

REQUEST FOR BID

BID NUMBER WP10983

Appointment of the Panel of Experts in the Field of Forensic Audit and Investigations, to Assist the Department with the Investigation of Projects for the Period of Three (03) Years

ISSUE DATE:

10 July 2015

CLOSING DATE AND TIME

06 August 2015

SUBMIT TENDER DOCUMENT

TO

POSTAL ADDRESS: DIRECTOR-GENERAL: WATER AND SANITATION PRIVATE BAG X 313 PRETORIA,0001 OR

TO BE DEPOSIT IN:

THE TENDER BOX AT THE ENTRANCE
OF ZWAMADAKA BUILDING
157 FRANCIS BAARD STREET
(FORMERLY SCHOEMAN STREET)
PRETORIA,0002

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COMPILED BY:
DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND SANITATION:

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INVITATION TO BID

YOU ARE HEREBY INVITED TO BID FOR REQUIREMENTS OF THE DOJ & CD

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CLOSING DATE: 06 August 2015

CLOSING TIME: 11:00

DESCRIPTION: Appointment of the Panel of Experts in the Field of Forensic Audit and Investigations, to Assist the Department with the Investigation of Projects for the Period of Three (03) Years

The successful bidder will be required to fill in and sign a written Contract Form (SBD 7)

BID DOCUMENTS MAY BE POSTED TO: Private Bag x313, Pretoria, 0001

OR

DEPOSITED IN THE BID BOX SITUATED AT (STREET ADDRESS)
Tender Box, Zwamadaka Building
157 Francis Baard Street (Formerly Schoeman),
Pretoria
0001

Bidders should ensure that bids are delivered timeously to the correct address. If the bid is late, it will not be accepted for consideration.

The bid box is generally open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

ALL BIDS MUST BE SUBMITTED ON THE OFFICIAL FORMS – (NOT TO BE RE-TYPED)

THIS BID IS SUBJECT TO THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT POLICY FRAMEWORK ACT AND THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS, 2011, THE GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT (GCC) AND, IF APPLICABLE, ANY OTHER SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

THE FOLLOWING PARTICULARS MUST BE FURNISHED (FAILURE TO DO SO MAY RESULT IN YOUR BID BEING DISQUALIFIED)

NAME OF BIDDER		
POSTAL ADDRESS		
STREET ADDRESS		
TELEPHONE NUMBER CODENUMBER		
CELLPHONE NUMBER		
FACSIMILE NUMBER CODE NUMBER		
E-MAIL ADDRESS		
VATREGISTRATIONNUMBER		
HAS AN ORIGINAL AND VALID TAX CLEARANCE CERTIFICATE BEEN SUBMITTED? (SBD 2)	YES	or

ANY I	ENQUIRIES REGARDING THE BIDDING PROCEDURE MAY BE DIRECTED	TO:
TOTAL BID PRICE	TOTAL NUMBER OF ITEMS OFFERED	
CAPACITY UNDER WHICH THIS	BID IS SIGNED	
DATE:		
SIGNATURE OF BIDDER:		
[IF YES ENCLOSE PROOF]		
FOR PREFEREN ARE YOU THE ACCREDITED	EVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE MUST BE SUBMITTED IN NCE POINTS FOR B-BBEE REPRESENTATIVE GOODS / SERVICES / WORKS OFFERED?	YES or
[TICK APPLICABLE BOX]	EVEL VEDICIOATION CERTIFICATE MUST BE SUBMITTED IN	LORDER TO OUALIEV
A REGISTERED AUDITOR		
	CCREDITED BY THE SOUTH AFRICAN ACCREDITATION SYSTEM	
	S CONTEMPLATED IN THE CLOSE CORPORATION ACT	
IF YES, WHO WAS THE CERT	TIFICATE ISSUED BY?	

Department: Department of Water and Sanitation

Contact Person: Mr. Syabonga Ngidi

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ANY ENQUIRIES REGARDING TECHNICAL INFORMATION MAY BE DIRECTED TO:

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Tel: 012 336 7905

E-mail address: motsatsim@dws.gov.za

TAX CLEARANCE CERTIFICATE REQUIREMENTS

It is a condition of bid that the taxes of the successful bidder must be in order, or that satisfactory arrangements have been made with South African Revenue Service (SARS) to meet the bidder's tax obligations.

- In order to meet this requirement bidders are required to complete in full the attached form TCC 001 "Application for a Tax Clearance Certificate" and submit it to any SARS branch office nationally. The Tax Clearance Certificate Requirements are also applicable to foreign bidders / individuals who wish to submit bids.
- 2 SARS will then furnish the bidder with a Tax Clearance Certificate that will be valid for a period of 1 (one) year from the date of approval.
- The original Tax Clearance Certificate must be submitted together with the bid. Failure to submit the original and valid Tax Clearance Certificate will result in the invalidation of the bid. Certified copies of the Tax Clearance Certificate will not be acceptable.
- In bids where Consortia / Joint Ventures / Sub-contractors are involved, each party must submit a separate Tax Clearance Certificate.
- 5 Copies of the TCC 001 "Application for a Tax Clearance Certificate" form are available from any SARS branch office nationally or on the website www.sars.gov.za.
- Applications for the Tax Clearance Certificates may also be made via eFiling. In order to use this provision, taxpayers will need to register with SARS as eFilers through the website www.sars.gov.za.

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PRICING SCHEDULE (Professional Services)

NAME OF I		DER: E 11:00 CLOSING DATE: 06 Augu		BID NO.:WP10983	3
OFFER TO	BE	VALID FOR 90 DAYS FROM THE	CLOSING DATE O	F BID.	
ITEM NO INCLUDED))	DESCRIPTION			ICE IN RSA CURRENCY CABLE TAXES
	1.	The accompanying information mu of proposals.	st be used for the fo	ormulation	
	2.	Bidders are required to indicate a destimated time for completion of a taxes for the project.	•		inclusive of all applicable
	R				
5.1	of a	avel expenses (specify, for example airtravel, etc). Only actual costs are penses incurred must accompany co	recoverable. Proof		
DESCRIPT	ION	OF EXPENSE TO BE INCURRED	RATE	QUANTITY	AMOUNT
					R
					R
					R
	TOTAL: R				

5.2 Other expenses, for example accommodation (specify, eg. 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.

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

DESCRIPTION	OF EXPENSE TO BE INCURRED	RATE	QUANTITY	AMOUNT		
				R		
				R		
				R		•
	TOTAL: R					
6.	Period required for commencemen Acceptance of bid	t with project after				
7.	Estimated man-days for completion	n of project				
	Are the rates quoted firm for the ful ES/NO	I period of contract?	•			
9.	If not firm for the full period, provide adjustments will be applied for, for					
APPLICABLE]				*[DELETE	IF	NOT

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 an advertised competitive bid, a limited bid, a proposal or written price quotation). 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 position in 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 declarant 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, member):
2.4	Registration number of company, enterprise, close corporation, partnership agreement or trust:
2.5	Tax Reference Number:
2.6 2.6.1	VAT Registration Number:

1"State" means -

below.

⁽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 o	of state institution at which you or the person sted to the bidder is employed:	
Any oth	ner particulars:	
	If you are presently employed by the state, did you obtain propriate authority to undertake remunerative utside employment in the public sector?	YES / NO
2.7.2.1 docum	If yes, did you attach proof of such authority to the bid ent?	YES / NO
	Failure to submit proof of such authority, where ble, may result in the disqualification of the bid.	
2.7.2.2	If no, furnish reasons for non-submission of such proof:	
	Did you or your spouse, or any of the company's directors as / shareholders / members or their spouses conduct ss with the state in the previous twelve months?	YES / NO
2.8.1	If so, furnish particulars:	
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

2.9.1lf so, furnish particulars.	
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/NC
2.10.1lf so, furnish particulars.	
2.11Do 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/NC
2.11.1 If so, furnish particulars:	

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

Full Name	Identity Number	Personal Income Tax Reference Number	State Employee Number / Persal Number

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

Position

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 SHOULD THIS DECLARATION PROVE TO BE FALSE.

Signature Date

Name of bidder

PREFERENCE POINTS CLAIM FORM IN TERMS OF THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS 2011

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, 2011.

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- 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 R1 000 000 (all applicable taxes included);
 and
 - the 90/10 system for requirements with a Rand value above R1 000 000 (all applicable taxes included).
- 1.2 The value of this bid is estimated to exceed/not exceed R1 000 000 (all applicable taxes included) and therefore the.......system shall be applicable.
- 1.3 Preference points for this bid shall be awarded for:
 - (a) Price; and
 - (b) B-BBEE Status Level of Contribution.
- 1.3.1 The maximum points for this bid are allocated as follows:

1.3.1	The maximum points for this bid are allocated as follows:	POINTS
1.3.1.1	PRICE	
1.3.1.2	B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL OF CONTRIBUTION	
	Total points for Price and B-BBEE must not exceed	100

- Failure on the part of a bidder to fill in and/or to sign this form and submit a B-BBEE Verification Certificate from a Verification Agency accredited by the South African Accreditation System (SANAS) or a Registered Auditor approved by the Independent Regulatory Board of Auditors (IRBA) or an Accounting Officer as contemplated in the Close Corporation Act (CCA) together with the bid, will be interpreted to mean that preference points for B-BBEE status level of contribution are not claimed.
- 1.5. 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**

2..1 "all applicable taxes" includes value-added tax, pay as you earn, income tax, unemployment insurance

fund contributions and skills development levies;

- 2.2 **"B-BBEE"** means broad-based black economic empowerment as defined in section 1 of the Broad -Based Black Economic Empowerment Act;
- 2.3 **"B-BBEE status level of contributor"** means the B-BBEE status received by a measured entity based on its overall performance using the relevant scorecard contained in the Codes of Good Practice on Black Economic Empowerment, issued in terms of section 9(1) of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act;
- 2.4 **"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 services, works or goods, through price quotations, advertised competitive bidding processes or proposals:
- 2.5 **"Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act"** means the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act, 2003 (Act No. 53 of 2003);
- 2.6 "**comparative price**" means the price after the factors of a non-firm price and all unconditional discounts that can be utilized have been taken into consideration;
- 2.7 **"consortium or joint venture"** 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;
- 2.8 "contract" means the agreement that results from the acceptance of a bid by an organ of state;
- 2.9 "EME" means any enterprise with an annual total revenue of R5 million or less.
- 2.10 "Firm price" means the price that is only subject to adjustments in accordance with the actual increase or decrease resulting from the change, imposition, or abolition of customs or excise duty and any other duty, levy, or tax, which, in terms of the law or regulation, is binding on the contractor and demonstrably has an influence on the price of any supplies, or the rendering costs of any service, for the execution of the contract;
- 2.11 "functionality" means the measurement according to predetermined norms, as set out in the bid documents, of a service or commodity that is designed to be practical and useful, working or operating, taking into account, among other factors, the quality, reliability, viability and durability of a service and the technical capacity and ability of a bidder;
- 2.12 "non-firm prices" means all prices other than "firm" prices;
- 2.13 "person" includes a juristic person;
- 2.14 **"rand value"** means the total estimated value of a contract in South African currency, calculated at the time of bid invitations, and includes all applicable taxes and excise duties;
- 2.15 "sub-contract" means the primary contractor's assigning, leasing, making out work to, or employing, another person to support such primary contractor in the execution of part of a project in terms of the contract;
- 2.16 **"total revenue"** bears the same meaning assigned to this expression in the Codes of Good Practice on Black Economic Empowerment, issued in terms of section 9(1) of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act and promulgated in the *Government Gazette* on 9 February 2007;
- 2.17 "**trust**" means the arrangement through which the property of one person is made over or bequeathed to a trustee to administer such property for the benefit of another person; and
- 2.18 "**trustee**" means any person, including the founder of a trust, to whom property is bequeathed in order for such property to be administered for the benefit of another person.

3. ADJUDICATION USING A POINT SYSTEM

- 3.1 The bidder obtaining the highest number of total points will be awarded the contract.
- 3.2 Preference points shall be calculated after prices have been brought to a comparative basis taking into account all factors of non-firm prices and all unconditional discounts;.
- 3.3 Points scored must be rounded off to the nearest 2 decimal places.
- In the event that two or more bids have scored equal total points, the successful bid must be the one scoring the highest number of preference points for B-BBEE.
- 3.5 However, when functionality is part of the evaluation process and two or more bids have scored equal points including equal preference points for B-BBEE, the successful bid must be the one scoring the highest score for functionality.
- 3.6 Should two or more bids be equal in all respects, the award shall be decided by the drawing of lots.

4. POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE

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

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

90/10

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

Where

Ps = Points scored for comparative price of bid under consideration

Pt = Comparative price of bid under consideration

Pmin = Comparative price of lowest acceptable bid

5. Points awarded for B-BBEE Status Level of Contribution

5.1 In terms of Regulation 5 (2) and 6 (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)
1	10
2	9
3	8
4	5
5	4
6	3
7	2
8	1
Non-compliant contributor	0

- 5.2 Bidders who qualify as EMEs in terms of the B-BBEE Act must submit a certificate issued by an Accounting Officer as contemplated in the CCA or a Verification Agency accredited by SANAS or a Registered Auditor. Registered auditors do not need to meet the prerequisite for IRBA's approval for the purpose of conducting verification and issuing EMEs with B-BBEE Status Level Certificates.
- 5.3 Bidders other than EMEs must submit their original and valid B-BBEE status level verification certificate or a certified copy thereof, substantiating their B-BBEE rating issued by a Registered Auditor approved by IRBA or a Verification Agency accredited by SANAS.
 - 5.4 A trust, consortium or joint venture, will qualify for points for their B-BBEE status level as a legal entity, provided that the entity submits their B-BBEE status level certificate.
 - 5.5 A trust, consortium or joint venture will qualify for points for their B-BBEE status level as an unincorporated
 - entity, provided that the entity submits their consolidated B-BBEE scorecard as if they were a group structure and that such a consolidated B-BBEE scorecard is prepared for every separate bid.
- 5.6 Tertiary institutions and public entities will be required to submit their B-BBEE status level certificates in terms of the specialized scorecard contained in the B-BBEE Codes of Good Practice.

5. er	A person will not be awarded points for B-BBEE status level if it is indicated in the bid documents that such a bidder intends sub-contracting more than 25% of the value of the contract to any other terprise
	that does not qualify for at least the points that such a bidder qualifies for, unless the intended sub- contractor is an EME that has the capability and ability to execute the sub-contract.
5. ot	A person awarded a contract may not sub-contract more than 25% of the value of the contract to any ner
ur	enterprise that does not have an equal or higher B-BBEE status level than the person concerned, less the
	contract is sub-contracted to an EME that has the capability and ability to execute the sub-contract.
6.	BID DECLARATION
6.1	Bidders who claim points in respect of B-BBEE Status Level of Contribution must complete the following:
7. 5.1	B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL OF CONTRIBUTION CLAIMED IN TERMS OF PARAGRAPHS 1.3.1.2 AND
7.1	B-BBEE Status Level of Contribution: = (maximum of 10 or 20 points)
	(Points claimed in respect of paragraph 7.1 must be in accordance with the table reflected in paragraph 5.1 and must be substantiated by means of a B-BBEE certificate issued by a Verification Agency accredited by SANAS or a Registered Auditor approved by IRBA or an Accounting Officer as contemplated in the CCA).
8	SUB-CONTRACTING
8.1	Will any portion of the contract be sub-contracted? YES / NO (delete which is not applicable)
8.1.1	If yes, indicate: (i) what percentage of the contract will be subcontracted?
	% (ii) the name of the sub-contractor?

.....

(iv) whether the sub-contractor is an EME? YES / NO (delete which is not applicable)

(iii) the B-BBEE status level of the sub-contractor?

9	DECLAR	ATION WITH REGARD	TO COMPANY/FIRM
9.1	Name of	company/firm	
9.2	VAT regis	stration number	:
9.3	Company	registration number	
9.4	TYPE OF	COMPANY/ FIRM	
TICK A		ted	
9.5	DESCRIE	BE PRINCIPAL BUSINES	SS ACTIVITIES
9.6	COMPAN	IY CLASSIFICATION	
	Other ser	urer nal service provider vice providers, e.g. trans LICABLE BOX]	porter, etc.
9.7	Total num	ber of years the compar	ny/firm has been in business?
9.8	I/we, the undersigned, who is / are duly authorised to do so on behalf of the company/firm, certify that the points claimed, based on the B-BBE status level of contribution indicated in paragraph 7 of the foregoing certificate, qualifies the company/ firm for the preference(s) shown and I / we acknowledge that:		
	(i)	The information furnished	ed is true and correct;
	(ii)	The preference points indicated in paragraph 1	claimed are in accordance with the General Conditions as 1 of this form.
	(iii)	paragraph 7, the conti	act being awarded as a result of points claimed as shown in ractor may be required to furnish documentary proof to the laser that the claims are correct;
	(iv)		vel of contribution has been claimed or obtained on a fraudulent ditions 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) restrict the bidder or contractor, its shareholders and directors, or only the shareholders and directors who acted on a fraudulent basis, from obtaining business from any organ of state for a period not exceeding 10 years, after the audi alteram partem (hear the other side) rule has been applied; and
- (e) forward the matter for criminal prosecution

WITNESSES:

1.		
		SIGNATURE(S) OF BIDDER(S)
2.		
		DATE:
	ADDRESS:	

DECLARATION OF BIDDER'S PAST SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

- 1 This Standard Bidding Document must form part of all bids invited.
- 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.
- 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.

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

Subilli	tted with the bid.		
Item	Question	Yes	No
4.1	Is the bidder or any of its directors listed on the National Treasury's	Yes	No
	Database of Restricted Suppliers as companies or persons		
	prohibited from doing business with the public sector?		
	(Companies or persons who are listed on this Database were		
	informed `in writing of this restriction by the Accounting		
	Officer/Authority of the institution that imposed the		
	restriction after the audi alteram partem rule was applied).		
	The Database of Restricted Suppliers now resides on the National		
	Treasury's website(<u>www.treasury.gov.za</u>) and can be accessed		
	by clicking on its link at the bottom of the home page.		
4.1.1	If so, furnish particulars:		
4.2	Is the bidder or any of its directors listed on the Register for Tender	Yes	No
	Defaulters in terms of section 29 of the Prevention and		
	Combating of Corrupt Activities Act (No 12 of 2004)?		
	The Register for Tender Defaulters can be accessed on the National		
	Treasury's website (<u>www.treasury.gov.za</u>) by clicking on its		
	link at the bottom of the home page.		
4.2.1	If so, furnish particulars:		
4.3	Was the bidder or any of its directors convicted by a court of law	Yes	No
	(including a court outside of the Republic of South Africa) for		
	fraud or corruption during the past five years?		
4.3.1	If so, furnish particulars:		
4.4	Was any contract between the bidder and any organ of state terminated	Yes	No
	during the past five years on account of failure to perform on or		
	comply with the contract?		
4.4.1	If so, furnish particulars:		

CERTIFICATION

I, THE UNDERSIGNED (FULL NAME) CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION FU TRUE AND CORRECT.	URNISHED ON THIS DECLARATION FORM IS
I ACCEPT THAT, IN ADDITION TO CANGE TAKEN AGAINST ME SHOULD THIS I	CELLATION OF A CONTRACT, ACTION MAY DECLARATION PROVE TO BE FALSE.
Signature	
Position	Name of Bidder Js365bW

CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT BID DETERMINATION

- 1 This Standard Bidding Document (SBD) must form part of all bids¹ invited.
- Section 4 (1) (b) (iii) of the Competition Act No. 89 of 1998, as amended, prohibits an agreement between, or concerted practice by, firms, or a decision by an association of firms, if it is between parties in a horizontal relationship and if it involves collusive bidding (or bid rigging).² Collusive bidding is a *pe se* prohibition meaning that it cannot be justified under any grounds.
- 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.
- This SBD 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.
- In order to give effect to the above, the attached Certificate of Bid Determination (SBD 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 comple	ete 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.

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.

Signature	Date	
Position	Name of Bidder	

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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.

GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT. NOTES

The purpose of this document is to:	
(i) Draw special attention to certain general conditions applicable to government bic contracts	s,
and orders; and	
(ii) To ensure that clients be familiar with regard to the rights and obligations of all p involved in doing business with government.	arties
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☐ The General Conditions of Contract will form part of all bid documents and may no be amended.	ot
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General Conditions of Contract

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

practice among bidders prior to or after bid submission) designed to establish bid prices at artificial non-competitive levels and to deprive the bidder of the benefits of free and open competition.

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

2. Application.

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

3. General

- 3.1 Unless otherwise indicated in the bidding documents, the purchaser shall not be liable for any expense incurred in the preparation and submission of a bid. Where applicable a non-refundable fee for documents may be charged.
- 3.2 With certain exceptions, invitations to bid are only published in the Government Tender Bulletin. The Government Tender Bulletin may be obtained directly from the Government Printer, Private Bag X85, Pretoria 0001, or accessed electronically from 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 organization acting on behalf of the Department.
- 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 8 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 fulfilment of other obligations stipulated in the contract.
- 16.3 Payments shall be made promptly by the purchaser, but in no case later than thirty (30) days after submission of an invoice or claim by the supplier.
- 16.4 Payment will be made in Rand unless otherwise stipulated 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 cancelling 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 deems appropriate, goods, works or services similar to those undelivered, and the supplier shall be liable to the purchaser for any excess costs for such similar goods, works or services. However, the supplier shall continue performance of the contract to the extent not terminated.
- 23.3 Where the purchaser terminates the contract in whole or in part, the purchaser may decide to impose a restriction penalty on the supplier by prohibiting such supplier from doing business with the public sector for a period not exceeding 10 years.
- 23.4 If a purchaser intends imposing a restriction on a supplier or any person associated with the supplier, the supplier will be allowed a time period of not more than fourteen (14) days to provide reasons why the envisaged restriction should not be imposed. Should the supplier fail to respond within the stipulated fourteen (14) days the purchaser may regard the intended penalty as not objected against and may impose it on the supplier.

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

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

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

24. Anti-dumping and countervailing duties and rights

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

25. Force Majeure

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

26. Termination for insolvency

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

27. Settlement of Disputes

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

28. Limitation of liability

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

29. Governing language

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

30. Applicable law

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

31. Notices

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

32. Taxes and duties

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

33. National Industrial Participation (NIP) Programme

33.1 The NIP Programme administered by the Department of Trade and Industry shall be applicable to all contracts that are subject to the NIP obligation

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.

35. SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

- 35.1 The State reserves the right to verify and authenticate all the information supplied in this document by the bidder.
- 35.2 The Bid must be strictly in accordance with the conditions and specifications contained herein.
- 35.3 If it is found that any information has been tampered with during the evaluation process and/or after the Bid/Contract has been awarded that any false information has been provided, the State reserves the right to take the necessary action as it deems fit, including but not limited to the institution of criminal proceedings.
- Failure to sign all relevant places shall invalidate your bid (SBD1, SBD 3.1, SBD 4, SBD 6.1 or 6.2, SBD 8, SBD 9 and SCC)
- 35.5 All queries should be sent to the relevant person via email state above. No query will be responded to if sent 3 days before the closing date.
- 35.6 If you are not a registered supplier with the Department of Water and Sanitation, please complete the supplier registration forms and banking details, supplier registration forms are available at Departmental website, www.dwa.gov.za
- 35.7 Bidders/ Individuals that are directors or members in more than one company bidding for this tender and do not openly declare their interests will be disqualified
- 35.8 Failure to submit original and valid Tax Clearance Certificate shall invalidate your bid.
- 35.9 The DWS reserves the right to not make an award on any of the responses to this Bid.
- 35.10 The DWS reserves the right to award only parts of this bid and re-bid for other parts.
- 35.11 All bid documents should be hand delivered and deposited in to the Tender Box, if sent via post, envelope or package, the envelope must be clearly marked to avoid your submission been mixed with normal letters sent to the Department.
- 35.12 Only signed, original documents will be accepted.

36. ACCEPTANCE OF TERMS AND SPECIAL CONDITIONS

The above terms of the bid and all Annexure have been read, understood and accepted.			
For and on behalf of the Bidder:			
Signature of Bidder:	Date:	_	
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Bidder's Name & Surname: Witness Name & Surname:	Designation Date	_	
Signature:	Address (Physical):		
TRADING NAME:			
CONTACT PERSON:			
CONTACT NUMBER:			
CLOSING DATE:			



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TERMS OF REFERENCE

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1. BACKGROUND

- 1.1 The Department of Water and Sanitation is a national Department which aims to ensure the availability of water resources and sanitation services, facilitate equitable and sustainable socio-economic development, and ensure the universal access to water services. The Department is also bound by the Public Finance Management Act, whose purpose is to regulate financial management in the national government; to ensure that all revenue, expenditure, assets and liabilities of that government are managed efficiently and effectively; to provide for the responsibilities of persons entrusted with financial management in that government; and to provide for matters connected therewith.
- 1.2 The Public Service Commission has established a National Anti-Corruption Hotline (NACH), where all cases of fraud, corruption or any unethical conduct within the public service are reported. The cases are then sorted and referred to the relevant Department by the Public Service Commission for investigation.
- 1.3 The Department has over the years received cases from the NACH, and some of these cases were investigated by Chief Directorate: Internal Audit through the Directorate: Forensic Investigations and Quality Assurance and reports issued appropriately.
- 1.4 In addition to the cases referred by the PSC to the Department, there are also ad hoc cases that are forwarded to Internal Audit by the both the internal staff and/or service providers. These are either cases of whistle blowing or anonymous tip offs on irregularities been committed against the Department.
- 1.5 Internal Audit regularly receives a number of these cases to an extent that it has not been able to attend to all the cases received. This then prompt that the Department must source the services of outside service providers to assist in addressing the complaints.

- 1.6 The policy of PSC is that such complaints or allegations must be investigated and finalised within a period of fourty (40) days of referral. These always pose a challenge because the Department does not have enough resources to finalise the investigations within the prescribed timeframe.
- 1.7 In an attempt to comply with the PSC requirements, the Department would like to appoint a panel of experts professional services providers to assist in conducting such investigations as and when is required. The nature of service required will cover both forensic investigations/audit and cyber forensics.
- 1.8 The successful professional service providers will be appointed on a three year contract.
- 1.9 The successful professional service providers will be responsible to conduct the aforementioned forensic investigative work on an "as required" basis during the specified period. Specific request will be dealt with on a case by case basis. Service providers must acknowledge that their resources/expertise available comply with the expected abilities.

2. SCOPE OF THE INVESTIGATION

- 2.1. It is not possible to predict the type of investigation that may be required so predetermination of the scope is difficult. The actual scope of the investigation will be determined on a case to case basis and will be determined by the allegation to be investigated. It is however a requirement for the Professional Service Provider to clearly indicate that it has the skills and capacity to conduct detailed and conclusive investigations any or all of the following:
 - i. Allegations of fraud, including fraud in the computer environment;
 - ii. Allegations of corruption;
 - iii. Allegations of financial misconduct such as unauthorized expenditure, irregular expenditure and fruitless and wasteful expenditure;
 - iv. Allegations of mismanagement of resources;
 - v. Allegations of non-compliance with policies and procedures that may result in irregular expenditure;

- vi. Allegations of procurement processes irregularities;
- vii. Allegations of non-compliance with corporate governance standards such as conflicts of interest, fiduciary duties and responsibilities etc;
- viii. Review of major construction projects such as construction of dams, pipeline, canals, houses, roads. The services of various types of Engineers may be required for this purpose;

2.2. The scope of work may for example include the following:

- i. Assessment of the situation leading to the conceptualisation of the project. What was the concept behind the sanctioning of the projects?
- ii. Determine how much was budgeted for the projects and how did the Department arrive at the said amount. That will entail a breakdown of cost against the project plan
- iii. Determine who the project managers were and what the terms of reference were.
- iv. Determine who, why and how the invoice from the service provider was certified for payment.
- v. Determine who was responsible for product quality control and how has this aspect been handled.
- vi. Quantify any loss or damages that the Department may have suffered as a result of these transactions.
- vii. Determine what the deliverables were in terms of the contracts.
- viii. Determine whether the projects were managed in accordance with the departmental prescripts and/or agreement between parties.
- ix. Determine how much benefit did the department derive with regard to these projects, as opposed to the costs incurred?

- x. General assessment of the appropriateness of the approach underpinning the projects, including the following:
 - Mandate of the Department,
 - Contract amount,
 - Project management, and
 - Quality control.
- xi. Determine the control measures that were in place during payment process by the Department to implementing agent.
- xii. Determine how much was paid to service provider, and what is the outstanding amount?
- xiii. Determine if the performance of the service provider was in line with the project plan.
- xiv. Identify the impediments which may have affected the projects and the extent of the impact.
- xv. Review the subcontracting relationship in the projects as well as the effectiveness thereof.
- xvi. Verification of the existence of assets:
- xvii. mismanagement of resources;
- xviii. Valuation of infrastructure assets and construction equipment;

3. TIME FRAME

3.1 The timeframe for the project will be determine by the nature of the project as well as other factors like size, complexity and they will differ from one project to the other.

4. CONFIDENTIALITY

4.1 It will be expected from the service provider to sign the oath of secrecy, as the service provider will be entrusted with confidential information.

4.2 The service provider undertakes, at all times during the existence of the contract or any renewal thereof or after termination of thereof, not to reveal any confidential or sensitive information or knowledge concerning the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) or its clients.

5. SPECIFIC PROVISION OF THE SERVICES

- The service provider shall adhere to administrative procedures, methods of communication and transfer of data, format and timing of report backs as agreed between the parties from time to time:
- The service provider shall act in Good Faith within the law and in accordance with acceptable collection industry code of practice and shall do its utmost to avoid bringing the name of the Department into disrepute;
- The service provider shall treat all information received by it from the Department as confidential and shall not use such information for any purpose other than which has been agreed upon by both parties.

6. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

It is expected as a minimum requirement for the service provider to furnish the Department monthly or at periods determined between the parties with the following:

- A schedule showing task performed for the month or at periods determined between the parties and cost associated with the task.
- A schedule of all outstanding tasks and budget.
- Attend meetings when required to do so

7. PROJECT PRICING

As it may not be possible to predict what type of investigations may be require and how many investigations must be done, in terms of the complexity of each investigation, the appointment on the panel will be on a draw down basis and managed through the specific ToR and budget available for each investigation.

For comparative pricing pricings, the PSPs are required to complete the below format and submit with their proposal.

Team Member	Rate per hour	Comments
Engagement Partner		
Senior Manager		
Manager		
Senior Forensic Investigator		
Forensic Investigator		
Junior Forensic Investigator		
Legal and Litigation Specialist		
Administrative Support		
Other Costs:		
Disbursements (Travelling &		
Subsistence)		
Other Costs		

All costs must be VAT inclusive

8. EVALUATION CRITERIA

Department of Water and Sanitation will evaluate all proposals in terms of the Preferential Procurement Regulations 2011. A copy of the Preferential Procurement Regulations 2011 can be downloaded from www.treasury.gov.za. In accordance with the Preferential Procurement Regulations 2011, submissions will be adjudicated on 90/10 points system and the evaluation criteria. A three phase evaluation criteria will be considered in evaluating the bid.

A 3 phase evaluation will be used to consider this bid

- ✓ Administrative and Mandatory Compliance
- √ Functional/Technical Evaluation
- **✓** BBBEE Level Contributor 90/10 where Price is 90 points and BEE Level is 10.

Phase 1: Administrative and Mandatory Compliance:

Please note that all bidders must comply with the following administrative and mandatory compliance-

IF NOT INCLUDED IN THE BID DOCUMENTS, THE BIDDER WILL BE DISQUALIFIED

- Completed Standard Bidding Documents (SBD's) signed
- Valid and Original Tax Clearance Certificate

Phase 2: Functional/Technical criteria:

The bidder is expected to achieve a minimum required score of 70% for functionality in order to qualify for further short listing on the panel. Bids that do not meet the minimum required score will be disqualified. The Functional/Technical criteria are:

Values: 1 Very Poor...... 2 Poor......3 Average.......4 Good.... 5 Excellent

CRITERIA	WEIGHT
Past Experience:	20
Refers to previous relevant projects and overall	
track record as it relates to forensic auditing as	
outline in paragraph 2 above.	
Methodology:	30
Considers the responsiveness to the Terms of	
Reference (ToR), the level of detail in the proposal,	
attention to forensic auditing and innovative	
approaches and ideas.	
Team Capability:	25
Considers the technical and professional skills of the	
project team and proven conceptual abilities	
(supported by other client references if needed).	
If required abbreviated Curriculum Vitae (CV's) of all	
personnel, not longer than one page each, shall be	
included in an Appendix.	
Project Plan	25
Refers to a detailed project plan that encompasses	
all aspects as set out in the Terms of Reference.	
TOTAL	100

On the receipt of the proposals, the criteria shown above will be used for the selection of the most suitable bidders to be listed on the panel. A bidder is expected to achieve a minimum threshold/required score for functionality of 70%, in order to qualify for enlisting.

Phase 3: The 90/10 Principle application

Points awarded for B-BBEE Status Level of Contribution

In terms of Regulation 5 (2) and 6 (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:

Criterion	Points
BBBEE status	10
Price	90

B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor	Number of points
1	10
2	9
3	8
4	5
5	4
6	3
7	2
8	1
Non-compliant contributor	0

Other Condition:

- Bidders are kindly requested to submit original Tax Clearance Certificate.
- Bidders are required to submit certified and valid B-BBEE Status Level Verification
 Certificates thereof together with their bids, to substantiate their B-BBEE rating claims.
- A person awarded a contract may not sub-contract more than 25% of the value of the contract to any other enterprise that does not have an equal or higher B-BBEE status level than the person concerned, unless the contract is sub-contracted to an EME that has the capability and ability to execute the sub-contract.
- Bidders are requested to provide a clear agreement regarding joint venture/consortia.
 The percentage involvement of each company in the joint venture agreement should be indicated on the agreement. A trust, consortium or joint venture must submit a consolidated B-BBEE Status Level Verification Certificate for every separate bid.
- Fraudulent practices shall result in immediate disqualification.

9. SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Prospective service providers must submit the following with their proposals and failure to submit them will render their bids invalid:

- Duly completed and signed standard bidding documents (SBD 1 to SBD 9);
- Original and valid Tax clearance Certificate;
- Registration certificate with the relevant council or body;
- References of at least 3 contactable references;
- CV's or profiles of the staff to be deployed to the Department.

10. PROJECT DURATION

The professional panel of forensic expert service providers shall be engaged on an as and when required basis over a period of three (3) years.

11. COMPOSITION OF THE PANEL AND NATURE OF SERVICE

More than one service provider will be appointed to provide the required service to the department on an as and when needed basis.

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