



**REQUEST FOR BID**

**BID NUMBER WP11263**

**Appointment of a Professional Service Provider to Provide  
Specialist Support Resources to Drinking Water Quality, Water  
Use Efficiency and Water Services Regulation within the  
Context of Blue Drop, No Drop and Green Drop Certification  
Programmes for a Period of 24 Months**

ISSUE DATE:  
26 January 2018

CLOSING DATE AND TIME  
**27 February 2018 at 11:00 am**

**Compulsory Briefing Session**

**Date:** 13 February 2018

**Time:** 10h00

**Venue:** Department of Water and Sanitation  
173 Francis Baard Street, Emanzini Building  
G18 Boardroom  
Pretoria  
0001

**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

**TENDERER:** (Company address and stamp)

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## INVITATION TO BID

YOU ARE HEREBY INVITED TO BID FOR REQUIREMENTS OF THE DWS

BID NUMBER: **WP11263** CLOSING DATE: **27 February 2018**

CLOSING TIME: **11:00**

**DESCRIPTION: Appointment of a Professional Service Provider to Provide Specialist Support Resources to Drinking Water Quality, Water Use Efficiency and Water Services Regulation within the Context of Blue Drop, No Drop and Green Drop Certification Programmes for a Period of 24 Months**

**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,  
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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 CODE.....NUMBER.....

CELLPHONE NUMBER.....

FACSIMILE NUMBER CODE ..... NUMBER.....

E-MAIL ADDRESS.....

VATREGISTRATIONNUMBER.....

HAS AN ORIGINAL AND VALID TAX CLEARANCE CERTIFICATE BEEN SUBMITTED? (SBD 2) YES or NO

HAS A B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE BEEN SUBMITTED? (SBD 6.1) YES or NO

IF YES, WHO WAS THE CERTIFICATE ISSUED BY?

AN ACCOUNTING OFFICER AS CONTEMPLATED IN THE CLOSE CORPORATION ACT (CCA).....☐

A VERIFICATION AGENCY ACCREDITED BY THE SOUTH AFRICAN ACCREDITATION SYSTEM (SANAS);  
OR.....☐

A REGISTERED AUDITOR .....☐  
[TICK APPLICABLE BOX]

**(A B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE 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? YES or NO

[IF YES ENCLOSE PROOF]

SIGNATURE OF BIDDER: .....

DATE: .....

CAPACITY UNDER WHICH THIS BID IS  
SIGNED.....

TOTAL BID PRICE.....TOTAL NUMBER OF ITEMS OFFERED.....

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**ANY ENQUIRIES REGARDING THE BIDDING PROCEDURE MAY BE DIRECTED TO:**

**Department: Department of Water and Sanitation**

**Contact Person: Mr. Syabonga Gwamanda**

**Tel: 012 336 6611**

**Fax: 086 459 0176**

**E-mail address: [gwamandas@dws.gov.za](mailto:gwamandas@dws.gov.za)**

**ANY ENQUIRIES REGARDING TECHNICAL INFORMATION MAY BE DIRECTED TO:**

**Contact Person: Solomon Makate or Noxolo Ncapayi**

**Tel: 012 336 6601/8890 or 012 336 6665/8800**

**E-mail address: [makates@dwsgov.za](mailto:makates@dwsgov.za) or [ncapayin@dws.gov.za](mailto:ncapayin@dws.gov.za)**

**PRICING SCHEDULE**  
**(Professional Services)**

NAME OF BIDDER: ..... BID NO.: **WP11263**  
 CLOSING TIME **11:00** CLOSING DATE: **27 February 2018**

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

ITEM CURRENCY NO TAXES INCLUDED)	DESCRIPTION	BID PRICE IN RSA   **(ALL APPLICABLE
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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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- 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.

DESCRIPTION OF EXPENSE TO BE INCURRED	RATE	QUANTITY	AMOUNT
R.....	.....	.....	.....
R.....	.....	.....	.....
R.....	.....	.....	.....

TOTAL: R.....

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

- 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.

DESCRIPTION OF EXPENSE TO BE INCURRED	RATE	QUANTITY	AMOUNT
R.....	.....	.....	.....
R.....	.....	.....	.....
R.....	.....	.....	.....

TOTAL: R.....

6. Period required for commencement with project after  
Acceptance of bid .....

7. Estimated man-days for completion of project .....

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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\*[DELETE IF NOT APPLICABLE]

## DECLARATION OF INTEREST

1. Any legal person, including persons employed by the state<sup>1</sup>, 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: .....
  - Identity Number : .....
  - 2.2 Position occupied in the Company (director, trustee, shareholder<sup>2</sup>, member):  
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  - 2.3 Registration number of company, enterprise, close corporation, partnership agreement or trust:  
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  - 2.4 Tax Reference Number: .....
  - 2.5 VAT Registration Number: .....
  - 2.6.1 The names of all directors / trustees / shareholders / members, their individual identity numbers, tax reference numbers and, if applicable, employee / PERSAL numbers must be indicated in paragraph 3 below.

<sup>1</sup>"State" means –

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

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

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

2.7.1 If so, furnish the following particulars:

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

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

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

Any other particulars:

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.....

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

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

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

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

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

2.8.1 If so, furnish particulars:

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

2.9.1 If so, furnish particulars.

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 2.10 Are you, or any person connected with the bidder,  
 aware of any relationship (family, friend, other) between  
 any other bidder and any person employed by the state  
 who may be involved with the evaluation and or adjudication  
 of this bid?

**YES/NO**

2.10.1 If so, furnish particulars.

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

**YES/NO**

2.11.1 If so, furnish particulars:

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 .....  
 .....

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

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

**4     DECLARATION**

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

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

I ACCEPT THAT THE STATE MAY REJECT THE BID OR ACT AGAINST ME  
SHOULD THIS DECLARATION PROVE TO BE FALSE.

.....  
Signature

.....  
Date

.....  
Position

.....  
Name of bidder

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

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

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

### 1. GENERAL CONDITIONS

1.1 The following preference point systems are applicable to all bids:

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

1.2

- a) The value of this bid is estimated to ~~exceed~~/not ~~exceed~~ R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included) and therefore the **80/20** preference point system shall be applicable; or
- b) Either the 80/20 or 90/10 preference point system will be applicable to this tender (*delete whichever is not applicable for this tender*).

1.3 Points for this bid shall be awarded for:

- (a) Price; and
- (b) B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor.

1.4 The maximum points for this bid are allocated as follows:

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

1.5 Failure on the part of a bidder to submit proof of B-BBEE Status level of contributor together with the bid, will be interpreted to mean that preference points for B-BBEE status level of contribution are not claimed.

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

## 2. DEFINITIONS

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

## 3. POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE

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

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

**80/20**

**or**

**90/10**

$$P_s = 80 \left( 1 - \frac{P_t - P_{\min}}{P_{\min}} \right) \quad \text{or} \quad P_s = 90 \left( 1 - \frac{P_t - P_{\min}}{P_{\min}} \right)$$

Where

- $P_s$  = Points scored for price of bid under consideration
- $P_t$  = Price of bid under consideration
- $P_{\min}$  = Price of lowest acceptable bid

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

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

B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor	Number of points (90/10 system)	Number of points (80/20 system)
1	10	20
2	9	18
3	6	14
4	5	12
5	4	8
6	3	6
7	2	4
8	1	2
Non-compliant contributor	0	0

#### 5. BID DECLARATION

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

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

- 6.1 B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor: . = .....(maximum of 10 or 20 points)

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

#### 7. SUB-CONTRACTING

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

(**Tick applicable box**)

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

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

YES		NO	
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v) Specify, by ticking the appropriate box, if subcontracting with an enterprise in terms of Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2017:

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

## 8. DECLARATION WITH REGARD TO COMPANY/FIRM

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

8.2 VAT registration number:.....

8.3 Company registration number:.....

### 8.4 TYPE OF COMPANY/ FIRM

- ☐ Partnership/Joint Venture / Consortium
- ☐ One person business/sole propriety
- ☐ Close corporation
- ☐ Company
- ☐ (Pty) Limited

[TICK APPLICABLE BOX]

### 8.5 DESCRIBE PRINCIPAL BUSINESS ACTIVITIES

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 .....  
 .....  
 .....  
 .....

### 8.6 COMPANY CLASSIFICATION

- ☐ Manufacturer
- ☐ Supplier
- ☐ Professional service provider
- ☐ Other service providers, e.g. transporter, etc.

[TICK APPLICABLE BOX]

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

8.8 I/we, the undersigned, who is / are duly authorised to do so on behalf of the company/firm, certify that the points claimed, based on the B-BBE status level of contributor indicated in paragraphs 1.4 and 6.1 of the foregoing certificate, qualifies the company/ firm for the preference(s) shown and I / we acknowledge that:

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

WITNESSES

1. ....

2. ....

.....  
SIGNATURE(S) OF BIDDERS(S)

DATE: .....

ADDRESS .....

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## DECLARATION OF BIDDER'S PAST SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

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

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

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



**CERTIFICATION**

**I, THE UNDERSIGNED (FULL NAME).....  
CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION FURNISHED ON THIS DECLARATION  
FORM IS TRUE AND CORRECT.**

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

.....  
**Signature**

.....  
**Date**

.....  
**Position**  
Js365bW

.....  
**Name of Bidder**

## CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT BID DETERMINATION

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

<sup>1</sup> Includes price quotations, advertised competitive bids, limited bids and proposals.

<sup>2</sup> 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:

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(Bid Number and Description)

in response to the invitation for the bid made by:

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(Name of Institution)

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

I certify, on behalf

of: \_\_\_\_\_ that:

(Name of Bidder)

1. I have read and I understand the contents of this Certificate;
2. I understand that the accompanying bid will be disqualified if this Certificate is found not to be true and complete in every respect;
3. I am authorized by the bidder to sign this Certificate, and to submit the accompanying bid, on behalf of the bidder;
4. Each person whose signature appears on the accompanying bid has been authorized by the bidder to determine the terms of, and to sign the bid, on behalf of the bidder;
5. For the purposes of this Certificate and the accompanying bid, I understand that the word "competitor" shall include any individual or organization, other than the bidder, whether or not affiliated with the bidder, who:
  - (a) has been requested to submit a bid in response to this bid invitation;
  - (b) could potentially submit a bid in response to this bid invitation, based on their qualifications, abilities or experience; and
  - (c) provides the same goods and services as the bidder and/or is in the same line of business as the bidder
6. The bidder has arrived at the accompanying bid independently from, and without consultation, communication, agreement or arrangement with any competitor.

However communication between partners in a joint venture or consortium<sup>3</sup> 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.

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

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

## **GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT.**

### **NOTES**

**The purpose of this document is to:**

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

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

- ☐ **The General Conditions of Contract will form part of all bid documents and may not be amended.**
- ☐ **Special Conditions of Contract (SCC) relevant to a specific bid, should be compile 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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- 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](http://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.
- 35.4 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](http://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:

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Signature of Bidder:

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Date:

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Bidder's Name & Surname:

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Designation

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Witness Name & Surname:

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Date

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Signature:

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Address (Physical):

**TRADING NAME:**\_\_\_\_\_

**CONTACT PERSON:**\_\_\_\_\_

**CONTACT NUMBER:** \_\_\_\_\_

**CLOSING DATE:**\_\_\_\_\_



## water & sanitation

Department:  
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YOUTH		
<b>PARTICIPATION IN PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION</b>		
	TOTAL NUMBER	LEVEL OF PARTICIPATION (eg Project Management, Technical, Administrative)
WOMEN		
PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES		
BLACK MALES		
YOUTH		

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Department:  
Water and Sanitation  
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

## **TERMS OF REFERENCE**

**APPOINTMENT OF A PROFESSIONAL  
SERVICE PROVIDER (PSP) TO PROVIDE  
SPECIALIST SUPPORT RESOURCES TO  
DRINKING WATER QUALITY, WATER USE  
EFFICIENCY AND WASTE WATER SERVICES  
REGULATION WITHIN THE CONTEXT OF THE  
BLUE DROP, NO DROP AND GREEN DROP  
CERTIFICATION PROGRAMMES**

## **1 Background**

The Department of Water and Sanitation, as the water sector leader is required to ensure compliance with minimum water quality norms and standards as well as the efficient use of water in its pursuit to strengthen the regulation of the water sector, linking the Department's work with Government's aim to achieve an efficient and responsive water services sector.

The introduction of the incentive-based Blue, Green and No Drop Certification Programmes ensure that water and wastewater systems are managed according to the set norms and standards (98% compliance with the drinking water quality standards and 85% compliance with wastewater effluent standards) and the efficient use of water/Water Conservation and Water Demand Management (WCWDM).

Amongst others, water services regulation focuses on the management of Drinking Water Quality (DWQ), Wastewater Quality (WQ) as well as Water Conservation and Water Demand Management (WCWDM) which is regarded as the most challenging areas respectively due to various factors including involvement and responsibilities of various spheres of government, the devastating impact if drinking water is compromised; impact of wastewater quality on water resources and other industries; current high water consumption and high water losses (Non-Revenue Water (NRW)) in a water scarce and drought vulnerable country.

The promise of government to provide the highest quality of drinking water cannot be compromised and the regulatory function of the Department must be strengthened to assure such quality (minimise risk) and provide the necessary support as a National department when drinking water is compromised.

It is vital that the Regulatory Programmes would subject the various disciplines of DWQ, WWQ management and WCWDM at Water Services Authorities and Providers to consultative audits which will bring to light levels of inefficiency and shortcoming. Results of such audits will be used to inform the appropriate intervention towards rectification.

## **2 Objectives of the project**

The main objectives of the project are:

- To provide the Department access to specialist Drinking Water Quality, Wastewater Quality and Water Conservation and Water Demand Management expertise and skills for the purpose of performing consultative audits of water quality and quantity (WCWDM) and waste water treatment technology, process control and monitoring programmes as per the Blue Drop, No Drop and Green Drop requirements, over a 2 year project cycle.

- To develop the annual Blue, Green and No Drop reports for the 2 year project cycle
- To develop and implement mentoring programme for conducting assessment and on-site inspections for emergency situations for National and Provincial operations.

### 3 Scope

#### 3.1 Blue Drop, Green Drop and No Drop Assessments

The services of a Professional Service Provider (PSP) is required to provide competent technical and scientific resources to assist the department in conducting the Blue, Green and No Drop assessments together with the Provincial Operations and National staff(as per assessment cycle below: **Table 1**).

- The PSP shall provide a lead inspector to lead each panel (it is anticipated that 23 panels will be required) and at least one inspector (with WCWDM experience). The remaining inspector shall be selected from the DWS personnel trained above. (thus three individuals per panel)
- For each system assessed a detailed score card based on the criteria set has to be completed.
- The PSP shall provide moderators to ensure fair and consistent scoring of systems occur per province (full report and progress reports). The moderators shall also compile provincial chapters and collaborate on national overview.
- To facilitate verification process through provincial confirmations with the Water Services Authorities.
- Together with the departmental moderating team develops final score sheet and score cards.

**Table 1: Assessment Cycle for the project duration**

<b>Year 1 (2017-2018)</b>	<b>Year 2 (2018-2019)</b>
<b>Full Green Drop</b> Assessments of 963 Wastewater collector systems. And moderation and report writing of GDPAT 2016/17.	<b>Green Drop PAT</b>  Assessments of 963 systems
<b>Blue Drop PAT</b> 1036 Water Supply systems moderated and report writing for Jan -Dec 2016 calendar year.	<b>Full Blue Drop</b> 1036 water supply systems assessments (Jan-Dec 2017), moderated and report writing

<b>Full No Drop</b> Full assessments of 8 Metropolitan Municipalities and 5 criteria assessments on the remainder (144) of municipalities.	<b>No Drop PAT</b> Assessments of 144 Water Services Authorities
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### **3.2 Blue, Green and No Drop Reports**

Based on the final moderated score sheets and score cards develops the respective reports as per the assessment cycle above. (Table 1)

### **3.3 Mentoring programme**

As part of capacity building the PSP will develop a mentoring programme which will be implemented during the project implementation.

### **3.4 Project Management and Administration**

- The PSP avail project management resources to assist the Department with the management of this contract to ensure sound procurement principles are upheld at all times.
- This will also include the logistical arrangement management of all contracted resources and other relevant services including project management meetings.
- It is expected that monthly progress meetings will be held between the project team and the programme management. Monthly progress reports shall be submitted two days before scheduled meetings.
- Payment of invoices will be based on acceptance of project deliverables
- It is expected that the PSP will ensure that all invoiced work is accompanied by a report on the work delivered.
- Upon award of tender an inception meeting will be held at which time the parties will resolve any shortcomings/aspects raised on the project proposal and the PSP shall produce an inception report based on the outcomes which will serve as the final Terms of Reference in the contract.

## **4. Summary of Deliverables**

The expected deliverables are:

- 4.1. Inception Report
- 4.2. On site Consultative assessments
- 4.3. Develop and update the scorecards for Blue, Green and No Drop Assessments
- 4.4. Verified IWA water balance spreadsheets
- 4.5. Correctly completed final moderated score cards;
- 4.6. Blue, Green & No Drop Reports/PAT Reports
- 4.7. Project management Reports
- 4.8. National overview on the state of drinking water quality, waste water effluent quality and water losses



- 4.9. Appropriate skills transfer through implementation of mentorship plan;
- 4.10. Programme management reports to DWS (monthly)

## 5. Programme management

The programme will be managed by the Chief Director: Water Services Regulation.

## 6. Time frame

This project will be implemented over two (2) years period.

## 7. Administrative compliance

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

No.	Name of the document that must be submitted	Requirements
1	Invitation to bid –SBD 1	Please complete and sign the supplied proforma document.
2	Registration with Central Supplier Database as per National Treasury SCM Instruction 4 of 2015/17 par 5.2	Attach proof of print out as proof of registration or supplier number.
3	Pricing Schedule –SBD3.3	Please submit full details of pricing proposal.
4	Declaration of Interest–SBD 4	Please complete and sign the supplied proforma document.
5	Preference Point Claim Form–SBD 6.1	Non-submission will lead to a zero score on BEE.
7	Declaration of Bidder's Past Supply Chain Management Practices–SBD8	Please complete and sign the supplied proforma document.
8	Certificate of Independent Bid Determination –SBD 9	Please complete and sign the supplied proforma document.
9	BBBEE certificate	Non-submission will only lead to a zero score on BEE and not a disqualification.

## 8. Evaluation Criteria

Department of Water and Sanitation will evaluate all proposals in terms of the Preferential Procurement Regulations 2017. A copy of the Preferential Procurement Regulations 2017 can be downloaded from [www.treasury.gov.za](http://www.treasury.gov.za). In accordance with the Preferential Procurement Regulations 2017, submissions will be adjudicated on 80/20 points system and the evaluation criteria. A three phase evaluation criteria will be considered in evaluating the bid.

**Phase 1: Mandatory Compliance:**

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

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

- Proof of registration for all engineering specialists and scientists with the relevant regulatory body.
- Attendance of Compulsory Briefing Session (Attach briefing session 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 evaluation. **Bids that do not meet the minimum required score will be disqualified.**

The Functional/Technical criteria are included in the table below. Bid Evaluation Committee will assess proposals using the following scores:

<b>1</b> <b>Very poor</b>	<b>2</b> <b>Poor</b>	<b>3</b> <b>Average</b>	<b>4</b> <b>Good</b>	<b>5</b> <b>Excellent</b>
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<b>CRITERIA</b>	<b>WEIGHT</b>
<b>Past Experience:</b> Refers to successful completion of previous relevant projects and overall track record for similar projects, with ten (10) years of proven individual experience and expertise working in water and waste water plants environment, and water distribution networks (Waste Water, Drinking Water and water use efficiency). Attach four testimonials. PSP's who attended previous DWS inspector training sessions will have an added advantage but PSPs that have not will not be disqualified.	30
<b>Methodology:</b> Considers the responsiveness to the Terms of Reference, the level of detail in the proposal, attention to project management and innovative approaches and ideas.	25
<b>Team Capability:</b> Relevant skills in project management and human resource development; Project plan for the delivery of the project activities; Adequate knowledge of process operators' training and development; High level of commitment and results orientation. Understand local government environment. Treatment plant process controlling (sewage and drinking water), sound engineering and technical knowledge and skills in WCWDM, sound municipal financial management, knowledge and understanding of the IWA water balance,	25

CRITERIA	WEIGHT
<p>Institutional (SA local government) Scientific (microbiology; analytical chemistry; water care technology); administrative etc.</p> <p><b>In addition the team should have an excellent understanding of:</b></p> <p>Drinking water quality, WCWDM and wastewater management and regulation in South Africa, Waste Water Management Technical &amp; Engineering, Water Services and Water Resources in South Africa, Local Government Business, World Health Organization's DWQ guidelines and approaches. Abbreviated Curriculum Vitae (CV's) and certified qualifications of all key personnel shall be included in an Appendix. The team must include experienced professionals in water services working in water, wastewater plants, water distributions networks, water loss management and the WCWDM environment (sewage, Drinking Water and WCWDM).</p>	
<p><b>Skills Transfer:</b></p> <p>A skills transfer component with tangible outputs, involving National and Provincial DWS staff and relevant Water Service Authorities during the implementation of the project needs to be detailed. At least fifty (50) officials must receive skills on Blue, Green and No Drop.</p>	20
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100</b>

**Phase 3: The 80/20 Principle based on Price and BBEE status level contributor**

Points will be awarded to a bidder for attaining the B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor in accordance with the table below:

B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor	Number of Points (80/20 system)
1	20
2	18
3	14
4	12
5	8
6	6
7	4
8	2
Non-Compliant contributor	0

**NB: Only bidders who obtain at least 70 points under Functional/Technical evaluation will be considered for further evaluation.**

**8. Conditions:**

- Bidders are requested to provide a clear agreement regarding joint ventures/consortia. The percentage involvement of each company in the joint venture agreement should be indicated on the agreement. Multiple Joint Venture arrangements (i.e. the same person(s) forming part of more than one proposal) will be allowed.
- A trust, consortium or joint venture must submit a consolidated B-BBEE Status Level Verification Certificate for every separate bid.
- Bidders are required to submit original and valid B-BBEE Status Level Verification Certificates **or certified copies** thereof together with their bids, to substantiate their B-BBEE rating claims.
- The Department will reserve the right to appoint additional specialists to the contract if the necessary skills are not available within the successful bid (at no extra cost to the contract).
- Bidders are requested to provide separate financial and technical proposals.
- **NB: There will be a compulsory Briefing Session; bidders who fail to attend will be disqualified.**

**9. Ownership and Confidentiality**

The DWS will become the owner of all documentation and the deliverables produced within the context of this tender. All information should be treated with confidentiality and may not be communicated or made available to any person outside DWS and may not be published, either during the current agreement or thereafter without the prior consent of DWS.

**10. Further information**

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