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| RFT NUMBER: | RFT 11 2023_2024 |
| DESCRIPTION: | Request For Proposal (RFP) From prospective service providers for the provision and deployment of an Online Content Monitoring System for a period of 5 Years |
| PUBLICATION DATE: | 20-February-2024 |
| VALIDITY PERIOD: | 120 days from the closing date |
| CLOSING DATE: | 12- March -2024 |
| CLOSING TIME: | 11:00 am |
| COMPULSORY BRIEFING SESSION: | <p>Compulsory Briefing Session 01- March - 2024 @ 11:00 am MS Teams</p> <p>https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_NjVmZGRkMGYtODk0Ny00ZmNhLWJIMjAtYjY5YmZINmZiZjFm%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%22c57ba381-f7a4-4842-ae69-ac7023556dfc%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%227486e3b2-1cf6-43dd-8612-9b045675caeb%22%7d</p> <p>For technical issues contact: Sithembile.Ndlovu@fpb.org.za</p> |
| BID RESPONSES MUST BE HAND DELIVERED / COURIERED TO FPB TENDER BOX LOCATED AT THE RECEPTION: | Film and Publication Board (FPB), Eco Glades 2, 420 Witch Hazel Ave, Eco Park, Centurion 0169 (PRETORIA) |
| SCM INQUIRIES: For all bidding related enquiries | Mr. Lastar Makhubela E-mail: tenders@fpb.org.za Tel: 012 003 1400 |
| NAME OF BIDDER: | |
| CSD NUMBER: | |
| TOTAL BID AMOUNT (Including VAT): R | |

TENDER INSTRUCTIONS

1. Bid documents should be completed with a black pen.
2. All pages of the tender documents should be initialed.
3. Tender documents should be fully completed and neatly binded
4. All the necessary supporting documents should be attached to the tender documents.
5. On submission of bids, bidders should ensure that they sign a bids submission register at reception.
6. Bidders should ensure that along with the original bid documents, they should submit a USB and relevant supporting documents.
7. Late tenders will be regarded as unacceptable bid.
8. Online or electronics submission is not accepted, and those tenders not deposited in the relevant tender box, will NOT be accepted.
9. This is a compulsory briefing session.
10. Bidder must submit prove of BBBEE point claim for a specific goals in terms of regulation 2022.
11. The bid will be adjudicated 80/20 refer to SBD 6.1
12. All clarity seeking questions and enquiries should be directed to Supply Chain Management Division so that important information can be shared with other bidders.

“In submitting any information or documentation requested above or any other information that may be requested pursuant to this RFQ/tender, you are consenting to the processing by FPB or its stakeholders of your personal information and all other personal information contained therein, as contemplated in the Protection of Personal Information Act, No.4 of 2013 and Regulations promulgated thereunder (“POPI Act”). Further, you declare that you have obtained all consents required by the POPI Act or any other law applicable. Thus, you hereby indemnify FPB against any civil or criminal

action, administrative fine or other penalty or loss that may arise as a result of the processing of any personal information that you submit.”

Name and Surname:.....

Signature:

A. CERTIFICATES OF AUTHORITY FOR SIGNATORY

Status of concern submitting tender (delete whichever is not applicable.)

COMPANY /PARTNERSHIP /ONE-PERSON BUSINESS /CLOSE CORPORATION/
JOINT VENTURE

B. COMPANIES

If the bidder is a company, a certified copy of the resolution of the Board of Directors, personally signed by the chairperson of the board, authorizing the person to signs this bid to do so, as well as to sign any contract resulting from this bid and any other documents and correspondence in connection with this bid or contract on behalf of the company must be submitted with this Bid.

An example is shown below:

By resolution of the board of Directors on.....20....., Mr. / Ms
.....has been duly authorized to sign all documents in connection with

BID NO. RFT11 2023_2024

SIGNED ON BEHALF OF THE COMPANY:

.....

IN HIS CAPACITY AS:

.....

DATE:

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SIGNATURE OF

SIGNATORY:

WITNESSES:

1.....

2.....

D. ONE-PERSON BUSINESS

I, the undersign hereby confirm that I am the sole owner of the business trading as.....

.....
Signature Date

E. CLOSE CORPORATION

If the case of a close corporation submitting a bid, a certified copy of the founding Statement of such corporation shall be included with the Bid, together with a resolution by its members authorizing a member or other official of the corporation to sign the documents and correspondence in connection with this bid or contract on behalf of the company must be submitted with this Bid.

An example is shown below:

By resolution of the members at the meeting on the20.....atMr. / Mswhose signature appear below, has been duly authorized to sign all documents in connection with **BID NO.**

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SIGNED ON BEHALF OF THE CLOSE CORPORATION:

.....

IN HIS / HER CAPACITY AS:

DATE:

SIGNATURE OF SIGNATORY:

WITNESSES:1

2.....

Certificate of Authority for Joint Ventures

This Returnable Schedule is to be completed by joint ventures.

We, the undersigned, are submitting this bid offer in Joint Venture and hereby authorize Mr. /Ms....., authorized Signatory of the company....., acting in the capacity of lead partner, to sign all documents in connection with the bid offer and any contract resulting from it on our behalf.

| NAME OF FIRM | ADDRESS | DULY AUTHORISED SIGNATORY |
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| Lead Partner | | Signature. Name Designation |
| | | Signature. Name Designation |
| | | Signature. Name Designation |
| | | Signature. Name Designation |

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SECTION A – TECHNICAL INFORMATION

1 INTRODUCTION

The Film and Publication Board (FPB) is a state entity established in terms of the Films and Publications Act, 1996 (Act No. 65 of 1996), as amended (FP Act), whose main objective is to regulate, both on physical and online platforms, the creation, possession and distribution of films, games and certain publications. Such regulation is amongst others in order to protect children from disturbing and harmful content and to provide content information to adults that will enable them to make informed reading, viewing and gaming choices for both themselves and children in their care.

2 BACKGROUND

The FPB has no formal system to monitor prohibited and harmful content that falls within their jurisdiction, especially within the social media space with the intention to actively respond to the public.

During online crisis events in particular, the ability to act quickly is essential. It will be impossible to achieve FPB's regulatory goal by relying on a manual process for take-down notices to be acknowledged, accepted/rejected, or actioned by Online Platforms Such as X, Facebook, Instagram, TikTok, Internet Service Provider (ISP etc)

3 PROBLEM STATEMENT

The FPB's mandate has expanded to cover harmful content online such as propaganda for war, incitement to violence and revenge porn. The platforms and the way such content is distributed makes it extremely difficult to proactively monitor without appropriate tools or system. For the FPB to effectively execute the extended mandate, it will be imperative to be able to monitor trending/reported/tracked content that is deemed to be harmful for the purpose of take down/tagging the platform owners, processing for classification or escalation to law enforcement agencies.

The core drive to have a tool/system to monitor content online, especially harmful content on social media platforms, is to be able to tackle the content timeously with the involvement of the platform owners and the public as an when it is reported and detected.

4 INVITATION FOR PROPOSALS

Proposals are hereby requested from suitably qualified service providers that can supply/develop and deploy an Online Content Monitoring tool for 5 years including support and maintenance for the entire duration that will make it possible for FPB to achieve its regulatory goal.

All shortlisted service providers, will be given a fair opportunity to present and demonstrate their solution proposals to FPB.

5 RFP SPECIFICATIONS (OVERVIEW OF REQUIREMENTS)

5.1 FPB's Online Content Monitoring System Specification

The following indicates the main technical and functional requirements that the proposed technologies and services should cater for.

NB: Please note that if the Item is not mandatory, The solution proposed should still have the capability to incorporate it in the future.

| Ref No | Yes/No | Requirement description | Reason for Deviation |
|---|--------|--------------------------------------|----------------------|
| To be effective and to meet our institutional goals the FPB Online Content Monitoring System: | | | |
| 1 | | Be easy to navigate and intuitive | |
| | | | |
| 2 | | Be visually pleasing | |
| | | Be informative | |
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| 3 | | Be safe and secure | |
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| 4 | | Be quick to load and operate | |
| 5 | | Be responsive across a wide range of | |

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| | | devices (mobile phones, tablets and PCs) | |
| 5 | | Be responsive across a wide range of devices (mobile phones, tablets and PCs) | |
| 6 | | Be Search Engine Optimized (SEO) with proper keyword search | |
| 7 | | Have advanced and robust search functionality | |
| 8 | | Provide a modern, relevant design update | |
| 9 | | Provide a scalable, maintainable solution | |
| 10 | | Provide a dynamic content management platform with support for content creation, editing, as well as enabling content authors and owners to create, modify, update, remove and archive trending content. | |
| 11 | | Enable Content Management System (CMS) installation & customization administrator(s) to securely access, edit and change predetermined content easily. | |
| 12 | | Enable Content Management System (CMS) in-site editing for all facets of content management presentation layers. | |
| 13 | | Provide Business Process Management around content (i.e. Content Management) that is clearly understood, visible, accessible and defined. | |
| 13 | | Have a capability that allows social media integration, live feeds and | |
| 14 | | promoted videos (e.g., sharing function for | |

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| | | articles, Facebook, | |
| | | LinkedIn, Twitter, and Instagram feed boxes) and feedback forms | |
| 15 | | Provide stakeholders with information and platforms for engagement and collaboration in order to be able to interact with the organization instantly (e.g. chatbots) | |
| 16 | | Enable business to business (B2B) or business to consumer (B2C) | |
| 17 | | Provide Management Information Statistics for the purpose of getting detailed insights (Web/portal Analytics of monitored sites) | |
| 18 | | Have the ability to provide page-specific alerts as well as a global Website/portal alert for predetermined content | |
| 19 | | Provide an ability to customize and develop modules/plugins based on future needs | |
| 20 | | Have support for content aggregation and syndication (via APIs, REST interfaces, RSS or similar (API Integration)) | |
| 21 | | Have content migration ability from current data to other FPB systems | |
| 22 | | Have the ability to create shareable content (Social Integration e.g. Escalation of content for the purpose of further processing). | |
| 23 | | Provide reporting capabilities on the operations of the system/tools in terms of effectiveness and performance. | |
| 24 | | Identify Scam / Fraud websites (i.e. online | |

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| | | shopping scams, Fake News cryptocurrency scams and many more) | |
| 25 | | Identify Pedophiles / Sex Offenders (i.e. those who attempt to access illegal Child Sexual Abuse Material | |
| 26 | | The proposed solution should also classify IP addresses in addition to URIs / URLs | |
| 27 | | The proposed solution should be able to classify illegal content in multiple local languages such as English and other local native languages | |
| 28 | | The system should have the following capabilities in respect of various categories of harmful and prohibited content: 1. Detection 2. Analyze 3. Effect takedowns | |

5.3 Profile Information

1. Company or Service Provider Name
2. Company Profile
3. List current offices and locations.
4. List relevant experience of resources in your employ that are typically assigned to these types of projects.
5. Competitive advantage: What are the top three reasons companies would select you to provide the required services as per this RFP.

5.4 Professional Service Requirements

1. Describe your ability to do a Market Analysis and detailed requirements as described above.
2. Describe your ability to develop a business case for the services required as described above.
3. Provide a clear methodology and approach of how the required services would be rendered and accomplished.
4. Provide a list of previous online content monitoring system/tools from different clients that you have rendered service to.
5. The service provider will need to provide Maintenance and support for 5 years

5.5 Solution Requirements

If you do already have a solution to provide that can meet the high-level needs as described above, name and provide detail of how your solution works.

5.6. Requirements for existing online content monitoring system/tool

1. For how many customers and in which industries have you delivered a similar system?
2. Please provide details of your organization's experience and track record of online content monitoring tools/systems in South Africa.
3. Please provide key examples of the functionality delivered in your existing system designs that is relevant to this RFP, and which has not been considered.
4. What escrow arrangements would you make to support the company project?
5. What is the largest number recorded of users actively using similar as per the RFP systems/tools designed/developed by you?
6. Please provide details of three existing clients we can contact for reference checks and to understand the business impact as a result of your service offering in relation to the scope of this RFP.

5.7. Requirements for a newly Developed online content monitoring system/tool

1. The developed system will be a property of the Film and publication board including all source codes and databases.
2. Source codes should be stored in a central place eg, Github accessible to FPB development and the service provider

5.8. Technical Skills

1. Please provide details of your skills resourcing strategy. Are these resources in-house or do you plan on supporting the delivery of the system through subcontractors?
2. Please provide details of your resource capabilities in South Africa, Gauteng.
3. Please provide details of resource roles, how many, experience, and their current geographical location to be provided/allocated during the program implementation phases. (Please append CVs for your proposed team Minimum 3 and the latest certified qualifications (not older than 3 months from submitting the RFP.)
4. Based on your experience of previous client implementations, please provide details on the resource types and experience FPB requires to support and maintain a successful online content monitoring system/tool.

5.9. Support Options

1. Please provide details of your track record of third-party application and/or services integration, highlighting the approach, methodology, and client management processes used. (Please append supporting case studies)
2. Please provide specific details of your plan and approach to integrate into FPB's application infrastructure
3. Please provide details of your approach to client knowledge transfer and how you would approach the training and upskilling of FPB's employees.

5.10. Pricing and Commercial

1. The Proposal must have a financial proposal and also indicate cost on licenses fee applicable.
2. What steps will you take to protect intellectual property developed specifically for FPB in the course of this project? In particular, how will you ensure that.
3. The System will remain the property of FPB including all source codes even at the end of the contract.
4. Please mention relationships and integration with other development platforms.

All information is to be submitted in a format specified in this RFP (as applicable). However, service providers or consultants are welcome to submit additional or alternative information over and above the originally specified format (e.g., other capabilities that they may be deem to be relevant).

6.1. PREVIOUS PROJECTS (Please attach an annexure if the projects are more than the supplied rows)

| Name of organization Department/Company | Project Description | Date of appointment | Contract Period | Project Value | Contact Person |
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Gate 2 Technical Evaluation Criteria = 100 points

| Functionality Criteria | Weight | Total Score | Specify Annexure of supporting documents |
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| <p>METHODOLOGY</p> <p>Detailed methodology showing key phases and milestones including detailed steps methodology showing key phases and milestones including detailed steps.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Excellent: Submitted clear and detailed project-specific Technical Proposal with Detailed Methodology and Project plan with SLA Metrics, deployment Timelines, Turnaround times, roles and responsibilities, Terms and conditions and other SLA parameters = 5 • Good Methodology and project plan Submitted with clear and detailed project- specific Technical Proposal with some but not all of the requirements = 3 | 8 | 40 | Detailed methodology |

| Functionality Criteria | Weight | Total Score | Specify Annexure of supporting documents |
|--|--------|-------------|--|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Poor: Submitted Methodology not clear and detailed without some and or all requirements = 1 • No detailed Methodology =0 | | | |
| <p>The bidder must provide 6 client references that can be contacted to verify their relevant services similar to what is required in the RFP. The References should be presented in the form of a written letter on an official letterhead</p> <p>NB: No appointment letters from clients will be accepted as reference letters.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 or more Signed Relevant reference letters = 5 • 2 Signed Relevant reference letters =4 • 1 Signed | 6 | 30 | |
| Functionality Criteria | Weight | Total Score | Specify Annexure of supporting documents |

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| <p>Relevant reference letter c = 3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 0 Signed Relevant reference letter = 0 | | | |
| <p>EXPERIENCE OF THE PROJECT TEAM</p> <p>CV and Certified Qualifications and Certifications of the proposed team, indicating the number of years/experience in to the Designing, Development and Deployment (Readily available system)/or of an Online Content Monitoring System.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 or more Members with 5 or more years of experience in developing and deploying AI applications, AI ,or Machine Learning Qualification, for 3 Members and one of three members having a Master Qualification in AI or Machine Learning =5 • 2 Members with 4 to 5 years of experience in developing AI Applications, AI , | 6 | 30 | |
| Functionality Criteria | Weight | Total Score | Specify Annexure of supporting documents |

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| or any Machine Learning Qualifications = 4 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Member with 3 years of experience in developing and deploying AI applications, AI, and Machine Learning Qualification. = 3 | | | |
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TOTAL SCORE 100

BIDDER MUST SCORE 70 TO PROCEED TO NEXT STAGE

The Bidder's information will be scored according to the following points system:

| Functionality | Maximum Achievable | Point | Minimum Threshold |
|---|---------------------------|--------------|--------------------------|
| Technical Functionality Evaluation Criteria | 100 | | 70 |
| Total Points | 100 | | 70 |

7. Due diligence will be conducted for companies that meet the minimum functional evaluation score.

8. Gate 3: Price and Preferential Points

Price = 80 points
 Specific goals (Refer to SBD 6.1) = 20 points

ALL POINTS CLAIM FOR SPECIFIC GOALS IN THE BID MUST BE SUPPORTED BY THE FOLLOWING:

- (A) CIPC (Companies and Intellectual Properties Commission)

- (B) Sworn affidavit /BBBEE indicating the level of ownership in the enterprise/person historical disadvantaged by unfair discrimination on the basis of race.

- (C) CSD Full Report (Central Supplier Database)

**PRICING SCHEDULE – FIRM PRICES
(PURCHASES)**

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| Name of bidder..... | Bid number...RFT11 2023_2024..... |
| Closing Time 11:00 | Closing date..... |

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

| ITEM NO. | QUANTITY | DESCRIPTION | BID PRICE IN RSA CURRENCY ** (ALL APPLICABLE TAXES INCLUDED) |
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- Required by:
- At:
- Brand and model
- Country of origin
- Does the offer comply with the specification(s)? *YES/NO
- If not to specification, indicate deviation(s)
- Period required for delivery
- *Delivery: Firm/not firm
- Delivery basis

Note: All delivery costs must be included in the bid price, for delivery at the prescribed destination.

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

*Delete if not applicable

10 PRICING INSTRUCTION

10.1 General

10.1.1 This section provides the tenderer with guidelines and requirements with regard to the completion of the Price Schedule. The Schedule has to be completed in black ink and the tenderer is referred to the Tender Specifications in regard to the correction of errors.

10.1.2 The Price Schedule shall be read with all the documents which form part of this Contract.

10.1.3 The following words shall have the meanings hereby assigned to them:

Unit: The unit of measurement for each item of work in terms of the Specifications and the Project Specifications.

Quantity: The number of units of work for each item.

Rate: The payment per unit of work at which the tenderer tenders to do the work.

Price: The product of the quantity and the rate tendered for an item.

Lump sum: An amount tendered for an item, the extent of which is described in the Price Schedule, the Specification and the Scope of Work, but the quantity of work of which is not measured in any units.

10.2 Units of Measurements

The units of measurement described in the Price Schedule are metric units.

Abbreviations used in the of Quantities are as follows:

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| Mm | = | millimetre | h | = | hour |
| M | = | metre | kg | = | kilogram |
| km | = | kilometre | t | = | ton (1000kg) |
| m ² | = | square metre | no. | = | number |
| m ² .pass | = | square metre pass | sum | = | lump sum |
| ha | = | hectare | MN | = | meganewton |
| m ³ | = | cubic metre | MN.m | = | meganewton-metre |
| m ³ .km | = | cubic metre-kilometre | PC sum | = | Prime Cost |
| sum | | | | | |
| l | = | litre | Prov sum | = | Provisional sum |
| kl | = | kilolitre | % | = | Per cent |
| MPa | = | megaspascal | kW | = | kilowa |

10.3 Rates

- 10.3.1 This price list has columns for quantity, rate and price for the goods. Entries in these columns are made as follows:
- 10.3.2 If the Supplier is to be paid an amount for the goods which is a fixed price for an item or a fixed price for each of a series of items, the tendering supplier enters the amount in the price column only, the other two columns being left blank.
- 10.3.3 If the Supplier is to be paid an amount for the goods which is the unit rate for each item multiplied by the quantity of the item supplied, (i.e., a 'Price Schedule' arrangement) - the tendering supplier enters the rate which is then multiplied by the quantity (which has been entered either by him or by the Purchaser) to produce the price which is also entered.
- 10.3.4 If the Supplier is to be paid an amount for an item of the goods which is the rate multiplied by the quantity supplied -whatever that quantity turns out to be (i.e., a 'Schedule of rates' arrangement) - the tendering supplier enters the rate only, the other two columns being left blank. The tendering supplier's offer cannot include a total of the prices which covers all the items which the Supplier has to supply if any of the supply is dealt with using items with a rate only.
- 10.3.5 Rate only entries must not be made for work covered by other items.

CORRECTION OF ENTRIES MADE BY TENDERER

Any entry made by the Tenderer in the Price Schedule, forms, etc, which the tenderer desires to change, shall not be erased or painted out. A line shall be drawn through the incorrect entry and the correct entry shall be written above in black ink and the full signature of the Tenderer shall be placed next to the correction.

PART A INVITATION TO BID

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| YOU ARE HEREBY INVITED TO BID FOR REQUIREMENTS OF THE (NAME OF DEPARTMENT/ PUBLIC ENTITY) | | | | | |
| BID NUMBER: | RFT11 2023_2024 | CLOSING DATE: | 12 MARCH 2024 | CLOSING TIME: | 11:00 |
| DESCRIPTION | Request For Proposal (RFP) From prospective service providers for the provision and deployment of an Online Content Monitoring System for a period of 5 Years | | | | |
| BID RESPONSE DOCUMENTS MAY BE DEPOSITED IN THE BID BOX SITUATED AT (STREET ADDRESS) | | | | | |
| tenders@fpb.org.za | | | | | |
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| BIDDING PROCEDURE ENQUIRIES MAY BE DIRECTED TO | | | TECHNICAL ENQUIRIES MAY BE DIRECTED TO: | | |
| CONTACT PERSON | SCM | | CONTACT PERSON | SCM | |
| TELEPHONE NUMBER | 012 003 1400 | | TELEPHONE NUMBER | 012 003 1400 | |
| FACSIMILE NUMBER | | | FACSIMILE NUMBER | | |
| E-MAIL ADDRESS | tenders@fpb.org.za | | E-MAIL ADDRESS | tenders@fpb.org.za | |
| SUPPLIER INFORMATION | | | | | |
| NAME OF BIDDER | | | | | |
| POSTAL ADDRESS | | | | | |
| STREET ADDRESS | | | | | |
| TELEPHONE NUMBER | CODE | (010) | NUMBER | | |
| CELLPHONE NUMBER | | | | | |
| FACSIMILE NUMBER | CODE | | NUMBER | | |
| E-MAIL ADDRESS | | | | | |
| VAT REGISTRATION NUMBER | | | | | |
| SUPPLIER COMPLIANCE STATUS | TAX COMPLIANCE SYSTEM PIN: | | OR | CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE No: | MAAA |
| B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE | TICK APPLICABLE BOX] Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> | | B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL SWORN AFFIDAVIT | [TICK APPLICABLE BOX] Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| [A B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE/ SWORN AFFIDAVIT (FOR EMES & QSEs) MUST BE SUBMITTED IN ORDER TO QUALIFY FOR PREFERENCE POINTS FOR B-BBEE] | | | | | |

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| ARE YOU THE ACCREDITED REPRESENTATIVE IN SOUTH AFRICA FOR THE GOODS /SERVICES /WORKS OFFERED? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No [IF YES ENCLOSE PROOF] | ARE YOU A FOREIGN BASED SUPPLIER FOR THE GOODS /SERVICES /WORKS OFFERED? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No [IF YES, ANSWER THE QUESTIONNAIRE BELOW] |
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QUESTIONNAIRE TO BIDDING FOREIGN SUPPLIERS

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

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

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

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

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

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

**PART B
TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR BIDDING**

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| 1. BID SUBMISSION: |
| 1.1. BIDS MUST BE DELIVERED BY THE STIPULATED TIME TO THE CORRECT ADDRESS. LATE BIDS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED FOR CONSIDERATION. |
| 1.2. ALL BIDS MUST BE SUBMITTED ON THE OFFICIAL FORMS PROVIDED-(NOT TO BE RE-TYPED) OR IN THE MANNER PRESCRIBED IN THE BID DOCUMENT. |
| 1.3. THIS BID IS SUBJECT TO THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT POLICY FRAMEWORK ACT, 2000 AND THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS, 2017, THE GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT (GCC) AND, IF APPLICABLE, ANY OTHER SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT. |
| 1.4. THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER WILL BE REQUIRED TO FILL IN AND SIGN A WRITTEN CONTRACT FORM (SBD7). |
| 2. TAX COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS |
| 2.1 BIDDERS MUST ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THEIR TAX OBLIGATIONS. |
| 2.2 BIDDERS ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT THEIR UNIQUE PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (PIN) ISSUED BY SARS TO ENABLE THE ORGAN OF STATE TO VERIFY THE TAXPAYER'S PROFILE AND TAX STATUS. |
| 2.3 APPLICATION FOR TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS (TCS) PIN MAY BE MADE VIA E-FILING THROUGH THE SARS WEBSITE WWW.SARS.GOV.ZA. |
| 2.4 BIDDERS MAY ALSO SUBMIT A PRINTED TCS CERTIFICATE TOGETHER WITH THE BID. |
| 2.5 IN BIDS WHERE CONSORTIA / JOINT VENTURES / SUB-CONTRACTORS ARE INVOLVED, EACH PARTY MUST SUBMIT A SEPARATE TCS CERTIFICATE / PIN / CSD NUMBER. |
| 2.6 WHERE NO TCS PIN IS AVAILABLE BUT THE BIDDER IS REGISTERED ON THE CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE (CSD), A CSD NUMBER MUST BE PROVIDED. |
| 2.7 NO BIDS WILL BE CONSIDERED FROM PERSONS IN THE SERVICE OF THE STATE, COMPANIES WITH DIRECTORS WHO ARE PERSONS IN THE SERVICE OF THE STATE, OR CLOSE CORPORATIONS WITH MEMBERS PERSONS IN THE SERVICE OF THE STATE." |

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

SIGNATURE OF BIDDER:

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

DATE:

BIDDER'S DISCLOSURE

1. PURPOSE OF THE FORM

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

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

2. Bidder's declaration

2.1 Is the bidder, or any of its directors / trustees / shareholders / members / partners or any person having a controlling interest¹ in the enterprise, employed by the state? **YES/NO**

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

| Full Name | Identity Number | Name of State institution |
|-----------|-----------------|---------------------------|
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¹ the power, by one person or a group of persons holding the majority of the equity of an enterprise, alternatively, the person/s having the deciding vote or power to influence or to direct the course and decisions of the enterprise.

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

2.2.1 If so, furnish particulars:

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

2.3.1 If so, furnish particulars:

3 DECLARATION

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

- 3.1 I have read and I understand the contents of this disclosure;
- 3.2 I understand that the accompanying bid will be disqualified if this disclosure is found not to be true and complete in every respect;
- 3.3 The bidder has arrived at the accompanying bid independently from, and without consultation, communication, agreement or arrangement with any competitor. However, communication

between partners in a joint venture or consortium² will not be construed as collusive bidding.

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

I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION FURNISHED IN PARAGRAPHS 1, 2 and 3 ABOVE IS CORRECT.

I ACCEPT THAT THE STATE MAY REJECT THE BID OR ACT AGAINST ME IN TERMS OF PARAGRAPH 6 OF PFMA SCM INSTRUCTION 03 OF 2021/22 ON PREVENTING AND COMBATING ABUSE IN THE SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT SYSTEM SHOULD THIS DECLARATION PROVE TO BE FALSE.

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

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Signature

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Date

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Position

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Name of bidder

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

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

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

1. GENERAL CONDITIONS

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

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

1.2 To be completed by the organ of state

(delete whichever is not applicable for this tender).

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

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

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

1.4 To be completed by the organ of state:

The maximum points for this tender are allocated as follows:

| | POINTS |
|--|---------------|
| PRICE | 80 |
| SPECIFIC GOALS | 20 |
| Total points for Price and SPECIFIC GOALS | 100 |

1.5 Failure on the part of a tenderer to submit proof or documentation required in terms of this tender to claim points for specific goals with the tender, will be interpreted to mean that preference points for specific goals are not claimed.

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

2. DEFINITIONS

- (a) **“tender”** means a written offer in the form determined by an organ of state in response to an invitation to provide goods or services through price quotations, competitive tendering process or any other method envisaged in legislation;
- (b) **“price”** means an amount of money tendered for goods or services, and includes all applicable taxes less all unconditional discounts;
- (c) **“rand value”** means the total estimated value of a contract in Rand, calculated at the time of bid invitation, and includes all applicable taxes;
- (d) **“tender for income-generating contracts”** means a written offer in the form determined by an organ of state in response to an invitation for the origination of income-generating contracts through any method envisaged in legislation that will result in a legal agreement between the organ of state and a third party that produces revenue for the organ of state, and includes, but is not limited to, leasing and disposal of assets and concession contracts, excluding direct sales and disposal of assets through public auctions; and

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

3. FORMULAE FOR PROCUREMENT OF GOODS AND SERVICES

3.1. POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE

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

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

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

Where

Ps = Points scored for price of tender under consideration

Pt = Price of tender under consideration

Pmin = Price of lowest acceptable tender

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

3.2.1. POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE

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

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

Where

Ps = Points scored for price of tender under consideration

Pt = Price of tender under consideration

Pmax = Price of highest acceptable tender

4. POINTS AWARDED FOR SPECIFIC GOALS

4.1. In terms of Regulation 4(2); 5(2); 6(2) and 7(2) of the Preferential Procurement Regulations, preference points must be awarded for specific goals stated in the tender. For the purposes of this tender the tenderer will be allocated points based on the goals stated in table 1 below as may be supported by proof/ documentation stated in the conditions of this tender:

4.2. In cases where organs of state intend to use Regulation 3(2) of the Regulations, which states that, if it is unclear whether the 80/20 or 90/10 preference point system applies, an organ of state must, in the tender documents, stipulate in the case of—

(a) an invitation for tender for income-generating contracts, that either the 80/20 or 90/10 preference point system will apply and that the highest acceptable tender will be used to determine the applicable preference point system; or

(b) any other invitation for tender, that either the 80/20 or 90/10 preference point system will apply and that the lowest acceptable tender will be used to determine the applicable preference point system,

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

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

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

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

| The specific goals allocated points in terms of this tender | Number of points allocated (90/10 system) (To be completed by the organ of state) | Number of points allocated (80/20 system) (To be completed by the organ of state) | Number of points claimed (90/10 system) (To be completed by the tenderer) | Number of points claimed (80/20 system) (To be completed by the tenderer) |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 100% Black owned | | 8 | | |
| 51% -99% Black owned | | 6 | | |
| 100% women owned | | 8 | | |
| 51% -99% women owned | | 6 | | |
| 100% youth owned | | 3 | | |
| 51% -99% youth owned | | 2 | | |
| 2% Owned by Persons with Disabilities | | 1 | | |

DECLARATION WITH REGARD TO COMPANY/FIRM

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

4.4. Company registration number:

4.5. TYPE OF COMPANY/ FIRM

- Partnership/Joint Venture / Consortium
- One-person business/sole propriety
- Close corporation
- Public Company

Personal Liability Company

(Pty) Limited

Non-Profit Company

State Owned Company

[TICK APPLICABLE BOX]

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

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

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SIGNATURE(S) OF TENDERER(S)

SURNAME AND NAME:

DATE:

ADDRESS:

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SCM Mandatory Document

The following duly completed and signed standard bidding documents (SBD) should be included in the tender proposal for pre-qualification:

| Document that must be submitted | Document that must be submitted | Specify Annexure/ page |
|---|---------------------------------|--|
| Invitation to Bid – SBD 1 | Yes | Complete and sign the supplied document |
| Copy of Identity document of director (s) | Yes | ID copy must be certified and not Older than three months. |
| Proof of registration | yes | CIPC (Companies and Intellectual Properties Commission) |
| Tax Status | Yes | Tax Compliance Pin must be submitted with the bid. The validity of the Tax Clearance Certificate/Tax Compliance Pin issued by the South African Revenue Services certifying that the tax status of the Bidder is in order will be verified against the information recorded in the Central Supplier Database (CSD) In the event where the Bidder submits a hard copy of the Tax Clearance Certificate, the CSD verification outcome will take precedence |
| Bidder's disclosure – SBD 4 | Yes | Complete and sign the supplied document. |
| Preference Point Claim Form – SBD 6.1 | Yes | All points claim for specific goals must be supported by:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CIPC (Companies and Intellectual Properties Commission) • Sworn affidavit /BBBEE indicating the level of ownership in the enterprise/person historical disadvantaged by unfair discrimination on the basis of race. CSD Full Report (Central Supplier Database |
| Proof Of Physical Address | Yes | |
| Financial Statements The financial standing of the company, Latest Audited or Independently reviewed financial statements) for the past 3 years. | Yes | Complete and sign the supplied document |

Annexure A

GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT

GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

NOTES

The purpose of this document is to:

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

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

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

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General Conditions of Contract

1. Definitions

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

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

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

- 2. Application**
- 2.1 These general conditions are applicable to all bids, contracts and orders including bids for functional and professional services, sales, hiring, letting and the granting or acquiring of rights, but excluding immovable property, unless otherwise indicated in the bidding documents.
- 2.2 Where applicable, special conditions of contract are also laid down to cover specific supplies, services or works.
- 2.3 Where such special conditions of contract are in conflict with these general conditions, the special conditions shall apply.
- 3. General**
- 3.1 Unless otherwise indicated in the bidding documents, the purchaser shall not be liable for any expense incurred in the preparation and submission of a bid. Where applicable a non-refundable fee for documents may be charged.
- 3.2 With certain exceptions, invitations to bid are only published in the Government Tender Bulletin. The Government Tender Bulletin may be obtained directly from the Government Printer, Private Bag X85, Pretoria 0001, or accessed electronically from www.treasury.gov.za
- 4. Standards**
- 4.1 The goods supplied shall conform to the standards mentioned in the bidding documents and specifications.
- 5. Use of contract documents and information; inspection.**
- 5.1 The supplier shall not, without the purchaser's prior written consent, disclose the contract, or any provision thereof, or any specification, plan, drawing, pattern, sample, or information furnished by or on behalf of the purchaser in connection therewith, to any person other than a person employed by the supplier in the performance of the contract. Disclosure to any such employed person shall be made in confidence and shall extend only so far as may be necessary for purposes of such performance.
- 5.2 The supplier shall not, without the purchaser's prior written consent, make use of any document or information mentioned in GCC clause 5.1 except for purposes of performing the contract.
- 5.3 Any document, other than the contract itself mentioned in GCC clause 5.1 shall remain the property of the purchaser and shall be returned (all copies) to the purchaser on completion of the supplier's performance under the contract if so required by the purchaser.
- 5.4 The supplier shall permit the purchaser to inspect the supplier's records relating to the performance of the supplier and to have them audited by auditors appointed by the purchaser, if so required by the purchaser.
- 6. Patent rights**
- 6.1 The supplier shall indemnify the purchaser against all third-party claims of infringement of patent, trademark, or industrial design rights arising from use of the goods or any part thereof by the purchaser.
- 7. Performance security**
- 7.1 Within thirty (30) days of receipt of the notification of contract award, the successful bidder shall furnish to the purchaser the performance security of the amount specified in SCC.

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

8. Inspections, tests and analyses

- 8.1 All pre-bidding testing will be for the account of the bidder.
- 8.2 If it is a bid condition that supplies to be produced or services to be rendered should at any stage during production or execution or on completion be subject to inspection, the premises of the bidder or contractor shall be open, at all reasonable hours, for inspection by a representative of the Department or an organization acting on behalf of the Department.
- 8.3 If there are no inspection requirements indicated in the bidding documents and no mention is made in the contract, but during the contract period it is decided that inspections shall be carried out, the purchaser shall itself make the necessary arrangements, including payment arrangements with the testing authority concerned.
- 8.4 If the inspections, tests and analyses referred to in clauses 8.2 and 8.3 show the supplies to be in accordance with the contract requirements, the cost of the inspections, tests and analyses shall be defrayed by the purchaser.
- 8.5 Where the supplies or services referred to in clauses 8.2 and 8.3 do not comply with the contract requirements, irrespective of whether such supplies or services are accepted or not, the cost in connection with these inspections, tests or analyses shall be defrayed by the supplier.
- 8.6 Supplies and services which are referred to in clauses 8.2 and 8.3 and which do not comply with the contract requirements may be rejected.
- 8.7 Any contract supplies may on or after delivery be inspected, tested or analyzed and may be rejected if found not to comply with the requirements of the contract. Such rejected supplies shall be held at the cost and risk of the supplier who shall, when called upon, remove them immediately at his own cost and forthwith substitute them with

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

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

9. Packing

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

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

10. Delivery and documents

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

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

11. Insurance

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

12. Transportation

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

13. Incidental services

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

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

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

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

14. Spare parts

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

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

15. Warranty

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

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

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

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

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

- 16. Payment**
- 16.1 The method and conditions of payment to be made to the supplier under this contract shall be specified in SCC.
- 16.2 The supplier shall furnish the purchaser with an invoice accompanied by a copy of the delivery note and upon fulfillment of other obligations stipulated in the contract.
- 16.3 Payments shall be made promptly by the purchaser, but in no case later than thirty (30) days after submission of an invoice or claim by the supplier.
- 16.4 Payment will be made in Rand unless otherwise stipulated in SCC.
- 17. Prices**
- 17.1 Prices charged by the supplier for goods delivered and services performed under the contract shall not vary from the prices quoted by the supplier in his bid, with the exception of any price adjustments authorized in SCC or in the purchaser's request for bid validity extension, as the case may be.
- 18. Contract amendments**
- 18.1 No variation in or modification of the terms of the contract shall be made except by written amendment signed by the parties concerned.
- 19. Assignment**
- 19.1 The supplier shall not assign, in whole or in part, its obligations to perform under the contract, except with the purchaser's prior written consent.
- 20. Subcontracts**
- 20.1 The supplier shall notify the purchaser in writing of all subcontracts awarded under this contracts if not already specified in the bid. Such notification, in the original bid or later, shall not relieve the supplier from any liability or obligation under the contract.
- 21. Delays in the supplier's performance**
- 21.1 Delivery of the goods and performance of services shall be made by the supplier in accordance with the time schedule prescribed by the purchaser in the contract.
- 21.2 If at any time during performance of the contract, the supplier or its subcontractor(s) should encounter conditions impeding timely delivery of the goods and performance of services, the supplier shall promptly notify the purchaser in writing of the fact of the delay, its likely duration and its cause(s). As soon as practicable after receipt of the supplier's notice, the purchaser shall evaluate the situation and may at his discretion extend the supplier's time for performance, with or without the imposition of penalties, in which case the extension shall be ratified by the parties by amendment of contract.
- 21.3 No provision in a contract shall be deemed to prohibit the obtaining of supplies or services from a national department, provincial department, or a local authority.
- 21.4 The right is reserved to procure outside of the contract small quantities or to have minor essential services executed if an emergency arises, the supplier's point of supply is not situated at or near the place where the supplies are required, or the supplier's services are not readily available.

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

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

22. Penalties

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

23. Termination for default

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

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

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

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

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

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

- 23.5 Any restriction imposed on any person by the Accounting Officer / Authority will, at the discretion of the Accounting Officer / Authority, also be applicable to any other enterprise or any partner, manager, director or other person who wholly or partly exercises or exercised or may exercise control over the enterprise of the first-mentioned person, and with which enterprise or person the first-mentioned person, is or was in the opinion of the Accounting Officer / Authority actively associated.
- 23.6 If a restriction is imposed, the purchaser must, within five (5) working days of such imposition, furnish the National Treasury, with the following information:
- (i) the name and address of the supplier and / or person restricted by the purchaser;
 - (ii) the date of commencement of the restriction
 - (iii) the period of restriction; and
 - (iv) the reasons for the restriction.

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

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

24. Anti-dumping and countervailing duties and rights

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

25. Force Majeure

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

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

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

26. Termination for insolvency

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

27. Settlement of Disputes

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

28. Limitation of liability

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

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

- (b) aggregate liability of the supplier to the purchaser, whether under the contract, in tort or otherwise, shall not exceed the total contract price, provided that this limitation shall not apply to the cost of repairing or replacing defective equipment.
- 29. Governing language** 29.1 The contract shall be written in English. All correspondence and other documents pertaining to the contract that is exchanged by the parties shall also be written in English.
- 30. Applicable law** 30.1 The contract shall be interpreted in accordance with South African laws, unless otherwise specified in SCC.
- 31. Notices** 31.1 Every written acceptance of a bid shall be posted to the supplier concerned by registered or certified mail and any other notice to him shall be posted by ordinary mail to the address furnished in his bid or to the address notified later by him in writing and such posting shall be deemed to be proper service of such notice
- 31.2 The time mentioned in the contract documents for performing any act after such aforesaid notice has been given, shall be reckoned from the date of posting of such notice.
- 32. Taxes and duties** 32.1 A foreign supplier shall be entirely responsible for all taxes, stamp duties, license fees, and other such levies imposed outside the purchaser's country.
- 32.2 A local supplier shall be entirely responsible for all taxes, duties, license fees, etc., incurred until delivery of the contracted goods to the purchaser.
- 32.3 No contract shall be concluded with any bidder whose tax matters are not in order. Prior to the award of a bid the Department must be in possession of a tax clearance certificate, submitted by the bidder. This certificate must be an original issued by the South African Revenue Services.
- 33. National Industrial Participation (NIP) Programme** 33.1 The NIP Programme administered by the Department of Trade and Industry shall be applicable to all contracts that are subject to the NIP obligation.