



Request For Quotations (RFQ) Specifications

To provide access to online reference materials and electronic interlending services for Government Communication and Information System (GCIS)

Reference: RFQ 008-2023/2024)

1. PURPOSE

- 1.1 The purpose of this document is to specify the requirements and request a quotation for the provision of access to online reference materials and electronic interlending services for the departmental library of the Government Communication and Information System (GCIS) for a period of thirty-six (36) months.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The mandate of Government Communication and Information System (GCIS) is to provide strategic leadership in government communication and to coordinate a government-wide communication system that ensures that the public is continuously informed of government programmes and policies in a manner that would improve their lives.
- 2.2 The purpose of the GCIS Directorate: Knowledge Management and Information Services (D: KMIS) is to maintain a collection of library resources that are utilised by GCIS staff to support the completion of various line function activities as well as supporting GCIS staff who are completing further academic studies for professional development.
- 2.3 In an era of digital transformation, the GCIS Library provides information sourced through online digital platforms. In addition, the GCIS Library participates in the Southern African Interlending Scheme (SAIS) administered by the National Library of South Africa (NLSA), an agency of the Department of Sports, Arts and Culture, in order to provide access to hardcopy publications held by other participating academic or special libraries for GCIS staff.
- 2.4 The GCIS is also responsible for the development and maintenance of a small number of legislative prescripts for which an up-to-date and easy-to-use legal database is required for reference purposes.

3. OBJECTIVES

The objectives of this Request For Quotation (RFQ) are:

- 3.1 To subscribe annually to five licenses for online information access to national legislation and regulations, including retrospective government gazettes for a period of thirty-six (36) months
- 3.2 To subscribe annually to five licenses for online access to the WorldCat and WorldShare online platforms to request materials (physical or digital) through the SAIS by the GCIS Library staff for a period of thirty-six (36) months.

4. REQUIREMENTS

4.1 Online information access required:

GCIS invites companies to submit proposals for the following annual subscriptions for a period of thirty-six (36) months :

- 4.1.1 Online access to the South African Union Catalogue (SACat) and the Online Computer Library Centre (OCLC) WorldCat catalogue.
- 4.1.2 Online access to the OCLC WorldShare Inter-Library Loan (ILL) platform in order to request books and journal articles through the Southern African Interlending Scheme (SAIS)
- 4.1.3 Payment of annual subscription to SAIS and a fixed Interlending Fee Management (IFM) amount of R2000.00 paid annually for the thirty-six (36) months period.
- 4.1.4 Online access to the South African Government Gazettes from 1994 to date,
- 4.1.5 Online access to South African Retrospective Gazettes from 1910 – 1994.
- 4.1.6 Online access to South African National legislation and regulations – incorporating amendments and repeals of existing legislation and draft legislation (green papers, white papers and bills).

4.2 Maintenance and support

The prospective service provider will be expected to provide maintenance and support for three years after the implementation.

- 4.2.1 **Maintenance** includes providing regular system updates, addressing the identified issues with system implementation and notification of any system changes that may require action from the users.

- 4.2.2 **Support** can be any activity on system pertaining after implementing the system, including user support, system support, and informal training.

4.3 **User Training**

The prospective service provider will be expected to provide basic introductory training required by the system users in order to correctly and effectively retrieve information or request information and/or physical items through the WorldShare platform. This training should be implemented in the first year of the contract only.

5. **GENERAL REQUIREMENTS**

- 5.1 The prospective service provider will be required to submit a proposal based on the requirements mentioned in Section 4. Presentation of the response information must refer to the headings and paragraph numbers of this document.

5.2 **Experience, credentials and capacity**

The service provider must provide a brief company profile that includes the following information for evaluation:

- 5.2.1 Provide **at least three examples of similar work done** in the last three years for government departments (national or provincial) or parastatal entities. Indicate the **number of products** that were implemented for each of examples
- 5.2.2 Provide **three contactable references** for government clients for whom similar work has been done in the last three years
- 5.2.3 Provide the names, skills and experience of the **team members** who will:
- 5.2.3.1 manage the GCIS account and resolve any payment issues,
 - 5.2.3.2 provide training and support
 - 5.2.3.3 provide technical support and maintenance

5.3 **Service Level Agreement (SLA)**

The successful service provider will be appointed for 36 months subject to the review of service rendered and quality of deliverables annually. A service level agreement (SLA) will be signed between the successful bidding company and GCIS. The SLA should be in line with GCIS Supply Chain Management guidelines.

5.4 **Pricing**

- 5.4.1 The total cost should take into consideration all the requirements of the service and products that are necessary for the effective use of the software (including VAT) for a period of 36 months.

5.4.2 Prices must be fixed for the period.

5.4.3 Prices must be provided for:

5.4.3.1 A fixed cost for providing online access to the information services listed in paragraph 4.1, for 36 months, to be invoiced on an annual basis.

5.4.3.2 A fixed price for maintenance and support services listed in paragraph 4.2, for 36 months, invoiced on an annual basis.

5.4.3.3 A fixed price for the basic introductory training required for five (5) users in the first year of the contract.

5.5 **Total Price offer for the three years (VAT inclusive)** for this bid must be indicated on **SBD 3.3** as this document is a mandatory requirement.

5.6 Prospective service provider/s must ensure that the **prices reflected on the SBD 3.3 paragraph 2 reflect the total price offered by the prospective service provider/s** for this bid. Should the proposal/s of the prospective service provider/s contain financial figures, the department will utilise the figures reflected in the SBD 3.3, which is a mandatory document as the price offered for this bid by prospective service provider/s.

5.7 Prices must be quoted as a **Rand value and include VAT**. Please use the following format for presenting pricing information and **transfer the total price offer onto SBD 3.3**:

Item	Price (R) 12 months (Incl VAT)	Price (R) 36 months (Inc. VAT)
1. Fixed price for online access to SACat and WorldCat		
2. Fixed price for online access to WorldShare Inter-Library Loan (ILL)		
3. Fixed price for annual SAIS subscription and IFM of R2000 p/a		
4. Fixed price for South African Government Gazettes (1994-date)		
5. Fixed price for South African Retrospective Gazettes (1910-1994)		
6. Fixed price for South African National legislation and regulations		
7. Fixed price for maintenance & support over the 36 months period		
8. Fixed price for introductory training required for at least five (5) users in the first year only.		
TOTAL for all services:		

6. **MANDATORY INFORMATION TO BE SUBMITTED BY ALL BIDDING COMPANIES**

- 6.1 Standard bidding documents (**SBD forms**) are mandatory documents. This RFQ for access to online reference materials and electronic interlending services includes the following standard bidding documents (SBD) listed below. These documents must be **fully, accurately completed and signed** by the duly authorised representative of the prospective bidder:
- 6.1.1 Invitation to Bid – SBD 1;
 - 6.1.2 Pricing Schedule - SBD 3.3;
 - 6.1.3 Declaration of Interest – SBD 4;
 - 6.1.4 Preference Points Claim Form – SBD 6.1;
 - 6.1.5 General Conditions of the contract (GCC) – NB the GCC to be initialed on every page.
- 6.2 The fully, accurately completed and signed SBD documents / forms must be submitted together with the proposal/s of prospective service provider/s to GCIS.
- 6.3 Prospective service provider/s are to ensure that **the prices reflected on the SBD 3.3 reflects the total price offered** by the prospective service provider/s for this bid. Should the proposal/s of the prospective service provider/s contain financial figures, the department will utilise the figures reflected in the SBD 3.3, which is a mandatory document as the price offered for this tender by prospective service providers.
- 6.4 **Total Price offer for this RFQ must be indicated on SBD 3.3 (Mandatory requirement).** Should the prospective service provider/s not reflect the total price for this tender on the SBD 3.3, the department will deem the proposal of the prospective service provider/s as not responsive.
- 6.5 **Registration on Central Suppliers Database (CSD)**
- 6.5.1 Prospective bidders/suppliers must be registered on the Central Suppliers Database (CSD) and provide CSD registration number. If a bidder is not registered, the bidder must complete the CSD registration of the company prior to submitting a proposal for this bid using the link <https://secure.csd.gov.za/>.
 - 6.5.2 Should a prospective service provider be considered for appointment and at such time is not CSD compliant such service provider will be given **only seven days** to comply.

7. SPECIFIC GOALS (Preference Points)

7.1 In line with the Preferential Procurement Regulations of 2022 and the Supply Chain Management Policy, for this RFB the specific goal for this bid is indicated on the paragraphs below. Potential Service Provider/s are to ensure that they provide the relevant required supporting documentation to claim the preference points. The required supporting documentation and descriptions is outlined on the paragraphs below;

7.1.1 Black owned enterprise are enterprises that are 100% owned by black people or 51% or more owned by black people. To claim preference points in this regard, potential service provider/s are to provide the following information;

- I. Valid BBBEEE Certificate or a sworn affidavit to support proof of ownership of HDI **and either**
- II. Certified copy of South African Identity document not older than six (6) months. **OR**
- III. Detail report from the Central Supplier Database (CSD) reflecting the Directorship and Ownership of the company. The CSD report must not be older than the date the RFQ was advertised. GCIS will also print the latest CSD report to confirm the information disclosed by Potential Service Provider/s. **OR**
- IV. Valid company and Intellectual Property Commission (CIPC) company registration documents must be submitted.

7.1.2 Women owned enterprise are enterprises that are 100% owned by women or 40% or more owned by women. To claim preference points in this regard, potential service provider/s are to provide the following information;

- I. Valid BBBEEE Certificate or a sworn affidavit to support proof of ownership of HDI **and either**
- II. Certified copy of South African Identity document not older than six (6) months. **OR**
- III. Detail report from the Central Supplier Database (CSD) reflecting the Directorship and Ownership of the company. The CSD report must not be older than the date the RFB was advertised. GCIS will also print the latest CSD report to confirm the information disclosed by Potential Service Provider/s. **OR**
- IV. Valid company and Intellectual Property Commission (CIPC) company registration documents must be submitted.

8. SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF THIS BID (RFB)

8.1 GCIS may cancel this bid/RFB before award due to;

- I. Changed circumstances where there is no longer a need for the goods/services specified in the invitation; and/or
- II. Funds are no longer available to cover the total envisaged expenditure; and/or
- III. No acceptable offer is received; and/or
- IV. There is a material irregularity in the RFB process and or specifications

8.2 GCIS may negotiate the price offered by the successful service provider/s if the price offered is deemed not market-related or may make use of alternative and or service provider/s who also provided offers for this RFB should the price offers be market related or the service provider/s be willing to negotiate

9. BID EVALUATION PROCESS AND EVALUATION CRITERIA

9.1 BID EVALUATION PROCESS

9.1.1 The bidders will be evaluated in terms of the Preferential Procurement Regulations of 2022 which includes 80/20 preference points system, where 80 points will be for price only and the 20 points for specific RDP goals.

9.1.2 The evaluation process will be a three-phase process consisting of Pre-Evaluation, Technical Evaluation, Price and Preference Point System phases set as minimum standards (Gates) that prospective service provide/s must meet in order to be selected as successful service provider/s as set out in the table below:

Gate 0: Pre-Qualification	Gate 1: Functionality	Gate 2: Price and Specific RDP goals
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Bidders must submit all mandatory documents as outlined in Table 1 below under paragraph 9.2. Only bidders that comply with ALL these criteria will proceed to Gate1. All bidders that do not submit mandatory documents listed on Table 1 will be deemed non-compliant and will not be considered for evaluation.	<p>1. Minimum Score to be met by prospective service providers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Bidders who score 65% or more will progress to Gate 2(Price and Specific RDP goals).	<ul style="list-style-type: none">The bidders will be evaluated in terms of the 80/20 preference points system, where 80 points will be for price only and the 20 points for specific RDP GoalsSpecific Goals: Black and Women ownership. To claim points for the specific goal, bidders are to submit all the required documents as per paragraph 7.

	2. The technical evaluation criteria is detailed in paragraph 9.3 below.	
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9.2 Gate 0: Pre-Qualification Criteria

Without limiting the generality of GCIS's other critical requirements for this Bid, Bidder(s) must submit the documents listed in Table 1 below. All documents must be fully completed and signed by the duly authorised representative of the prospective bidder(s). During this phase Bidders' responses will be evaluated based on compliance with the listed administration and mandatory bid requirements. The bidder(s) proposal may be disqualified for non-submission of any of the documents.

Table 1: Document that must be submitted for Pre-qualification (Gate 0)

Documents that must be submitted	Non-submission may result in disqualification?	
Pricing Schedule – SBD 3.3	YES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Total Price offer for this tender must be indicated on SBD 3.3. If there are any discrepancies on the quotation/cost breakdown the total price on SBD 3.3 will be considered as the final price offer. The total price offer to be indicate on paragraph 2 of the SBD 3.3 Should the prospective service provider/s not reflect the total price for this tender on the SBD 3.3, the department will deem the proposal of the prospective service provider/s as not responsive.

9.3 Gate 1: Functionality Evaluation criteria

Prospective service provider/s that score 65% or more on functionality will further be evaluated in terms of the 80/20 preference points system, where 80 points will be for price only and the 20 points for Specific RDP Goals. GCIS will evaluate the functionality of each proposal taking into account the following criteria:

CRITERIA	DESCRIPTION	WEIGHT	VALUE
1. Online Information Services	1.1) Online access to SACat and OCLC WorldCat catalogues. 1.2) Online access to the OCLC WorldShare Inter-Library Loan (ILL) platform 1.3) Payment of annual subscription to SAIS and a fixed annual IFM amount 1.4) Online access to the South African Government Gazettes from 1994 to date 1.5) Online access to South African Retrospective Gazettes from 1910 – 1994 1.6) Online access to South African National legislation and regulations – incorporating amendments and repeals of existing legislation and draft legislation	60 (10) (10) (10) (10) (10) (10)	
2. Maintenance and support	2.1) Maintenance and support managed through a Service Level Agreement	15	
3. Experience, skills, credentials, capacity	3.1) Three (3) contactable references 3.2) Three (3) examples of similar contracts 3.3) Names, skills and experience of account manager, training provider, technical support	15 (5) (5) (5)	
4. User training	4.1 Programme/ plan for basic introductory training for five (5) users	10	
	Total	100	

9.3.1 GCIS will assess the functionality of each proposal taking into account the following weighted criteria:

TECHNICAL	WEIGHT	VALUE
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Values: 0= Non submissions; 1 = Poor; 2 = Average; 3 = Acceptable; 4 = Very good; 5 = Excellent

The percentage for functionality will be calculated as follows:

$$\frac{A}{B} \times 100$$

Where:

A = total score of the proposal

B = maximum score, i.e. 500

9.4 Gate 2: Preferential Procurement Evaluation Points

- 9.4.1 Preferential Procurement Regulation 2022 which informs the GCIS policy was utilised for the allocation of preference points. The bidders will be evaluated in terms of the 80/20 preference points system, where 80 points will be for price only and the 20 points for specific RDP goal.
- 9.4.2 For this RFB, the department has allocated preference points to be claimed by service provider/s who are owned by Youth.
- 9.4.3 Service Provider/s wishing to claim points in terms of the Preferential Procurement Regulations 2022 should complete the SBD 6.1 and note the breakdown of points indicated on the SBD 6.1.
- 9.4.4 Service Provider/s wishing to claim points in terms of the Preferential Procurement Regulations 2022 must submit supporting documents outlined on paragraph 7 of the specification for each goal specified.
- 9.4.5 Bidders who fail to submit supporting documents indicated for the preference points claimed will not be allocated points for the specific goal claimed as per below points.

	Area of evaluation	Points
1	Price	80
2	Specific Goal: Black owned enterprises are enterprises that are 100% owned by black people or 51% or more owned by black people.	10
3	Specific Goal: Women owned enterprise are enterprises that are 100% owned by women or 40% or more owned by women.	10
	TOTAL	100

- 9.5 The bidder with the highest score and that satisfies all requirements of the bid will be recommended as the preferred service provider.

10. SUBMISSION OF PROPOSAL

10.1 The prospective service providers must submit their proposals providing specific information based on the guidelines above, the evaluation criteria given above and clearly reflect the costs (inclusive of VAT).

10.2 **All the attached forms must be completed in full and signed where required.**

10.3 **Proposals must be deposited in the 'Tender Box' at the GCIS reception, at the physical address:**

GCIS HEAD OFFICE

Tshedimosetso House

1035 Frances Baard Street (corner Festival Street)

HATFIELD, PRETORIA

Postal Address:

GCIS

Private Bag X745

Pretoria , 0001

10.4 **Closing Date:** proposals must be submitted by no later than 11:00 on 14 July 2023.

Any submission received after the closing time indicated above will not be considered.

11. ENQUIRIES:

For System Requirements or Technical Enquires

Contact persons:

Joanne Cornelissen

Tel: 012 473 0114

E-mail: joanne@gcis.gov.za

For Information on bidding procedures and Procurement Enquiries

Contact persons:

Mpho Ramashi

Email: Mpho@gcis.gov.za

Tel: (012) 473 0194

Namane Mahlaba

Email: Namane@gcis.gov.za

Tel: (012) 473 0130

Approved/ not approved by:

Mr Gill Price

(A) Chief Director: Policy & Research

Date:

**PART A
INVITATION TO BID**

YOU ARE HEREBY INVITED TO BID FOR REQUIREMENTS OF THE (NAME OF DEPARTMENT/ PUBLIC ENTITY)					
BID NUMBER:	RFQ:008/2023/2024	CLOSING DATE: 14 July 2023	Valid for 90 DAYS	CLOSING TIME:	11:00 a.m
DESCRIPTION	To provide access to online reference materials and electronic interlending services for Government Communication and Information System (GCIS)				
BID RESPONSE DOCUMENTS MUST BE DEPOSITED IN THE BID BOX SITUATED AT (STREET ADDRESS)					
GCIS					
TSHEDIMOSSETSO HOUSE					
1035 Cnr FRANCIS BAARD AND FESTIVAL STREET, HATFIELD, PRETORIA					
0083					
BIDDING PROCEDURE ENQUIRIES MAY BE DIRECTED TO			TECHNICAL ENQUIRIES MAY BE DIRECTED TO:		
CONTACT PERSON	Mpho Ramashi / Namane Mahlaba		CONTACT PERSON	Joanne Cornelissen	
TELEPHONE NUMBER	012 473 0194 / 012 473 0130		TELEPHONE NUMBER	012 473 0114	
FACSIMILE NUMBER			FACSIMILE NUMBER		
E-MAIL ADDRESS	Mpho Ramashi mpho@gcis.gov.za Namane Mahlaba Namane@gcis.gov.za		E-MAIL ADDRESS	Joanne Cornelissen joanne@gcis.gov.za	
SUPPLIER INFORMATION					
NAME OF BIDDER					
POSTAL ADDRESS					
STREET ADDRESS					
TELEPHONE NUMBER	CODE		NUMBER		
CELLPHONE NUMBER					
FACSIMILE NUMBER	CODE		NUMBER		
E-MAIL ADDRESS					
VAT REGISTRATION NUMBER					
SUPPLIER COMPLIANCE STATUS	TAX COMPLIANCE SYSTEM PIN:		OR	CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE No:	MAAA
B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE	TICK APPLICABLE BOX] <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL SWORN AFFIDAVIT		[TICK APPLICABLE BOX] <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]
QUESTIONNAIRE TO BIDDING FOREIGN SUPPLIERS			

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**PART B
TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR BIDDING**

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

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

SIGNATURE OF BIDDER:

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CAPACITY UNDER WHICH THIS BID IS SIGNED:

(Proof of authority must be submitted e.g. company resolution)

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DATE:

SBD 3.3
PRICING SCHEDULE
(Professional Services)

NAME OF BIDDER:	BID NO.: ... RFQ: 008 / 2023 / 2024
CLOSING TIME: 11:00	CLOSING DATE 14 July 2023

OFFER TO BE VALID FOR 90 DAYS FROM THE CLOSING DATE OF RFQ.

ITEM NO	DESCRIPTION	BID PRICE IN RSA CURRENCY *(ALL APPLICABLE TAXES INCLUDED)
To provide access to online reference materials and electronic interlending services for Government Communication and Information System (GCIS)		

1. The accompanying information must be used for the formulation Of proposals.
2. Bidders are required to indicate a ceiling price based on the total Estimated time for completion of all phases and including all Expenses inclusive of all applicable taxes for the project.
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3. PERSONS WHO WILL BE INVOLVED IN THE PROJECT AND RATES APPLICABLE (CERTIFIED INVOICES MUST BE RENDERED IN TERMS HEREOF)

4. PERSON AND POSITION	HOURLY RATE	DAILY RATE
.....		R.....
.....		R.....
.....		R.....
.....		R.....
.....		R.....

5. PHASES ACCORDING TO WHICH THE PROJECT WILL BE COMPLETED, COST PER PHASE AND MAN-DAYS TO BE SPENT

.....	R.....
..... days	
.....	R.....
..... days	
.....	R.....
..... days	

Name of Bidder:

5.1 Travel expenses (specify, for example rate/km and total km, class Of air travel, etc.). Only actual costs are recoverable. Proof of the Expenses incurred must accompany certified invoices.

TOTAL:

5.2 Other expenses, for example accommodation (specify, e.g. three Star hotel, bed and breakfast, telephone cost, reproduction cost, Etc.). On basis of these particulars, certified invoices will be checked For correctness. Proof of the expenses must accompany invoices.

TOTAL:

bid

7. Estimated man-days for completion of project

Bid No.:

Name of Bidder:

8. Are the rates quoted firm for the full period of contract?

*YES/NO

9. If not firm for the full period, provide details of the basis on which

Adjustments will be applied for, for example consumer price index.

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Any enquiries regarding bidding procedures may be directed to the –

GCIS
Tshedimosetso House
1035 Cnr Francis Baard Street and Festival Street
Hatfield
Pretoria
0083

BIDDING PROCEDURE ENQUIRIES MAY BE DIRECTED TO:

Mpho Ramashi Email: Mpho@gcis.gov.za Tel: (012) 473 0194
Namane Mahlaba Email: Namane@gcis.gov.za Tel: (012) 473 0130

TECHNICAL ENQUIRIES MAY BE DIRECTED TO:

Joanne Cornelissen E-mail: joanne@gcis.gov.za Tel: 012 473 0114

BIDDER'S DISCLOSURE

1. PURPOSE OF THE FORM

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

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

2. Bidder's declaration

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

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

Full Name	Identity Number	Name of State Institution

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

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

with any person who is employed by the procuring institution? **YES/NO**

2.2.1 If so, furnish particulars:

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

2.3.1 If so, furnish particulars:

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3 DECLARATION

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

- 3.1 I have read and I understand the contents of this disclosure;
- 3.2 I understand that the accompanying bid will be disqualified if this disclosure is found not to be true and complete in every respect;
- 3.3 The bidder has arrived at the accompanying bid independently from, and without consultation, communication, agreement or arrangement with any competitor. However, communication between partners in a joint venture or consortium² will not be construed as collusive bidding.
- 3.4 In addition, there have been no consultations, communications, agreements or arrangements with any competitor regarding the quality, quantity, specifications, prices, including methods, factors or formulas used to calculate prices, market allocation, the intention or decision to submit or not to submit the bid, bidding with the intention not to win the bid and conditions or delivery particulars of the products or services to which this bid invitation relates.
- 3.4 The terms of the accompanying bid have not been, and will not be, disclosed by the bidder, directly or indirectly, to any competitor, prior to the date and time of the official bid opening or of the awarding of the contract.
- 3.5 There have been no consultations, communications, agreements or arrangements made by the bidder with any official of the procuring

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

institution in relation to this procurement process prior to and during the bidding process except to provide clarification on the bid submitted where so required by the institution; and the bidder was not involved in the drafting of the specifications or terms of reference for this bid.

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

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

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

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Signature	Date
.....
Position	Name of bidder

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

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

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

1. GENERAL CONDITIONS

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

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

1.2 **To be completed by the organ of state**

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

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

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

1.4 **To be completed by the organ of state:**

The maximum points for this tender are allocated as follows:

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

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

3.2.1. POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE

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

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

Where

Ps = Points scored for price of tender under consideration

Pt = Price of tender under consideration

Pmax = Price of highest acceptable tender

4. POINTS AWARDED FOR SPECIFIC GOALS

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

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

- (a) an invitation for tender for income-generating contracts, that either the 80/20 or 90/10 preference point system will apply and that the highest acceptable tender will be used to determine the applicable preference point system; or
- (b) any other invitation for tender, that either the 80/20 or 90/10 preference point system will apply and that the lowest acceptable tender will be used to determine the applicable preference point system, then the organ of state must indicate the points allocated for specific goals for both the 90/10 and 80/20 preference point system.

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

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

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

The specific goals allocated points in terms of this tender	Number of points allocated (90/10 system) (To be completed by the organ of state)	Number of points allocated (80/20 system) (To be completed by the organ of state)	Number of points claimed (90/10 system) (To be completed by the tenderer)	Number of points claimed (80/20 system) (To be completed by the tenderer)
Price		80		
Specific Goal: Black owned enterprises are enterprises that are 100% owned by black people or 51% or more owned by black people.		10		
Specific Goal: Women owned enterprise that are 100% owned by women or 40% or more owned by women.		10		

DECLARATION WITH REGARD TO COMPANY/FIRM

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

4.4. Company registration number:

4.5. TYPE OF COMPANY/ FIRM

- ☐ Partnership/Joint Venture / Consortium
- ☐ One-person business/sole propriety
- ☐ Close corporation
- ☐ Public Company
- ☐ Personal Liability Company
- ☐ (Pty) Limited
- ☐ Non-Profit Company
- ☐ State Owned Company

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

- i) The information furnished is true and correct; ii) The preference points claimed are in accordance with the General Conditions as indicated in paragraph 1 of this form;
- iii) In the event of a contract being awarded as a result of points claimed as shown in paragraphs 1.4 and 4.2, the contractor may be required to furnish documentary proof to the satisfaction of the organ of state that the claims are correct;
- iv) If the specific goals have been claimed or obtained on a fraudulent basis or any of the conditions of contract have not been fulfilled, the organ of state may, in addition to any other remedy it may have –

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

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SIGNATURE(S) OF TENDERER(S)	
SURNAME AND NAME:	
DATE:
ADDRESS:

THE NATIONAL TREASURY

Republic of South Africa



GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT: GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

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NOTES

The purpose of this document is to:

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

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

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

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General Conditions of Contract

1. Definitions

1. The following terms shall be interpreted as indicated:
 - 1.1 "Closing time" means the date and hour specified in the bidding documents for the receipt of bids.
 - 1.2 "Contract" means the written agreement entered into between the purchaser and the supplier, as recorded in the contract form signed by the parties, including all attachments and appendices thereto and all documents incorporated by reference therein.
 - 1.3 "Contract price" means the price payable to the supplier under the contract for the full and proper performance of his contractual obligations.
 - 1.4 "Corrupt practice" means the offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting of any thing of value to influence the action of a public official in the procurement process or in contract execution.
 - 1.5 "Countervailing duties" are imposed in cases where an enterprise abroad is subsidized by its government and encouraged to market its products internationally.
 - 1.6 "Country of origin" means the place where the goods were mined, grown or produced or from which the services are supplied. Goods are produced when, through manufacturing, processing or substantial and major assembly of components, a commercially recognized new product results that is substantially different in basic characteristics or in purpose or utility from its components.
 - 1.7 "Day" means calendar day.
 - 1.8 "Delivery" means delivery in compliance of the conditions of the contract or order.
 - 1.9 "Delivery ex stock" means immediate delivery directly from stock actually on hand.
 - 1.10 "Delivery into consignees store or to his site" means delivered and unloaded in the specified store or depot or on the specified site in compliance with the conditions of the contract or order, the supplier bearing all risks and charges involved until the supplies are so delivered and a valid receipt is obtained.
 - 1.11 "Dumping" occurs when a private enterprise abroad market its goods on own initiative in the RSA at lower prices than that of the country of origin and which have the potential to harm the local industries in the

RSA.

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

obligations of the supplier covered under the contract.

- 1.25 "Written" or "in writing" means handwritten in ink or any form of electronic or mechanical writing.

2. Application

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

3. General

- 3.1 Unless otherwise indicated in the bidding documents, the purchaser shall not be liable for any expense incurred in the preparation and submission of a bid. Where applicable a non-refundable fee for documents may be charged.
- 3.2 With certain exceptions, invitations to bid are only published in the Government Tender Bulletin. The Government Tender Bulletin may be obtained directly from the Government Printer, Private Bag X85, Pretoria 0001, or accessed electronically from www.treasury.gov.za

4. Standards

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

5. Use of contract documents and information; inspection.

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

6. Patent rights

- 6.1 The supplier shall indemnify the purchaser against all third-party claims of infringement of patent, trademark, or industrial design rights arising from use of the goods or any part thereof by the purchaser.

7. Performance security

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

8. Inspections, tests and analyses

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

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

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

9. Packing

- 9.1 The supplier shall provide such packing of the goods as is required to prevent their damage or deterioration during transit to their final destination, as indicated in the contract. The packing shall be sufficient to withstand, without limitation, rough handling during transit and exposure to extreme temperatures, salt and precipitation during transit, and open storage. Packing, case size and weights shall take into consideration, where appropriate, the remoteness of the goods' final destination and the absence of heavy handling facilities at all points in transit.
- 9.2 The packing, marking, and documentation within and outside the packages shall comply strictly with such special requirements as shall be expressly provided for in the contract, including additional requirements, if any, specified in SCC, and in any subsequent instructions ordered by the purchaser.

10. Delivery and documents

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

11. Insurance

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

12. Transportation

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

13. Incidental services

- 13.1 The supplier may be required to provide any or all of the following services, including additional services, if any, specified in SCC:
- (a) performance or supervision of on-site assembly and/or commissioning of the supplied goods;
 - (b) furnishing of tools required for assembly and/or maintenance of the supplied goods;
 - (c) furnishing of a detailed operations and maintenance manual for each appropriate unit of the supplied goods;

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

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

14. Spare parts

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

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

15. Warranty

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

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

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

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

15.5 If the supplier, having been notified, fails to remedy the defect(s) within the period specified in SCC, the purchaser may proceed to take

such remedial action as may be necessary, at the supplier's risk and expense and without prejudice to any other rights which the purchaser may have against the supplier under the contract.

16. Payment

- 16.1 The method and conditions of payment to be made to the supplier under this contract shall be specified in SCC.
- 16.2 The supplier shall furnish the purchaser with an invoice accompanied by a copy of the delivery note and upon fulfillment of other obligations stipulated in the contract.
- 16.3 Payments shall be made promptly by the purchaser, but in no case later than thirty (30) days after submission of an invoice or claim by the supplier.
- 16.4 Payment will be made in Rand unless otherwise stipulated in SCC.

17. Prices

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

18. Contract amendments

- 18.1 No variation in or modification of the terms of the contract shall be made except by written amendment signed by the parties concerned.

19. Assignment

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

20. Subcontracts

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

21. Delays in the supplier's performance

- 21.1 Delivery of the goods and performance of services shall be made by the supplier in accordance with the time schedule prescribed by the purchaser in the contract.
- 21.2 If at any time during performance of the contract, the supplier or its subcontractor(s) should encounter conditions impeding timely delivery of the goods and performance of services, the supplier shall promptly notify the purchaser in writing of the fact of the delay, its likely duration and its cause(s). As soon as practicable after receipt of the supplier's notice, the purchaser shall evaluate the situation and may at his discretion extend the supplier's time for performance, with or without the imposition of penalties, in which case the extension shall be ratified by the parties by amendment of contract.
- 21.3 No provision in a contract shall be deemed to prohibit the obtaining of supplies or services from a national department, provincial department, or a local authority.
- 21.4 The right is reserved to procure outside of the contract small quantities or to have minor essential services executed if an emergency arises, the

supplier's point of supply is not situated at or near the place where the supplies are required, or the supplier's services are not readily available.

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

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

22. Penalties

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

23. Termination for default

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

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

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

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

23.4 If a purchaser intends imposing a restriction on a supplier or any

person associated with the supplier, the supplier will be allowed a time period of not more than fourteen (14) days to provide reasons why the envisaged restriction should not be imposed. Should the supplier fail to respond within the stipulated fourteen (14) days the purchaser may regard the intended penalty as not objected against and may impose it on the supplier.

23.5 Any restriction imposed on any person by the Accounting Officer / Authority will, at the discretion of the Accounting Officer / Authority, also be applicable to any other enterprise or any partner, manager, director or other person who wholly or partly exercises or exercised or may exercise control over the enterprise of the first-mentioned person, and with which enterprise or person the first-mentioned person, is or was in the opinion of the Accounting Officer / Authority actively associated.

23.6 If a restriction is imposed, the purchaser must, within five (5) working days of such imposition, furnish the National Treasury, with the following information:

- (i) the name and address of the supplier and / or person restricted by the purchaser;
- (ii) the date of commencement of the restriction
- (iii) the period of restriction; and
- (iv) the reasons for the restriction.

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

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

24. Anti-dumping and countervailing duties and rights

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

may be due to him

25. Force Majeure

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

26. Termination for insolvency

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

27. Settlement of Disputes

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

28. Limitation of liability

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

		(b) the aggregate liability of the supplier to the purchaser, whether under the contract, in tort or otherwise, shall not exceed the total contract price, provided that this limitation shall not apply to the cost of repairing or replacing defective equipment.
29. Governing language	29.1	The contract shall be written in English. All correspondence and other documents pertaining to the contract that is exchanged by the parties shall also be written in English.
30. Applicable law	30.1	The contract shall be interpreted in accordance with South African laws, unless otherwise specified in SCC.
31. Notices	31.1	Every written acceptance of a bid shall be posted to the supplier concerned by registered or certified mail and any other notice to him shall be posted by ordinary mail to the address furnished in his bid or to the address notified later by him in writing and such posting shall be deemed to be proper service of such notice
	31.2	The time mentioned in the contract documents for performing any act after such aforesaid notice has been given, shall be reckoned from the date of posting of such notice.
32. Taxes and duties	32.1	A foreign supplier shall be entirely responsible for all taxes, stamp duties, license fees, and other such levies imposed outside the purchaser's country.
	32.2	A local supplier shall be entirely responsible for all taxes, duties, license fees, etc., incurred until delivery of the contracted goods to the purchaser.
	32.3	No contract shall be concluded with any bidder whose tax matters are not in order. Prior to the award of a bid the Department must be in possession of a tax clearance certificate, submitted by the bidder. This certificate must be an original issued by the South African Revenue Services.
33. National Industrial Participation Programme (NIP)	33.1	The NIP Programme administered by the Department of Trade and Industry shall be applicable to all contracts that are subject to the NIP obligation.
34 Prohibition of Restrictive practices	34.1	In terms of section 4 (1) (b) (iii) of the Competition Act No. 89 of 1998, as amended, an agreement between, or concerted practice by, firms, or a decision by an association of firms, is prohibited if it is between parties in a horizontal relationship and if a bidder (s) is / are or a contractor(s) was / were involved in collusive bidding (or bid rigging).
	34.2	If a bidder(s) or contractor(s), based on reasonable grounds or evidence obtained by the purchaser, has / have engaged in the restrictive practice referred to above, the purchaser may refer the matter to the Competition Commission for investigation and possible imposition of administrative penalties as contemplated in the Competition Act No. 89 of 1998.

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

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BID CHECK LIST

Have you submitted CSD report? Mandatory requirements on CSD must be compliant (Tax, Banking details, In business, not restricted) In case of consortium, have all parties to the consortium/joint venture submitted their CSD report?	YES	NO
Have you submitted a proof of B-BBEE status level contributor? Bidders other than EMEs must submit their proof of B-BBEE status level of contributor.	YES	NO
Is the SBD 6.1 form signed by the duly authorized person?	YES	NO
Are the following forms completed and/or signed? SBD 1 1. SBD 1.1 2. SBD 3.3 3. SBD 4 4. SBD 6.1 5. SBD 7.2 6. GCC	YES	NO

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Signature

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Date: