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Department:
Water and Sanitation
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

MINUTES OF COMPULSORY BRIEFING SESSION MEETING FOR BID:

DWS03 0621 WTE

THREE YEAR TERM CONTRACT FOR MECHANICAL AND OTHER RELATED MAJOR PLANT AND MACHINERY INSTALLATION, MAINTENANCE, REPAIR, REFURBISHMENT AND UPGRADE FOR CENTRAL OPERATIONS (FREE STATE, GAUTENG, KWAZULU-NATAL, MPUMALANGA AND NORTHERN CAPE).

DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND SANITATION (DWS) OFFICIALS PRESENT:

Mr. Mohale Shai	SCM Representative Head Office Acting Chief Director: SCM
Mr. Thulani Ngati	Strategic Asset Management (SAM) Representative Control Engineering Technologist

SCM Presentation by: Mr. Mohale Shai
Technical Presentation by: Mr. Thulani Ngati

Compulsory briefing sessions:

Venue: Vanderkloof Dam and Grootdraai Dam
Date: 02 & 06 July 2021
Time: 10:00am

1. OPENING AND WELCOME

Mr. Mohale opened the meeting and introduced himself and other DWS representatives. Attendance register was circulated to bidders.

2. ATTENDANCE

Participants and attendance were recorded on the attendance register attached.

3. PRESENTATION OUTLINE

- Technical Presentation
- Submission of tender;
- Instruction to bidders, and
- Evaluation criteria.

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4.	TECHNICAL PRESENTATION
	<p>The technical presentation was conducted by Mr Ngati. Technical presentation is attached.</p> <p>Areas of emphasis:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Table of Contents; the bid document was developed in line with the Construction Industry Development Board (CIDB) Standard for Uniformity. • The term "other related work" in this contract refers to electrical works. The tenderer must have demonstrable experience in associated electrical work or subcontract electrical works to suitably qualified electrical contractor(s). • The operational areas to be supported under this contract consists of four (4) DWS area offices namely Free State Office, Usuthu Vaal GWS (including Vaal Dam), Usuthu River GWS and Tugela Vaal GWS. • Goal of DWS is to appoint one contractor per Area Office. DWS reserves the right to appoint more than one contractor per Area Office. • If the tenderer wishes to bid for more than one Area Office, the tenderer cannot use the same resources. (Resources mean project team members and vehicles). • Tenderers must have CIDB Grade 7ME or Higher. Tenderer must also have demonstrable experience in associated electrical work or subcontract a CIDB contractor grading of EP. • This is a support contract; being appointed on this contract does not in any way guarantee a right to perform any required work in accordance to this contract. • Cost containment measures as per National Treasury prescripts are applicable in this contract. • In the event of poor performance; DWS reserves the right to utilize contractors across Area Office "borders". • Local Content and Production is applicable for all designated items. As and when required during the three (3) year term of the contract the appointed contractor will be required to complete and submit the relevant documentation for compliance with local content and production requirements. • The appointed contractor must be available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week at the contracted rates. The contractor must be able to provide urgent or emergency services whenever it is required. The Basic Conditions of Employment Act (BCEA) as amended are applicable.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annexure E details the procurement procedures to be followed. The procedures may be amended in line with the relevant National Treasury prescripts, DWS delegations, Policies and Structures. Amendments will be communicated with appointed contractor(s). • Contractor's facilities and personnel with relevant qualifications and proven record of executing similar work shall exist at the time of bidding. These facilities shall be available for inspection during adjudication. • The contractor shall with his bid submission indicate which specialist work is intended to be contracted out to specialist companies. The information on subcontractors shall be included in Annexure 1: Schedule of Subcontractors (page 122). • DWS reserves the right to allocate any of the services as listed under technical specification and requirements internally (to DWS technical personnel) or for the work to be done under the normal Departmental procurement regulations, if at the discretion of the employer's agent or his representative it is in the best interest of the Department. • All work carried out on the Department's equipment and premises shall be strictly in accordance with the latest revisions and amendments of the SABS standards (SANS), IEC, ISO, OHS Act, Municipal by-laws, any special requirements of the Local Supply Authority and any other applicable standards and prescripts stipulated by the Employer's Agent's Representative. • Three types of subcontractors <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - For mechanical contractors with no demonstrable capabilities and experience in associated electrical works; the mechanical contractor may subcontract to suitable electrical contractors (for achieving EP grade requirement). - 30% Compulsory subcontractors; as required for Phase 2 of evaluation criteria and sub-contracting agreement required for Phase 1 item 7 of evaluation criteria. - Specialist subcontractors; as listed in paragraph 11 Specialist Contractor on the Tender Data. • In order to meet the requirements of Phase 2 (30% compulsory subcontracting) of the evaluation criteria; the tenderer must enter into agreements with EMEs or QSEs with CIDB grading less than the CIDB grade of the tenderer. For example a 7ME contractor must subcontract to EMEs or QSEs with CIDB grades 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and/or 6 ME. <p>The contractor must also enter into agreements with EMEs or QSEs with EP CIDB grading less than the CIDB grade of the tenderer or of the subcontracted electrical contractor.</p> <p>Paragraph 1.11 of the Tender Data must read as follow:</p> <p>The appointed main contractor shall subcontract to designated groups' mechanical contractors with CIDB gradings of 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and/or 6 ME. The CIDB gradings shall be relative to the value of the project in order to achieve the compulsory</p>

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	<p>subcontracting percentage value.</p> <p>Paragraph 1.12 of the Tender Data must read as follow:</p> <p>The appointed main contractor shall also subcontract to designated groups' electrical contractors with a CIDB gradings of 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and/or 6 ME. The CIDB gradings shall be relative to the value of the project in order to achieve the compulsory subcontracting percentage value.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The main contractor is responsible for the work done by the subcontractor. • All subcontractors must be approved by DWS. All subcontractors must be on National Treasury's Centralised Supplier Database (CSD) and they must be tax compliant. • Capabilities of bidder (Page 52) • Workshop Facilities (Page 53): <p>The contractor must have the facilities or have acceptable formal written agreements with associate companies for the contract period to do a preponderance of the work listed in Technical Specification and Requirements.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bid Rates: <p>For the purpose of adjudication of this Bid specific sites have been chosen containing a representative number of components for the region.</p> <p>Transport Costs (page 158 to page 159); for bidding purposes, the tenderer must use the transport rates included in the bid document, that is, for Petrol and Diesel Sedan/station wagon, Light delivery vehicle (LDV) 4x2, Light delivery vehicle (LDV) 4x4 and Mini bus/MPV</p> <p>The tenderer must insert rates for "Heavy and Extra Heavy Motor Vehicles (Diesel)", the rate must be in Rand per kilometre (Rand/km) this rate must include the driver/operator.</p> <p>Each table (price schedules) must be completed in full and the total from each brought to the summary table. Adjudication will be based on the total and not on rates.</p>
5.	SUBMISSION OF TENDER:
	<p>Mr. Shai took the bidders through the process to be followed when completing and submitting the bids.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bid documents can be downloaded from the Departmental website under current tenders: www.dwa.gov.za/Tenders/tendersCurrent.aspx. • The briefing session minutes, briefing session registers as well as any other bid documentations will be placed under the current bid, departmental website, where

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	<p>the bid is placed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The closing date for the bid is 13 August 2021 at 11:00am. Any bid received later than the stipulated date and time will not be acceptable. • A completed and signed bid document together with a covering letter and supporting documents shall be submitted in a sealed envelope or sealed packaging endorsed with a bid number and a bid description as well as the name of the bidder which must be clearly shown on the cover. • Bidders must submit one original bid document and two copies. • The bid document must be deposited in the bid box situated at the entrance of Zwamadaka Building, 157 Francis Baard Street, Pretoria. • Bidders have three options to submit their bid documents (hand delivery, via couriers or by post). Bids by email or fax will not be accepted. Late Bids will be rejected. <p>NOTE: Bidders are strongly advised to deliver Bids well before the deadline, as under NO CIRCUMSTANCES will any late Bid be accepted.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • However in a case where a bidder prefers to post their bid response, it must be done 5 days prior to the closing date, it will remain the bidder's responsibility to inform SCM to collect their bid response from registry 3 working days before the closing date. Failure to do so and the bid response is received late, SCM will not be held accountable. Bidders are requested to make necessary arrangements on time with the bid office to avoid unnecessary disappointments. • The last date for sending queries for clarifications will be on 09 August 2021 at 16:00pm. The questions to be forwarded to bidenquirieswte@dws.gov.za. Queries received after the due date will not be considered. • Office contact details of the responsible officials are available in the bid document (SBD 1 as well as in the tender data). Bidders are requested to make contact with the officials during working which is from 8:00am in the morning till 16:30pm. <p>FURTHER TECHNICAL INFORMATION:</p> <p>Queries and questions of clarity can be addressed to Chief Directorate: Infrastructure Operations and Maintenance office: contact Mr T Ngati contactable as follows: Tel: 012 336 8623 email: ngatit@dws.gov.za and cc mshodim@dws.gov.za and ndumon@dws.gov.za The Bid number and the subject name of this Bid should be clearly identified on the subject line when an enquiry is made.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All enquiries should be done through emails not cell phone message will be responded to.
5.	<p>INSTRUCTION TO BIDDERS:</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All spaces in the Departmental Forms and other Annexures shall be completed in full. All the returnable documents submitted with the bid must be listed and the index page must be attached. • Pricing Schedule <p>✓ A detailed financial proposal must be submitted with the bid. Each item of the financial proposal must be linked to a specific deliverable of the Price Schedules.</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ A 10% mark-up is applicable on normal procurement under this bid. During emergency works; the Departmental SCM policy shall indicate the applicable mark-up of a maximum of 20% that may be claimed by the Contractor. ✓ <u>Failure to complete the pricing schedules in full may render your bid non-responsive. Arithmetic errors will be managed in accordance with the CIDB Inform Practice Note No. 2 of 2006 "Correcting Arithmetic Errors in Tenders".</u> ✓ The Price Schedules annexed shall be fully priced out and the summary thereof filled in on the Bid Form SBD 3.2. <i>"Bidders using the system calculator for their pricing are requested to limit their pricing to two decimals (cents) to avoid completing/transferring wrong figures on the bid document."</i> • Bidders shall submit with their Bids, the names and addresses of the principal Subcontractors which they propose to employ and the section of the Works on which they would be employed by completing Annexure 1 Schedule of Subcontractors (page 120). • The Form of Offer and Acceptance, Form of Performance Guarantee are NOT to be completed at the time of bidding. • The bid documents shall NOT be separated in any way nor shall any pages be detached from the original documents. • The additional third copy of the Bid Documents may be retained by the Bidder for his records.
6.	EVALUATION CRITERIA:
	<p>The bid will be evaluated on a seven phased approach outlined as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Phase 1: Mandatory requirements ➤ Phase 2: Compulsory Subcontracting ➤ Phase 3: Administrative compliance ➤ Phase 4: Local production and content ➤ Phase 5: Functionality Compliance ➤ Phase 6: Workshop Evaluation ➤ Phase 7: Evaluation of price and preference points claimed <p>Bids will be evaluated in accordance with the new Preferential Procurement Regulations 2017, which came into effect on the 01 April 2017 using 80/20 preference points system as prescribed in the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act, Act 5 of 2000).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The lowest acceptable bid will score 90 points for price and a maximum of 10 points will be awarded for attaining B-BBEE points.

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	<p>Which Southern Operations Area Office are you bidding for? Bidders are required to indicate on the allocated space which Area Office are they bidding for.</p>
6.1	<p>Phase 1: Mandatory requirements</p>
	<p>Failure to submit or comply with any of the listed requirements below <u>will</u> render your bid non-responsive and will be disqualified.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Compulsory Briefing Session Certificate. Briefing session attendance register will be used to verify the attendance. Companies are urged to use the correct company names and correct contact details when completing the register. • Proof of Active registration grading with the Construction Industry Development Board: (CIDB) attach valid proof of registration. For JV companies, both or all partners must be CIDB active to avoid disqualification. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Free State (Bloemfontein) Office CIDB contractor grading of 7 ME or higher. ➢ Tugela Vaal Office CIDB contractor grading of 7 ME or higher. ➢ Usutu River Office CIDB contractor grading of 7 ME or higher. ➢ Usutu Vaal and Vaal Dam Office CIDB contractor grading of 7 ME or higher. • Schedule of demonstrable experience in associated electrical work or bidder should subcontract a CIDB contractor with grading of EP and proof must be submitted. • Sub-contracting agreement • Where Bidders are responding as Joint Venture (JV) or consortium, a signed JV Agreement / Association Agreement between both parties with clear indication of the lead partner should be submitted. • Professional Mechanical Engineer (active registration with ECSA). Attach proof of Professional Registration from ECSA. • A valid letter of Good Standing with the Compensation Commissioner in terms of the Compensation for Occupational Injuries and Diseases Act No 130 of 1993 and or third parties insurance registered with Financial Service Board. (verification will be done with the relevant authority). • A copy of a valid UIF certificate of compliance or copy of a valid letter of good standing/ tender letter. (verification will be done with the Department of Labour)
6.2	<p>Phase 2: Compulsory Subcontracting - Preferential Procurement Regulations 2017, Regulation 9:</p>
	<p>Only bidders who have a 30% signed sub-contracting agreement with EMEs or QSEs which are 51% owned by either black women; black youth; black people with disability will be considered as preferred target for the department, however should either preference of three target groups of department not be achieved during evaluation process either groups(black owned; black people living in rural or underdeveloped areas or townships; cooperative owned by black people; black people who are military veterans) will be considered for this bid. Verification documentation to be submitted to confirm 30% sub-contracting compliance requirements (failure to submit the supporting documents, the Bidder will be disqualified)</p> <p>It is required that bidders select sub-contractors from the CIDB database who are registered on the CSD for the purposes of compliance with the minimum 30% sub-</p>

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	contracting provisions. Bidders must submit the following:
	<p>a) A list and contact information of subcontractors to be subcontracted (as and when required) in order to meet the 30% minimum subcontracting requirement.</p> <p>b) CSD Report of Subcontractors (Tax matters must be in order; information will be verified on CSD).</p> <p>c) Subcontractors' Proof of active status on CIDB</p> <p>d) Subcontractors' registration certificate issued by Companies and Intellectual Property Commission (CIPC), to be verified by CSD.</p> <p>e) Bidders shall submit a signed pro-forma subcontracting agreements between the main contractor and the subcontractor with this bid.</p> <p>Failure to submit the above listed information shall render your bid non-responsive and will be disqualified.</p> <p>The sharing of subcontractors (other than specialist subcontractors) is not allowed in this bid.</p> <p>Main contractors are not allowed to subcontract with their subsidiary companies.</p> <p>Successful bidders'/appointed contractors' 30% Compulsory Subcontractors (Designated groups contractors) must have the following before signing the contract with department:</p> <p>A valid letter of Good Standing with the Compensation Commissioner in terms of the Compensation for Occupational Injuries and Diseases Act No 130 of 1993 and or third parties insurance registered with Financial Service Board. (verification will be done with the relevant authority).</p> <p>A copy of a valid UIF certificate of compliance or copy of a valid letter of good standing/ tender letter (Verification will be done with the Department of Labour).</p> <p>The appointed contractor must ensure that the 30% Compulsory Subcontractor (Designated groups contractors) obtains a valid letter of good standing with the Compensation Commissioner and the UIF certificate of compliance before commencing with the contract.</p> <p>A bidder will not be disqualified if it fails to submit the above mentioned two documents of their proposed compulsory subcontractors on the closing date of the bid, however no contract will be signed with a contractor who's sub-contractor doesn't have the required proof of UIF and COIDA.</p>
6.3	Phase 3: Administrative Compliance – documents to be submitted:
	<p>1. Detailed CSD report</p> <p>The bidder must be registered with the National Treasury Central Supplier Database (CSD) upon the closing of the bid. In bids where consortia/joint venture is formed,</p>

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	<p>separate CSD reports must be submitted. Provide MAAA number on SBD1 – (for JV companies MAAA number of the leading company should be provided).</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. The Tax Compliance status page which has the company PIN. (This is applicable to JV partners) 3. Status of the company in the CSD should indicate “Active” and “In business”. Company to attach copy of CIPC/ CIPRO certificate. (This is applicable to JV partners) 4. The bid must be signed by the director of the company or a duly authorised person and proof of such authority must be submitted. 5. Bidders are to submit a valid certified copy of the B-BBEE Status Level Verification Certificate or original valid sworn affidavit. (Failure to submit, the bidder will forfeit the preferential points to be claimed). 6. All SBD forms attached to the bid must be completed in full and signed. (SBD1, SBD3.2, SBD 4, SBD 6.1, SBD 8 & SBD 9). <p>In case of consortia/joint venture, each party must complete a separate SBD4, SBD8 and SBD9. The Central Supplier Database registration number (MAAA number) on SBD1 should be of the leading partner.</p> <p>Bidders are requested to familiarize themselves with contents of the SBD forms which serves as declaration when completing the bid document.(SDB 4, 8 and 9)</p>
6.4.	<p>Phase 4: Evaluation of local production and content</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bidders must ensure that they complete all tables as listed under phase 4 for compliance with Local Production and Content. Bidders are requested to indicate their response in the relevant column. If a bidder fails to indicate compliance with any of the listed items their bid response will be regarded as non-responsive and will not be considered for further evaluation. <p>NB: Completion and signing of the Local production and content SBD 6.2 Annexures (C, D, E) will only be a mandatory requirement at the stage of actual procurement when the actual sizes of the designated product/items are specified under a particular project with the appointed service provider.</p> <p>Bidders are requested to take note of all threshold percentages of the designated items which might be applicable to future projects to be issued under this contract.</p>
6.4	<p>Phase 5: Functionality Compliance</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bidders must score at least 50 out of 85 in respect of functionality in order to qualify for advancement to Phase 6. A bidder that scores less than 50 out of 85 will be regarded as submitting a non-responsive bid and will be disqualified. • Bidders who fail to obtain a minimum score for each criterion will be disqualified. <p>Bidders must take note of the weight that will be allocated to each functionality criteria as stated under the functionality compliance table.</p>

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	<p>The evaluators will score the bidder on a scale given per item (based on the evidence submitted with the bid document) and use the scored value to determine the achieved weight of the criterion.</p> <p>*The Department discourages the sharing of professionals (professional engineers, specialist artisans, and artisans) among bidders. In cases where there is evidence of sharing of professionals; the appointed contractors will have to discuss risks involved with the Department.</p> <p>Bidders that obtained at least 50 points during the Phase 5 evaluation shall have their workshops evaluated.</p>
6.5	<p>Phase 6: Evaluation Of Bidder's Workshops (Site Inspection)</p>
	<p>Workshop Facilities shall be inspected by the Bid Evaluation Committee as stipulated in the table under phase 6 of the evaluation criteria.</p> <p>The bidder must obtain at least 10 points for the workshop facilities. <u>Failure to obtain 10 points shall result in non-compliance and the bid shall be considered as non-responsive.</u></p> <p>A workshop facility shall be a closed, under cover, ventilated workshop facility complying with the Occupational Health and Safety Act.</p> <p>a) An overhead crane shall have a capacity of not less than 5 Ton or have the capability to lift loads of 5 Ton. = 2.5 points</p> <p>b) Machine shop shall be an area within the workshop facility or a stand-alone closed, under cover, ventilated workshop facility complying with the Occupational Health and Safety Act where machining is done, the machine shop shall have the following equipment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Lathe(s) = 0.5 point (ii) milling machine(s), = 0.5 point (iii) pedestal drill, = 0.5 point (iv) hydraulic press, = 0.5 point (v) grinding and welding machines. = 0.5 point <p>c) Boiler making section shall be a section in the workshop facility or a stand-alone closed, under cover, ventilated workshop facility complying with the Occupational Health and Safety Act dedicated for the following activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) use variety of tools to cast and bend pieces into shape, = 1.25 points (ii) welding or bolting pieces together = 1.25 points <p>d) Corrosion Protection Facility shall be dedicated for the following activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Fettling or dressing, = 0.5 point (ii) Degreasing, = 0.5 point (iii) Blast clean, = 0.5 point (iv) Application of the first coat, = 0.5 point (v) Application of intermediate and final coats = 0.5 point <p>e) Testing and Quality Control Area shall be dedicated for the following activities:</p>

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	<p>(i) Inspection of equipment and/or material = 1.25 points</p> <p>(ii) Testing of equipment (that is, hydrostatic testing, corrosion protection testing, factory assessment testing, etc.) = 1.25 points</p> <p>f) Quality Control Equipment includes the following:</p> <p>(i) Corrosion protection testing equipment (that is, dry film thickness (DFT) tester, Pin hole tester, water soluble test equipment etc.) = 0.5 point</p> <p>(ii) Hydrostatic testing equipment = 0.5 point</p> <p>(iii) Pressure testing equipment = 0.5 point</p> <p>(iv) Electrical testing equipment (that is, multi-meters, clamp-on ammeter, Insulation Tester, etc.) = 0.5 point</p> <p>(v) Measuring equipment (for measuring: temperature, length, weight, etc.) = 0.5 point</p>
	<p>Phase 7: 90/10 Principle will be applied in terms of the new Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2017 pertaining to the PPPFA Act no 5 of 2000.</p>
	<p><u>The following preference point system is applicable to this bid:</u></p> <p>The 90/10 preference point system in accordance with PPPFA Act, where 90 points will be attained in respect of price and 20 points will be awarded for attaining the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment (B-BBEE) Status Level of Contribution.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any bidders who want to claim the preferential points must submit proof certified copy of B-BBEE Status Level Certificate or its original Sworn Affidavit with the bid. (Failure to submit the required documentation will be interpreted to mean that the preference points for the B-BBEE status level of contribution are not claimed). <p>B-BBEE certificate must be a certified copy and it must be valid on or before the closing date of the invitation in order for a bidder to qualify for the points to be claimed. The original Sworn Affidavit endorsed or signed off by the commissioner of oath must be the original document not a copy and it must be valid on or before the closing date of the invitation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In bids where there is Consortia/Joint Ventures, a valid certified copy of a consolidated B-BBEE certificate of the legal entity must be submitted in order to claim preference points. <p>NB: A copy of a certified copy of B-BBEE status level contributor certificate or sworn affidavit will not be accepted.</p> <p>NB: An enterprise can only have one status level using the wrong sworn affidavit will lead to the bidder forfeiting their preferential points. Date deponent signed and date of Commissioner of Oath must be the same.</p> <p>NB: Commissioner of Oath cannot be an employee or ex officio of the enterprise because, a person cannot by law, commission a sworn affidavit in which they have an interest.</p> <p>NB: A copy of a sworn affidavit will not be recognized to claim preferential points.</p> <p>BIDDERS ARE REQUESTED NOT TO MAKE A COPY OF THE DOCUMENT WHICH HAS ALREADY BEEN CERTIFIED FOR TENDERING PURPOSES!!</p> <p>Pricing Schedule</p> <p>A detailed financial proposal must be submitted with the bid. Each item of the financial</p>

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	<p>proposal must be linked to a specific deliverable of the Price Schedules.</p> <p>A 10% mark-up is applicable on normal procurement under this bid. During emergency works; the Departmental SCM policy shall indicate the applicable mark-up of a maximum of 20% that may be claimed by the Contractor.</p> <p><u>Failure to complete the pricing schedules in full may render your bid non-responsive. Arithmetic errors will be managed in accordance with the CIDB Inform Practice Note No. 2 of 2006 "Correcting Arithmetic Errors in Tenders".</u></p>

No.	GENERAL AND TECHNICAL QUESTIONS	ANSWERS
1.	Can a Contractor with CIDB grade of 7 ME PE bid for DWS03 0621WTE?	7 ME PE (Potentially Emerging) will be considered. A contractor with CIDB grade 6 ME PE will not be considered for DWS03 0621WTE.
2.	What is the allowable radius of contractor's workshop facilities to the Area Office he/she is bidding for?	The contractor's workshop facilities shall be within a radius of 500km from the Central Operations Area Office tendered for (i.e. from Free State Office, Usutu River, Usutu Vaal (and Vaal Dam) and/or from the Tugela Vaal Office).
3.	<p>Paragraph 5.8.3 page 42 states that</p> <p>"The contractor must have a person ready to be authorized in terms of the ORHVS for HV switching as part of their team under this contract."</p> <p>Will DWS offer training for persons ready to be authorized in terms of ORHVS?</p>	<p>No, DWS will not offer training for persons ready to be authorized in terms of ORHVS for HV switching.</p> <p>DWS will give to the appointed contractor; the type and nature of the switchgear installed in the Area where the contractor is appointed. The contractor will have to source a suitable service provider which may be the Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) or the OEM's agent to provide training.</p>
4.	What if a workshop has a 5 or 10 Ton mobile lifting equipment instead of a 5 or 10 Ton overhead travel crane?	A 5 or 10 Ton mobile lifting equipment will be considered, the mobile lifting equipment must comply with the Lifting Machinery Regulations, must be load tested and certified by a Lifting Machinery Inspector (LMI)
5.	On Phase 5: Functionality Compliance; Quality Plan Criteria it is stated that "ISO 9001 is the preferred standard to test Quality Management System (QMS) of the prospective bidder" and a bidder who is ISO 9001 certified will score the maximum points of 15. Is a NOSA Quality Management	ISO 9001 QMS is <u>preferred</u> for the DWS 02 0621 WTE bid. Any other Quality Management Systems may be considered if they meet the requirements of the Quality Plan criteria.


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6.	Inside the bid document reference is made to a CV example for the 1 Page resumes required for the proposed project team members. The example is not part of the bid document.	The CV example document was omitted by mistake; the document will be uploaded with the briefing session minutes. (Have been uploaded).
7.	For the completion of the price schedules, the tenderers are required to include prices for the Specialist Artisan/Foreman, Artisan and Semi-Skilled for the project team (mechanical and electrical); artisans are paid differently, that is welders, fitters and electricians are paid different rates. What rate must the bidder include on the price schedules?	For bidding purposes and for the duration of the contract; the bidder must have one rate for the Specialist Artisan/Foreman, one rate for the Artisan and one rate for the Semi-Skilled (whether mechanical or electrical). The rates submitted as required on the price schedules will be used during quotation and invoicing stage by the appointed contractor.
8.	Must the subcontractor's rates be the same as the main contractor's rates?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For a main contractor (mechanical contractor with ME grade) who has entered into a subcontracting agreement with an electrical contractor (with EP grade) to achieve the EP requirement of the bid; the rates for Electrical Specialist Artisan/Foreman, Electrical Artisan and Electrical Semi-Skilled must be the same as for the mechanical team (for bidding and contract duration purposes). • For the 30% subcontractor (compulsory requirement that will be evaluated as part of Phase 2 of evaluation criteria); the rates for the subcontractor's project team shall not be higher than the main contractor's rates. During project quotation stage the main contractor will submit the subcontractor's quotation (as part of supporting documentation of main contractor's quote) for DWS consideration before a purchase order is issued. • When a specialist subcontractor is used; the main contractor will be required to submit the specialist contractor's quotation for consideration by DWS.
9.	Can a Specialist Contractor bid on its own and also issue agreements/letters of intent to other prospective bidders?	The specialist contractor is discouraged from unfair competition practises. The specialist contractor must refer and ensure compliance to The Fair Competition Act and any other applicable prescripts.


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10.	<p>Kindly clarify on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TENDER DATA: 13.2 Engineer <p>Engineers shall be in possession of an appropriate four-year Bachelor's degree in Engineering or equivalent qualification as prescribed by the Engineering Profession of SA Act (1990) plus appropriate four years' experience in related field after registration as a Professional Engineer with ECSA.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PHASE 5: FUNCTIONALITY COMPLIANCE <p>Bidders must submit the following academic qualification and proof of registration where professional bodies are required:</p> <p>(i) Professional mechanical engineer (Active ECSA registration) (with experience relating to maintenance of mechanical plant and machinery in infrastructure preferably water industry infrastructure),</p> <p>Kindly confirm if a personnel with Bachelor's Degree in Industrial Engineering, registered as a Professional Engineer with ECSA who has been working on Water Engineering Projects for more than 10 years: can be the Professional Mechanical Engineer as per tender requirements.</p>	<p>As per the Mandatory and Functionality Compliance requirements of the bid (DWS03-0621WTE); only a Professional "Mechanical" Engineer (ECSA registered) will be considered NOT a Professional Industrial Engineer.</p>
11.	<p>Assist with the following questions:-</p> <p>i. Page 46 Item 7.6 – please give proper definition of "part payments" as many a time certain projects run over a period of more than 1 yr.</p> <p>ii. Page 48 Item 11 – if we list our proposed specialist sub-contractors in the tender offer and we use them to execute projects over the 3 years, do we still require to obtain 3 quotes as per Item 12.2, when we price the RFQ's – this is unclear under Item 11.2? We believe the answer is no, but we still require your conformation on this</p> <p>iii. Page 50 Item 12.11 & 12.12 – It is the same question as above – do we require 3 quotes, when we already submit BBEE sub-contractors' details with our bid? We believe the answer is no, but we</p>	<p>i. Each project has deliverables, milestones, a start and an end date (whether multiyear or not). As per the procurement procedures (Annexure E); during project quotation approval stage; the appointed contractor may request the Employer's Agent's Representative to consider part payments on the project. Requests for partial invoicing and part payment will only be considered on an individual basis and must be duly covered by the material or equipment delivered to site or by services rendered by suppliers.</p> <p>ii. Yes, where applicable the appointed bidder must submit 3 quotes for subcontracted work. Clause 12.4 and 12.5 answers the question.</p>

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	<p>still require your conformation on this.</p> <p>v. Page 157 "travelling time" refers to 70% of labour rate for personnel travelling; we take that this rates only apply for the passengers and not the driver, as the driver is actually working – please give clarity on this?</p>	<p>iii. Clause 12.4 and 12.5 answers the question. Also refer to clause 1.15 regarding the negotiation of prices.</p> <p>iv. The "Driver – EHMV (D)" will claim the normal time when driving the EHMV to and from site.</p>
12.	<p>We would like to confirm whether the Main Contractor are to Sub-Contract for all Area Offices within the Central Operations.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Free State Office – Sub-Contract to a Subcontractor within that Area (30%) 2. Usutu River Office – Sub-Contract to a Subcontractor within that Area (30%) 3. Usutu Vaal (and Vaal Dam) Office – Sub-Contract within that Area (30%) 4. Tugela Vaal Office – Sub-Contract within that Area (30%) <p>Or will one Sub-Contractor for all both areas be accepted for the compulsory sub-contracting portion of the tender document.</p>	<p>On Bid DWS03 0621WTE: For the 30% compulsory subcontracting requirements; subcontract agreements are required between the main contractor and</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. designated groups' mechanical contractors with CIDB gradings of 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and/or 6 ME ii. designated groups' electrical contractors with CIDB gradings less than the EP grade of the main contractor or the EP grade of the electrical contractor subcontracted to achieve the EP requirement of this bid. <p>There must be designated groups' subcontractor(s) with ME grading and designated groups' subcontractor(s) with EP grading.</p> <p>Refer to page 2 T1.1 Tender Notice and Invitation to Tender, there's a statement that states that "If the Tenderer wishes to bid for more than one area, the Tenderer cannot use the same resources." 30% designated groups subcontractors are part of the main contractor's resources.</p>
13.	<p>DWS03 0621WTE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On page 9 of the document, Phase 2: Compulsory subcontracting, the 2nd paragraph 2 states that "Only bidders who have a 30% signed sub-contracting agreement with EMEs or QSEs which are 51% owned by either black women; black youth ; black people with disability will <p>be considered as preferred target for the department, however should either preference of three target groups of department not be achieved during evaluation process either groups(black owned; black</p>	<p>The department of water and sanitation has procurement target to empower 40% black women; 30% black youth and 7% black people with disability. However the department procurement process has to comply with national treasury regulation as prescribed in the preferential procurement regulations 2017 without prejudicing other designated groups. Hence the requirement of the bid says</p> <p>"Only bidders who have a 30% signed sub-contracting agreement with EMEs or QSEs which are 51% owned by either black women; black youth ; black people with</p>

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	<p>people living in rural or underdeveloped areas or townships;</p> <p>cooperative owned by black people ; black people who are military veterans) will be considered for this bid. Verification documentation to be submitted to confirm 30% subcontracting compliance requirements (failure to submit the supporting documents, the Bidder will be disqualified)", can you kindly explain the "either" in that statement as we are not sure if we need to subcontract a company that is 51% and must meet any of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Black women or o Black youth or o Black people with disability or o The subcontracting companies that we select must meet all the above in order to be considered for this bid. <p>• On page 87 of the document, under paragraph 2, point G and H, they do not correspond with annexure 1 and 2 respectively (they are in vice versa)</p>	<p>disability will be considered as preferred target for the department, however should either preference of three target groups of department not be achieved during evaluation process either groups(black owned; black people living in rural or underdeveloped areas or townships; cooperative owned by black people ; black people who are military veterans) will be considered for this bid. Verification documentation to be submitted to confirm 30% subcontracting compliance requirements (failure to submit the supporting documents, the Bidder will be disqualified)",</p> <p>The preference of compulsory subcontracting to companies owned by either 51% black women or black youth or black people with disability is not a disqualification requirement, since it depends on the market availability in within specific area or provinces. The requirement above is very clear to say should those designated groups not be achieved during the evaluation process either groups(black owned; black people living in rural or underdeveloped areas or townships; cooperative owned by black people ; black people who are military veterans) will be considered for this bid.</p> <p>•Regarding page 86 of the document, under paragraph 2, point G and H and not corresponding with Annexure 1 and 2; It was a clerical error. Both annexures must be completed as required.</p>

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14.	<p>Referring to Tender Document: Page 136 – Question: “Is your quality system SANS ISO 9001:2000 registered?”</p> <p>Please note that SANS ISO 9001:2000 is obsolete and replaced by 9001:2015, therefore certification should be measured against the latest standard.</p>	<p>Please note there was a clerical error. Only the latest standard will be considered, that is, ISO 9001:2015 certification.</p>


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