Approved 23/01/24



**TENDER NUMBER: HP23/026GS** 

RETURNABLE DOCUMENTS

AND

TERMS OF REFERENCE

ESTABLISHMENT OF PANEL OF ATTORNEYS TO DEAL WITH LABOUR RELATIONS CASES FOR A PERIOD OF (3) THREE YEARS.



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Project Leader:	LEBO HLONGWANE	Bid / no:	HP23/026GS

### **SECTIONS IN BID DOCUMENT**

Bidders are to ensure that they have received all pages of the bid document, which consists of the Following sections:

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# YOU ARE HEREBY INVITED TO BID TO THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

PLEASE TAKE NOTE

**BID NUMBER: HP23/026GS** 

CLOSING TIME: SHARP 11:00 CLOSING DATE: 20 FEBRUARY 2024

BIDS RECEIVED AFTER THE CLOSING TIME AND DATE ARE LATE AND WILL, AS A RULE NOT BE ACCEPTED FOR CONSIDERATION

### BID DOCUMENTS MAY BE POSTED TO

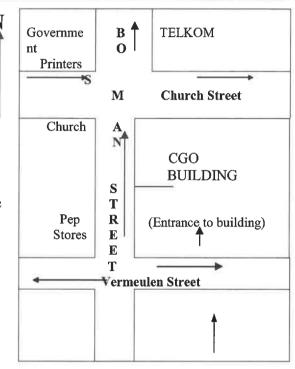
DIRECTOR-GENERAL
Department of Public Works
Private Bag X65
PRETORIA
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ATTENTION: TENDER SECTION: Central Government office: Room 121

Bid documents that are posted must reach the Department of Public Works: Tender section, before 08:00 on the closing date of the bid.

OR

The bid documents may be deposited at the Department of Public Works: Head Office: Room 121, Central Government Office (CGO) c/o Bosman and Vermeulen Street.(Entrance Vermeulen Street) Pretoria,0001



The Head Office of the Department of Public Works is open **Mondays to Fridays**  $\underline{07:30 - 12:30 / 13:30 - 15:30}$ . However, if the bid is late, it will, as a rule not be accepted for consideration.

Bidders should ensure that bids are delivered timeously to the correct address.

### SUBMIT ALL BIDS ON THE OFFICIAL FORMS - DO NOT RETYPE.

Bids by telegram, facsimile or other similar apparatus will not be accepted for consideration.

## SUBMIT EACH BID IN A SEPARATE SEALED ENVELOPE, INDICATING THE TENDER NR, CLOSING DATE AND YOUR COMPANY NAME

The Government Tender Bulletin is available on the Internet on the following web sites:

- 1. http://www.treasury.gov.za
- 2. http://www.info.gov.za/documents/tenders/index.htm

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# PA 32: INVITATION TO BID PART A

YOU ARE HERE	BY INVITED TO BID FOR	<b>REQUIREMENTS</b>	OF THE (NAM	ME OF DEP	ARTMENT/PL	IBLIC ENTITY)	
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Pretoria Cent	ral: Reception area						
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		TCS PIN:		OR	CSD No:		
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	SIGNED (Attach proof of authority to sign this bid; e.g. resolution of						
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DEPARTMENT/ PUBLIC ENTITY	DPWI	CONTACT PERSON	Lebo Hlongwane
CONTACT PERSON	KGOMOTSO MABELEBI	ELETELEPHONE NUMBER	012 406 1192/082 888 3671
TELEPHONE NUMBER	012 406 2017	FACSIMILE NUMBER	
FACSIMILE NUMBER		E-MAIL ADDRESS	Lebo.Hlongwane@dpw.gov.za
E-MAIL ADDRESS	Kgomotso.Mabelebele@	dpw.gov.za	

# PART B TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR BIDDING

### 1. BID SUBMISSION:

- 1.1. BIDS MUST BE DELIVERED BY THE STIPULATED TIME TO THE CORRECT ADDRESS. LATE BIDS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED FOR CONSIDERATION.
- 1.2. ALL BIDS MUST BE SUBMITTED ON THE OFFICIAL FORMS PROVIDED-(NOT TO BE RE-TYPED) OR ONLINE
- 1.3. BIDDERS MUST REGISTER ON THE CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE (CSD) TO UPLOAD MANDATORY INFORMATION NAMELY: (BUSINESS REGISTRATION/ DIRECTORSHIP/ MEMBERSHIP/IDENTITY NUMBERS; TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS; AND BANKING INFORMATION FOR VERIFICATION PURPOSES).

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- 1.4. WHERE A BIDDER IS NOT REGISTERED ON THE CSD, MANDATORY INFORMATION NAMELY: (BUSINESS REGISTRATION/ DIRECTORSHIP/ MEMBERSHIP/IDENTITY NUMBERS; TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS MAY NOT BE SUBMITTED WITH THE BID DOCUMENTATION.
- 1.5. THIS BID IS SUBJECT TO THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT POLICY FRAMEWORK ACT 2000 AND THE GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT (GCC) AND, IF APPLICABLE, ANY OTHER LEGISLATION OR SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT.
- 2. TAX COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS
- 2.1 BIDDERS MUST ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THEIR TAX OBLIGATIONS.
- 2.2 BIDDERS ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT THEIR UNIQUE PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (PIN) ISSUED BY SARS TO ENABLE THE ORGAN OF STATE TO VIEW THE TAXPAYER'S PROFILE AND TAX STATUS.
- 2.3 APPLICATION FOR TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS (TCS) OR PIN MAY ALSO BE MADE VIA E-FILING. IN ORDER TO USE THIS PROVISION, TAXPAYERS WILL NEED TO REGISTER WITH SARS AS E-FILERS THROUGH THE WEBSITE WWW.SARS.GOV.ZA.
- 2.4 BIDDERS MAY ALSO SUBMIT A PRINTED TCS TOGETHER WITH THE BID.
- 2.5 IN BIDS WHERE CONSORTIA / JOINT VENTURES / SUB-CONTRACTORS ARE INVOLVED, EACH PARTY MUST SUBMIT A SEPARATE PROOF OF TCS / PIN / CSD NUMBER.
- 2.6 WHERE NO TCS IS AVAILABLE BUT THE BIDDER IS REGISTERED ON THE CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE (CSD), A CSD NUMBER MUST BE PROVIDED.

3.	QUESTIONNAIRE TO BIDDING FOREIGN SUPPLIERS	
3.1.	IS THE BIDDER A RESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA (RSA)?	☐ YES ☐ NO
3.2.	DOES THE BIDDER HAVE A BRANCH IN THE RSA?	YES NO
3.3.	DOES THE BIDDER HAVE A PERMANENT ESTABLISHMENT IN THE RSA?	YES NO
IF TH	DOES THE BIDDER HAVE ANY SOURCE OF INCOME IN THE RSA? HE ANSWER IS "NO" TO ALL OF THE ABOVE, THEN, IT IS NOT A REQUIREMENT TO OBTAIN A COMPLIANCE SYSTEM PIN CODE FROM THE SOUTH AFRICAN REVENUE SERVICE (SARS) AND VE.	

### NB: FAILURE TO PROVIDE ANY OF THE ABOVE PARTICULARS MAY RENDER THE BID INVALID.

### Note Well:

- a) In respect of non VAT vendors the bidders may not increase the bid price under Section 67(1) of the Value Added Tax Act of 1991 where the relevant transaction would become subject to VAT by reason of the turnover threshold being exceeded and the bidder becomes liable for VAT.
- b) All delivery costs must be included in the bid price, for delivery at the prescribed destination.
- c) The price that appears on this form is the one that will be considered for acceptance as a firm and final offer.
- d) The grand total in the pricing schedule(s), inclusive of VAT, attached to the bid offer must correlate and be transferred to this form (PA32).
- e) Where there are inconsistencies between the grand total price offer in the pricing schedule(s) and the PA32 price offer, the price offer on the PA32 shall prevail and deemed to be firm and final. No further correspondence shall be entered into in this regard.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> All applicable taxes" includes value- added tax, pay as you earn, income tax, unemployment insurance fund contributions and skills development levies



Notice and Invitation to Bid: PA-04 (GS)

### PA-04 (GS): NOTICE AND INVITATION TO BID

THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS INVITES BIDDERS FOR THE PROVISION OF ESTABLISHMENT OF PANEL OF ATTORNEYS TO DEAL WITH LABOUR RELATIONS CASES FOR A PERIOD OF (3) THREE YEARS

Project title:		ESTABLISHMENT OF PANEL OF ATTORNEYS TO DEAL WITH LABOUR RELATIONS CASES FOR A PERIOD OF (3) THREE YEARS					
Bid no:	HP23/026GS						
Advertising date:	23 JANUARY 2024	Closing date:	20 FEBRUARY 2024				
Closing time:	11:00AM	Validity period:	84 days				

1. FUNCTIONALITY CRITERIA APPLICABLE YES NO NO Note 1: Failure to meet minimum functionality score will result in the tenderer being disqualified.

Functionality criteria:1	Weighting factor:
Combined experience in labour relation related project by the firm. Reference letters from the Department and SOE'S indicating appoinment date.  8 years and above= 5 points 6-7 years=4 points 4-5 years=3 points 2-3 years=2 points 1 year=1point less than a year=0point	30
The bidder must indicate the name of one Lead Attorney for the bid and further supply the lead Attorney's curriculum Vitae and current fidelity fund certificate to qualify for points. Partial or no response to this request will result in no points being awarded.  Experience of the lead attorney: 11 years and above=5 points  Experience of the lead attorney:8-10 years=4 points  Experience of the lead attorney:5-7 years=3 points  Experience of the lead attorney:2-4 years=2 points  Experience of the lead attorney: 1 year=1 point  Experience of the lead attorney: year=0 point	30
The bidder must provide a detailed summary on the following 5 arears of Laws of the law firm that they have tendered.  1. Investigation 2. Initiation 3. Chairing 4. Litigation 5. Mediation  Each item will be scored individually on a scale 1 to 5= very satisfactory 4=satisfactory :3= Neutral:2=Dissatisfactory1=very dissatifactory	15

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The points allocated to each functionality criterion should not be generic but should be determined separately for each tender on a case by case basis.

Any reference to words "Bid" or Bidder" herein and/or in any other documentation shall be construed to have the same meaning as the words "Tender" or "Tenderer".

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		num qualifying score for functionality is 50 ivation below).	0 percent, any de	eviation below o	or above the 50 percent,	
2. T	HE FOL	LOWING EVALUATION METHOD FOR	RESPONSIVE I	BIDS WILL BE	APPLICABLE:	
	☐ Method 1 (Financial offer) ☐ Method 2 (Financial and Preference offer)					
2.1.	2.1. Indicate which preference points scoring system is applicable for this bid:					
	■ 80/20 Preference points					
	3.1. Indi the	NSIVENESS CRITERIA  cate substantive responsiveness crite criteria stated hereunder shall result sideration:  Only those tenderers who satisfy the	in the tender	offer being d	isqualified from further	
1		tenders.				
2		Tender offer must be properly received on the tender closing date and time specified on the invitation, fully completed either electronically (if issued in electronic format), or by writing legibly in non-erasable ink. (All as per Standard Conditions of Tender).				
3		All parts of tender documents submit required	ted must be full	y completed i	n ink and signed where	
4		Use of correction fluid is prohibited.				
5		Submission of PA-32: Invitation to Bid				
6		Submission of record of attending comp insert motivation why the tender clar			compulsory	
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11	Specify other responsiveness criteria

## 3.2. Indicate administrative requirements applicable for this tender. Tenderers may be required to submit the below documents where applicable.

The Employer reserves the right to request further information regarding the undermentioned criteria. Failing to submit further clarification and/or documentation within seven (7) calendar days from request or as specifically indicated, will disqualify the tender offer from further consideration.

1		Any correction to be initialled by the person authorised to sign the tender documentation as per PA 15.1 or PA 15.2 resolution of board/s of directors / or PA15.3 Special Resolution of Consortia or JV's.
2	$\boxtimes$	Submission of applicable (PA-15.1, PA-15.2, PA-15.3): Resolution by the legal entity, or consortium / joint venture, authorising a dedicated person(s) to sign documents on behalf of the firm / consortium / joint venture.
3	$\boxtimes$	Submission of (PA-11): Bidder's disclosure.
4		Submission of (PA 40): Declaration of Designated Groups for Preferential Procurement.
5		Submission of proof of Registration on National Treasury's Central Supplier Database (CSD) or insert the Supplier Registration Number on the form of offer
6		Upon request, submission of a fully completed security clearance application form with supporting documentation and information as required. The security clearance form will be provided by the Employer for projects requiring a security clearance.
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3.3. Indicate administrative requirements applicable for specific goals, Tenderers will not be required to submit the below document if not provided in the original tender proposals, Failure to comply with the criteria stated hereunder <a href="mailto:shall">shall</a> result in the tenderer not allocated points for specific goals:

1	Submission of (PA-16): Preference Points Claim Form in terms of the Preferential Procurement Regulations 2022
2	A trust, consortium or joint venture (including unincorporated consortia and joint ventures) must submit a consolidated B-BBEE Certificate issued by a SANAS accredited service provider

### 4. METHOD TO BE USED TO CALCULATE POINTS FOR SPECIFIC GOALS

	4.1. For procurement transaction with rand value greater than R1 Million and up to R50 Million (Inclusive of all applicable taxes) the specific goals listed in table 1 below are applicable.  Table 1					
Serial No	Specific Goals	Preference Points Allocated out of 20	Documentation to be submitted by bidders to validate their claim			
1.	An EME or QSE or any entity which is at least 51% owned by black people (Mandatory)	10	SANAS Accredited BBBEE     Certificate or Sworn Affidavit			

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			where applicable.
2.	Located in a specific Local Municipality or District Municipality or Metro or Province area for work to be done or services to be rendered in that area (Mandatory)	2	Official Municipal Rates Statemer which is in the name of the bidder      Any account or statement which is in the name of the bidder.  Or      Permission to Occupy from local chief in case of rural areas (PTO) which is in the name of the bidder  Or      Lease Agreement which is in the
		*	name of the bidder.
3.	An EME or QSE or any entity which is at least 51% owned by black women (Mandatory)	4	SANAS Accredited BBBEE     Certificate or Sworn Affidavit     where applicable.
4.	An EME or QSE or any entity which is at least 51% owned by black people with disability (Mandatory)	2	SANAS Accredited BBBEE     Certificate or Sworn Affidavit     where applicable.
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			Medical Certificate indicating that the disability is permanent.
			Or
			South African Social Security Agency (SASSA) Registration indicating that the disability is permanent.
			Or
			National Council for Persons with Physical Disability in South Africa registration (NCPPDSA).
5.	An EME or QSE or any entity which is at least 51% owned by black youth (Mandatory)	2	ID copy and SANAS Accredited BBBEE Certificate or Sworn Affidavit where applicable.
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1.	An EME or QSE or any entity which is at least 51% owned by black people (Mandatory)	4	SANAS Accredited BBBEE     Certificate or Sworn Affidavit     where applicable.
2.	Located in a specific Local Municipality or District Municipality or Metro or Province area for work to be done or services to be rendered in that area (Mandatory)	2	<ul> <li>Official Municipal Rates         Statement which is in the name         of the bidder.</li> <li>Any account or statement         which is in the name of the         bidder.</li> <li>Permission to Occupy from         local chief in case of rural         areas (PTO) which is in the         name of the bidder.</li> <li>Lease Agreement which is in         the name of the bidder.</li> </ul>
3.	An EME or QSE or any entity which is at least 51% owned by black women (mandatory)	2	SANAS Accredited BBBEE     Certificate or Sworn Affidavit     where applicable.
4. []	An EME or QSE or any entity which is at least 51% owned by black people with disability (Mandatory)	2	<ul> <li>SANAS Accredited BBBEE         Certificate or Sworn Affidavit         where applicable.          and             Medical Certificate indicating             that the disability is permanent.              Or                   South African Social Security                   Agency (SASSA) Registration                  indicating that the disability is                   permanent.                    Or</li></ul>
5.	An EME or QSE or any entity which is at least 51% owned by black youth (Mandatory)	2	ID Copy and SANAS     Accredited BBBEE Certificate     or Sworn Affidavit where     applicable



### 5. COLLECTION OF BID DOCUMENTS:

$\boxtimes$	Bid documents are available for free download on e-Tender portal
	www.etenders.gov.za
$\boxtimes$	Alternatively; Bid documents may be collected during working hours at the following
	address 256 Madiba street, Pretoria, CBD, 0001 . A non-refundable bid deposit of R
	200.00 is payable, (Cash only) is required on collection of the bid documents.
	A <b>select</b> pre bid meeting with representatives of the Department of Public Works will
	take place at on starting at . Venue . (if applicable)
6.	ENQUIRIES
	6.1. Technical enquiries may be addressed to:
	o. 1. Technical enquines may be addressed to.

DPWI Project Manager	MS. LEBO HLONGWANE	Telephone no:	012 406 1192
Cellular phone no	082 888 3671	Fax no:	
E-mail	lebo.hlongwane@dpw.gov.za		10

6.2. SCM enquiries may be addressed to:

SCM Official	Ms. Kgomotso Mabelebele	Telephone no:	012 406 2017
Cellular phone no		Fax no:	
E-mail	Kgomotso.Mabelebele@dpw.gov.za	. 0	

### 7. DEPOSIT / RETURN OF BID DOCUMENTS:

Telegraphic, telephonic, telex, facsimile, electronic and / or late tenders will not be accepted.

Requirements for sealing, addressing, delivery, opening and assessment of tenders are stated in the bid document.

All tenders must be submitted on the official forms

BID DOCUMENTS MAY BE POSTED TO:		DEPOSITED IN THE TENDER BOX AT:
THE DIRECTOR -GENERAL DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS PRIVATE BAG X 65		Department of Public Works and Infrastructure, Bosman and Madiba Street CGO Building
Pretoria CBD	OR	Madiba Entrance
0001	Oit	Room:121
ATTENTION: PROCUREMENT SECTION: ROOM 121		
POSTED TENDERS MUST BE RECEIVED PRIOR CLOSING DATE AND TIME AT 11H00 BY THE DEPARTMENT		



### PA-09 (GS): LIST OF RETURNABLE DOCUMENTS

Project title:	ESTABLISHMENT OF PANEL OF ATTORNEYS TO DEAL WITH LABOUR RELATIONS CASES FOR A PERIOD OF (3) THREE YEARS		
Project Leader:	LEBO HLONGWANE	Bid / Quote no:	HP23/026GS

1. THE BIDDER MUST COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING RETUNABLE DOCUMENTS: (Bidders may use the "Returnable document" column to confirm documents have been completed and returned by

inserting a tick)

Bid Document Name:		Number of Pages:	Returnable document:
Cover page		01 Pages	
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Bid form of offer (PA 32)		02 Pages	
PA 04 (GS):Notice and invitation to to	ender	07 Pages	
PA 09 (GS):List of returnable docume	ents	01 Pages	
PA-10(GS):General Conditions of co	ntract	10 Pages	
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Terms of reference		09 Pages	
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Name of Bidder	Signature		Date

Name of Bidder	Signature	Date



### PA-10: GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT (GCC)

### NOTES:

The purpose of this document is to:

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

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

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

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- 32. Taxes and duties
- 33. National Industrial Participation Programme (NIPP)
- 34. Prohibition of restrictive practices



### **General Conditions of Contract**

### 1. Definitions

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



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

### 2. Application

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

### 3. General

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

### 4. Standards

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

### 5. Use of contract documents and information; inspection.

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





made in confidence and shall extend only so far as may be necessary for purposes of such performance.

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

### 6. Patent rights

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

### 7. Performance security

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

### 8. Inspections, tests and analyses

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



- 8.6. Supplies and services which are referred to in clauses 8.2 and 8.3 and which do not comply with the contract requirements may be rejected.
- 8.7. Any contract supplies may on or after delivery be inspected, tested or analyzed and may be rejected if found not to comply with the requirements of the contract. Such rejected supplies shall be held at the cost and risk of the supplier who shall, when called upon, remove them immediately at his own cost and forthwith substitute them with supplies which do comply with the requirements of the contract. Failing such removal the rejected supplies shall be returned at the suppliers cost and risk. Should the supplier fail to provide the substitute supplies forthwith, the purchaser may, without giving the supplier further opportunity to substitute the rejected supplies, purchase such supplies as may be necessary at the expense of the supplier.
- 8.8. The provisions of clauses 8.4 to 8.7 shall not prejudice the right of the purchaser to cancel the contract on account of a breach of the conditions thereof, or to act in terms of Clause 23 of GCC.

### 9. Packing

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

### 10. Delivery and documents

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

### 11. Insurance

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

### 12. Transportation

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

### 13. Incidental services

- 13.1. The supplier may be required to provide any or all of the following services, including additional services, if any, specified in SCC:
  - (a) performance or supervision of on-site assembly and/or commissioning of the supplied goods;
  - (b) furnishing of tools required for assembly and/or maintenance of the supplied goods;
  - (c) furnishing of a detailed operations and maintenance manual for each appropriate unit of the supplied goods;
  - (d) performance or supervision or maintenance and/or repair of the supplied goods, for a period of time agreed by the parties, provided that this service shall not relieve the supplier of any warranty obligations under this contract; and



- (e) training of the purchaser's personnel, at the supplier's plant and/or on-site, in assembly, start-up, operation, maintenance, and/or repair of the supplied goods.
- 13.2. Prices charged by the supplier for incidental services, if not included in the contract price for the goods, shall be agreed upon in advance by the parties and shall not exceed the prevailing rates charged to other parties by the supplier for similar services.

### 14. Spare parts

- 14.1. As specified in SCC, the supplier may be required to provide any or all of the following materials, notifications, and information pertaining to spare parts manufactured or distributed by the supplier:
  - (a) such spare parts as the purchaser may elect to purchase from the supplier, provided that this election shall not relieve the supplier of any warranty obligations under the contract; and
  - (b) in the event of termination of production of the spare parts:
    - (i) Advance notification to the purchaser of the pending termination, in sufficient time to permit the purchaser to procure needed requirements; and
    - (ii) following such termination, furnishing at no cost to the purchaser, the blueprints, drawings, and specifications of the spare parts, if requested.

### 15. Warranty

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

### 16. Payment

- 16.1. The method and conditions of payment to be made to the supplier under this contract shall be specified in SCC.
- 16.2. The supplier shall furnish the purchaser with an invoice accompanied by a copy of the delivery note and upon 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 and in such manner as it deems appropriate, goods, works or services similar to those undelivered, and the supplier shall be liable to the purchaser for any excess costs for such similar goods, works or services. However, the supplier shall continue performance of the contract to the extent not terminated.
- 23.3 Where the purchaser terminates the contract in whole or in part, the purchaser may decide to impose a restriction penalty on the supplier by prohibiting such supplier from doing business with the public sector for a period of not exceeding 10 years.
- 23.4 If a purchaser intends imposing a restriction on a supplier or any person with the supplier, the supplier will be allowed a time period of not more than fourteen (14) days to provide 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.
- Any restriction on any person by the Accounting Officer/ Authority will, at the discretion of the Accounting Officer/ Authority, also be applicable to any 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 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 the 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 count 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 pubic sector for a period not less than five years and not more than ten years. The National Treasury is empowered to determine the period of restriction and each case will be dealt with on its 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 the 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 contract unless they Otherwise agree; and
  - (b) the purchaser shall pay the supplier any monies due the supplier.

### 28. Limitation of Liability

- 28.1 Except in cases of criminal negligence or willful misconduct, and in the case of infringement pursuant to Clause 6;
  - (a) the supplier shall not be liable to the purchaser, whether in contract, tort, or otherwise, for any indirect or consequential loss 12 or damage, loss of use, loss of production, or loss of profits or interest costs, provided that this exclusion shall not apply to any obligation of the supplier to pay penalties and/or damages to the purchaser; and
  - (b) the aggregate liability of the supplier to the purchaser, whether under the contract, in tort or otherwise, shall not exceed the total contract price, provided that this limitation shall not apply to the cost of repairing or replacing defective equipment.







### 29. Governing language

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

### 30. Applicable law

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

### 31. Notices

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

### 32. Taxes and duties

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

### 33. National Industrial Participation Programme (NIPP)

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

- In terms of section 4 (1) (b) (iii) of the Competition Act No. 89 of 1998, as amended, an agreement between, or concerted practice by, firms, or a decision by an association of firms, is prohibited if it is between parties in a horizontal relationship and if a bidder (s) is / are or a contractor(s) was / were involved in collusive bidding (or bid rigging).
- 34.2 If a bidder(s) or contractor(s), based on reasonable grounds or evidence obtained by the purchaser, has / have engaged in the restrictive practice referred to above, the purchaser may refer the matter to the Competition Commission for investigation and possible imposition of administrative penalties as contemplated in the Competition Act No. 89 of 1998.
- 34.3 If a bidder(s) or contractor(s), has / have been found guilty by the Competition Commission of the restrictive practice referred to above, the purchaser may, in addition and without prejudice to any other remedy provided for, invalidate the bid(s) for such item(s) offered, and / or terminate the contract in whole or part, and / or restrict the bidder(s) or contractor(s) from conducting business with the public sector for a period not exceeding ten (10) years and / or claim damages from the bidder(s) or contractor(s) concerned.

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### PA-11: BIDDER'S DISCLOSURE

### 1. PURPOSE OF THE FORM

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

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

### 2. Bidder's declaration

2.1 Is the bidder, or any of its directors / trustees / shareholders / members / partners or any person having a controlling interest (1) in the enterprise, employed by the state?

YES / NO

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

Full Name	Identity Number	Name of State institution
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<sup>(1)</sup> the power, by one person or a group of persons holding the majority of the equity of an enterprise, alternatively, the person/s having the deciding vote or power to influence or to direct the course and decisions of the enterprise.



2.2	Do you, or any person connected with the bidder, have a relationship with any person who is employed by the procuring institution?
	YES / NO
2.2.1	If so, furnish particulars:
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2.3	Does the bidder or any of its directors / trustees / shareholders / members / partners or any person having a controlling interest in the enterprise have any interest in any other related enterprise whether or not they are bidding for this contract?  YES / NO
2.3.1	If so, furnish particulars:
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	I, the undersigned, (name)
2.4	Lhave read and Lunderstand the contents of this disclosure:

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

Any reference to words "Bid" or Bidder" herein and/or in any other documentation shall be construed to have the same meaning as the words "Tender" or "Tenderer". Page 2 of 3 For External Use Effective date 5 July 2022 Version: 2022/03

<sup>2</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.



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

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

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

Signature	Date
Position	Name of bidder

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### PA-15.1: RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

RESOLUTION of a meeting of the Board of \*Directors / Members / Partners of: (legally correct full name and registration number, if applicable, of the Enterprise) Held at \_\_\_\_\_(place) \_\_\_\_\_\_ (date) **RESOLVED** that: 1. The Enterprise submits a Bid / Tender to the Department of Public Works in respect of the following project: (project description as per Bid / Tender Document) Bid / Tender Number: \_\_\_\_\_ (Bid / Tender Number as per Bid / Tender Document) 2. \*Mr/Mrs/Ms: in \*his/her Capacity as: \_\_\_\_\_ (Position in the Enterprise) and who will sign as follows: be, and is hereby, authorised to sign the Bid / Tender, and any and all other documents and/or

correspondence in connection with and relating to the Bid / Tender, as well as to sign any Contract, and any and all documentation, resulting from the award of the Bid / Tender to the Enterprise mentioned

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The bidding enterprise hereby absolves the Department of Public Works from any liability whatsoever that may arise as a result of this

### document being signed. Note: **ENTERPRISE STAMP** \* Delete which is not applicable. 2. NB: This resolution must, where possible, be signed by all the Directors / Members / Partners of the Bidding Enterprise. In the event that paragraph 2 cannot be complied with, the resolution must be signed by Directors / Members / Partners holding a majority of the shares / ownership of the Bidding Enterprise (attach proof of shareholding / ownership hereto). Directors / Members / Partners of the Bidding Enterprise may alternatively appoint a person to sign this document on behalf of the Bidding Enterprise, which person must be so authorized by way of a duly completed power of attorney, signed by the Directors / Members / Partners holding a majority of the shares / ownership of the Bidding Enterprise (proof of shareholding / ownership and power of attorney are to be attached hereto). Should the number of Directors / Members / Partners exceed the space available above, additional names and signatures must be supplied on a separate page.



### PA-15.2: RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS TO ENTER INTO **CONSORTIA OR JOINT VENTURES**

RESOLUTION of a meeting of the Board of \*Directors / Members / Partners of: (Legally correct full name and registration number, if applicable, of the Enterprise) Held at \_\_ On. **RESOLVED that:** 1. The Enterprise submits a Bid /Tender, in consortium/Joint Venture with the following Enterprises: (List all the legally correct full names and registration numbers, if applicable, of the Enterprises forming the Consortium/Joint to the Department of Public Works in respect of the following project: (Project description as per Bid /Tender Document) Bid / Tender Number: Bid /Tender Document) 2. \*Mr/Mrs/Ms: in \*his/her Capacity as: and who will sign as follows: be, and is hereby, authorised to sign a consortium/joint venture agreement with the parties listed under item 1 above, and any and all other documents and/or correspondence in connection with and relating to the consortium/joint venture, in respect of the project described under item 1 above. 3. The Enterprise accepts joint and several liability with the parties listed under item 1 above for the due fulfilment of the obligations of the joint venture deriving from, and in any way connected with, the Contract to be entered into with the Department in respect of the project described under item 1 above. 4. The Enterprise chooses as its domicilium citandi et executandi for all purposes arising from this joint venture agreement and the Contract with the Department in respect of the project under item 1 above: Physical address:

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- 1. \* Delete which is not applicable
- NB. This resolution must be signed by <u>all</u> the Directors / Members / Partners of the Bidding Enterprise
- Should the number of Directors / Members/Partners exceed the space available above, additional names and signatures must be supplied on a separate page

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# PA-15.3: SPECIAL RESOLUTION OF CONSORTIA OR JOINT VENTURES

RESOLUTION of a meeting of the duly authorised representatives of the following legal entities who have

ent and	tered into a consortium/joint venture to jointly bid for the project mentioned below: (legally correct full names I registration numbers, if applicable, of the Enterprises forming a Consortium/Joint Venture)
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A.	The above-mentioned Enterprises submit a Bid in Consortium/Joint Venture to the Department of Public Works in respect of the following project:
	(Project description as per Bid /Tender Document)
	Bid / Tender Number:(Bid / Tender Number as per Bid / Tender Document)



### Special Resolution of Consortia or Joint Ventures: PA-15.3

B.	*Mr/Mrs/Ms:			
	in *his/her Capacity as	: <u></u>	(Position in the Enterprise)	
	and who will sign as fo	ollows:		
	in connection with a	nd relating to the Bid, as	any and all other documents and/or correspondence well as to sign any Contract, and any and all Bid to the Enterprises in Consortium/Joint Venture	
C.		stituting the Consortium/Joir nder the name and style of:	nt Venture, notwithstanding its composition, shall	
D.	The Enterprises to the Consortium/Joint Venture accept joint and several liability for the due fulfilment of the obligations of the Consortium/Joint Venture deriving from, and in any way connected with, the Contract entered into with the Department in respect of the project described under item A above.			
E.	Any of the Enterprises to the Consortium/Joint Venture intending to terminate the consortium/join venture agreement, for whatever reason, shall give the Department 30 days written notice of suc intention. Notwithstanding such decision to terminate, the Enterprises shall remain jointly and severall liable to the Department for the due fulfilment of the obligations of the Consortium/Joint Venture a mentioned under item D above.			
F.	Enterprises to the Con	nsortium/Joint Venture and of er the consortium/joint ventu	hall, without the prior written consent of the other the Department, cede any of its rights or assign any ure agreement in relation to the Contract with the	
G.		the consortium/joint venture	et executandi of the Consortium/Joint Venture for all agreement and the Contract with the Department in	
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The bidding enterprise hereby absolves the Department of Public Works from any liability whatsoever that may arise as a result of this document being signed.

### Note:

- 1. \* Delete which is not applicable.
- NB: This resolution must be signed by <u>all</u> the Duly Authorised Representatives of the Legal Entities to the consortium/joint venture submitting this tender, as named in item 2 of Resolution PA-15.2.
- Should the number of the Duly Authorised Representatives of the Legal Entities joining forces in this tender exceed the space available above, additional names, capacity and signatures must be supplied on a separate page.
- Resolution PA-15.2, duly completed and signed, from the separate Enterprises who participate in this consortium/joint venture, must be attached to this Special Resolution (PA-15.3).

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# PA- 40: DECLARATION OF DESIGNATED GROUPS FOR PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT

Tenderer

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(tick applicable b	Indicate if military veteran	☐ Yes ☐ No											
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	Indicate if woman	☐ Yes ☐ No											
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Where Owners are themselves a Company, Close Corporation, Partnership etc, identify the ownership of the Holding Company, together with Registration number State date of South African citizenship obtained (not applicable to persons born in South Africa)

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> EME: Exempted Micro Enterprise <sup>2</sup> QSE: Qualifying Small Business Enterprise

# PA- 40: DECLARATION OF DESIGNATED GROUPS FOR PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT

# 2. DECLARATION:

The undersigned, who warrants that he/she is duly authorized to do so on behalf of the Tenderer, hereby confirms that:

The information and particulars contained in this Affidavit are true and correct in all respects;

The Broad-based Black Economic Empowerment Act, 2003 (Act 53 of 2003), Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act, 2000 (Act 5 of 2000), the Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2017, National Small Business Act 102 of 1996 as amended and all documents pertaining to this Tender were studied and understood and that the above form was completed according to the definitions and information contained in said documents;

The Tenderer understands that any intentional misrepresentation or fraudulent information provided herein shall disqualify the Tenderer's offer herein, as well as any other tender offer(s) of the Tenderer simultaneously being evaluated, or will entitle the Employer to cancel any Contract resulting from the Tenderer's offer herein; ന

The Tenderer accepts that the Employer may exercise any other remedy it may have in law and in the Contract, including a claim for damages for having to accept a less favourable tender as a result of any such disqualification due to misrepresentation or fraudulent information provided herein;

Any further documentary proof required by the Employer regarding the information provided herein, will be submitted to the Employer within the time period as may be set by the latter;

# Signed by the Tenderer

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Date
Signature
Name of representative

### **CONFIDENTIAL**



TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF PANEL OF ATTORNEYS TO DEAL WITH LABOUR RELATIONS CASES FOR A PERIOD OF THREE (3) YEARS

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 The Labour Relations Directorate is responsible for the management of misconduct, grievances, disputes and labour litigation cases as well as collective bargaining processes in the Department. These are specialized functions that require compliance with time frames provided for in the relevant legislations, prescripts, directives and collective agreements. Non-compliance with the prescribed timeframes compromises the Department's ability to defend cases during appeals, disputes and labour litigation processes.

### 2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The Directorate: Labour Relations (LR) is currently servicing 11 Regional Offices and the Head Office on labour related matters and the majority of the labour relations functions are centralized at Head Office. The LR Directorate is increasingly receiving cases some of which require legal representation either at the level of disciplinary hearing or arbitration. There is also a demand to mediate on conflict situations involving internal employees on cases emanating from various stakeholders i.e. Governance, Risk and Compliance, Internal Labour Relations Investigations and Special Investigation Unit (SIU).
- 2.2 In addition to the above, the Department is required by the Forum of South African Directors-General (FOSAD) to finalize cases within a reasonable period of time.
- 2.3 Furthermore, most of the cases reported to the Department are sensitive and some involve senior managers who often prefer to be legally represented. As a result, the Department finds itself in a position where it should also be legally represented in disciplinary hearings. In terms of clause 7.3 (c) of the Disciplinary Code and Procedure for the Public Service and clause 2.7 (5) of chapter 7 of the SMS handbook (Disciplinary Code and Procedure for SMS members) read with section 188A of the Labour Relations Act, the employer and the employee charged with misconduct may agree that the disciplinary hearing should be chaired by the Arbitrator appointed by the Council. Both the employer and the employee are allowed to be legally represented in cases where the disciplinary hearings are chaired by the arbitrator in terms of the above provisions.
- 2.4 The Department requires service providers with specialized expertise in the field of labour law to deal with labour relations cases that require legal representation hence the need to establish a panel of attorneys to assist the Department in that regard.

### 3. PROJECT PURPOSE

- 3.1 The purpose of the project is to establish a panel of attorneys to assist the Department in dealing with labour relations cases as and when they are required to compliment the Labour Relations Directorate by providing among others the following services:
- 3.1.1 Conducting investigations.
- 3.1.2 Initiating in disciplinary hearings.
- 3.1.2 Pre-dismissal arbitration hearings.
- 3.1.3 Chairing disciplinary hearings.
- 3.1 4 Representing the Department in disputes and labour litigation cases.
- 3.1.5 Provisioning of mediation services internally.
- 3.2 The preferred service providers should be law firms with legal practitioners who possess among others the following credentials and expertise:
- 3.2.1 Relevant legal and labour relations qualifications;
- 3.2.2 The necessary capacity, skills and vast experience in the labour relations environment:
- 3.2.3 Extensive knowledge in the labour law and labour relations environments;
- 3.2.4 Be able to deliver the required services within the reasonable time period depending on the complexity of the cases.
- 3.2.5 Be able to respond to departmental engagement requests at short notice.
- 3.3 The shortlisted service providers will be appointed on the panel for a period of three (3) years and will be utilized as and when their services are required on a rotational basis.
- 3.4 However, it should be clear that being appointed on the panel does not guarantee that the service provider will be allocated work by the Department.

### 4. THE OBJECTIVE AND SCOPE OF THE WORK

### 4.1. Investigation of cases

### 4.2 Objective

- 4.2.1 Speedy finalization of investigations on misconduct and grievances cases.
- 4.2.2 Recommend appropriate actions to be taken by the Department to remedy the situation.

### 4.3 Scope

- 4.3.1 Investigate misconduct cases as mandated by the Department.
- 4.3.2 Determine through the investigation whether an act of misconduct has been committed;
- 4.3.3 Identify implicated employees involved in the commission of the misconduct;
- 4.3.4 Investigate collective grievances (petitions) as mandated by the Department.

- 4.3.5 Mediate on conflict situations.
- 4.3.6 Write a detailed investigation report with clear recommendations to management through the Directorate: LR.
- 4.3.7 Attend consultation meetings with relevant stakeholders to discuss the report where necessary.
- 4.3.8 Assist in the drafting of charge sheets where disciplinary actions have been recommended after conclusion of the investigations.
- 4.3.9 Lead evidence in any tribunal to assist the Department in proving its cases.

### 4.4 Time Frames

- 4.4.1 Finalize investigations and submit investigation reports within 30 days from the date of appointment depending on the complexity of the matter.
- 4.3.2 The Project Manager may grant extension on written request depending on the complexity of the matter.

# 5. Initiating and prosecuting misconduct cases (Predismissal arbitration hearings)

### 5.1 Objective

- 5.1.1 Speedy finalization of misconduct cases.
- 5.1.2 Ensure that the Department is properly represented in disciplinary hearings

### 5.2 Scope

- 5.2.1 Review the investigation report.
- 5.2.2 Draft misconduct charge sheets where necessary.
- 5.2.3 Thoroughly prepare for the cases in terms of preparing bundles of documents containing the employer's evidence.
- 5.2.4 Identify witnesses to give evidence and thoroughly prepare them for the proceedings.
- 5.2.5 Represent the Department in disciplinary hearings as initiator.
- 5.2.6 Prepare closing arguments and aggravating factors in disciplinary hearings.
- 5.2.7 Comply with times frames provided for in dealing with labour related matters to ensure that the Department is not compromised.
- 5.2.8 Provide a legal opinion on request.

### 5.3 Time Frames

5.3.1 Finalize the disciplinary hearing within 90 days after the employee has been served with misconduct charges depending on the complexity of the matter.

### 6. Chairing disciplinary hearings

### 6.1 Objective

6.1 Speedy finalization of disciplinary hearings within the required time frames provided for in dealing with labour related matters to ensure that the Department is not compromised.

### 6.2 Scope

- 6.2.1 Chairing disciplinary hearings in an objective and fair manner.
- 6.2 2 Record the proceedings of disciplinary hearings.
- 6.2.3 Prepare and provide a detailed chairperson's report containing the verdict and the sanction of the disciplinary hearing within five working days after conclusion of the disciplinary hearing.
- 6.2.4 Provide a complete record of the disciplinary hearing to the Department for achieving.
- 6.2.5 Comply with time frames provided for in dealing with labour related matters to ensure that the Department is not compromised.

### 6.3 Time Frames

6.3.1 Finalize the Chairperson's report within five working days after conclusion of the disciplinary hearing

# 7. Representing the Department in dispute and labour litigation cases

### 7.1 Objective

- 7.1.1 Ensure that the Department is properly represented in dispute and labour litigation cases.
- 7.1.2 Conflict resolution (mediation).

### 7.2 <u>Scope</u>

- 7.2.1 Thoroughly prepare for the cases in terms of preparing bundles of documents containing the employer's evidence.
- 7.2.2 Identify witnesses to give evidence and thoroughly prepare them for the proceedings.
- 7.2.3 Represent the Department in dispute and labour litigation cases.
- 7.2.4 Prepare heads of arguments in disputes and labour litigation cases.
- 7.2.5 Prepare and file notices of applications and affidavits in disputes and labour litigation matters
- 7.2.6 Comply with time frames provided for in dealing with labour related matters to ensure that the Department is not compromised.
- 7.2.7 Provide legal opinion on request
- 7.8.8 Facilitate conflict resolution through investigations and mediation processes.
- 7.2.8 Provide the department with a detailed report with findings and recommendations on the outcome of the investigation and mediation processes.

### 8. LIST OF PROJECT TEAM/ TEAM MEMBERS/ RESOURCES

- 8.1 All teams should consist of experienced attorneys and they should provide a detailed CV of the individual appointed to provide the required service in order to determine their level of expertise
- 8.2 All service providers will be required to submit the names of attorneys detailing qualification and experience during the bidding process for the services required.
- 8.3 Should any of the attorney(s) exit the project or the employment of the service provider, a replacement with similar experience and qualification must be provided for consideration and approval by the Department.
- 8.4 All service providers must ensure that attorneys that will be appointed possess the necessary and relevant skills, experience and qualifications.

# 9. EXPRESSION OF INTEREST AND PROJECT ALLOCATION

- 9.1 Bidders are required to express interest in assisting the Department by conducting investigation and representing the employer in disciplinary, dispute and labour litigation cases, mediation and also submit proposals in terms of their expertise in line with the brief scope of the required.
- 9.2 The successful panelists will be invited on a rotational bases, and they will be assessed based on the CCMA fee tariffs.

### 10. LOCATION OF SERVICES

- 10.1 The services required will be rendered at the National Department of Public Works and Infrastructure Head Office located in Pretoria and in the following Regional Offices:
  - 10.1.1 Johannesburg
  - 10.1.2 Pretoria
  - 10.1.3 Polokwane
  - 10.1.4 Nelspruit
  - 10.1.5 Mmabatho
  - 10.1.6 Kimberley
  - 10.1.7 Bloemfontein
  - 10.1.8 Durban
  - 10.1.9 Port Elizabeth
  - 10.1.10 Mthatha
  - 10.1.11 Cape Town

### 11. PROJECT MANAGEMENT

- 11.1 The appointed of service providers will be responsible for conducting investigations and representing the Department in disciplinary, dispute labour litigation and mediation cases.
- 11.2 The Deputy Director: Labour Relations Management Directorate will be the Project Manager.

### 12. REPORTING

- 12.1 The appointed service providers for allocated projects must submit the following to the Director: Labour Relations Management.
- 12. 2 Submit progress report timeously as and when required by the Department and or at the finalization of the cases
- 12.3 Submit preliminary investigation report with clear findings and recommendations for comments.
- 12.4 Submit final investigation report with clear findings and recommendations for consideration.
- 12.5 Attach supporting documents to the report

### 13. EVALUATION METHODOLOGY

13.1 All bids received will be evaluated for functionality utilizing the criteria as detailed in table fourteen (14) below. Bidders who meet a minimum functionality score of 60% will be subjected to security clearance after which, depending on the outcome of the clearance, may be added on the panel of service providers for a period of 36 months.

### 14. FUNCTIONALITY CRITERIA EVALUATION

WEIGHTING FACTOR
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TOTAL	100
Client reference letters per area of law of Bidder: The letter(s) must be on a client's letterhead signed by an authorized representative of the client. Maximum three (3) letters per area will be considered.  Three (3) client references attached per Areas of Law = 5 points Three (2) client references attached per Areas of Law = 3 points Three (1) client references attached per Areas of Law = 1 point Zero (0) client references attached per Areas of Law = 0 points	25
The bidder must provide a detailed summary on the following 5 Areas of Law of the law firm they have tendered for:  1. Investigation 2. Initiation 3. Chairing 4. Litigation 5. Mediation  Each item will be scored individually on a scale of 1 to 5 (Scale: 5= Very Satisfactory; 4= Satisfactory; 3= Neutral; 2= Dissatisfactory; 1= Very Dissatisfactory).	15
The bidder must indicate the name of one Lead Attorney for this bid and further supply the Lead Attorney's Curriculum Vitae and current fidelity fund certificate to qualify for points. Partial or no response to this request will result in no points being awarded.  Experience of the lead Attorney:8 years and above = 5  Experience of the lead Attorney: 6-7 years = 4  Experience of the lead Attorney:4 -5 years = 3 points  Experience of the lead Attorney: 3 - 2 years = 2 point  Experience of the lead Attorney: 1 year = 1point  Experience of the lead Attorney:0 year = 0 point	30

### 15. CONFIDENTIALITY

- 15.1 Ownership and copyright of all documentation developed during the period of the contract will be vested in the National Department of Public Works and Infrastructure.
- 15.2 No information or documentation may be used for any other purpose other than for providing a tender proposal to the Department, and no copies of any documents may be made, except with prior written approval from the Department.

# 16. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND OWNERSHIP OF MATERIAL

- 16.1 All intellectual property rights relating to any work produced by the service provider in relation to the performance of the contract shall belong to the Department of Public Works and Infrastructure (DPWI) and may not be used for any purposes by the service provider. The service provider shall give DPW every assistance in protecting such intellectual property rights. All material, in paper, electronic or any recorded format produced by the service provider in the performance of the contract shall remain the property of DPW and must be handed over to DPW at the end or on termination of the contract.
- 16.2 All service providers undertake not to infringe the intellectual property of third parties. Should any action or claim be instituted against the DPW emanating from an infringement of intellectual property or an alleged infringement of intellectual property, the service providers hereby indemnifies the DPWI against such claims or actions as well as all cost (including legal costs on an attorney and client scale).

### 17. ENQUIRIES

17.1 All enquiries relating to bidding procedures and documents should be referred to

SCM Queries: Ms. Kgomotso Mabelebele

E-mail address: Kgomotso.Mabelebele@dpw.gov.za

Tell Number: (012)406 2017

17.2 All enquiries relating to technical questions should be referred to the Line Manager

Labour Relations Management: Ms. Lebo Hlongwane

E-mail address: Lebo.Hlongwane@dpw.gov.za

Tell Number: (012) 406 1192 Cell Number: 082 888 3671