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### PART B TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR BIDDING

#### 1. BID SUBMISSION:

- 1.1. BIDS MUST BE DELIVERED BY THE STIPULATED TIME TO THE CORRECT ADDRESS. LATE BIDS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED FOR CONSIDERATION.
- 1.2. ALL BIDS MUST BE SUBMITTED ON THE OFFICIAL FORMS PROVIDED—(NOT TO BE RE-TYPED) OR IN THE MANNER PRESCRIBED IN THE BID DOCUMENT.
- 1.3. THIS BID IS SUBJECT TO THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT POLICY FRAMEWORK ACT, 2000 AND THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS, 2017, THE GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT (GCC) AND, IF APPLICABLE, ANY OTHER SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT.
- 1.4. THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER WILL BE REQUIRED TO FILL IN AND SIGN A WRITTEN CONTRACT FORM (SBD7).

#### 2. TAX COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS

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

NB: FAILURE TO PROVIDE / OR COMPLY WITH ANY OF THE ABOVE PA	RTICULARS MAY RENDER THE BID INVALID.
SIGNATURE OF BIDDER:	
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DATE:	

### **NOTICE TO ALL PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS**

BID NO

: DBE183

CLOSING DATE : 30 January 2023

TIME

: 11:00

### A non-compulsory briefing session will be held as follows:

DATE

**07 December 2022** 

VENUE

Microsoft Teams

TIME

(strictly) 10:00 until 11:00

**CONTACT PERSON:** 

Mr Sipho Banda

TEL.

(012) 357 3268

Bidders who are interested in joining the session should send their email addresses to Tenders@dbe.gov.za , a day before the date of the session for logistic purposes. The due date for submission of email addresses is 06 December 2022 at 15:00.

#### **TERMS OF REFERENCE**

# APPOINTMENT OF A SERVICE PROVIDER FOR HOSTING, SUPPORT AND MAINTANANCE OF THE EDUCATION FACILITY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM(EFMS)

#### 1. Bid Description

The appointment of a Service Provider for the hosting, support and maintenance of the Education Facility Management System (EFMS).

#### 2. Aim

To invite suitable bidders to submit proposals for the hosting, support and maintenance of the EFMS. Bidders are requested to cost the support, maintenance and hosting including the mobile application, technical support and database related support.

The appointed service provider will have to provide a steady and secure software environment. This includes but not limited to:

- Familiarise with the current system documentation (User requirement specification (URS), Functional Requirement Specification and Technical requirement specification) and others before commencing with the service.
- Take full management control of the EFMS and hosting under leadership of DBE.
- Ensure the EFMS and mobile application availability and stability.
- Enhancement of the EFMS when required, testing and deployment of the new/current solutions for DBE Infrastructure to managing school projects and school assets.
- The service provider will also use the above to design and develop the additional/ change request solutions in the EFMS to improve DBE's and PED's effectiveness in asset and project management.
- Enhancement of the mobile application for cross platform use.
- · Provide enhancement on reporting, dashboard and spatial reporting
- Development of integration of EFMS with other internal, external and other system, which are but not limited to:
  - o EMIS (Education Management Information System)
  - o SA-SAMS (South African School Administration Management System
  - o LURITS (Leaner Unit Record Information and Tracking System)

#### o IRM (Infrastructure Reporting Modell)

#### 3. Background

The Education Facility Management System(EFMS) was initiated and developed by the Eastern Cape Department of Education (ECDoE). EFMS is a web-based asset and programme management system for school infrastructure.

Over the years, the EFMS was adopted and used by other provinces, KwaZulu-Natal Department of Education in 2001. During October 2010, the EFMS was rolled out at the Limpopo Department of Education as part of Infrastructure Programme Management Support. Mpumalanga Department of Education and the Western Cape Department of Education began using the system during November 2013, whilst the Northern Cape Department of Education started utilising the system during April 2014. The Free State Department of Education also came on board during May 2015. When the Accelerated School Infrastructure Delivery Initiative (ASIDI) was launched, DBE also adopted the system for programme Management.

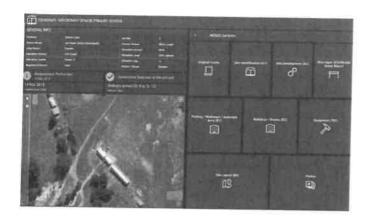
Department of Basic Education adopted the system in 2020 to be used as a project management system. The decision to adopt and use the EFMS as a sector was supported by Council of Education Committee (CEM) and Heads of Education Department Committee (HEDCOM).

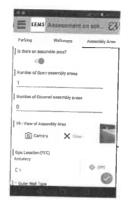
The EFMS has capabilities for asset, projects, financial and programme management DBE has invested in the digital transformation methodology by using the integrated Education Facility Management System (EFMS). The system is in use at DBE for more than 3 years with a ~15 years' history usage in provinces.

#### 3.1. Purpose of the system

The EFMS has been developed and populated with infrastructure data from all  $\sim 23$  000 schools to provide a complete Property Register and Projects module. The module manages all the Department's immovable assets and implementation of all the department's infrastructure projects as well as establishing a common data source for all reporting. Although most of the system users function at the Operational Level, the system provides a much bigger picture for the various levels of management.

#### 3.1.1. Property Module





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#### **EFMS HIERARCHY FUNCTIONS**



**Current mobile application** 

The Property Module function is used to manage the school building infrastructure. Data relating to the Department's building infrastructure (immovable assets) is captured, viewed, edited and reports are generated for all 9 provinces. The Property data is also aligned with National Education Infrastructure Management System (NEIMS 3). Typical data sources are from existing database systems, i.e., NEIMS (DBE), EMIS and from field surveys conducted with the EFMS condition assessment mobile Application.

#### 3.1.2. Projects Module

The EFMS Programme Management module is designed to manage and report on the implementation of infrastructure projects. This module manages costs and time on a project, by tracking budgets, invoices, payments, and timelines.

The following conceptual steps are followed during the process:



- DoE initiates a project and creates it on the system with an initial budget & scope of work.
- All the key data is captured and updated at the various stages by Implementing Agents and their Professional Service Providers. This includes detailed scope of work, updated cost estimates, project milestone dates, and projected cash flows amongst others.

#### 3.1.3. EFMS compliances

The EFMS gets audited on a yearly basis by the Auditor General (AG). The AG audits focus on ICT governance, management procedures and disaster recovery plans. The EFMS is also used as a data source for infrastructure project audits by the AG focusing on the documents repository that contains all the legally required documentation.

### 4. Background to EFMS version Technology:

#### 4.1 Platform

The Aps.Net 5 MVC 6 (or VNext) is built specifically around the following core fundamentals.

#### 4.2 Software

- The primary coding used is C#.
- Gembox.Spreadsheet (Reports and data dumps)
- Highcharts (Graphs and dashboards)
- Adobe ColdFusion 9
- Crystal Reports for Visual Studio 2008
- FileZilla Server
- Suitable Anti-Virus
- IIS 8
- Microsoft .NET 4 Runtime
- Microsoft Office 2003 Web Components
- Microsoft SQL Server 2012 R2 x64
- SAP Crystal Reports runtime for .NET Framework 4 x32
- SAP Crystal Reports runtime for .NET Framework 4 x64
- SAP Crystal Reports for Visual Studio 2010

#### 4.3 Server Infrastructure

Operating System: Windows Server 2012 R2 Standard

Raid Configuration: Raid #0

Linux Hosting: X Small - efms.co.za (01/03/2019 - 29/02/2020)

Linux Hosting: Small - efms2.co.za (01/03/2019 - 29/02/2020)

Addon (efms2.co.za) - cWatch - Starter (Website Security) (01/03/2019 - 29/02/2020)

CPU: Intel Xeon E5-2620 v4

Motherboard: Supermicro X10SRI-F

RAM: 1128gig, DDR4-2400 (1200 MHz) and running ECC

HDD: 4TB's (4 x 4TB drives running in raid 1 running on GPT) (01/03/2019 -

29/02/2020)

#### 4.4 Hard Drive Space & Usage

The total hard drive space is 6.91 TB. The currently utilized space is 3.5 TB broken down as follows.

#### 4.4.1 hard drive

SQL Databases:	529 GB
Photos	148 GB
Documents	265 GB
DB backups	1.52 TB
Source Code	253

#### 4.6 Technical documentation available

The following manuals are available:

- Programme Module
  - o Training manual
  - o Functional Specification
  - o Technical Specification
  - Data dictionary

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- Property Module
  - o Training manual
  - Functional Specification
  - o Technical Specification
  - Data dictionary
- Mobile Application
  - o No manuals are available

#### 5. Project approach

The service provider will take-over the EFMS, deploy and host the web solution accessible for all nine provinces, DBE and external users. The full set of source codes and SQL back-ups will be provided as well as the mobile application codes.

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The successful bidder will apply Agile and Scrum methodology during the 3-year period of service. Below are the key deliverables that the service provider should provide

#### 5.1 Key Deliverables

<b>KEY FUNCTIONS</b>	ACTIVITIES	PROVIDED TO
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Service Desk	<ul><li>Assist in EFMS queries</li><li>Troubleshooting</li><li>Working with EFMS support teams from DBE</li></ul>	- All 9 provinces and DBE  o Estimated  number of users  1200
Data Uploading & Client Support	- Ensure stability	- All 9 provinces and DBE  o Estimated  number of users 1200
Data Mining	<ul><li>Generate reports to accommodate special requests</li><li>Dashboards</li></ul>	- All 9 provinces and DBE
Hosting Services	<ul> <li>Provide effective and efficient hosting services</li> <li>Disaster recovery management / business continuity / backup and recovery services</li> <li>Storage and capacity planning and monitoring</li> </ul>	All 9 provinces and DBE
Database administration	- Database maintenance - Performance monitoring and tuning - Data sharing with other systems, e.g., EMIS(in future)	All 9 provinces and DBE

KEY FUNCTIONS	ACTIVITIES	PROVIDED TO
	- Troubleshooting - Standard Back-ups	Ws
Business & Systems Analysis	<ul> <li>- Analysis of client environment</li> <li>- Analysis of current EFMS functionality</li> <li>- Gather requirements</li> <li>- Systems gap analysis</li> <li>- Data sharing with other systems</li> </ul>	- All 9 provinces and DBE
Change Requests	- Implement (Full SDLC) approved change requests	- All 9 provinces and DBE
EFMS maintenance and enhancements	<ul> <li>Design, develop and deploy enhancements</li> <li>Fixing of current issues</li> <li>Testing</li> <li>Post implementation</li> </ul>	- DBE

Over and above mentioned activities, the Service provider will need to provide an inception report a month after the signing of the contract and a closeout report at the end of the contract period.

All work, including and not limited to Migration, enhancements, licenses, support and maintenance must fit in within the agreed term of the contract.

#### 6. Time Frame

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- 1. The contract is for a period of 3 years based on performance
- 2. In all cases where only a month to the year is indicated as the date of completion of an activity it will be regarded as the last working day of that month and where it refers to the start of an activity it will be regarded as the first working day of that month.

#### 7. Management of the Project

- 1. Policy and the determination of broad strategic direction will be the responsibility of a Project Steering Committee comprised of representatives of DBE, representatives from PEDs and other role players identified.
- 2. The appointed service provider or a consortium / joint venture of service providers will report to the Director: Infrastructure, who is appointed by the Department to

- manage this project, report on progress of the project according to an agreed-upon schedule.
- 3. The day-to-day management of the project will be the responsibility of a Project Manager on the service provider's side.
- 4. The appointed service provider or a consortium / Joint venture of service providers will be responsible for the operational management of this project and will remain accountable for the activities of any sub-contractors, if applicable
- 5. A service level agreement will have to be agreed upon between the successful bidder and the DBE before the start of the substantial work in the project.

### 8. Qualifications, experience, skills and knowledge

The minimum requirements of the service provider's team must be the following depending on the status, scope of work and experience.

#### **Business Analyst**

A proven 10 years' experience as a Business Analyst(BA)

#### Snr Software developer

Ten (10) years' experience C# developer

#### **Software Developer**

Five (5) years' experience C# developer

#### Multi-platform Mobile development

Eight (8) years' experience as a multi-platform /cross platform mobile application development

#### **SQL Database Administrator**

Ten 10 years' experience in SQL database

The resources for enhancements will be required as and when needed when there is a call logged. These resources will be paid on the basis of work done.

#### 9. NON-MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS

#### 1.1 Pre-qualification of Bids

The following administrative documents should be submitted for this bid:

1.1.1 Non-mandatory documents

No.	Non-Mandatory document list
1.	Bidders should return all fully completed and signed attached SBD
	forms (SBD1, SBD3.1, SBD4, and SBD6.1). Non-submission of the
	SBD 6.1 form will result in non-awarding of the B-BBEE points.
2.	In case of a Consortium or Joint Venture, Bidders should individually
	submit the fully completed and signed SBD forms (SBD1, SBD3.1,
	SBD4 and SBD6.1). All bids must be submitted on the official forms
	(not to be retyped). Non-submission of the SBD 6.1 form will result in
	non-awarding of the B-BBEE points.

### **SBD** means Standard Bidding Documents

#### 10. MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS

# Bidders who do not comply with all the mandatory requirements listed below will be disqualified.

### The bidders must provide the following documents:

- 10.1 Bidders must provide a celling price indicating costs for the supply of services. A ceiling price is the price paid for the total estimated time and including all expenses inclusive of VAT for the project.
- 10.2 If bidding with intention of subcontracting, bidder should indicate the name/s of companies and percentages to be subcontracted.
- 10.3 Bidders bidding as a consortium or joint venture must provide the following information and/or documents:
  - i. An agreement signed by nominated members of both/ all consortium or joint venture partners; and
  - ii. State the leading company.
- 10.4 The bid must be submitted on the official SBD forms published with this tender (any alteration on the forms will lead to disqualification).

### 11. EVALUATION CRITERIA

11.1 Evaluation and points

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1	Submit a detailed Project Plan showing proposed approach & methodology, timeframes & key milestones for the execution of the project/installation. Project management tools & techniques, please provide sample templates to be used.						40
	Score 0 = No project plan submitted: Score 1 = Project plan not meeting the above, Score 2 = Project plan meeting above criteria with no tools, techniques samples provided: Score 3 = Detailed plan exceeding above criteria with detailed samples, templates, tools used in the past projects indicated Score 4 = Detailed plan exceeding above criteria with detailed samples, templates, tools used in the past projects indicated with additional reporting/feedback and management meetings with DBE i.e 1=0; 1=10; 2=20; 3=30 and 4=40						
2	List of similar project with reference letters containing	de	tail	S	of	+	30
	projects and contact details:						
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	description of the services that you provided and the						
	satisfaction.						
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3	Team requirements and skill	- 21	30
	1) Business Analyst with 10 years' experience		
	2) Senior C# Developer with 10 years' experience		
	3) Intermediate C# Developer with 5 years' experience		
	4) SQL database administrator		
	5) Multi-platform mobile development		
	Bidder has all five required staff = 30		
	Bidder has four required staff = 25		
	Bidder has three required staff = 20		
	Bidder has two required staff = 15		
	Bidder has one required staff = 10		
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The Bidder who scores less than 70 points out of 100 points on functionality will not be considered for this tender

### 12. PRICE AND B-BBEE EVALUATION (80/20)

Thereafter only qualifying bids will be evaluated in terms of 80/20 preference point system where 80 points will be used for *price only* and 20 points for *BBBEE* points. (Refer to attached SBD 6.1 form).

The following formula will be used for the calculation of price:

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

Ps= Points scored for price of bid under consideration Pt= Rand value of acceptable bid under consideration Pmin= Rand value of lowest bid Bidders are required to submit a valid BBBEE certificate or sworn affidavit in a case of Exempted Micro Enterprise or Qualifying Small Enterprise in order to claim preference points. Non-submission of a valid BBBEE certificate or sworn affidavit will lead to a bidder scoring zero (0) for preference points.

#### 13. BRIEFING SESSION

The DBE will hold a non-compulsory virtual briefing session on a date and time as published. Bidders who wish to attend the briefing session must forward their interest to this email address: <a href="mailto:Tenders@dbe.gov.za">Tenders@dbe.gov.za</a>. A link to the virtual meeting will be provided to the interested bidders.

#### 14. CONDITIONS

- 14.1 The appointed service provider or a consortium of service providers will be expected to have the human resources and expertise to handle and complete all activities for the specified period according to the given timeframes.
- 14.2 The appointed service provider or a consortium of service providers will be expected to complete all aspects of the project and adhere strictly to the deadlines agreed upon at all times.
- 14.3 The DBE will confine its contractual dealings with the appointed service provider or a consortium of service providers at all times and never engage with any subcontracted company.
- 14.4 The appointed service provider shall undertake to avoid any activity of whatsoever nature that may be detrimental to the DBE's interest, goodwill and reputation.
- 14.5 The material compiled during the project may not be used in any form or for any purpose other than the purpose stipulated in the agreement. If the appointed service provider or a consortium of service providers wishes to use such material in any other form or for any other purpose, including, but not limited to, workshops, media release and the like, the appointed service provider must submit to the DBE a written motivation for such use and wait for approval.
- 14.6 In the case of any material compiled, developed, researched, commented on, or evaluated on behalf of the DBE as a result of the contractual agreement with the appointed service provider, or any other form of material, irrespective of whether in a completed form or otherwise, all intellectual property rights relating to such material will vest in the DBE. The appointed service provider may not use any such material without first having obtained written approval from DBE.

- 14.7 The Department reserves the right not to award the tender and will not be held liable for preparation of the bid documents by the appointed service provider or a consortium of service providers.
- 14.8 The DBE reserves the right to change the Terms of Reference prior to the closing of the bid.
- 14.9 **Termination for default:** he Department, without prejudice to any other remedy for breach of contract, by written notice of default sent to the supplier reserves the right to terminate this contract with the appointed service provider, in accordance with clause 23 of the General Conditions of Contract, should challenges be experienced with the service delivery and customer service to the Department.
- 14.10 The Bidder/s must submit proof of registration with the National Treasury's Central Supplier Database (CSD).
- 14.11 Consortiums who possess all the functional knowledge and experience, will be considered for this proposal but proposals must clearly indicate the organization that will be the lead agency that will take full managerial and technical accountability for the outcomes of this proposal.

#### 15. COMMUNICATION

- 15.1. DBE shall communicate with bidders where clarity is sought after the closing date of the bid and prior to the award of the contract, or to extend the validity period of the bid, if necessary.
- 15.2. Any communication to any government official or a person acting in an advisory capacity for the State in respect of this bid between the closing date and the award of the bid by the bidder is discouraged.
- 15.3. All communication between the bidder and the DBE must be in writing and addressed to Supply Chain Management Office at <a href="mailto:Tenders@dbe.gov.za">Tenders@dbe.gov.za</a>.
- 15.4. All correspondence regarding this bid should be directed as per the below contact details:

#### **Bid Enquiries**

Department of Basic Education: Supply Chain Management,

Tel: (012) 357 3134

E-mail: Tenders@dbe.gov.za

Enquiries must be made at least fourteen (14) days before the closing date of the bid. The responses will be published on the eTender Publication Portal..

#### 19. Acronyms / abbreviations used:

EFMS Education Facility Management System

PED Provincial Education Department

IDMS Infrastructure Delivery Management System

FIDPM Framework of Infrastructure Delivery Procurement Management

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SDLC Software Development Life Cycle

DoE: Department of Education

DBE: Department of Basic Education

GPS: Geographical Positioning System

HDI: Historically Disadvantaged Individual

ICT: Information Communication Technology

NEIMS; National Education Infrastructure Management System

PEDs: Provincial Departments of Education

PFMA: Public Finance Management Act

PWD: Public Works Department

SMME: Small and Medium Enterprise

SNE Special Needs Education

## PRICING SCHEDULE - FIRM PRICES (PURCHASES)

NOTE:

ONLY FIRM PRICES WILL BE ACCEPTED. NON-FIRM PRICES (INCLUDING PRICES SUBJECT TO RATES OF EXCHANGE VARIATIONS) WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED

IN CASES WHERE DIFFERENT DELIVERY POINTS INFLUENCE THE PRICING, A SEPARATE PRICING SCHEDULE MUST BE SUBMITTED FOR EACH DELIVERY POINT

Nar	me of bidder	Bid number: DBE183
Clos	sing Time: 11:00	Closing date: 30 January 2023
OFFE	ER TO BE VALID FOR <b>120</b> DAYS FROM THE (	CLOSING DATE OF BID.
ITEM NO.	QUANTITY DESCRIPTION  Appointment of service properties for hosting, support and most the Education Facility Management (EFMS)  Pricing must be in line was paragraph 10.1 of the Tempore in the Tempore	naintenance Management R
·	Required by:	
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-	Brand and model	
-	Country of origin	
-	Does the offer comply with the specification(s	)? *YES/NO
-	If not to specification, indicate deviation(s)	
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Note:	All delivery costs must be included in the bid p	price, for delivery at the prescribed destination.
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#### **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 institution	State

2.2 Do you, or any person connected with the bidder, have a relationship

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

with any person who is employed by the procuring institution? YES/NO 2.2.1 If so, furnish particulars: Does the bidder or any of its directors / trustees / shareholders / 2.3 members / partners or any person having a controlling interest in the enterprise have any interest in any other related enterprise whether or YES/NO not they are bidding for this contract? 2.3.1 If so, furnish particulars: ....... **DECLARATION** 3 undersigned. the (name)..... in submitting the accompanying bid, do hereby make the following statements that I certify to be true and complete in every respect: I have read and I understand the contents of this disclosure; 3.1 I understand that the accompanying bid will be disqualified if this 3.2 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.
- 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

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

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.

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.

Signature	Date	
Position	Name of bidder	

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

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

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

#### 1. GENERAL CONDITIONS

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

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- a) The value of this bid is estimated to **not exceed** R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included) and therefore the 80/20 preference point system shall be applicable; or
- b) Either the 80/20 preference point system will be applicable to this tender (delete whichever is not applicable for this tender).
- 1.3 Points for this bid shall be awarded for:
  - (a) Price; and
  - (b) B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor.
- 1.4 The maximum points for this bid are allocated as follows:

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

- 1.5 Failure on the part of a bidder to submit proof of B-BBEE Status level of contributor together with the bid, will be interpreted to mean that preference points for B-BBEE status level of contribution are not claimed.
- 1.6 The purchaser reserves the right to require of a bidder, either before a bid is adjudicated or at any time subsequently, to substantiate any claim in regard to preferences, in any manner required by the purchaser.

#### 2. **DEFINITIONS**

- (a) "B-BBEE" means broad-based black economic empowerment as defined in section 1 of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act;
- (b) "B-BBEE status level of contributor" means the B-BBEE status of an entity in terms of a code of good practice on black economic empowerment, issued in terms of section 9(1) of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act;
- (c) "bid" means a written offer in a prescribed or stipulated form in response to an invitation by an organ of state for the provision of goods or services, through price quotations, advertised competitive bidding processes or proposals;
- (d) "Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act" means the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act, 2003 (Act No. 53 of 2003);
- (e) "EME" means an Exempted Micro Enterprise in terms of a code of good practice on black economic empowerment issued in terms of section 9 (1) of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act;
- (f) "functionality" means the ability of a tenderer to provide goods or services in accordance with specifications as set out in the tender documents.
- (g) "prices" includes all applicable taxes less all unconditional discounts;
- (h) "proof of B-BBEE status level of contributor" means:
  - 1) B-BBEE Status level certificate issued by an authorized body or person;
  - 2) A sworn affidavit as prescribed by the B-BBEE Codes of Good Practice;
  - 3) Any other requirement prescribed in terms of the B-BBEE Act;
- (i) "QSE" means a qualifying small business enterprise in terms of a code of good practice on black economic empowerment issued in terms of section 9 (1) of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act;
- (j) "rand value" means the total estimated value of a contract in Rand, calculated at the time of bid invitation, and includes all applicable taxes;

#### 3. POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE

#### 3.1 THE 80/20 OR 90/10 PREFERENCE POINT SYSTEMS

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

$$Ps = 80\left(1 - \frac{Pt - P\min}{P\min}\right)$$
 or  $Ps = 90\left(1 - \frac{Pt - P\min}{P\min}\right)$ 

Where

Ps = Points scored for price of bid under consideration

Pt = Price of bid under consideration

Pmin = Price of lowest acceptable bid

#### 4. POINTS AWARDED FOR B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL OF CONTRIBUTOR

4.1 In terms of Regulation 6 (2) and 7 (2) of the Preferential Procurement Regulations, preference points must be awarded to a bidder for attaining the B-BBEE status level of contribution in accordance with the table below:

B-BBEE Status Level of Number of points Number of points
Contributor (90/10 system) (80/20 system)

1	10	20
2	9	18
3	6	14
4	5	12
5	4	8
6	3	6
7	2	4
8	1	2
Non-compliant contributor	0	0

#### 5. BID DECLARATION

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

6.	B-BBEE STATUS		OF	CONTRIBUTOR	CLAIMED	IN	TERMS	OF
	PARAGRAPHS 1.4	AND 4.1						
6.1	B-BBEE Status Lev	el of Contr	ibuto	or:       =	(maximur	n of 1	10 or 20 p	ooints)

(Points claimed in respect of paragraph 7.1 must be in accordance with the table reflected in paragraph 4.1 and must be substantiated by relevant proof of B-BBEE status level of contributor.

#### 7. SUB-CONTRACTING

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

(Tick applicable box)

YES	NO	

7.1 <sub>a</sub> 1 II	yes,	indicate:
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		percent				contract	will	be
ii)	The nan	ne of the sub-	-contractor	· 				
iii)	The B-B	BEE status le	evel of the	sub-c	ontractor			
iv)	Whether	r the sub-con	tractor is a	ın EM	E or QSE			
	(Tick ap	plicable box	r)					
	YES	NO						

v) Specify, by ticking the appropriate box, if subcontracting with an enterprise in terms of Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2017:

Designated Group: An EME or QSE which is at last 51% owned	EME	QSE
by:	√	V
Black people		
Black people who are youth		
Black people who are women		
Black people with disabilities		
Black people living in rural or underdeveloped areas or townships		
Cooperative owned by black people		
Black people who are military veterans		
OR		
Any EME		

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8.	DECLARATION WITH REGARD TO COMPANY/FIRM	
8.1	Name	of
	company/firm:	
8.2	VAT registratio	n
	number:	
8.3	Company registratio	n
	number:	
8.4	TYPE OF COMPANY/ FIRM	
	<ul> <li>□ Partnership/Joint Venture / Consortium</li> <li>□ One person business/sole propriety</li> <li>□ Close corporation</li> <li>□ Company</li> <li>□ (Pty) Limited</li> <li>[TICK APPLICABLE BOX]</li> </ul>	
8.5	DESCRIBE PRINCIPAL BUSINESS ACTIVITIES	
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8.6	COMPANY CLASSIFICATION	
	<ul> <li>□ Manufacturer</li> <li>□ Supplier</li> <li>□ Professional service provider</li> <li>□ Other service providers, e.g. transporter, etc.</li> <li>[TICK APPLICABLE BOX]</li> </ul>	
8.7	Total number of years the company/firm has been in business:	
8.8	I/we, the undersigned, who is / are duly authorised to do so on behalf of the company/firm, certify that the points claimed, based on the B-BBE status level of contributor indicated in paragraphs 1.4 and 6.1 of the foregoing certificate, qualifies the company/ firm for the preference(s) shown and I / we acknowledge that:	f
	i) The information furnished is true and correct;	
	<ul> <li>The preference points claimed are in accordance with the General Conditions as indicated in paragraph 1 of this form;</li> </ul>	S
	iii) In the event of a contract being awarded as a result of points claimed as shown in paragraphs 1.4 and 6.1, the contractor may be required to furnish documentary	

proof to the satisfaction of the purchaser that the claims are correct;

purchaser may, in addition to any other remedy it may have -

iv) If the B-BBEE status level of contributor has been claimed or obtained on a fraudulent basis or any of the conditions of contract have not been fulfilled, the

- (a) disqualify the person from the bidding process;
- (b) recover costs, losses or damages it has incurred or suffered as a result of that person's conduct;
- cancel the contract and claim any damages which it has suffered as a result of having to make less favourable arrangements due to such cancellation;
- (d) recommend that the bidder or contractor, its shareholders and directors, or only the shareholders and directors who acted on a fraudulent basis, be restricted by the National Treasury from obtaining business from any organ of state for a period not exceeding 10 years, after the audi alteram partem (hear the other side) rule has been applied; and
- (e) forward the matter for criminal prosecution.

WITNESSES 1	SIGNATURE(S) OF BIDDERS(S)
2	DATE:ADDRESS
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#### THE NATIONAL TREASURY

### **Republic of South Africa**



# GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT: GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

**July 2010** 

#### **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.
- "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 <a href="https://www.treasury.gov.za">www.treasury.gov.za</a>

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

terms of the contract or any other contract or any other amount which may be due to him

### 25. Force Majeure

- 25.1 Notwithstanding the provisions of GCC Clauses 22 and 23, the supplier shall not be liable for forfeiture of its performance security, damages, or termination for default if and to the extent that his delay in performance or other failure to perform his obligations under the contract is the result of an event of force majeure.
- 25.2 If a force majeure situation arises, the supplier shall promptly notify the purchaser in writing of such condition and the cause thereof. Unless otherwise directed by the purchaser in writing, the supplier shall continue to perform its obligations under the contract as far as is reasonably practical, and shall seek all reasonable alternative means for performance not prevented by the force majeure event.

### 26. Termination for insolvency

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

### 27. Settlement of Disputes

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

### 28. Limitation of liability

- 28.1 Except in cases of criminal negligence or willful misconduct, and in the case of infringement pursuant to Clause 6;
  - (a) the supplier shall not be liable to the purchaser, whether in contract, tort, or otherwise, for any indirect or consequential loss or damage, loss of use, loss of production, or loss of profits or interest costs, provided that this exclusion shall not apply to any obligation of the supplier to pay penalties and/or damages to the purchaser; and

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

### 29. Governing language

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

### 30. Applicable law

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

#### 31. Notices

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

### 32. Taxes and duties

- 32.1 A foreign supplier shall be entirely responsible for all taxes, stamp duties, license fees, and other such levies imposed outside the purchaser's country.
- 32.2 A local supplier shall be entirely responsible for all taxes, duties, license fees, etc., incurred until delivery of the contracted goods to the purchaser.
- 32.3 No contract shall be concluded with any bidder whose tax matters are not in order. Prior to the award of a bid the Department must be in possession of a tax clearance certificate, submitted by the bidder. This certificate must be an original issued by the South African Revenue Services.

# 33. National 33.1 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.

### 34 Prohibition of Restrictive practices

- In terms of section 4 (1) (b) (iii) of the Competition Act No. 89 of 1998, as amended, an agreement between, or concerted practice by, firms, or a decision by an association of firms, is prohibited if it is between parties in a horizontal relationship and if a bidder (s) is / are or a contractor(s) was / were involved in collusive bidding (or bid rigging).
- 34.2 If a bidder(s) or contractor(s), based on reasonable grounds or evidence obtained by the purchaser, has / have engaged in the restrictive practice referred to above, the purchaser may refer the matter to the Competition Commission for investigation and possible imposition of administrative penalties as contemplated in the Competition Act No. 89 of 1998.

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

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