



EMALAHLENI
LOCAL MUNICIPALITY

ELM 17/2020

**PANEL OF ATTORNEYS / LAW FIRMS AS AND WHEN REQUIRED FOR A PERIOD OF
THIRTY SIX (36) MONTHS**

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*Tender Closing Date: 31 July 2020
Friday at 11:00*

TENDER PRICE	
TOTAL COST (INCL. VAT)	:
AMOUNT IN WORDS	:

Bidder's Details:

Company Name	
Physical Address	
Contact No.	
E-mail Address	
Contact Person	
Central Supplier Database No.	
Company Registration No.	

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EMALAHLENI LOCAL MUNICIPALITY

**PANEL OF ATTORNEYS / LAW FIRMS AS AND WHEN REQUIRED FOR A PERIOD
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T1.1 : TENDER NOTICE AND INVITATION TO TENDER

Tender Notice and Invitation to Tender

TENDER NO.: ELM 17/2020
CLOSING DATE: 31 July 2020

PANEL OF ATTORNEYS / LAW FIRMS AS AND WHEN REQUIRED FOR A PERIOD OF THIRTY SIX (36) MONTHS

Emalahleni Local Municipality hereby invites reputable professionals to submit proposals for the appointment of a panel of attorneys / law firms as and when required for a period of thirty six (36) months.

Tender documents with full specifications will be made available and can be obtained from www.emalahleni.gov.za or www.etenders.gov.za.

A compulsory briefing will not be conducted for this tender in order to prevent the spread of the Covid-19 virus through interactions. Bidders may send electronic mails for any enquiries related to this bid.

The closing time for receipt of tenders is **11:00 on Friday, 31 July 2020**. Telegraphic, telephonic, telex, facsimile, e-mail, unmarked and **late tenders** will under no circumstances be considered and accepted. The tender box will be emptied just after closing time on the closing date. The register for all bids received may be requested thereafter and will furthermore be published on the municipal website.

Any technical enquiries relating to the tender document may be directed to Mr. H Matau at telephone number 013 690 6227 during working hours or e-mails may be sent to matauhm@emalahleni.gov.za. Supply Chain Management Office may also be contacted on (013) 690 6483/6497/6484 or on masangonz@emalahleni.gov.za.

Fully completed tender documents, clearly marked "**Tender No. ELM 17/2020 PANEL OF ATTORNEYS / LAW FIRMS AS AND WHEN REQUIRED FOR A PERIOD OF THIRTY SIX (36) MONTHS**" with "**NAME of TENDERER**" must be placed in a sealed envelope and placed in the **tender box** situated on the **First floor**, Emalahleni Local Municipality, Civic Centre, 29 Mandela Street, eMalahleni 1039 or sent via courier services to the above mentioned address. Couriers documents should be delivered at the first floor, Supply Chain Management Offices at the aforementioned address **by no later than 11h00 on 31 July 2020**. The envelope must be endorsed with number, title and closing date as indicated above.

A preferential point system shall apply whereby a contract will be allocated to a tenderer in accordance with the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act, Act No. 5 of 2000 and as defined in the Conditions of Tender in the tender document, read in conjunction with the Supply Chain Management Policy of Emalahleni Local Municipality where 80 points will be allocated in respect of price and 20 points in respect of B-BBEE Status Level of Contribution.

No awards will be made to a person:

- Who is not registered on the **Central Supplier Database (CSD)**;
- Who is in the service of the state;
- If that person is not a natural person, of which any director, manager, principal shareholder or stakeholder is a person in the service of the state; and/or
- who is an advisor or consultant contracted with the municipality or municipal entity.

The municipality reserves the right to withdraw any invitation to tender and/or to re-advertise or to reject any tender or to accept a part of it. The municipality does not bind itself to accepting the lowest tender or award a contract to the bidder scoring the highest number of points.

Should you not hear from us within 90 days after the closing date, please consider your tender unsuccessful.

T1.2 : TENDER DATA

Wording

The employer is the EMALAHLENI LOCAL MUNICIPALITY.

The tender documents issued by the employer comprise:

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C3 Scope of Work

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The Employer is represented by:

Name: Mr. H Matau

Address: 29 Mandela Street, eMalahleni, 1035

Tel: (013) 690 6227

E-mail: matauhm@emalahleni.gov.za

No alternative tender offer will be considered; however proposals and suggestions are welcomed provided that they clearly state the manner of approach, designs if any, calculations and cost implications.

Parts of each tender offer communicated on paper shall be submitted as an original, plus 0 (nil) copies.

Wording
All documents accompanying this invitation must be completed in detail where applicable, be sealed in an envelope and be deposited in the bid box before the closing date and time. The bid box is situated at Civic Centre, First Floor, Mandela Street, eMalahleni
The Employer's address for delivery of tender offers and identification details to be shown on each tender offer package are: Location of tender box: EMALAHLENI LOCAL MUNICIPALITY Physical address: 29 Mandela Street, eMalahleni, 1035
Duly completed and signed original bid documents should be sealed in an envelope marked: "TENDER NO. ELM 17/2020" PANEL OF ATTORNEYS / LAW FIRMS AS AND WHEN REQUIRED FOR A PERIOD OF THIRTY SIX (36) MONTHS Closing date: 31 July 2020 Closing time: 11:00 Name of bidder: _____
The closing time for submission of tender offers is stated in the Tender Notice/Invitation to Tender
Late bids shall not be accepted. Please note that bids are late if they are not received at the address given in the invitation after the bid closing date and time.
Telephonic, telegraphic, telex, facsimile or e-mailed tender offers will not be accepted.
All bid prices must be quoted in South African currency on a fixed price basis and include VAT.
The tender offer validity period is 90 Days from the closing date.
All relevant documents attached to this bid must be completed and signed in black ink by an authorized representative of the business. The authorized representative of the business is required to initial each page of the bidding document.
The tender shall, when requested by the Employer to do so, submit the names of all management and supervisory staff that will be employed to supervise the labour-intensive portion of the works together with satisfactory evidence that such staff members satisfy the eligibility requirements.
Access shall be provided for the following inspections, tests and analysis: Due to the spatial displacement of the various sites the site clarification meeting shall be conducted at the offices of Emalahleni Local Municipality, whereby a site briefing shall be presented. The Employer shall discuss the scope of works and answer any questions raised.
Tender offers will be opened immediately after the closing time at 11:00 for tenders at the Civic Centre Building of the municipality in the presence of a municipal representative and the tenderers whom wish to attend the session. The tender offer amounts shall be read out publicly and the list of returnable documents shall be stamped by the employer.
The conditions contained in the General Conditions of Contract (GCC) 2010, and the attached bid forms, as well as any other conditions accompanying this invitation are applicable.
The work procedure, the bidder proposes to follow in order to obtain the required result must be clearly outlined and its terms may not conflict with those contained in the General Conditions of Contract.
The Emalahleni Local Municipality reserves the right to accept any bid in whole or in part and does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any bid at all.

Wording

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).

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.

Tender offers will only be accepted on condition that :

- a) the tenderer is registered on the Central Supplier Database (CSD) of the National Treasury;
- b) the tenderer or any of its directors is not listed in the Register of Tender Defaulters in terms of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act of 2004 as a person prohibited from doing business with the public sector; and
- c) the tenderer has not:
 - i) abused the Employer's Supply Chain Management System; or
 - ii) failed to perform on any previous contract and has been given a written notice to this effect; and
- d) has completed the Compulsory Municipal Bidding Documents (MBD) and there are no conflicts of interest which may impact on the tenderer's ability to perform the contract in the best interests of the employer or potentially comprise the tender process.

The number of paper copies of the signed contract to be provided by the Employer is ONE (1).

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PART T2: RETURNABLE DOCUMENTS

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T2.1 : LIST OF RETURNABLE DOCUMENTS

The following documents are to be completed and returned as they constitute the tender. Whilst many of the returnable are required for the purpose of evaluating the tenders, some will form part of the subsequent contract, as they form the basis of the tender offer. For this reason, it is very important that tenderers return **all information requested**.

**1. RETURNABLE SCHEDULES REQUIRED
(included herein for completion)**

Schedule : 1A	MBD 1 - Invitation to Bid
Schedule : 1B	MBD 2 - MBD 2 - Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment (B-BBEE) status level certificates
Schedule : 1C	MBD 4 - Declaration of Interest
Schedule : 1D	MBD 6.1 – Preference Points Claim Form in Terms of the Preferential Procurement Regulations 2017
Schedule : 1E	MBD 8 - Declaration of Bidder's Past Supply Chain Management Practices
Schedule : 1F	MBD 9 - Certificate of Independent Bid Determination
Schedule : 1G	Authority of Signatory
Schedule : 1H	Record of Addenda to Tender Documents
Schedule : 1I	Schedule of Similar Work satisfactorily carried out by the Tenderer
Schedule : 1J	Proposed Amendments and Qualifications
Schedule : 1K	Certified B-BBEE Verification Certificate from a Verification Agency accredited by the South African Accreditation System (SANAS) or a B-BBEE sworn Affidavit (For submission if applicable)

2. OTHER DOCUMENTS REQUIRED FOR TENDER COMPLIANCE PURPOSES

Schedule : 2A	Proof of Authority of Signatory
Schedule : 2B	Municipal water and lights statement or written confirmation that municipal rates and taxes and municipal service charges of the prospective bidder and directors of the business are not in arrears from the relevant municipality for more than 90 days or lease agreement in the case of rental of property
Schedule : 2C	Proof of registration on the Central Suppliers Database (CSD) of the National Treasury

Schedule : 2D Joint Venture Agreement in case of a Joint Venture signed by both parties

3. RETURNABLE SCHEDULES FOR EVALUATION PURPOSES (to be attached with submission)

- Professional Affiliations or Regulatory Body
- Company Information/profile
- Letter of Good Standing from the Legal Practice Council

4. OTHER SCHEDULES AND AFFIDAVITS THAT WILL BE INCORPORATED INTO THE CONTRACT (included hereafter for completion)

C1.1 : The offer portion of the Form of Offer and Acceptance

C1.2 : Standard Conditions of Tender

C2.1: Pricing instructions

C2.2 : Evaluation and Adjudication Criteria

C3.1 Description of the Works

SCHEDULE 1A: MBD 1 - INVITATION TO BID

YOU ARE HEREBY INVITED TO BID FOR REQUIREMENTS OF THE EMALAHLENI LOCAL MUNICIPALITY

BID NUMBER:	ELM 17/2020	CLOSING DATE:	31 July 2020	CLOSING TIME:	11:00
DESCRIPTION	PANEL OF ATTORNEYS / LAW FIRMS AS AND WHEN REQUIRED FOR A PERIOD OF THIRTY SIX (36) MONTHS				

THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER WILL BE REQUIRED TO FILL IN AND SIGN A WRITTEN CONTRACT FORM (MBD7).

BID RESPONSE DOCUMENTS MAY BE DEPOSITED IN THE BID BOX
SITUATED AT

EMALAHLENI LOCAL MUNICIPALITY
CIVIC CENTRE
29 MANDELA STREET
eMALAHLENI

SUPPLIER INFORMATION

NAME OF BIDDER				
POSTAL ADDRESS				
STREET ADDRESS				
TELEPHONE NUMBER	CODE		NUMBER	
CELLPHONE NUMBER				
FACSIMILE NUMBER	CODE		NUMBER	
E-MAIL ADDRESS				
VAT REGISTRATION NUMBER				
TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS	TCS PIN:		OR	CSD No:
B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE [TICK APPLICABLE BOX]	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL SWORN AFFIDAVIT <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	

[A B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE/ SWORN AFFIDAVIT (FOR EMES & QSEs) MUST BE SUBMITTED IN ORDER TO QUALIFY FOR PREFERENCE POINTS FOR B-BBEE]

ARE YOU THE ACCREDITED REPRESENTATIVE IN SOUTH AFRICA FOR THE GOODS /SERVICES /WORKS OFFERED?	<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 PART B:3]
TOTAL NUMBER OF ITEMS OFFERED		TOTAL BID PRICE	R
SIGNATURE OF BIDDER	DATE	
CAPACITY UNDER WHICH THIS BID IS SIGNED			
BIDDING PROCEDURE ENQUIRIES MAY BE DIRECTED TO:		TECHNICAL INFORMATION MAY BE DIRECTED TO:	
DEPARTMENT	SCM	CONTACT PERSON	MR H MATAU
CONTACT PERSON	MS ZINHLE MOROKU	TELEPHONE NUMBER	(013) 690 6227
TELEPHONE NUMBER	(013) 690 6497	FACSIMILE NUMBER	(013) 690 6207
FACSIMILE NUMBER	(013) 690 6207	E-MAIL ADDRESS	matauhm@emalahleni.gov.za
E-MAIL ADDRESS	masangonz@emalahleni.gov.za		

PART B TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR BIDDING

1. BID SUBMISSION:
<p>1.1. BIDS MUST BE DELIVERED BY THE STIPULATED TIME TO THE CORRECT ADDRESS. LATE BIDS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED FOR CONSIDERATION.</p> <p>1.2. ALL BIDS MUST BE SUBMITTED ON THE OFFICIAL FORMS PROVIDED–(NOT TO BE RE-TYPED) OR ONLINE</p> <p>1.3. THIS BID IS SUBJECT TO THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT POLICY FRAMEWORK ACT AND THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS, 2017, THE GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT (GCC) AND, IF APPLICABLE, ANY OTHER SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT.</p>
2. TAX COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS
<p>2.1 BIDDERS MUST ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THEIR TAX OBLIGATIONS.</p> <p>2.2 BIDDERS ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT THEIR UNIQUE PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (PIN) ISSUED BY SARS TO ENABLE THE ORGAN OF STATE TO VIEW THE TAXPAYER'S PROFILE AND TAX STATUS.</p> <p>2.3 APPLICATION FOR THE TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS (TCS) CERTIFICATE OR PIN MAY ALSO BE MADE VIA E-FILING. IN ORDER TO USE THIS PROVISION, TAXPAYERS WILL NEED TO REGISTER WITH SARS AS E-FILERS THROUGH THE WEBSITE WWW.SARS.GOV.ZA.</p> <p>2.4 FOREIGN SUPPLIERS MUST COMPLETE THE PRE-AWARD QUESTIONNAIRE IN PART B:3.</p> <p>2.5 BIDDERS MAY ALSO SUBMIT A PRINTED TCS CERTIFICATE TOGETHER WITH THE BID.</p> <p>2.6 IN BIDS WHERE CONSORTIA / JOINT VENTURES / SUB-CONTRACTORS ARE INVOLVED, EACH PARTY MUST SUBMIT A SEPARATE TCS CERTIFICATE / PIN / CSD NUMBER.</p> <p>2.7 WHERE NO TCS IS AVAILABLE BUT THE BIDDER IS REGISTERED ON THE CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE (CSD), A CSD NUMBER MUST BE PROVIDED.</p>
3. QUESTIONNAIRE TO BIDDING FOREIGN SUPPLIERS
<p>3.1. IS THE ENTITY A RESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA (RSA)? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO</p> <p>3.2. DOES THE ENTITY HAVE A BRANCH IN THE RSA? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO</p> <p>3.3. DOES THE ENTITY HAVE A PERMANENT ESTABLISHMENT IN THE RSA? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO</p> <p>3.4. DOES THE ENTITY HAVE ANY SOURCE OF INCOME IN THE RSA? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO</p> <p>3.5. IS THE ENTITY LIABLE IN THE RSA FOR ANY FORM OF TAXATION? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO</p> <p>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 ABOVE.</p>

**NB: FAILURE TO PROVIDE ANY OF THE ABOVE PARTICULARS MAY RENDER THE BID INVALID.
NO BIDS WILL BE CONSIDERED FROM PERSONS IN THE SERVICE OF THE STATE.**

SIGNATURE OF BIDDER:

CAPACITY UNDER WHICH THIS BID IS SIGNED:

DATE:

SCHEDULE 1B: MBD 2 - BROAD-BASED BLACK ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT (B-BBEE) STATUS LEVEL CERTIFICATES

Bidders are required to submit original and valid B-BBEE Status Level Verification Certificates or B-BBEE Sworn Affidavits or certified copies thereof together with their bids, to substantiate their B-BBEE rating claims.

Bidders who do not submit B-BBEE Status Level Verification Certificates or are noncompliant contributors to B-BBEE do not qualify for preference points for B-BBEE but should not be disqualified from the bidding process. They will score points for out of 90 or 80 for price only and **zero** points out of 10 or 20 for B-BBEE.

SCHEDULE 1C: MBD 4 - DECLARATION OF INTEREST

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

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

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

2.1 Full Name of bidder or his or her representative:

2.2 Identity Number:

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

2.4 Company Registration Number:

2.5 Tax Reference Number:

2.6 VAT Registration Number:

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

¹"State" means –

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

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

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

2.7.1 If so, furnish the following particulars:

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

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

Position occupied in the state institution:.....

Any other particulars:.....

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.....

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

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

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

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

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

2.8.1 If so, furnish particulars:

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

2.9.1 If so, furnish particulars:

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.....

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

2.10.1 If so, furnish particulars.

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2.11 Do you or any of the directors / trustees / shareholders / members of the company have any interest in any other related companies whether or not they are bidding for this contract?

YES/NO

2.11.1 If so, furnish particulars:

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.....

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

Full Name	Identity Number	Personal Tax Reference Number	State Number / Employee Peral Number

4 DECLARATION

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

CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION FURNISHED IN PARAGRAPHS 2 AND 3 ABOVE IS CORRECT.

I ACCEPT THAT THE STATE MAY REJECT THE BID OR ACT AGAINST ME IN TERMS OF PARAGRAPH 23 OF THE GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT SHOULD THIS DECLARATION PROVE TO BE FALSE.

.....
Signature

.....
Date

.....
Position

.....
Name of bidder

SCHEDULE 1D: MBD 6.1 - 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).

1.21.2

- 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.

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:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \mathbf{80/20} & \mathbf{or} & \mathbf{90/10} \\
 P_s = 80 \left(1 - \frac{P_t - P_{\min}}{P_{\min}} \right) & \text{or} & P_s = 90 \left(1 - \frac{P_t - P_{\min}}{P_{\min}} \right)
 \end{array}$$

Where

- P_s = Points scored for price of bid under consideration
- P_t = Price of bid under consideration
- P_{\min} = 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 Contributor	Number of points (90/10 system)	Number of points (80/20 system)
1	10	20
2	9	18
3	6	14
4	5	12
5	4	8
6	3	6
7	2	4
8	1	2
Non-compliant contributor	0	0

5. BID DECLARATION

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

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

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

7. SUB-CONTRACTING

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

(*Tick applicable box*)

YES	<input type="checkbox"/>	NO	<input type="checkbox"/>
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7.1.1 If yes, indicate:

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

(*Tick applicable box*)

YES	<input type="checkbox"/>	NO	<input type="checkbox"/>
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- Specify, by ticking the appropriate box, if subcontracting with an enterprise in terms of Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2017:

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

8. DECLARATION WITH REGARD TO COMPANY/FIRM

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

8.2 VAT registration number:.....

8.3 Company registration number:.....

8.4 TYPE OF COMPANY/ FIRM

- ☐ Partnership/Joint Venture / Consortium
 - ☐ One person business/sole propriety
 - ☐ Close corporation
 - ☐ Company
 - ☐ (Pty) Limited
- [TICK APPLICABLE BOX]

8.5 DESCRIBE PRINCIPAL BUSINESS ACTIVITIES

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8.6 COMPANY CLASSIFICATION

- ☐ Manufacturer
 - ☐ Supplier
 - ☐ Construction service provider
 - ☐ Other service providers, e.g. transporter, etc.
- [TICK APPLICABLE BOX]

8.7 MUNICIPAL INFORMATION

Municipality where business is situated:

Registered Account Number:

Stand Number:.....

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

8.9 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-BBEE status level of contributor indicated in

paragraphs 1.4 and 6.1 of the foregoing certificate, qualifies the company/ firm for the preference(s) shown and I / we acknowledge that:

- i) The information furnished is true and correct;
- ii) The preference points claimed are in accordance with the General Conditions as indicated in paragraph 1 of this form;
- iii) In the event of a contract being awarded as a result of points claimed as shown in paragraphs 1.4 and 6.1, the contractor may be required to furnish documentary proof to the satisfaction of the purchaser that the claims are correct;
- iv) If the B-BBEE status level of contributor has been claimed or obtained on a fraudulent basis or any of the conditions of contract have not been fulfilled, the purchaser may, in addition to any other remedy it may have –
 - (a) disqualify the person from the bidding process;
 - (b) recover costs, losses or damages it has incurred or suffered as a result of that person's conduct;
 - (c) cancel the contract and claim any damages which it has suffered as a result of having to make less favourable arrangements due to such cancellation;
 - (d) recommend that the bidder or contractor, its shareholders and directors, or only the shareholders and directors who acted on a fraudulent basis, be restricted by the National Treasury from obtaining business from any organ of state for a period not exceeding 10 years, after the *audi alteram partem* (hear the other side) rule has been applied; and
 - (e) forward the matter for criminal prosecution.

WITNESSES

1.

2.

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SIGNATURE(S) OF BIDDERS(S)

DATE:

ADDRESS:.....

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SCHEDULE 1E: MBD 8 - DECLARATION OF BIDDER'S PAST SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

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

Item	Question	Yes	No
4.1	Is the bidder or any of its directors listed on the National Treasury's database as companies or persons prohibited from doing business with the public sector? (Companies or persons who are listed on this database were informed in writing of this restriction by the National Treasury after the <i>audi alteram partem</i> rule was applied).	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
4.1.1	If so, furnish particulars:		
4.2	Is the bidder or any of its directors listed on the Register for Tender Defaulters in terms of section 29 of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act (No 12 of 2004)? To access this Register enter the National Treasury's website, www.treasury.gov.za, click on the icon "Register for Tender Defaulters" or submit your written request for a hard copy of the Register to facsimile number (012) 3265445.	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
4.2.1	If so, furnish particulars:		
4.3	Was the bidder or any of its directors convicted by a court of law (including a court outside of the Republic of South Africa) for fraud or corruption during the past five years?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
4.3.1	If so, furnish particulars:		
4.4	Was any contract between the bidder and any organ of state terminated during the past five years on account of failure to perform on or comply with the contract?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
4.4.1	If so, furnish particulars:		

CERTIFICATION

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

CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION FURNISHED ON THIS DECLARATION FORM IS TRUE AND CORRECT.

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

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Signature

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Date

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Position

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Name of Bidder

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

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

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

CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT BID DETERMINATION

I, the undersigned, in submitting the accompanying bid:

(Bid Number and Description)

in response to the invitation for the bid made by:

(Name of Institution)

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

I certify, on behalf of: _____ that:

(Name of Bidder)

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

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

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

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

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Signature

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Date

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Position

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Name of Bidder

SCHEDULE 1G: AUTHORITY OF SIGNATORY

Indicate the status of the tenderer by ticking the appropriate box hereunder. The tenderer must complete the certificate set out below for the relevant category.

A Company	B Partnership	C Joint Venture	D Sole Proprietor	E Close Corporation

A. Certificate for Company

I,, chairperson of the board of directors of

....., hereby confirm that by resolution of the board **(copy attached)** taken on 20..., Mr./Ms. acting in the capacity of....., was authorized to sign all documents in connection with this tender for contract..... and any contract resulting from it on behalf of the company.

As witnesses :

- | | | | |
|----|--|------------|--|
| 1. | | Chairman : | |
| 2. | | Date : | |

Tenderers must attach a copy of the Resolution of the Board.

B. Certificate for Partnership

We, the undersigned, being the key partners in the business trading as hereby authorize Mr. / Ms. , acting in the capacity ofto sign all documents in connection with the tender for Contractand any contract resulting from it on our behalf.

NAME	ADDRESS	SIGNATURE	DATE

NOTE : This certificate is to be completed and signed by all of the key partners upon whom rests the direction of the affairs of the Partnership as a whole

C. Certificate for Joint Venture

We, the undersigned, are submitting this tender offer in Joint Venture and hereby authorise Mr/Ms.

..... , authorised signatory of the company
..... , acting in the capacity of lead partner, to sign all documents in connection with the tender offer for Contract..... and any contract resulting from it on our behalf.

This authorization is evidenced by the attached power of attorney signed by legally authorized signatories of all the partners to the Joint Venture.

NAME OF FIRM	ADDRESS	AUTHORISING SIGNATURE, NAME & CAPACITY
Lead partner		

D. Certificate for Sole Proprietor

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

As witnesses:

1. : Signature
Sole owner :
2. : Date :

E. Certificate for Close Corporation

We, the undersigned, being the key members in the business trading as
..... hereby authorize Mr./Ms.
acting in the capacity of , to sign all documents in connection with the tender for Contract and any contract resulting from it on our behalf.

NAME	ADDRESS	SIGNATURE	DATE

CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY FOR JOINT VENTURES (if applicable)
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This returnable schedule is to be completed by joint ventures.
 We, the undersigned, are submitting this tender offer in joint venture and hereby authorize Mr/Ms
, authorised signatory of the company, close corporation or partnership
, acting in the capacity of lead partner, to sign all documents in
 connection with the tender offer and any contract resulting from it on our behalf.

NAME OF FIRM	ADDRESS	DULY AUTHORISED SIGNATORY
Lead partner		Signature Name Designation
		Signature Name Designation
		Signature Name Designation

NOTE: A copy of the Joint Venture Agreement showing clearly the **percentage contribution of each partner** to the Joint Venture shall be appended to this schedule.

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SCHEDULE 1H: RECORD OF ADDENDA TO TENDER DOCUMENTS

We confirm that the following communications received from the Employer before the submission of this tender offer, amending the tender documents, have been taken into account in this tender offer :
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No.	Date	Title or Details
1.		
2.		
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10.		

Attach additional pages if more space is required.

Signed Date

Name Position

Tenderer

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SCHEDULE 1I: SCHEDULE OF WORK SATISFACTORILY
CARRIED OUT BY THE TENDERER

The following is a statement of similar work successfully executed by myself/ourselves:

Employer, contact person and telephone number	Description of Contract	Value of Work Inclusive of VAT (Rand)	Date Completed

Signed

Date

Name

Position

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SCHEDULE 1J: PROPOSED AMENDMENTS AND QUALIFICATIONS

The Tenderer should record any deviations or qualifications he may wish to make to the tender documents in this Returnable Schedule. Alternatively, a tenderer may state such deviations and qualifications in a covering letter to his tender and reference such letter in this schedule.

Page	Clause or Item	Proposal

Signed

Date

Name

Position

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SCHEDULE 1K: BROAD-BASED BLACK ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT (B-BBEE) STATUS LEVEL CERTIFICATES

The tenderer must attach to this page a Certified B-BBEE Verification Certificate from a Verification Agency accredited by the South African Accreditation System (SANAS) or a B-BBEE sworn Affidavit (if applicable).

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SCHEDULE 2A: PROOF OF AUTHORITY OF SIGNATORY

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SCHEDULE 2B: MUNICIPAL RATES AND TAXES

Section 38 (d) (i) of Municipal Supply Chain Regulations requires that the municipality must reject a bidder whose municipal rates and taxes are in arrears for more than three months.

The purpose of this schedule is to obtain proof that municipal services, rates and taxes of the service provider are not in arrears for more than three months, with the relevant municipality / landlord in the municipal area where the service provider conduct his / her business.

The tenderer must attach to this page proof of registration with the Municipalities (local and/or district) as a payer of municipal levies and valid proof that municipal rates and taxes and municipal service charges of the prospective bidder and directors of the business are not in arrears from the relevant municipality for more than 90 days and complete the **Clearance Certificate for Water & Lights** below, attach a lease agreement in the case of rental of the property or proof of residence from Recognised Council or Tribal Authority for bidders that reside in non-billed municipal area or jurisdiction .

CLEARANCE CERTIFICATE FOR WATER & LIGHTS

Section 38(d) (i) of Municipal Supply Chain Regulations requires that the municipality must reject a bidder whose municipal rates and taxes are in arrears for more than three months.

The purpose of this schedule is to obtain proof that municipal services, rates and taxes of the service provider are not in arrears for more than three months, with the relevant municipality / landlord in the municipal area where the service provider conducts his / her business.

Each bidder must complete the below checklist. Important: if you fail to complete this form, the bid will be non-responsive. (Please tick with X where appropriate):

QUESTIONS		YES	NO
1.	Is your municipal rates and taxes account up to date / current (not in arrears for more than three months)?		
2.	If yes, provide the following details:		
2.1	▪ Municipality name		
2.2	▪ Municipal account number		
3.	If yes, please attach proof in the form of the original or certified copy of the bidder's and all director's municipal rates and taxes account not older than 3 months		
4.	Does the bidder lease / rent the property where the business is situated?		
5	If yes, provide the following details:		
5.1	▪ Landlord name		
5.2	▪ Address property is situated		
5.3	▪ Contact number of landlord		
6.	Please attach the copy of the lease agreement signed by the landlord / lessor and the tenant / lessee as proof		
I, (Insert full name)			
of (insert physical address)			
being a Director, Principal Shareholder, owner of company (Insert company name)			
Hereby confirms that, the information submitted in this form is accurate, to the best of my knowledge			
SIGNATURE			

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SCHEDULE 2C: CSD REGISTRATION

The tenderer must attach to this page proof of registration on the Central Suppliers Database (CSD) of the National Treasury.

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SCHEDULE 2D: JOINT VENTURE AGREEMENT

The tenderer must attach to this page proof of Joint Venture Agreement in case of a Joint Venture signed by both parties.

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PART C1: AGREEMENT AND STANDARD CONDITIONS OF TENDER

C1.1 Form of Acceptance

C1.2 Standard Conditions of Tender

1. FORM OF ACCEPTANCE

By signing this part of this form of offer and acceptance, the employer identified below accepts the tenderer's offer. In consideration thereof, the employer shall pay the contractor the amount due in accordance with the conditions of contract identified in the contract data. Acceptance of the tenderer's offer shall form an agreement between the employer and the tenderer upon the terms and conditions contained in this agreement and in the contract that is the subject of this agreement.

The terms of the contract are contained in

Part C1 : Agreements and conditions of tender (which includes this agreement)

Part C2 : Pricing data

Part C3 : Scope of work

and drawings and documents or parts thereof, which may be incorporated by reference into Parts C1 to C3 above.

Deviations from and amendments to the documents listed in the tender data and any addenda thereto, as listed in the tender schedules as well as any changes to the terms of the offer agreed by the tenderer and the employer during this process of offer and acceptance, are contained in the schedule of deviations attached to and forming part of this agreement. No amendments to or deviations from said documents are valid unless contained in this schedule.

The tenderer shall, within two weeks after receiving a completed copy of this agreement including the schedule of deviation (if any), contact the employer's agent (whose details are given in the contract data) to arrange the delivery of any bonds, guarantees, proof insurance and any other documentation to be provided in terms of the conditions of contract identified in the contract data. Failure to fulfil any of the obligations in accordance with those terms shall constitute a repudiation of this agreement.

Notwithstanding anything contained herein, this agreement comes into effect on the date when the tenderer receives one fully completed original copy of this document, including the schedule of deviations (if any). Unless the tenderer (now contractor), within seven (7) working days of the date of such receipt, notifies the employer in writing of any reason why he cannot accept the contents of this agreement, this agreement shall constitute a binding contract between the parties.

Signature(s)

Name(s)

Capacity

for the **Employer**
(Name and address of organization)

Name and signature
of witness Date

C 1.2: Standard Conditions of Tender

1 GENERAL

1.1 Actions

1.1.1 The employer and each tenderer submitting a tender offer shall comply with these conditions of tender. In their dealings with each other, they shall discharge their duties and obligations timeously and with integrity, and behave equitably, honestly and transparently, comply with all legal obligations and not engage in anticompetitive practices.

1.1.2 The employer and the tenderer and all their agents and employees involved in the tender process shall avoid conflicts of interest and where a conflict of interest is perceived or known, declare any such conflict of interest, indicating the nature of such conflict. Tenderers shall declare any potential conflict of interest in their tender submissions. Employees, agents and advisors of the employer shall declare any conflict of interest to whoever is responsible for overseeing the procurement process at the start of any deliberations relating to the procurement process or as soon as they become aware of such conflict, and abstain from any decisions where such conflict exists or recuse themselves from the procurement process, as appropriate.

Note:

- a) A conflict of interest may arise due to a conflict of roles which might provide an incentive for improper acts in some circumstances. A conflict of interest can create an appearance of impropriety that can undermine confidence in the ability of that person to act properly in his or her position even if no improper acts result.
- b) Conflicts of interest in respect of those engaged in the procurement process include direct, indirect or family interests in the tender or outcome of the procurement process and any personal bias, inclination, obligation, allegiance or loyalty which would in any way affect any decisions taken.

1.1.3 The employer shall not seek and a tenderer shall not submit a tender without having a firm intention and the capacity to proceed with the contract

1.2 Tender documents

The documents issued by the employer for the purpose of a tender offer are listed in the tender data.

1.3 Interpretation

1.3.1 The tender data and additional requirements contained in the tender schedules that are included in the returnable documents are deemed to be part of these conditions of tender.

1.3.2 These conditions of tender, the tender data and tender schedules which are only required for tender evaluation purposes, shall not form part of any contract arising from the invitation to tender.

1.3.3 For the purposes of these conditions of tender, the following definitions apply:

- a) **conflict of interest** means any situation in which:
 - i) someone in a position of trust has competing professional or personal interests which make it difficult to fulfill his or her duties impartially;
 - ii) an individual or organization is in a position to exploit a professional or official capacity in some way for their personal or corporate benefit; or
 - iii) Incompatibility or contradictory interests exist between an employee and the organization which employs that employee.
- b) **comparative offer** means the tenderer's financial offer after all tendered parameters that will affect the value of the financial offer have been taken into consideration in order to enable comparisons to be made between offers on a comparative basis
- c) **corrupt practice** means the offering, giving, receiving or soliciting of anything of value to influence the action of the employer or his staff or agents in the tender process; and
- d) **fraudulent practice** means the misrepresentation of the facts in order to influence the tender process or the award of a contract arising from a tender offer to the detriment of the employer, including collusive practices intended to establish prices at artificial levels
- e) **organization** means a company, firm, enterprise, association or other legal entity, whether incorporated or not, or a public body
- f) **quality (functionality)** means the totality of features and characteristics of a product or service that bear on its ability to satisfy stated or implied needs

1.4 Communication and employer's agent

Each communication between the employer and a tenderer shall be to or from the employer's agent only, and in a form that can be read, copied and recorded. Writing shall be in the English language. The employer shall not take any responsibility for non-receipt of communications from or by a tenderer. The name and contact details of the employer's agent are stated in the tender data.

1.5 The employer's right to accept or reject any tender offer

1.5.1 The employer may accept or reject any variation, deviation, tender offer, or alternative tender offer, and may cancel the tender process and reject all tender offers at any time before the formation of a contract. The employer shall not accept or incur any liability to a tenderer for such cancellation and rejection, but will give written reasons for such action upon written request to do so.

- 1.5.2 The employer may not subsequent to the cancellation or abandonment of a tender process or the rejection of all responsive tender offers re-issue a tender covering substantially the same scope of work within a period of three months unless only one tender was received and such tender was returned unopened to the tenderer.

1.6 Procurement procedures

1.6.1 General

Unless otherwise stated in the tender data, a contract will be concluded with the tenderer who is the highest ranked or the tenderer scoring the highest number of tender evaluation points, as relevant, based on the tender submissions that are received at the closing time for tenders.

1.6.2 Competitive negotiation procedure

- 1.6.2.1 Where the tender data require that the competitive negotiation procedure is to be followed, tenderers shall submit tender offers in response to the proposed contract in the first round of submissions.
- 1.6.2.2 All responsive tenderers, or not less than three responsive tenderers that are highest ranked in terms of the evaluation method and evaluation criteria stated in the tender data, shall be invited in each round to enter into competitive negotiations, based on the principle of equal treatment and keeping confidential the proposed solutions and associated information. Notwithstanding, the employer may request that tenders be clarified, specified and fine-tuned in order to improve a tenderer's competitive position provided that such clarification, specification, fine-tuning or additional information does not alter any fundamental aspects of the offers or impose substantial new requirements which restrict or distort competition or have a discriminatory effect.
- 1.6.2.3 At the conclusion of each round of negotiations, tenderers shall be invited by the employer to make a fresh tender offer, based on the same evaluation criteria, with or without adjusted weightings. Tenderers shall be advised when they are to submit their best and final offer.
- 1.6.2.4 The contract shall be awarded in accordance with the provisions of the General Conditions of Contract after tenderers have been requested to submit their best and final offer.

2 TENDERER'S OBLIGATIONS

2.1 Eligibility

- 2.1.1 Submit a tender offer only if the tenderer satisfies the criteria stated in the tender data and the tenderer, or any of his principals, is not under any restriction to do business with employer.
- 2.1.2 Submit a tender offer only if the tenderer satisfies that the minimum score for functionality criteria will be met.
- 2.1.3 Notify the employer of any proposed material change in the capabilities or formation of the tendering entity (or both) or any other criteria which formed part of the qualifying requirements used by the employer as the basis in a prior process to invite the tenderer to submit a tender offer and obtain the employer's written approval to do so prior to the closing time for tenders.

2.2 Cost of tendering

Accept that, unless otherwise stated in the tender data, the employer will not compensate the tenderer for any costs incurred in the preparation and submission of a tender offer, including the costs of any testing necessary to demonstrate that aspects of the offer complies with requirements.

2.3 Check documents

Check the tender documents on receipt for completeness and notify the employer of any discrepancy or omission.

2.4 Confidentiality and copyright of documents

Treat as confidential all matters arising in connection with the tender. Use and copy the documents issued by the employer only for the purpose of preparing and submitting a tender offer in response to the invitation.

2.5 Reference documents

Obtain, as necessary for submitting a tender offer, copies of the latest versions of standards, specifications, conditions of contract and other publications, which are not attached but which are incorporated into the tender documents by reference.

2.6 Acknowledge addenda

Acknowledge receipt of addenda to the tender documents, which the employer may issue, and if necessary apply for an extension to the closing time stated in the tender data, in order to take the addenda into account.

2.7 Clarification meeting

Attend, where required, a clarification meeting at which tenderers may familiarize themselves with aspects of the proposed work, services or supply and raise

questions. Details of the meeting(s) are stated in the tender data.

2.8 Seek clarification

Request clarification of the tender documents, if necessary, by notifying the employer at least five working days before the closing time stated in the tender data.

2.9 Insurance

Be aware that the extent of insurance to be provided by the employer (if any) may not be for the full cover required in terms of the conditions of contract identified in the contract data. The tenderer is advised to seek qualified advice regarding insurance.

2.10 Pricing the tender offer

2.10.1 Include in the rates, prices, and the tendered total of the prices (if any) all duties, taxes (except Value Added Tax (VAT)), and other levies payable by the successful tenderer, such duties, taxes and levies being those applicable 14 days before the closing time stated in the tender data.

2.10.2 Show VAT payable by the employer separately as an addition to the tendered total of the prices.

2.10.3 Provide rates and prices that are fixed for the duration of the contract and not subject to adjustment except as provided for in the conditions of contract identified in the contract data.

2.10.4 State the rates and prices in Rand unless instructed otherwise in the tender data. The conditions of contract identified in the contract data may provide for part payment in other currencies.

2.11 Alterations to documents

Not make any alterations or additions to the tender documents, except to comply with instructions issued by the employer, or necessary to correct errors made by the tenderer. All signatories to the tender offer shall initial all such alterations. Erasures and the use of masking fluid are prohibited.

2.13 Submitting a tender offer

2.13.1 Submit one tender offer only, either as a single tendering entity or as a member in a joint venture to provide the whole of the works, services or supply identified in the contract data and described in the scope of works, unless stated otherwise in the tender data.

2.13.2 Return all returnable documents to the employer after completing them in their entirety, either electronically (if they were issued in electronic format) or by writing legibly in non-erasable ink.

- 2.13.3 Submit the parts of the tender offer communicated on paper as an original plus the number of copies stated in the tender data, with an English translation of any documentation in a language other than English, and the parts communicated electronically in the same format as they were issued by the employer.
- 2.13.4 Sign the original and all copies of the tender offer where required In terms of the tender data. The employer will hold all authorized signatories liable on behalf of the tenderer. Signatories for tenderers proposing to contract as joint ventures shall state which of the signatories shall be the lead partner whom the employer shall hold liable for the purpose of the tender offer.
- 2.13.5 Seal the original and each copy of the tender offer as separate packages marking the packages as "ORIGINAL" and "COPY". Each package shall state on the outside the employer's address and identification details stated in the tender data, as well as the tenderer's name and contact address.
- 2.13.6 Seal the original tender offer and copy packages together in an outer package that states on the outside only the employer's address and identification details as stated in the tender data.
- 2.13.7 Accept that the employer will not assume any responsibility for the misplacement or premature opening of the tender offer if the outer package is not sealed and marked as stated.
- 2.13.8 Accept that tender offers submitted by facsimile or e-mail will be rejected by the employer, unless stated otherwise in the tender data.

2.14 Information and data to be completed in all respects

Accept that tender offers, which do not provide all the data or information requested completely and in the form required, may be regarded by the employer as non-responsive.

2.15 Closing time

- 2.15.1 Ensure that the employer receives the tender offer at the address specified in the tender data not later than the closing time stated in the tender data. Accept that proof of posting shall not be accepted as proof of delivery
- 2.15.2 Accept that, if the employer extends the closing time stated in the tender data for any reason, the requirements of these conditions of tender apply equally to the extended deadline.

2.16 Tender offer validity

- 2.16.1 Hold the tender offer(s) valid for acceptance by the employer at any time during the validity period (**not less than 90 days**) stated in the tender data after the closing time stated in the tender data.
- 2.16.2 If requested by the employer, consider extending the validity period stated in the tender data for an agreed additional period with or without any conditions attached to such extension.

- 2.16.3 Accept that a tender submission that has been submitted to the employer may only be withdrawn or substituted by giving the employer's agent written notice before the closing time for tenders that a tender is to be withdrawn or substituted.
- 2.16.4 Where a tender submission is to be substituted, submit a substitute tender in accordance with the requirements of **clause 2.13** with the packages clearly marked as "SUBSTITUTE".

2.17 Clarification of tender offer after submission

- 2.17.1 Provide clarification of a tender offer in response to a request to do so from the employer during the evaluation of tender offers. This may include providing a breakdown of rates or prices and correction of arithmetical errors by the adjustment of certain rates or item prices (or both). No change in the competitive position of tenderers or substance of the tender offer is sought, offered, or permitted.

Note:

Clause 2.17.1 does not preclude the negotiation of the final terms of the contract with a preferred tenderer following a competitive selection process, should the employer elect to do so.

2.18 Provide other material

- 2.18.1 Provide, on request by the employer, any other material that has a bearing on the tender offer, the tenderer's commercial position (including notarized joint venture agreements), preferencing arrangements, or samples of materials, considered necessary by the employer for the purpose of a full and fair risk assessment. Should the tenderer not provide the material, or a satisfactory reason as to why it cannot be provided, by the time for submission stated in the employer's request, the employer may regard the tender offer as non-responsive.
- 2.18.2 Dispose of samples of materials provided for evaluation by the employer, where required.

2.19 Inspections, tests and analysis

Provide access during working hours to premises for inspections, tests and analysis as provided for in the tender data.

2.20 Submit securities, bonds, policies etc.

If requested, submit for the employer's acceptance before formation of the contract, all securities, bonds, guarantees, policies and certificates of insurance required in terms of the conditions of contract identified in the contract data.

2.21 Check final draft

Check the final draft of the contract provided by the employer within the time available for the employer to issue the contract.

2.22 Return of other tender documents

If so instructed by the employer, return all retained tender documents within 28 days after the expiry of the validity period stated in the tender data.

2.23 Certificates

Include in the tender submission or provide the employer with any certificates as stated in the tender data

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PART C2: PRICING DATA

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C 2.1 PRICING INSTRUCTIONS

1. General

The pricing instructions describe the criteria and assumptions which will be assumed in the contract that the Tenderer has taken into account when developing his prices. The bills of quantities record the contractor's rates for providing supplies, services, engineering and construction works in accordance with the scope of work.

The terms of payment and the provisions for price adjustment, if applicable, are established in the contract data. These items are not described in the pricing data.

2. Documents mutually explanatory

The documents forming the Contract are to be taken as mutually explanatory of one another. The bill of quantities forms an integral part of the contract documents and shall be read in conjunction with the tender data, contract data, and scope of work, site information general and special conditions of contract, the specifications and the drawings.

3. Definitions

For the purpose of this bill of quantities, the following words shall have the meanings hereby assigned to them:

Unit	The unit of measurement for each item of work as defined in the scope of work and site information
Quantity	The number of units of work for each item.
Rate	The payment per unit of measurement at which the contractor contracts to do the work.
Amount	The product of the quantity and the rate tendered for an item.
Sum	An amount contracted for an item, the extent of which is described in the bill of quantities, the specifications or elsewhere but the quantity of work of which is not measured in any units.

4. Descriptions

Descriptions in the bill of quantities are abbreviated and comply generally with those in the standardised specifications. The standardised specification, read together with the relevant clauses of the scope of work, set out what ancillary or associated activities are included in the rates for the operations specified. Should any requirements of the measurement and payment clause of the applicable standardised specification, or the scope of work, conflict with the terms of the bill, the requirements of the standardised specification or scope of work, as applicable, shall prevail.

5. References

The clauses in a specification in which further information regarding the schedule item can be obtained appear under "reference clause" in the bill. The reference clauses indicated are not necessarily the only sources of information in respect of scheduled items. Further information and specifications may be found elsewhere in the contract documents.

6. Units of measurement

The units of measurement indicated in the bill of quantities are metric units.

The following abbreviations are used in the bill of quantities:

%	per cent
h	hour
ha	hectare
kg	kilogram
kl	kilolitre
km	kilometre
km-pass	kilometre-pass
kW	kilowatt
l	litre
m	metre
mm	millimetre
MN	mega newton
MN-m	mega newton-metre
MPa	mega Pascal
m ²	square metre
m ³	cubic metre
m ³ -km	cubic metre-kilometre
m ² -pass	square metre-pass
no	number
PC sum	Prime Cost sum
Prov Sum	Provisional Sum
sum	lump sum
t	ton (1 000 kg)

7. Net measurements

Unless otherwise stated, items are measured net in accordance with the drawings, and no allowance is made for off-cuts and waste.

8. Quantities

The quantities set out in the bill of quantities are the estimated quantities of the contract works, but the contractor will be required to undertake whatever quantities may be directed by the employer from time to time. The contract price for the completed contract shall be computed from the actual quantities of work accepted and certified for payment.

9. Currency

All rates and sums of money quoted in the bill of quantities shall be in Rand and whole cents. Fractions of a cent shall be discounted.

10. Value Added Tax

Value Added Tax shall be excluded from the rates and sums contracted for the various items of work included in the bill of quantities. VAT will be added as a single entry to the summary.

11. Rates and prices

11.1 General

- a) The contractor must price each item in the bill of quantities in **BLACK INK**. Reproduced computer printouts of the bills of quantities will not be acceptable.
- b) The rates and prices to be inserted in the bill of quantities shall cover all the services and incidentals for the work described under the several items. Such prices and rates shall cover all costs and expenses that may be required in and for the execution of the work described, and shall cover the cost of all general risks, liabilities and obligations set forth or implied in the documents on which the tender is based, as well as overhead charges and profit. Reasonable prices shall be inserted as these will be used as a basis for assessment of payment for additional work that may have to be carried out.
- c) A price or rate is to be entered against each item in the bill of quantities, whether the quantities are stated or not. An item against which no price is entered will be considered to be covered by the other prices or rates in the bill. The contractor will not be paid for items against which no rate or lump sum has been entered in the bill of quantities.
- d) Should the contractor indicate against any item that compensation for such item is included in another item, the rate for the item included in another item shall be deemed nil.
- e) **ALL SUCCESSFUL BIDDERS PRICES SHALL BE ADDED AND AN AVERAGE OF ALL SHALL CONSTITUTE THE FINAL RATE ON THAT SPECIFIC ITEM**

11.2 "Rate only" items

The contractor shall fill in a rate (in the rate column) against all items where the words "rate only" appear in the amount column, which rate will constitute payment for work which may be done in terms of this item. Such "rate-only" items are used where it is estimated that little or no work will be required under the item or where the item is to be considered as an alternative to another item for which a quantity is given.

11.3 Arithmetic

Excepting where sum amounts are required or where provisional sums have been indicated, the contractor shall enter an applicable rate in the rate column of the bill of quantities for each scheduled item. He shall also enter an appropriate sum in the Amount column for each scheduled item, by determining in the applicable line item the product of the quantity and the unit rate.

If there is an error in the line item resulting from the product of the unit rate and the quantity, the rate shall be binding and the error of extension as entered in the tender offer will be corrected by the employer in determining the contract price.

Where there is an error in addition, either as a result of other corrections required by this checking process or in the tenderer's addition of prices, such error will be corrected by the employer in determining the contract price.

12. Variation in text

No alteration, erasure or addition is to be made in the text of the bill of quantities. Should any alteration, erasure or addition be made, it will not be recognized; the original wording of the bill of quantities will be adhered to.

PART C2 PRICING DATA

C2.1 Pricing Instructions

- Proposals shall include the following:
 - Once the Municipality has appointed experts to its panel, service level agreement must be entered in accordance with tariffs on attorneys and own client scale as per legal practice council.
 - ❖ Fees and disbursement on attorneys and own client scale in accordance with legal practice council will be negotiated and agreed upon by the parties prior to conclusion of the specific Service from time to time;
 - ❖ In unique circumstances dependent on the nature of a particular Service, billing rates and disbursements rates shall be negotiated and agreed upon at the outset of a specific Service Request;
 - ❖ The Firm acknowledges that amount of work, if any that will be instructed to attend will be to the discretion of the municipality *inter alia* as follows ;
 - ❖ The Municipality will only pay fees and disbursements on attorneys and own client scale, in accordance with tariffs approved by the legal practice council and in addition if the advocate have been engaged on his /or her scale applicable in their practice of work .
 - ❖ The fees and disbursement notes submitted shall be in itemized form and clearly indicating the actual work done and applicable tariffs.
 - ❖ The firm may submit interim bills to the Municipality at appropriate intervals during the course of each matter as appropriate and generally at the time when a particular phase of the matter has been completed;
 - ❖ Debt collection will be charged in terms of percentage as per fees and disbursement tariff structure of legal practice council.
 - ❖ The Firm or attorneys or Advocates overcharging contrary to the fee structure as set out in accordance with Legal Practice Council will be reported.
 - ❖ The conveyancers will be entitled to charge fees as guided in terms of the fees and disbursement governed.

- ❖ The firm shall promptly advise the Municipality of any award of costs against it or in its favour in any matter;
- ❖ The Municipality shall exercise its best endeavours to settle any invoices sent to it by the firm within 30 days of receipt of same depending on the financial health of the municipality.
- ❖ In the event that Municipality asks your firm to cease work in relation to any matter, the firm will be entitled to payment of the reasonable fees up to the cessation of work on the matter.

C2.2 Evaluation and Adjudication Criteria

Proposals documents will be evaluated in three phases. The evaluation criteria for the assessment of the proposals will be on mandatory returnable documents, functionality and financial aspects.

In the first phase:

Bids will be evaluated on mandatory returnable documents as listed and required in the document.

In the second phase:

Proposals will be evaluated according to the functionality criteria indicated apart from those laid down in the preferential procurement regulations, 2017 pertaining to the preferential procurement policy framework Act 5 of 2000. Bidders are expected to score a minimum of **60 functionality points or 50%** to be considered for further evaluation (Stage 3):

Criteria	Guidelines for criteria application	Value	Weight	Max. Value	Max. Score
Company Experience/Reference The bidder has necessary Experience (reference letters) in Public Sector. Proof of appointment / Reference letters from clients in in Public Sector	- 6 or more appointment letters in Public Sector / Signed and contactable References from clients in Public Sector	5	5	5	25
	- 4 – 5 appointment letters in Public Sector / Signed and contactable References from clients in Public Sector	4			
	- 1 - 3 appointment letters in Public Sector / Signed and contactable References from clients in Public Sector	3			
	- No appointment letter in Public Sector / Signed and contactable Reference from clients in Public Sector	0			
Key Personnel Relevant Certified copies of Qualifications (specified fields or areas of Law) and CVs of Key Personnel or Project Team Leaders <i>*Certified copies not older than three months from tender closing date</i>	- 6 or more Qualified Personnel with CVs	5	5	5	25
	- 3 – 5 Qualified Personnel with CVs	3			
	- 1 – 2 Qualified Personnel with CVs	2			

Locality of the Service Provider : <i>-Service providers need to furnish valid proof of locality of offices</i>	- Within Jurisdiction of Emalahleni Local Municipality	5			
	- Within Nkangala District Municipality	4	2	5	10
	- Within Mpumalanga Province				
	- Outside Mpumalanga Province	3			
		1			
Proof of Service Provider's banking details <i>(not older than three months from tender closing date)</i>	- Bidder to furnish bank stamped bank rating	5	1	5	5
Company profile: <i>Description of the management and personnel structure of the firm detailing the number and identity of partners, associates, assistants and law clerks</i>	- Bidder to provide a detailed company profile including clear organogram or company structure	5	3	5	15
Methodology	- Bidder to attach a Detailed methodology / approach statement not more than two (02) pages: 5 = Excellent; 4 = Good; 3 = Fair / average; 1 = poor; 0 = None submitted	5	4	4	20
TOTAL POINTS ON FUNCTIONALITY					100

In the third phase (Stage 3):

Scoring financial offer:

- 80 where the financial value inclusive of VAT of one or more responsive tender offers equals or is above R30 000 and up to R50 000 000.

Scoring preferences:

The BBBEE balanced scorecard

BBBEE score: <u>W=80</u>	<u>W1=90</u>
20(MAX)	10(MAX)

Bidders are required to submit original and valid B-BBEE status level verifications certificates or certified copies thereof together with their bids, so substantiate their B-BBEE rating claims as stipulated in the revised preferential procurement regulations of 2017.

A bidder who scores the highest overall points will be considered for tender award.

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PART C3: SCOPE OF WORKS

C3.1 SCOPE OF WORKS

C3.1 Description of Works

BID SPECIFICATIONS:

Mark with X on your specialized area

1.	Magistrate Court, High Court, Appellate court litigation		
2.	Property law, Spatial Planning and Conveyancing.		
3.	Opinion and Public sector work		
4.	Legislative Drafting		
5.	Labour law		
6.	Debt Collection		

The capacity of a firm, in terms of technical expertise, skills, experience and other resources will play a role in the allocation of work. The municipality may award a firm an appointment in specialized areas

TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THE APPLICATION OF ADMISSION FOR APPOINTMENT FOR PANEL OF ATTORNEYS/LAW FIRMS FOR EMALAHLENI LOCAL MUNICIPALITY AS AND WHEN REQUIRED: PERIOD: 36 MONTHS

Emalahleni Local Municipality ("the Municipality") invites proposals from experienced Firms in response to this Request for Proposals ("RFP") to provide various legal services to the Municipality.

Emalahleni Local Municipality will not provide reimbursement for any expenses incurred in connection with this RFP, including the costs of preparing the response, providing any additional information.

II CONTRACT DURATION

The term of your appointment to the panel of attorneys will be a period of 36 months.

III SCOPE OF SERVICES

The Municipality expects from time-to-time to require legal services, assistance and representation in a number of areas, as specified below. While the Municipality has competent in-house Legal Unit with experience in many of these areas, we seek to augment our existing capabilities by being able to draw upon the resources of outside Legal expertise when needed and as issues arise. It is expected that the appointed Firm shall, at all times, provide the services diligently and in a professional manner.

The firms selected should have demonstrable qualifications and experience to handle legal work in the following practice areas:

1. General

Services would be expected to include:

- a) Advising the Municipality with respect to its rights and obligations under its various operating and other agreements;
- b) Advising the Municipality in connection with potential disputes arising out of its various operating and other agreements;
- c) Advising the Municipality with regards to possible acquisitions, sales joint ventures and antitrust matters;
- d) Advising the Municipality with respect to compliance and corporate governance issues.

2. Conveyancing

Advise on and handling of land transactions, including but not limited to:

- a) Acquisitions and depositions involving, e.g., rights-of-way, leases, licenses, and transfers with respect to land, buildings; and
- b) Resolutions of issues or disputes over property rights and related responsibilities.
- c) Transfers of immovable and movable properties.

3. General Litigation:

- (a) Magistrate, High Court, Supreme Court of Appeal and Constitutional Court

3. Labour and employment related matters

- a) Disputes relating to labour relation dispute to Labour appeal court.

4. Legislative drafting.

- a) Legislative drafting and Review;
- b) Policy formulation;
- c) By-Laws

- The Firm shall exercise all reasonable skill, care and diligence in discharging his obligations in terms of the agreement and shall comply with all Prevailing Legislation relating to the rendering of the Services.
- The Services will be rendered in a timely manner as each request for services requires, and the Firm will use reasonable endeavours to adhere to the time limits agreed upon when instructions are furnished.
- The firm should be in the capacity to handle the volume of work that the Municipality may instruct them on at any relevant point in time.

5. Debt Collection.

The Municipality will instruct attorneys to embark on debt collection and if practicable in the context debtor fail to make payment to municipality an order must be made to declare the both immovable and movable assets executable in the court of law.

- The firm will be expected to respond to any issue raised by telephone, fax or e-mail within 24 hours and to any issue raised in any letter or similar manner within 48 hours;
- Where no time limits are agreed to, the services will be rendered within a reasonable period and where necessary, in accordance with Prevailing legislation.
- The firm will be expected to respond to any issue raised by telephone, fax or e-mail within 24 hours and to any issue raised in any letter or similar manner within 48 hours;
- Failure to render Services within a reasonable time shall be regarded as non-performance and may lead to termination of the mandate.
- Labour Relations and related acts, initiating and chairing disciplinary hearing, labour court referrals
- The Firm shall not settle any claim or litigation by or against the Municipality without the necessary consultation with the Municipality.

6. Strategic projects legal advice

- To assist and advise Emalahleni Local Municipality in the negotiation of contracts, contract drafting, review of existing contract and providing legal advisory services to the municipality.
- Firms must have a suitable affirmative action and employment equity plans. The provisions of Local Government Municipal Systems Act and other Prevailing legislations on gender representation should also be adhered to in his process.
- Identify the nature of any potential conflict of interest that your firm may have in providing services to Emalahleni Local Municipality.
- Discuss fully any conflict of interests, actual or potential, which might arise in connection with your firm's involvement with Emalahleni Local Municipality. If your firm believes that a conflict of interest might arise, please describe how such conflict would be resolved.
- Each firm must certify in writing that its representation of Emalahleni Local Municipality will not create any conflict of interest involving that firm including taking instructions but nor limited against the municipality.
- Identify any past, pending or threatened litigation or proceedings to which you or any of your partners are or were a party and which may affect your reputation and/or could either materially impair your ability to perform the services envisaged herein and for which this RFP was issued, or will and/or might materially adversely affect the financial condition of your firm.

Tenderers should take note of the following:-

- This tender will form part of a Quality Based-Selection, meaning, irrespective of the proposed fees or rates submitted in this tender, the fees will only be finalized, agreed between the preferred bidder and the Employer (Emalahleni Local Municipality) in accordance with tariffs in legal practice council on attorneys and own client scale once a panelists / preferred bidder is selected from the panel
- The Employer may select from the panel on a rotational basis to receive quotations for services according to chosen or selected field of service by the bidder from time to time,
- Only law firms which are registered with Legal Practice council will be considered and / or appointed. Firms should attach proof of registration.
- Being appointed to the panel does not guarantee work but means a Bidder becomes a panelists for the said works,
- The services required will be on an ad hoc basis for the duration of thirty six (36) months.
- ALL required certified copies may not be older than three (03) months from tender closing date

CONTRACTOR'S SELF COMPLIANCE CHECK SHEET

Ref no	Question	ELM'S Requirement	Bidder's Response
		YES *	YES / NO
1	Have you initialed all the pages of the bid document?	YES	
2	Have you completed and signed the Returnable Schedules required?	YES	
3	Have you completed and signed the MBD 4 form - Declaration of Interest?	YES	
4	Have you taken note of the contents of par 5 of MBD 6.1 to substantiate your B-BBEE rating claims? Have you submitted an original, valid or certified copy of your Company's B-BBEE certificate to qualify for preference points?	YES	
5	Have you completed and signed the MBD 8 - Declaration of bidder's past Supply Chain Management Practices and MBD 9 - Certificate of Independent Bid Determination?	YES	
6	Is the Company registered with the Central Supplier Database (CSD) of the National Treasury in terms of the category required in this Specification? Have you submit a copy of your CSD Report?	YES	
7	Have you completed and signed the Bill of Quantities?	YES	
8	Do you understand the Scope of Work that includes the Standard Specifications / Project Specifications and Particular Specifications?	YES	
9	Is the Company registered with the Construction Industry Development Board (CIDB) in terms of the category required in this Specification? Have you submit a copy of your CIDB Certificate?	YES	

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Signature

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Date

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Position

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Name of Bidder

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THE NATIONAL TREASURY

Republic of South Africa



GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT: GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

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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 goods are so delivered and a valid receipt is obtained.
 - 1.11 "Dumping" occurs when a private enterprise abroad market its goods on own initiative in the RSA at lower prices than that of the country of origin and which have the potential to harm the local industries in the RSA.

- 1.12 "Force majeure" means an event beyond the control of the supplier and not involving the supplier's fault or negligence and not foreseeable. Such events may include, but is not restricted to, acts of the purchaser in its sovereign capacity, wars or revolutions, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions and freight embargoes.
- 1.13 "Fraudulent practice" means a misrepresentation of facts in order to influence a procurement process or the execution of a contract to the detriment of any bidder, and includes collusive practice among bidders (prior to or after bid submission) designed to establish bid prices at artificial non-competitive levels and to deprive the bidder of the benefits of free and open competition.
- 1.14 "GCC" means the General Conditions of Contract.
- 1.15 "Goods" means all of the equipment, machinery, and/or other materials that the supplier is required to supply to the purchaser under the contract.
- 1.16 "Imported content" means that portion of the bidding price represented by the cost of components, parts or materials which have been or are still to be imported (whether by the supplier or his subcontractors) and which costs are inclusive of the costs abroad, plus freight and other direct importation costs such as landing costs, dock dues, import duty, sales duty or other similar tax or duty at the South African place of entry as well as transportation and handling charges to the factory in the Republic where the goods covered by the bid will be manufactured.
- 1.17 "Local content" means that portion of the bidding price, which is not included in the imported content provided that local manufacture does take place.
- 1.18 "Manufacture" means the production of products in a factory using labour, materials, components and machinery and includes other related value-adding activities.
- 1.19 "Order" means an official written order issued for the supply of goods or works or the rendering of a service.
- 1.20 "Project site," where applicable, means the place indicated in bidding documents.
- 1.21 "Purchaser" means the organization purchasing the goods.
- 1.22 "Republic" means the Republic of South Africa.
- 1.23 "SCC" means the Special Conditions of Contract.
- 1.24 "Services" means those functional services ancillary to the

supply of the goods, such as transportation and any other incidental services, such as installation, commissioning, provision of technical assistance, training, catering, gardening, security, maintenance and other such obligations of the supplier covered under the contract.

1.25 "Supplier" means the successful bidder who is awarded the contract to maintain and administer the required and specified service(s) to the State.

1.26 "Tort" means in breach of contract.

1.27 "Turnkey" means a procurement process where one service provider assumes total responsibility for all aspects of the project and delivers the full end product / service required by the contract.

1.28 "Written" or "in writing" means hand-written in ink or any form of electronic or mechanical writing.

2. Application

2.1 These general conditions are applicable to all bids, contracts and orders including bids for functional and professional services (excluding professional services related to the building and construction industry), sales, hiring, letting and the granting or acquiring of rights, but excluding immovable property, unless otherwise indicated in the bidding documents.

2.2 Where applicable, special conditions of contract are also laid down to cover specific goods, services or works.

2.3 Where such special conditions of contract are in conflict with these general conditions, the special conditions shall apply.

3. General

3.1 Unless otherwise indicated in the bidding documents, the purchaser shall not be liable for any expense incurred in the preparation and submission of a bid. Where applicable a non-refundable fee for documents may be charged.

3.2 Invitations to bid are usually published in locally distributed news media and on the municipality/municipal entity website.

4. Standards

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

5. Use of contract documents and information inspection

5.1 The supplier shall not, without the purchaser's prior written consent, disclose the contract, or any provision thereof, or any specification, plan, drawing, pattern, sample, or information furnished by or on behalf of the purchaser in connection therewith, to any person other than a person employed by the supplier in the performance of the contract. Disclosure to any such employed person shall be made in confidence and shall

extend only so far as may be necessary for purposes of such performance.

- 5.2 The supplier shall not, without the purchaser's prior written consent, make use of any document or information mentioned in GCC clause 5.1 except for purposes of performing the contract.
- 5.3 Any document, other than the contract itself mentioned in GCC clause 5.1 shall remain the property of the purchaser and shall be returned (all copies) to the purchaser on completion of the supplier's performance under the contract if so required by the purchaser.
- 5.4 The supplier shall permit the purchaser to inspect the supplier's records relating to the performance of the supplier and to have them audited by auditors appointed by the purchaser, if so required by the purchaser.

6. Patent Rights

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

7. Performance security

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

8. Inspections, tests and analyses

- 8.1 All pre-bidding testing will be for the account of the bidder.
- 8.2 If it is a bid condition that goods to be produced or services to be rendered should at any stage be subject to inspections, tests and analyses, the bidder or contractor's premises shall be open, at all reasonable hours, for inspection by a representative of the purchaser or organization acting on behalf of the purchaser.
- 8.3 If there are no inspection requirements indicated in the bidding documents and no mention is made in the contract, but during the contract period it is decided that inspections shall be carried out, the purchaser shall itself make the necessary arrangements, including payment arrangements with the testing authority concerned.
- 8.4 If the inspections, tests and analyses referred to in clauses 8.2 and 8.3 show the goods to be in accordance with the contract requirements, the cost of the inspections, tests and analyses shall be defrayed by the purchaser.
- 8.5 Where the goods or services referred to in clauses 8.2 and 8.3 do not comply with the contract requirements, irrespective of whether such goods or services are accepted or not, the cost in connection with these inspections, tests or analyses shall be defrayed by the supplier.
- 8.6 Goods and services which are referred to in clauses 8.2 and 8.3 and which do not comply with the contract requirements may be rejected.
- 8.7 Any contract goods may on or after delivery be inspected, tested or analysed and may be rejected if found not to comply with the requirements of the contract. Such rejected goods shall be held at the cost and risk of the supplier who shall, when called upon, remove them immediately at his own cost and forthwith substitute them with goods, which do comply with the requirements of the contract. Failing such removal the rejected goods shall be returned at the suppliers cost and risk. Should the supplier fail to provide the substitute goods forthwith, the purchaser may, without giving the supplier further opportunity to substitute the rejected goods, purchase such goods as may be necessary at the expense of the supplier.
- 8.8 The provisions of clauses 8.4 to 8.7 shall not prejudice the right of the purchaser to cancel the contract on account of a breach of the conditions thereof, or to act in terms of Clause 22 of GCC.

9. Packing

- 9.1 The supplier shall provide such packing of the goods as is required to prevent their damage or deterioration during transit to their final destination, as indicated in the contract. The packing shall be sufficient to withstand, without limitation, rough handling during transit and exposure to extreme temperatures, salt and precipitation during transit, and open storage. Packing, case size

weights shall take into consideration, where appropriate, the remoteness of the goods' final destination and the absence of heavy handling facilities at all points in transit.

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

10. Delivery and documents

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

11. Insurance

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

12. Transportation

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

13. Incidental Services

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

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

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

14. Spare parts

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

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

15. Warranty

- 15.1 The supplier warrants that the goods supplied under the contract are new, unused, of the most recent or current models, and that they incorporate all recent improvements in design and materials unless provided otherwise in the contract. The supplier further warrants that all goods supplied under this contract shall have no defect, arising from design, materials, or workmanship (except when the design and/or material is required by the purchaser's specifications) or from any act or omission of the supplier, that may develop under normal use of the supplied goods in the conditions prevailing in the country of final destination.
- 15.2 This warranty shall remain valid for twelve (12) months after the goods, or any portion thereof as the case may be, have been delivered to and accepted at the final destination indicated in the contract, or for eighteen (18) months after the date of shipment from the port or place of loading in the source country, whichever period concludes earlier, unless specified otherwise.
- 15.3 The purchaser shall promptly notify the supplier in writing of any claims arising under this warranty.
- 15.4 Upon receipt of such notice, the supplier shall, within the period specified and with all reasonable speed, repair or replace the defective goods or parts thereof, without costs to the purchaser.
- 15.5 If the supplier, having been notified, fails to remedy the defect(s) within the period specified, the purchaser may proceed to take such remedial action as may be necessary, at the supplier's risk and expense and without prejudice to any other rights which the purchaser may have against the supplier under the contract.

16. Payment

- 16.1 The method and conditions of payment to be made to the supplier under this contract shall be specified.
- 16.2 The supplier shall furnish the purchaser with an invoice accompanied by a copy of the delivery note and upon 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.

17. Prices

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

18. Variation orders

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

19. Assignment

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

20. Subcontracts

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

21. Delays in the supplier's performance

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

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

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

21.4 Except as provided under GCC Clause 25, a delay by the supplier in the performance of its delivery obligations shall render the supplier liable to the imposition of penalties, pursuant to GCC Clause 22, unless an extension of time is agreed upon pursuant to GCC Clause 22.2 without the application of penalties.

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

22. Penalties

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

23. Termination for default

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

- (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 judgement of the purchaser, has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for or in executing the contract.

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

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

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- 23.4 If a purchaser intends imposing a restriction on a supplier or any person associated with the supplier, the supplier will be allowed a time period of not more than fourteen (14) days to provide reasons why the envisaged restriction should not be imposed. Should the supplier fail to respond within the stipulated fourteen (14) days the purchaser may regard the supplier as having no objection and proceed with the restriction.
- 23.5 . Any restriction imposed on any person by the purchaser will, at the discretion of the purchaser, also be applicable to any other enterprise or any partner, manager, director or other person who wholly or partly exercises or exercised or may exercise control over the enterprise of the first-mentioned person, and with which enterprise or person the first-mentioned person, is or was in the opinion of the purchaser actively associated.
- 23.6 If a restriction is imposed, the purchaser must, within five (5) working days of such imposition, furnish the National Treasury, with the following information:
- (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 supplier to the purchaser or the purchaser may deduct such amounts from moneys (if any) which may otherwise be due to the supplier in regard to goods or services which he delivered or rendered, or is to deliver or render in terms of the contract or any other contract or any other amount which may be due to him.

25. Force Majeure

25.1 Notwithstanding the provisions of GCC Clauses 22 and 23, the supplier shall not be liable for forfeiture of its performance security, damages, or termination for default if and to the extent that his delay in performance or other failure to perform his obligations under the contract is the result of an event of force majeure.

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

26. Termination for insolvency

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

27. Settlement of Disputes

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

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

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

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

- (a) the parties shall continue to perform their respective obligations under the contract unless they otherwise agree; and
- (b) the purchaser shall pay the supplier any monies due the supplier for goods delivered and / or services rendered according to the prescripts of the contract.

28. Limitation of Liability

28.1 Except in cases of criminal negligence or 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.

31. Notices

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

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

32. Taxes and duties

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

- 32.2 A local supplier shall be entirely responsible for all taxes, duties, license fees, etc., incurred until delivery of the contracted goods to the purchaser.
- 32.3 No contract shall be concluded with any bidder whose tax matters are not in order. Prior to the award of a bid SARS must have certified that the tax matters of the preferred bidder are in order.
- 32.4 No contract shall be concluded with any bidder whose municipal rates and taxes and municipal services charges are in arrears.
- 33. Transfer of contracts** 33.1 The contractor shall not abandon, transfer, cede assign or sublet a contract or part thereof without the written permission of the purchaser
- 34. Amendment of contracts** 34.1 No agreement to amend or vary a contract or order or the conditions, stipulations or provisions thereof shall be valid and of any force unless such agreement to amend or vary is entered into in writing and signed by the contracting parties. Any waiver of the requirement that the agreement to amend or vary shall be in writing, shall also be in writing.
- 35. Prohibition of restrictive practices** 35.1 In terms of section 4 (1) (b) (iii) of the Competition Act No. 89 of 1998, as amended, an agreement between, or concerted practice by, firms, or a decision by an association of firms, is prohibited if it is between parties in a horizontal relationship and if a bidder(s) is / are or a contractor(s) was / were involved in collusive bidding.
- 35.2 If a bidder(s) or contractor(s) based on reasonable grounds or evidence obtained by the purchaser has / have engaged in the restrictive practice referred to above, the purchaser may refer the matter to the Competition Commission for investigation and possible imposition of administrative penalties as contemplated in section 59 of the Competition Act No 89 Of 1998.
- 35.3 If a bidder(s) or contractor(s) has / have been found guilty by the Competition Commission of the restrictive practice referred to above, the purchaser may, in addition and without prejudice to any other remedy provided for, invalidate the bid(s) for such item(s) offered, and / or terminate the contract in whole or part, and / or restrict the bidder(s) or contractor(s) from conducting business with the public sector for a period not exceeding ten (10) years and / or claim damages from the bidder(s) or contractor(s) concerned.