweni Municipality, and:
 - Ensure appropriate safety containers and materials are available and in use in order to prevent or deal with accidental herbicide spills
 - Provide the necessary storage containers for tools and other equipment
 - Ensure the appropriate safety and directional signage are available and in use at all sites.
 - Ensure accurate record keeping of the use of herbicide and other tools and equipment.
- Ensure that the most environmentally safe herbicide products are used, specifically those with the following active ingredients: Picloram 50g/kg and Triclopyr 50g/kg; Picloram 80 g/l, and Fluroxypur 80 g/l; Mineral oil 820 g/l and Triclopyr 29 g/l. Additionally, a water-soluble dye can be added to clearly mark treated plants.
- Supply herbicides as well as support in the form of technical advice, to volunteer conservancy organisations, from time to time as directed by the Municipality. This may include:
 - Organisations that are active in controlling Invasive species in areas demarcated for Conservation in the EMA.

7.1.9 Transportation

Ensure workers have suitable transport or receive remuneration for transport to enable them to report to work on time, and to ensure vehicles are available on site for emergency purposes. Vehicles to be used by staff for operational purposes must be regularly serviced and they must be road worthy. A first aid kit is required to be kept in each vehicle. This will be regularly reviewed by the Onsite Auditor.

7.1.10 Employees

- Salaried employees must work for an 8-hour day, 5 days a week, for the full appointment period. This must be clearly reflected in the quotation as an hourly rate.
- Labourers must be paid at least the minimum daily rate based on the EPWP guidelines. The daily rate can change depending on the skills and range of job types. However, wages cannot be lower than South Africa's minimum wage specifications.

7.1.11 Office Location

The successful bidder will be expected to have a formal office from which the team will operate. The address of the said office should be communicated to the Municipality during the inception meeting. Alternative accommodation will be arranged and agreed upon by both the Municipality and the service provider in the event where the suggested location is deemed unsuitable for use.

7.1.12 Reporting

All reports, data and maps are to be submitted in a succinct, professional format and these must be emailed to the Municipality within 10 days of the end of each month. In addition, all reports must use the correct template, as provided by the Biodiversity Management Department. The requirements for reports and best practice management are noted to be of particular importance. As such, it is recommended that the appointed service provider confirm which person in the service provider's team is suitably experienced in checking and/or reviewing of monthly reports. Alternately the service provider will need to sub-contract an additional person with those skills, for three hours each month, to perform this task. If the latter, then the rates of the additional person be noted in the tender submission as well as on invoices. This is to ensure that reports are of suitable quality when received by the Municipality.

7.1.13 Monthly Progress Reporting

Monthly progress reports are to include:

7.1.13.1 Invasive Alien Plant Control

- Place name: Name and locality of area of work.
- Management block: Each management block on site plan to be numbered/named.
- Map number(s): Maps for each area cleared/burned to be included and shapefiles to accompany.
- Extent: Area cleared in square meters for each block.
- Time: Days taken for team(s) to clear these areas.
- Species data: Invasive Alien Plants encountered with approximate densities for top ten plants.
- Densities for each of the top ten invader plant species to be indicated on separate maps for each block cleared. Maps to be appended.
- Emerging weeds: Lists of potentially new or emerging weeds encountered.
- Research projects.
- Control methods: Notes on control methods used for each species.
- Other notes: Other relevant information including problems encountered.
- Details as above for all fire control activities implemented.
- Monthly key performance indicators relating to staff numbers and demographics including a breakdown of project spend, person days worked, training undertaken and training days. In addition, all required data for the Expanded Public Works Programme reporting, are to be submitted monthly to the Municipality.

7.1.13.2 Meetings

- Capture notes or minutes (including action points decided upon) of all relevant meetings including monthly meetings with the designated contact person from EThekweni Municipality.
- Notes or minutes to include all proposals for changes to project scope, as well as details of authorised scope changes. Signed change request forms to be appended.

7.1.13.3 Employment

- All Expanded Public Works Programme and Key Performance Indicators reports to be submitted in full on a monthly basis.
- Preferably, all field staff must be sourced locally, and preference must be given to persons who are coming from previously disadvantaged backgrounds.

7.1.13.4 Other

- Statement of work that has been completed during that month.
- Statement of work anticipated to be completed in the forthcoming month.
- Any key learnings, including:
 - Failures, issues, concerns or challenges that have been encountered and how these have been/will be overcome.
 - Successes, special stories, or notes on important achievements in the project that have arisen.
- Details of the suitability of implemented quality control and risk management measures, and any required changes to such.
- Other relevant information including problems encountered.
- Full details of spend, for the month, in a comprehensive monthly budget spreadsheet.

Provide the following data electronically, updated on a monthly basis, within a template provided by the

eThekwini Municipality.

7.1.14 Annual Progress Reporting

Submit detailed year-end reports at the end of each municipal financial year (30 June). The reports should include the following:

7.1.14.1 Detailed financial account:

- Provide accounted lists of all expenses, payments, wages (including UIF and COIDA related payments) etc.
- A full independent audit, verifying relevant expenses and other financial transaction details, is to be included and submitted.

7.1.14.2 Invasive Alien Plant and Fire Control:

- Summary of the information supplied in monthly reports, giving an overview of how and where the work was undertaken, as well as square meters cleared, locality details and Invasive Alien Plant species encountered including maps.
- Details of where and when follow-up control is to take place (to be agreed upon in conjunction with staff from the eThekwini Municipality), including maps.
- A full annual independent audit, summarising the monthly reports, which verifies where and how implemented Invasive Alien Plant control and fire management took place, is to be undertaken at bidder's own cost, and submitted.
- Maps of where Invasive Alien Plant were controlled and where fire was controlled.

7.1.14.3 Veld Condition Assessment (VCA) and Fixed-point photography monitoring

- A summary report of all VCA and fixed-point photography monitoring to be included.
- Relevant shapefiles and details of all VCA and fixed-point monitoring activities to be included, as well as a synopsis of observations relating to changes observed.

7.1.14.4 Training:

- Summary of all training provided, including course content, trainer/facilitator, duration, number of people, and date of training.
- A full independent audit, summarising the quarterly reports, which verifies all training implemented, is to be submitted.

7.1.14.5 Staff advancement:

- Indicate ways in which staff (if any) were trained, mentored and/or encouraged to advance themselves in the programme.
- List exit opportunities and/or promotions afforded to any staff member employed as part of this programme, and/or any cooperatives/SMME's established.

7.1.14.6 Community liaison:

- Provide a summary of how (if any) local communities were engaged with, and any benefits (apart from direct employment) that communities surrounding project work areas have benefited from the programme.

7.1.14.7 Staff Database:

- A spreadsheet in electronic format listing all employees, their contact details, and the training they received. Independent audits clearly indicating the validation of employment details are to be submitted.

7.1.14.8 Other:

- Other relevant information as agreed on by both parties.
- Include any noted pitfalls/problems and any lessons learnt for future projects of this nature, which includes input from all programme stakeholders.

7.2 Meetings, advocacy and stakeholder engagement

7.2.1 Coordinate regular meetings

7.2.1.1 Meetings to be held at the client's premises in order to present feedback to the client and other stakeholders, and to record and circulate all relevant meeting minutes.

7.2.1.1.1 To hold other meeting relating to the Fire and Invasive Species Control programme at venues to be agreed upon between the service provider and the client.

7.2.2 Advocacy

7.2.2.1 Attend relevant workshops, presentations, seminars, symposiums and conferences, and where necessary, present work on behalf of the eThekweni Municipality.

7.2.3 Professional advice and guidance

7.2.3.1 Provide professional advice and guidance, relating to all aspects of the Fire and Invasive Species Control Programme, to relevant Municipal staff members.

7.2.4 Stakeholder engagement

7.2.4.1 Liaise with relevant stakeholders, including other Municipal and external government departments as well as with private individuals and organizations, for the duration of the programme.

7.3 Best environmental practice (BEP) guidelines

Best environmental practice (BEP) guidelines for work undertaken in natural areas or any other areas with potentially sensitive natural environments.

The clearing of listed Invasive Alien Plants in the eThekweni Municipality is often in sensitive grassland and forest ecosystems which can be susceptible to environmental degradation. The slopes are often steep and the soils prone to erosion. Furthermore, much of the biodiversity (plant and animal life) found in these areas may be considered to be of conservation significance. As such every effort should be made to minimise the impacts on such biodiversity at the time of alien plant control.

The following best practices are to be observed while the contractor is working on site:

- Roads and paths are not to be created across contours and straight down the slopes.
- Every effort should be made to minimise a.) the trampling of indigenous plants; and b.) the disturbance or destruction of indigenous fauna.
- When a species identification is in doubt, it must be confirmed before control is undertaken.
- Vehicles on site are to be roadworthy and should not discharge oil and fuel onto the site.
- Vehicles on site are to travel slowly and with minimal damage/gouging into the soil.
- When working on or near the roads, visible safety beacons are to be displayed.
- No littering or fouling of the site area is permitted by the contractor/workmen.
- No harvesting of fauna or flora considered to be of medicinal value is permitted in any area of the eThekweni Municipality.
- Every effort is to be made to ensure the safety of visitors, and commuters in and around the work site.
- Any alien trees felled without applying herbicide need to be recut horizontally before application of herbicide.
- Trees felled are to be cut as close to their ground base as possible.
- Every effort should be made to leave site in a good state and with minimal disturbance to the natural area.
- Every effort should be made to limit disturbing the peace when working in close proximity to residential areas.
- All fire control best practices to be adhered to.

The above Best Practices will be assessed on a regular basis by a Municipal-appointed Site Auditor. Any transgressions must be immediately addressed and reported, or the appointed service provider may be investigated for potential breach of contract.

7.4 Required Supporting Documentation

The bidder is requested to respond to the scope of work and submit a detailed project proposal. The following documents should be included:

- Valid original tax clearance certificate
- Valid BBBEE certificate
- VAT Registration Certificate (if number is not shown on Tax Clearance Certificate)
- eThekweni Municipality Supplier Registration Number
- If not already registered on the eThekweni Municipality's Supplier Database and able to supply the above registration number, please include a fully completed Supplier Registration Application Form with all required supporting documentation (ID's, CK forms, VAT Registration Certificate, Company letterhead, cancelled cheque etc. as is outlined in further detail in the checklist)
- A signed commitment that the company has or will establish a local Durban office. Confirmation is also required that the company will not bill eThekweni Municipality for transport, including flights, from other cities should their employees/contractors not reside in Durban.
- Details of Public Liability Fire Insurance including Spread of Fire Cover which covers claims arising from a fire spreading from one property to a neighbouring property.
- The following information relating to Health and Safety:
 - Proof of relevant insurances;
 - A written undertaking to comply with the requirements of the Occupational Health and Safety Act (Act 85 of 1993) and other applicable legislation to be submitted;
 - Copies of letters of appointment and acceptance as required in terms of the Occupational Health and Safety Act (Act 85 of 1993). These to be lodged with the Head: Development Planning, Environment and Management.

Drawings (if applicable)

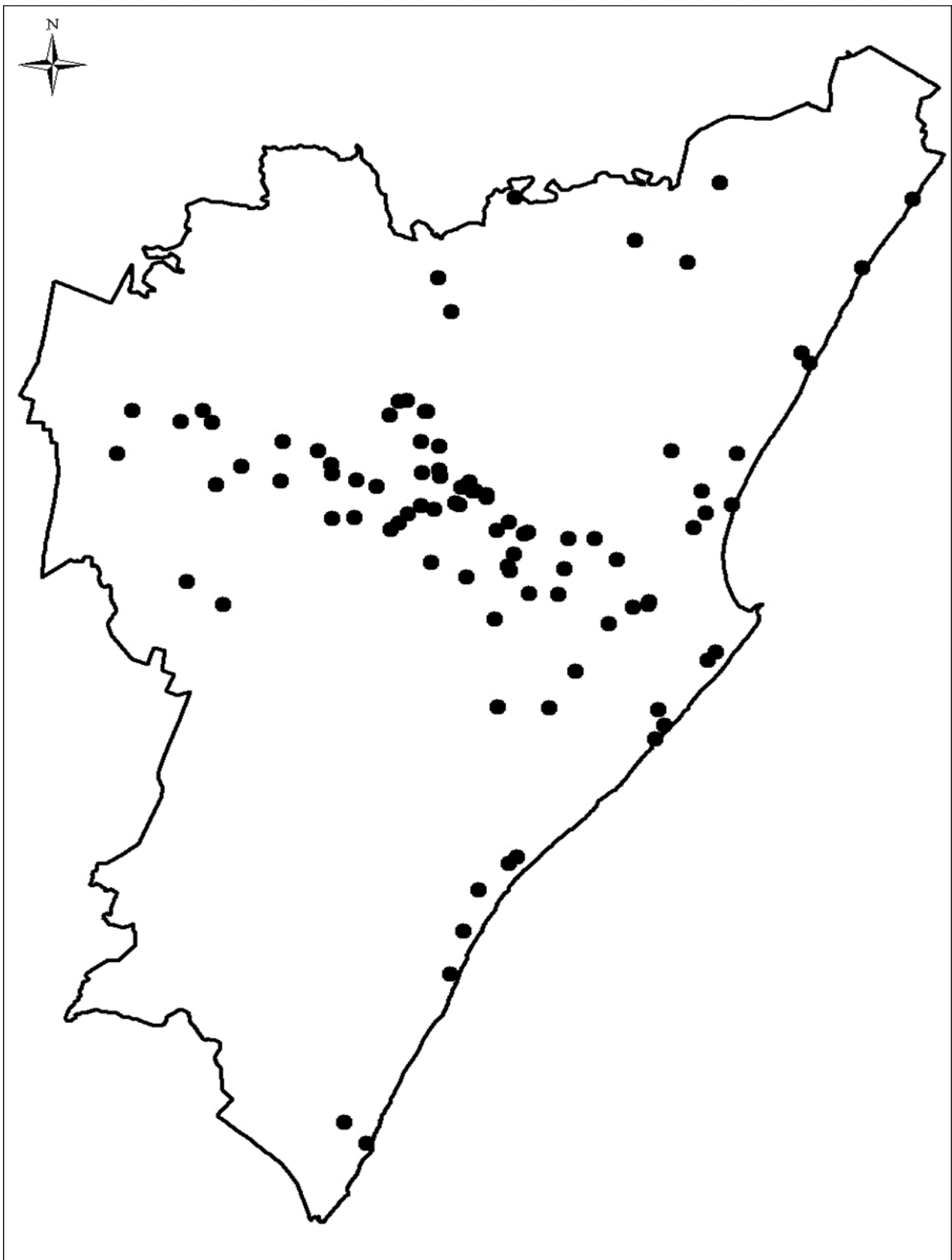


Figure 1. Management sites for fire and Invasive Alien Plant control within the eThekweni Municipality.

Site	Block No	Long.	Lat.	Area (ha)
Agape Grasslands	AG	30.811	-29.742	1.11
Alfred Park	AP_BR	30.869	-29.791	1.02
Assagay Grasslands	A_1	30.737	-29.784	3.60
Assagay Grasslands	A_2	30.738	-29.787	4.22
Augusta ridge	AUG	30.788	-29.784	6.35
Bluff Grasslands	BLF	30.998	-29.944	8.58
Buffelsdraai	BL1-30	30.983	-29.631	787.0
Carlton Avenue	CAR	30.906	-29.859	1.84
Carnevale	CNV	30.763	-29.765	1.18
Crestview	CV_1	30.827	-29.734	1.96
Crestview	CV_2	30.826	-29.733	0.55
Crestview	CV_3	30.825	-29.734	0.56
Crestview	CV_4	30.824	-29.734	4.27
Crestview	CV_5	30.822	-29.732	6.88
Crestview	CV_6	30.816	-29.734	1.49
Crestview	CV_7	30.829	-29.727	1.01
Drummond	DR	30.691	-29.747	11.25
Edgecliff	EC_1	30.844	-29.802	7.16
Edgecliff	EC_2	30.845	-29.802	4.93
Edgecliff	EC_3	30.846	-29.803	5.54
Edgecliff	EC_4	30.84	-29.803	11.70
Edgecliff	EC_5	30.84	-29.801	6.99
Edgecliff	EC_6	30.837	-29.808	13.68
Edgecliff	EC_7	30.85	-29.803	5.68
Empisini	EMP	30.78	-30.205	56.53
Forest Hills	FH_1	30.832	-29.759	0.99
Forest Hills	FH_2	30.832	-29.759	0.71
Forest Hills	FH_3	30.833	-29.759	1.13
Forest Hills	FH_4	30.831	-29.759	1.68
Giba Gorge SRA	GG_1a	30.765	-29.801	17.27
Giba Gorge SRA	GG_1b	30.77	-29.804	22.08
Giba Gorge SRA	GG_2a	30.776	-29.801	2.80
Giba Gorge SRA	GG_2b	30.777	-29.8	2.99
Giba Gorge SRA	GG_2c	30.778	-29.806	15.99
Giba Gorge SRA	GG_2d	30.78	-29.804	9.30
Giba Gorge SRA	GG_3a	30.777	-29.808	3.20
Giba Gorge SRA	GG_3b	30.774	-29.811	12.96
Giba Gorge SRA	GG_3c	30.771	-29.811	29.08
Giba Gorge SRA	GG_4a	30.778	-29.799	18.28
Giba Gorge SRA	GG_4b	30.777	-29.81	10.17
Giba Gorge SRA	GG_4c	30.78	-29.82	18.46
Giba Gorge SRA	GG_5a	30.779	-29.818	9.06
Giba Gorge SRA	GG_5b	30.775	-29.817	10.76
Giba Gorge SRA	GG_6a	30.76	-29.806	12.59
Giba Gorge SRA	GG_6b	30.758	-29.808	37.64
Giba Gorge SRA	GG_7	30.769	-29.809	9.31

Site	Block No	Long.	Lat.	Area (ha)
Hamilton	HAM	30.636	-29.739	29.86
Highmeadow	HM	30.711	-29.776	17.63
Mahogany Ridge	MR1	30.817	-29.813	14.05
Mahogany Ridge	MR2	30.812	-29.816	37.71
Memorial Park	MP	30.833	-29.779	1.72
Minerva	MN	30.780	-29.783	4.80
Monteseel	MO	30.685	-29.738	25.28
Msinsi Kloof	MSK_1	30.845	-29.778	5.44
Msinsi Kloof	MSK_2	30.846	-29.782	8.32
Nkutu Valley	NK_1	30.839	-29.743	5.00
Nkutu Valley	NK_2	30.844	-29.749	7.54
Nkutu Valley	NK_3	30.841	-29.75	0.92
Nkutu Valley	NK_4	30.834	-29.737	6.98
Nkutu Valley	NK_5	30.837	-29.739	2.11
Nkutu Valley	NK_6	30.835	-29.74	1.52
Peace Road	PR_1	30.831	-29.804	6.00
Paradise Valley Grasslands	PV_1	30.89	-29.84	2.24
Paradise Valley Grasslands	PV_2	30.893	-29.842	1.49
Red Cliff	RC	31.01	-29.641	15.75
Sherwood	SH	30.965	-29.837	14.30
St Geran	StG	30.99	-29.953	1.34
Uitkomst	UI	30.631	-29.768	81.01
Uitkomst	UI	30.624	-29.778	115.44
UKZN Howard Msinsi	UKZN	30.976	-29.867	0.62
Umdloti dune	UM	31.131	-29.646	1.00
Total				1610

SECTION 8: BILL OF QUANTITIES / SCHEDULE OF RATES / ACTIVITIES

Item	Description / Item Code	Unit of Measure	Estimated Quantity Required (per year)	Rate	* Price Year 1 (excl)		* Price Year 2 (excl)		* Price Year 3 (excl)	
					R	c	R	c	R	c
1	4 Salaried employees	Monthly	12							
2	45 Unskilled Labour Wages	Monthly	12							
3	49 Payroll Beneficiaries UIF/WCF/SDL/Funeral Cover	Monthly	12							
4	Operational Cost	Monthly	12							
5	Transport	Km per month	32,000							
6	Training courses	Prov. sum		Prov. sum	R 640 000		R672 000		R705 600	
7	Chemicals – Herbicide for control of a medium infestation of invasive plants a.) 195 L liquid-based herbicide (with required dye and surfactant) and	Litres	2,340 litres per annum							
8	Chemicals – Herbicide for control of a medium infestation of invasive plants a) 50 Kg gel-based herbicide	Kilograms	600kg per annum							

Item	Description / Item Code	Unit of Measure	Estimated Quantity Required (per year)	Rate	* Price Year 1 (excl)		* Price Year 2 (excl)		* Price Year 3 (excl)	
					R	c	R	c	R	c
9	PPE	Prov. sum		Prov. sum	R 450 000		R 472 500		R 496 125	
10	Tools	Prov. sum		Prov. sum	R 350 000		R 367 500		R 385 875	
					Year 1		Year 2		Year 3	

Sub-Total (excl) = Year1 + Year 2 + Year 3:

VAT:

Total (incl) carried forward to the Tender Form:

SECTION 9 : OFFICIAL TENDER FORM

Part A: OFFER BY TENDERER - In response to **Tender Number : 7N-29821** I / we hereby offer to supply the goods / services detailed hereunder in accordance with the Technical Specification, and subject to the Standard and Special Conditions of Tender (Goods/Services), and General and Special Conditions of Contract, which accompanied your Tender (with which I / we acknowledge myself / ourselves to be fully acquainted) at the price stated below, or in the case of individual rates are indicated in Section 8 : Bill Of Quantities / Schedule of Rates / Activities.

TENDERED PRICE EXCLUSIVE OF VAT	VAT AMOUNT	TENDERED PRICE INCLUSIVE OF VAT
R	R	* R
* AMOUNT IN WORDS (incl. VAT):		

I / We hereby agree that this tender will hold good and remain open for acceptance as specified in the Conditions of Tender or during such other period as may be specified in the Special Conditions of Tender.

eThekweni Vendor Portal Registration Number:

PR

C.S.D Registration Number:

MAAA

S.A.R.S Pin Number:

Completion of the following is compulsory. Failure to declare the following will invalidate your offer.

Declaration of Interest

Are any of the entity's directors, managers, principle shareholder or stakeholders currently in the service of the state or have been in the service of the state in the past twelve (12) months?				☐ Yes	☐ No
Is any spouse, child or parent of the entity's directors, managers, principle shareholder or stakeholder currently in the service of the state or have been in the service of the state in the past twelve (12) months?				☐ Yes	☐ No
Name of entity's member	Position in Entity	Name of Relative (if applicable)	Name of State Institution	Nature of Relationship	
Do you or any other directors, managers, principle shareholder or stakeholder of your entity have any relationship (spouse, family, friend, associate) with persons in the service of the state and/or who may be involved with the evaluation of this quotation? If yes please furnish particulars below				☐ Yes	☐ No
Name of entity's member	Position in Entity	Name of Relative (if applicable)	Name of State Institution	Nature of Relationship	

Refer to the Consolidated MBD Documents in Section 4(d) for the definition of "in service of the State"

* Signature :

* Name (capitals):

Date:

Capacity:

* Name of Business:

Tel:

Address:

Fax:

* Denotes Mandatory Information

Failure to complete the Mandatory Information and sign this Tender Form will invalidate the tender

Part B: ACCEPTANCE BY PURCHASER - The Purchaser, as represented by the following Official, hereby accepts the Tenderer's offer in terms of the Conditions of Tender, Specifications, and Conditions of Contract.

Signature:

Name (capitals):

Date:

Capacity:

