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Engagement of professional service providers (consultants)

4.6 Bid documentation for the appointment of consultants must include a clause that rates of remuneration will be subject to negotiation, not exceeding the applicable rates as contained in the guidelines referred to in paragraph 4.7 of this Treasury Instruction.

4.7 Accounting officers and accounting authorities must adopt a fair and reasonable remuneration framework for consultants, taking into account –

- (a) The “Guideline on Fees for Audits done on behalf of the Auditor-General of South Africa (AGSA) 1” as issued by the South African Institute of Chartered Accountants (SAICA);
- (b) The “Guide on Hourly Fee Rates for Consultants”, as issued by the Department of Public Service and Administration (DPSA); and/or
- (c) Remuneration guidelines issued by professional service organisations or regulatory bodies, as may be relevant.

4.8 When negotiating cost-effective consultancy rates for international consultants and expert advisors, accounting officers and accounting authorities may also take into account the relevant international and market-determined reference rates.

4.9 Consultants must, where practical, be appointed on an output-specified basis, subject to a clear specification of deliverables and associated remuneration. Where consultants are appointed on a time and cost basis, this must be accompanied by regular monitoring and reporting on activities, outputs and deliverables.

4.10 Consultancy contracts must include overall cost ceilings by specifying whether the contract price is inclusive or exclusive of travel and subsistence disbursements.

4.11 Accounting officers and accounting authorities may approve alternative travel and subsistence arrangements for international consultants and expert advisors, taking into account relevant cost-efficiency measures.

4.12 Accounting officers and accounting authorities must ensure that appropriate monitoring and reporting requirements are set for all consultancy contracts and that penalty provisions are **invoked when deemed necessary**.

INVITATION TO BID

BID NO:

UMALUSI (16-17) T0006

BID DESCRIPTION:

**PROVISION OF INTERNAL AUDIT AND RISK MANAGEMENT SERVICES
FOR A PERIOD OF THREE YEARS**

Closing date: 13 January 2017 at 12:00

There will be a compulsory briefing session for this bid

Date: 25 November 2016 at 12:00

NB. On the last page of this document the bidder needs to declare and indicate that they have read and understood the document in full.

Faxed, emailed bids will not be accepted, only hand delivered and couriered original proposals will be accepted.

Whilst all reasonable steps are taken to ensure the accuracy and integrity of the information contained herein, Umalusi accepts no liability or responsibility whatsoever if the information is, for whatsoever reason, incorrect and Umalusi reserves its right to amend any incorrect information.

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INVITATION TO BID

YOU ARE HEREBY INVITED TO BID FOR REQUIREMENTS OF THE UMALUSI COUNCIL

BID NUMBER: **UMALUSI (16-17) T0006**
CLOSING TIME: **12:00**

CLOSING DATE: **13 JANUARY 2017**

DESCRIPTION: INTERNAL AUDIT AND RISK MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR A PERIOD OF THREE YEARS

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

DEPOSITED IN THE BID BOX SITUATED AT: **Umalusi Council 37 General Van Ryneveld Street, Persequor Techno Park Pretoria, Gauteng Province, South Africa.**

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

The bid box is generally open from 07:30 – 16:00 (Monday to Friday)

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

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

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

NAME OF BIDDER.....

POSTALADDRESS.....

STREETADDRESS.....

TELEPHONE CODE.....NUMBER.....

CELLPHONE NUMBER.....

FACSIMILENUMBER.....CODE.....

E-MAIL ADDRESS.....

VAT REGISTRATION
NUMBER.....

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

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

IF YES, WHO WAS THE CERTIFICATE ISSUED BY?

AN ACCOUNTING OFFICER AS CONTEMPLATED IN THE CLOSE CORPORATION ACT
(CCA).....
A VERIFICATION AGENCY ACCREDITED BY THE SOUTH AFRICAN ACCREDITATION SYSTEM
(SANAS); OR
A REGISTERED AUDITOR

.....

[TICK APPLICABLE BOX]

**(A B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE MUST BE SUBMITTED IN ORDER TO
QUALIFY FOR PREFERENCE POINTS FOR B-BBEE)**

ARE YOU THE ACCREDITED REPRESENTATIVE
IN SOUTH AFRICA FOR THE GOODS / SERVICES / WORKS OFFERED?
YES or NO [IF YES ENCLOSE PROOF]

SIGNATURE OF BIDDER
.....

DATE.....

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

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

ANY ENQUIRIES REGARDING THE BIDDING PROCEDURE MAY BE DIRECTED TO:

Department: Umalusi Council
Contact Person: Supply Chain Management Office
Tel: (012)349 1510 Extension 354
E-mail address: tenders@umalusi.org.za

**PRICING SCHEDULE – FIRM PRICES
(PURCHASES)**

NOTE: ONLY FIRM PRICES WILL BE ACCEPTED. NON-FIRM PRICES (INCLUDING PRICES SUBJECT TO RATES OF EXCHANGE VARIATIONS) WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED

IN CASES WHERE DIFFERENT DELIVERY POINTS INFLUENCE THE PRICING, A SEPARATE PRICING SCHEDULE MUST BE SUBMITTED FOR EACH DELIVERY POINT

Name of bidder.....	Bid number: UMALUSI (16-17) T0006
Closing Time 12:00	Closing date: 13 JANUARY 2017

OFFER TO BE VALID FOR **180** DAYS FROM THE CLOSING DATE OF BID.

ITEM NO.	QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	BID PRICE IN RSA CURRENCY ** (ALL APPLICABLE TAXES INCLUDED)
-	Required by:	
-	At:	
-	Brand and model	
-	Country of origin	
-	Does the offer comply with the specification(s)?		*YES/NO
-	If not to specification, indicate deviation(s)	
-	Period required for delivery	*Delivery: Firm/not firm
-	Delivery basis	

Note: All delivery costs must be included in the bid price, for delivery at the prescribed destination.

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

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

1. Any legal person, including persons employed by the state¹, or persons having a kinship with persons employed by the state, including a blood relationship, may make an offer or offers in terms of this invitation to bid (includes a price quotation, advertised competitive bid, limited bid or proposal). In view of possible allegations of favouritism, should the resulting bid, or part thereof, be awarded to persons employed by the state, or to persons connected with or related to them, it is required that the bidder or his/her authorised representative declare his/her position in relation to the evaluating/adjudicating authority where-

- the bidder is employed by the state; and/or
- the legal person on whose behalf the bidding document is signed, has a relationship with persons/a person who are/is involved in the evaluation and or adjudication of the bid(s), or where it is known that such a relationship exists between the person or persons for or on whose behalf the declarant acts and persons who are involved with the evaluation and or adjudication of the bid.

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

2.1 Full Name of bidder or his or her representative:

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2.2 Identity Number:

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2.3 Position occupied in the Company (director, trustee, shareholder²):

2.4 Company Registration Number:

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2.5 Tax Reference Number:

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2.6 VAT Registration Number:

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2.6.1 The names of all directors / trustees / shareholders / members, their individual identity numbers, tax reference numbers and, if

applicable, employee / persal numbers must be indicated in paragraph 3 below.

¹"State" means –

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

²"Shareholder" means a person who owns shares in the company and is actively involved in the management of the enterprise or business and exercises control over the enterprise.

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

2.7.1 If so, furnish the following particulars:

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

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

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Position occupied in the state institution:

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Any other particulars:

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2.7.2 If you are presently employed by the state, did you obtain
YES / NO

the appropriate authority to undertake remunerative work outside employment in the public sector?

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

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

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

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

2.8.1 If so, furnish particulars:

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2.9 Do you, or any person connected with the bidder, have
any relationship (family, friend, other) with a person
employed by the state and who may be involved with
the evaluation and or adjudication of this bid?

YES / NO

2.9.1 If so, furnish particulars.

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2.10 Are you, or any person connected with the bidder,
YES/NO
aware of any relationship (family, friend, other) between
any other bidder and any person employed by the state
who may be involved with the evaluation and or adjudication
of this bid?

2.10.1 If so, furnish particulars.

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2.11 Do you or any of the directors / trustees / shareholders / members
YES/NO
of the company have any interest in any other related companies
whether or not they are bidding for this contract?

2.11.1 If so, furnish particulars:

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

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

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

NB: BEFORE COMPLETING THIS FORM, BIDDERS MUST STUDY THE GENERAL CONDITIONS, DEFINITIONS AND DIRECTIVES APPLICABLE IN RESPECT OF B-BBEE, AS PRESCRIBED IN THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS, 2011.

1. GENERAL CONDITIONS

- 1.1 The following preference point systems are applicable to all bids:
- the 80/20 system for requirements with a Rand value of up to R1 000 000 (all applicable taxes included); and
 - the 90/10 system for requirements with a Rand value above R1 000 000 (all applicable taxes included).
- 1.2 The value of this bid is estimated to exceed R1 000 000 (all applicable taxes included) and therefore the 90/10 preference point system shall be applicable.
- 1.3 Preference points for this bid shall be awarded for:
- (a) Price; and
 - (b) B-BBEE Status Level of Contribution.
- 1.4 The maximum points for this bid are allocated as follows:

	POINTS
PRICE	90
B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL OF CONTRIBUTION	10
Total points for Price and B-BBEE must not exceed	100

- 1.5 Failure on the part of a bidder to submit a B-BBEE Verification Certificate from a Verification Agency accredited by the South African Accreditation System (SANAS), or a Registered Auditor approved by the Independent Regulatory Board of Auditors (IRBA) or a sworn affidavit confirming annual turnover and level of black ownership in case of an EME and QSE together with the bid, will be interpreted to mean that preference points for B-BBEE status level of contribution are not claimed.
- 1.6 The purchaser reserves the right to require of a bidder, either before a bid is adjudicated or at any time subsequently, to substantiate any claim in regard to preferences, in any manner required by the purchaser.

2. DEFINITIONS

- (a) **“all applicable taxes”** includes value-added tax, pay as you earn, income tax, unemployment insurance fund contributions and skills development levies;
- (b) **“B-BBEE”** means broad-based black economic empowerment as defined in section 1 of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act;
- (c) **“B-BBEE status level of contributor”** means the B-BBEE status received by a measured entity based on its overall performance using the relevant scorecard contained in the Codes of Good Practice on Black Economic Empowerment, issued in terms of section 9(1) of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act;
- (d) **“bid”** means a written offer in a prescribed or stipulated form in response to an invitation by an organ of state for the provision of services, works or goods, through price quotations, advertised competitive bidding processes or proposals;
- (e) **“Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act”** means the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act, 2003 (Act No. 53 of 2003);
- (f) **“comparative price”** means the price after the factors of a non-firm price and all unconditional discounts that can be utilized have been taken into consideration;
- (g) **“consortium or joint venture”** means an association of persons for the purpose of combining their expertise, property, capital, efforts, skill and knowledge in an activity for the execution of a contract;
- (h) **“contract”** means the agreement that results from the acceptance of a bid by an organ of state;
- (i) **“EME”** means an Exempted Micro Enterprise as defines by Codes of Good Practice under section 9 (1) of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act, 2003 (Act No. 53 of 2003);
- (j) **“Firm price”** means the price that is only subject to adjustments in accordance with the actual increase or decrease resulting from the change, imposition, or abolition of customs or excise duty and any other duty, levy, or tax, which, in terms of the law or regulation, is binding on the contractor and demonstrably has an influence on the price of any supplies, or the rendering costs of any service, for the execution of the contract;
- (k) **“functionality”** means the measurement according to predetermined norms, as set out in the bid documents, of a service or commodity that is designed to be practical and useful, working or operating, taking into account, among other factors, the quality, reliability, viability and durability of a service and the technical capacity and ability of a bidder;
- (l) **“non-firm prices”** means all prices other than “firm” prices;
- (m) **“person”** includes a juristic person;

- (n) “**QSE**” means a Qualifying Small Enterprise as defined by Codes of Good Practice under section 9 (1) of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act, 2003 (Act No. 53 of 2003);
- (o) “**rand value**” means the total estimated value of a contract in South African currency, calculated at the time of bid invitations, and includes all applicable taxes and excise duties;
- (p) “**sub-contract**” means the primary contractor’s assigning, leasing, making out work to, or employing, another person to support such primary contractor in the execution of part of a project in terms of the contract;
- (q) “**total revenue**” bears the same meaning assigned to this expression in the Codes of Good Practice on Black Economic Empowerment, issued in terms of section 9(1) of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act and promulgated in the *Government Gazette* on 9 February 2007;
- (r) “**trust**” means the arrangement through which the property of one person is made over or bequeathed to a trustee to administer such property for the benefit of another person; and
- (s) “**trustee**” means any person, including the founder of a trust, to whom property is bequeathed in order for such property to be administered for the benefit of another person.

3. ADJUDICATION USING A POINT SYSTEM

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

4. POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE

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

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

90/10

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

Where

P_s = Points scored for comparative price of bid under consideration

P_t = Comparative price of bid under consideration

P_{\min} = Comparative price of lowest acceptable bid

5. POINTS AWARDED FOR B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL OF CONTRIBUTION

5.1 In terms of Regulation 5 (2) and 6 (2) of the Preferential Procurement Regulations, preference points must be awarded to a bidder for attaining the B-BBEE status level of contribution in accordance with the table below:

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

5.2 A bidder who qualifies as a EME in terms of the B-BBEE Act must submit a sworn affidavit confirming Annual Total Revenue and Level of Black Ownership.

5.3 A Bidder other than EME or QSE must submit their original and valid B-BBEE status level verification certificate or a certified copy thereof, substantiating their B-BBEE rating issued by a Registered Auditor approved by IRBA or a Verification Agency accredited by SANAS.

5.4 A trust, consortium or joint venture, will qualify for points for their B-BBEE status level as a legal entity, provided that the entity submits their B-BBEE status level certificate.

5.5 A trust, consortium or joint venture will qualify for points for their B-BBEE status level as an unincorporated entity, provided that the entity submits their consolidated B-BBEE scorecard as if they were a group structure and that such a consolidated B-BBEE scorecard is prepared for every separate bid.

5.6 Tertiary Institutions and Public Entities will be required to submit their B-

BBEE status level certificates in terms of the specialized scorecard contained in the B-BBEE Codes of Good Practice.

5.7 A person will not be awarded points for B-BBEE status level if it is indicated in the bid documents that such a bidder intends sub-contracting more than 25% of the value of the contract to any other enterprise that does not qualify for at least the points that such a bidder qualifies for, unless the intended sub-contractor is an EME that has the capability and ability to execute the sub-contract.

5.8 A person awarded a contract may not sub-contract more than 25% of the value of the contract to any other enterprise that does not have an equal or higher B-BBEE status level than the person concerned, unless the contract is sub-contracted to an EME that has the capability and ability to execute the sub-contract.

6. BID DECLARATION

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

7. B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL OF CONTRIBUTION CLAIMED IN TERMS OF PARAGRAPHS 1.4 AND 5.1

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

(Points claimed in respect of paragraph 7.1 must be in accordance with the table reflected in paragraph 5.1 and must be substantiated by means of a B-BBEE certificate issued by a Verification Agency accredited by SANAS or a Registered Auditor approved by IRBA or a sworn affidavit.

8. SUB-CONTRACTING

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

(Tick applicable box)

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

- i) What percentage of the contract will be subcontracted.....%?
- ii) The name of the sub-contractor.....
- iii) The B-BBEE status level of the sub-contractor.....
- iv) Whether the sub-contractor is an EME.

(Tick applicable box)

YES	<input type="checkbox"/>	NO	<input type="checkbox"/>
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9. DECLARATION WITH REGARD TO COMPANY/FIRM

9.1 Name of company/firm:

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9.2 VAT registration number:

9.3 Company registration number:

9.4 TYPE OF COMPANY/ FIRM

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

[TICK APPLICABLE BOX]

9.5 DESCRIBE PRINCIPAL BUSINESS ACTIVITIES

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9.6 COMPANY CLASSIFICATION

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

[TICK APPLICABLE BOX]

9.7 Total number of years the company/firm has been in business:
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9.8 I/we, the undersigned, who is / are duly authorised to do so on behalf of the company/firm, certify that the points claimed, based on the B-BBE status level of contribution indicated in paragraph 7 of the foregoing certificate, qualifies the company/ firm for the preference(s) shown and I / we acknowledge that:

- i) The information furnished is true and correct;
- ii) The preference points claimed are in accordance with the General Conditions as indicated in paragraph 1 of this form;
- iii) In the event of a contract being awarded as a result of points claimed as shown in paragraph 7, the contractor may be required to furnish documentary proof to the satisfaction of the purchaser that the claims are correct;
- iv) If the B-BBEE status level of contribution has been claimed or obtained on a fraudulent basis or any of the conditions of contract have not been fulfilled, the purchaser may, in addition to any other remedy it may have –

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

<p>WITNESSES</p> <p>1.</p> <p>2.</p>
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<p>.....</p> <p>SIGNATURE(S) OF BIDDERS(S)</p> <p>DATE:</p> <p>ADDRESS</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p>
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DECLARATION OF BIDDER'S PAST SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

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

Item	Question	Yes	No
4.1	<p>Is the bidder or any of its directors listed on the National Treasury's Database of Restricted Suppliers as companies or persons prohibited from doing business with the public sector?</p> <p>(Companies or persons who are listed on this Database were informed in writing of this restriction by the Accounting Officer/Authority of the institution that imposed the restriction after the <i>audi alteram partem</i> rule was applied).</p> <p>The Database of Restricted Suppliers now resides on the National Treasury's website (www.treasury.gov.za) and can be accessed by clicking on its link at the bottom of the home page.</p>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
4.1.1	If so, furnish particulars:		
4.2	<p>Is the bidder or any of its directors listed on the Register for Tender Defaulters in terms of section 29 of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act (No 12 of 2004)?</p> <p>The Register for Tender Defaulters can be accessed on the National Treasury's website (www.treasury.gov.za) by clicking on its link at the bottom of the home page.</p>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>

4.2.1	If so, furnish particulars:		
4.3	Was the bidder or any of its directors convicted by a court of law (including a court outside of the Republic of South Africa) for fraud or corruption during the past five years?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
4.3.1	If so, furnish particulars:		
4.4	Was any contract between the bidder and any organ of state terminated during the past five years on account of failure to perform on or comply with the contract?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
4.4.1	If so, furnish particulars:		

CERTIFICATION

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

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

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Signature

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Date

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Position

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Name of Bidder

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CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT BID DETERMINATION

- 1 This Standard Bidding Document (SBD) must form part of all bids¹ invited.
- 2 Section 4 (1) (b) (iii) of the Competition Act No. 89 of 1998, as amended, prohibits an agreement between, or concerted practice by, firms, or a decision by an association of firms, if it is between parties in a horizontal relationship and if it involves collusive bidding (or bid rigging).² Collusive bidding is a *pe se* prohibition meaning that it cannot be justified under any grounds.
- 3 Treasury Regulation 16A9 prescribes that accounting officers and accounting authorities must take all reasonable steps to prevent abuse of the supply chain management system and authorizes accounting officers and accounting authorities to:
 - a. disregard the bid of any bidder if that bidder, or any of its directors have abused the institution's supply chain management system and or committed fraud or any other improper conduct in relation to such system.
 - b. cancel a contract awarded to a supplier of goods and services if the supplier committed any corrupt or fraudulent act during the bidding process or the execution of that contract.
- 4 This SBD serves as a certificate of declaration that would be used by institutions to ensure that, when bids are considered, reasonable steps are taken to prevent any form of bid-rigging.
- 5 In order to give effect to the above, the attached Certificate of Bid Determination (SBD 9) must be completed and submitted with the bid:

¹ **Includes price quotations, advertised competitive bids, limited bids and proposals.**

² **Bid rigging (or collusive bidding) occurs when businesses, that would otherwise be expected to compete, secretly conspire to raise prices or lower the quality of goods and / or services for purchasers who wish to acquire goods and / or services through a bidding process. Bid rigging is, therefore, an agreement between competitors not to compete.**

CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT BID DETERMINATION

I, the undersigned, in submitting the accompanying bid:

(Bid Number and Description)

in response to the invitation for the bid made by:

(Name of Institution)

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

I certify, on behalf of:

_____ that:

(Name of Bidder)

1. I have read and I understand the contents of this Certificate;
2. I understand that the accompanying bid will be disqualified if this Certificate is found not to be true and complete in every respect;
3. I am authorized by the bidder to sign this Certificate, and to submit the accompanying bid, on behalf of the bidder;
4. Each person whose signature appears on the accompanying bid has been authorized by the bidder to determine the terms of, and to sign the bid, on behalf of the bidder;
5. For the purposes of this Certificate and the accompanying bid, I understand that the word "competitor" shall include any individual or organization, other than the bidder, whether or not affiliated with the bidder, who:

(a) _____ has been requested to submit a bid in response to this bid invitation;

- (b) could potentially submit a bid in response to this bid invitation, based on their qualifications, abilities or experience; and
 - (c) provides the same goods and services as the bidder and/or is in the same line of business as the bidder
- 6. The bidder has arrived at the accompanying bid independently from, and without consultation, communication, agreement or arrangement with any competitor. However, communication between partners in a joint venture or consortium³ will not be construed as collusive bidding.
- 7. In particular, without limiting the generality of paragraphs 6 above, there has been no consultation, communication, agreement or arrangement with any competitor regarding:
 - (a) prices;
 - (b) geographical area where product or service will be rendered (market allocation)
 - (c) methods, factors or formulas used to calculate prices;
 - (d) the intention or decision to submit or not to submit, a bid;
 - (e) the submission of a bid which does not meet the specifications and conditions of the bid; or
 - (f) bidding with the intention not to win the bid.
- 8. In addition, there have been no consultations, communications, agreements or arrangements with any competitor regarding the quality, quantity, specifications and conditions or delivery particulars of the products or services to which this bid invitation relates.
- 9. The terms of the accompanying bid have not been, and will not be, disclosed by the bidder, directly or indirectly, to any competitor, prior to the date and time of the official bid opening or of the awarding of the contract.

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

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

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Signature	Date
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Position	Name of Bidder

THE NATIONAL TREASURY

Republic of South Africa



GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT: GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

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NOTES

The purpose of this document is to:

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

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

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

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General Conditions of Contract

1. Definitions

1. The following terms shall be interpreted as indicated:
 - 1.1 “Closing time” means the date and hour specified in the bidding documents for the receipt of bids.
 - 1.2 “Contract” means the written agreement entered into between the purchaser and the supplier, as recorded in the contract form signed by the parties, including all attachments and appendices thereto and all documents incorporated by reference therein.
 - 1.3 “Contract price” means the price payable to the supplier under the contract for the full and proper performance of his contractual obligations.
 - 1.4 “Corrupt practice” means the offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting of anything 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 s u c h

obligations of the supplier covered under the contract.

1.25 “Written” or “in writing” means handwritten in ink or any form of electronic or mechanical writing.

2. Application

2.1 These general conditions are applicable to all bids, contracts and orders including bids for functional and professional services, sales, hiring, letting and the granting or acquiring of rights, but excluding immovable property, unless otherwise indicated in the bidding documents.

2.2 Where applicable, special conditions of contract are also laid down to cover specific supplies, services or works.

2.3 Where such special conditions of contract are in conflict with these general conditions, the special conditions shall apply.

3. General

3.1 Unless otherwise indicated in the bidding documents, the purchaser shall not be liable for any expense incurred in the preparation and submission of a bid. Where applicable a non-refundable fee for documents may be charged.

3.2 With certain exceptions, invitations to bid are only published in the Government Tender Bulletin. The Government Tender Bulletin may be obtained directly from the Government Printer, Private Bag X85, Pretoria 0001, or accessed electronically from www.treasury.gov.za

4. Standards

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

5. Use of contract documents and information; inspection.

5.1 The supplier shall not, without the purchaser’s prior written consent, disclose the contract, or any provision thereof, or any specification, plan, drawing, pattern, sample, or information furnished by or on behalf of the purchaser in connection therewith, to any person other than a person employed by the supplier in the performance of the contract. Disclosure to any such employed person shall be made in confidence and shall extend only so far as may be necessary for purposes of such performance.

5.2 The supplier shall not, without the purchaser’s prior written consent, make use of any document or information mentioned in GCC clause 5.1 except for purposes of performing the contract.

5.3 Any document, other than the contract itself mentioned in GCC clause 5.1 shall remain the property of the purchaser and shall be returned (all copies) to the purchaser on completion of the supplier’s performance under the contract if so required by the purchaser.

5.4 The supplier shall permit the purchaser to inspect the supplier’s records relating to the performance of the supplier and to have them audited by auditors appointed by the purchaser, if so required by the purchaser.

6. Patent rights

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

7. Performance security

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

8. Inspections, tests and analyses

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

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

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

9. Packing

9.1 The supplier shall provide such packing of the goods as is required to prevent their damage or deterioration during transit to their final destination, as indicated in the contract. The packing shall be sufficient to withstand, without limitation, rough handling during transit and exposure to extreme temperatures, salt and precipitation during transit, and open storage. Packing, case size and weights shall take into consideration, where appropriate, the remoteness of the goods' final destination and the absence of heavy handling facilities at all points in transit.

9.2 The packing, marking, and documentation within and outside the packages shall comply strictly with such special requirements as shall be expressly provided for in the contract, including additional requirements, if any, specified in SCC, and in any subsequent instructions ordered by the purchaser.

10. Delivery and documents

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

10.2 Documents to be submitted by the supplier are specified in SCC.

11. Insurance

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

12. Transportation

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

13. Incidental services

13.1 The supplier may be required to provide any or all of the following services, including additional services, if any, specified in SCC:

- (a) performance or supervision of on-site assembly and/or commissioning of the supplied goods;
- (b) furnishing of tools required for assembly and/or maintenance of the supplied goods;
- (c) furnishing of a detailed operations and maintenance manual for each appropriate unit of the supplied goods;

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

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

14. Spare parts

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

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

15. Warranty

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

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

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

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

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

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

- 16. Payment**
- 16.1 The method and conditions of payment to be made to the supplier under this contract shall be specified in SCC.
- 16.2 The supplier shall furnish the purchaser with an invoice accompanied by a copy of the delivery note and upon fulfillment of other obligations stipulated in the contract.
- 16.3 Payments shall be made promptly by the purchaser, but in no case later than thirty (30) days after submission of an invoice or claim by the supplier.
- 16.4 Payment will be made in Rand unless otherwise stipulated in SCC.
- 17. Prices**
- 17.1 Prices charged by the supplier for goods delivered and services performed under the contract shall not vary from the prices quoted by the supplier in his bid, with the exception of any price adjustments authorized in SCC or in the purchaser's request for bid validity extension, as the case may be.
- 18. Contract amendments**
- 18.1 No variation in or modification of the terms of the contract shall be made except by written amendment signed by the parties concerned.
- 19. Assignment**
- 19.1 The supplier shall not assign, in whole or in part, its obligations to perform under the contract, except with the purchaser's prior written consent.
- 20. Subcontracts**
- 20.1 The supplier shall notify the purchaser in writing of all subcontracts awarded under this contracts if not already specified in the bid. Such notification, in the original bid or later, shall not relieve the supplier from any liability or obligation under the contract.
- 21. Delays in the supplier's performance**
- 21.1 Delivery of the goods and performance of services shall be made by the supplier in accordance with the time schedule prescribed by the purchaser in the contract.
- 21.2 If at any time during performance of the contract, the supplier or its subcontractor(s) should encounter conditions impeding timely delivery of the goods and performance of services, the supplier shall promptly notify the purchaser in writing of the fact of the delay, its likely duration and its cause(s). As soon as practicable after receipt of the supplier's notice, the purchaser shall evaluate the situation and may at his discretion extend the supplier's time for performance, with or without the imposition of penalties, in which case the extension shall be ratified by the parties by amendment of contract.
- 21.3 No provision in a contract shall be deemed to prohibit the obtaining of supplies or services from a national department, provincial department, or a local authority.
- 21.4 The right is reserved to procure outside of the contract small quantities or to have minor essential services executed if an emergency arises, the

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

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

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

22. Penalties

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

23. Termination for default

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

24. Anti-dumping and countervailing duties and rights

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

may be due to him

25. Force Majeure

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

26. Termination for insolvency

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

27. Settlement of Disputes

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

28. Limitation of liability

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

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

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

SPECIFICATION DOCUMENT

BID NO: UMALUSI (16-17) T0006

**BID DESCRIPTION: PROVISION OF INTERNAL AUDIT AND
RISK MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR A
PERIOD OF THREE YEARS**

Closing date: 13 January 2017 at 12:00

There will be a compulsory briefing session held.

Date: 25 November 2016 at 12:00

NB. On the last page of this document the bidder needs to declare and indicate that they have read and understood the document in full.

Faxed, emailed bids will not be accepted, only hand delivered and couriered original proposals will be accepted

INTRODUCTION

Umalusi Council is a Schedule 3A Public Entity that sets and monitors standards for general and further education and training in South Africa in accordance with the National Qualifications Framework Act No 67 of 2008 and the General and Further Education and Training Quality Assurance Act No 58 of 2001. The Council is tasked with the development and management of a sub-framework of qualifications for general and further education and training and for the attendant quality assurance. More information can be obtained from www.umalusi.org.za

1. PURPOSE

The purpose of this request for proposal is to request a suitable internal audit service provider to submit a proposal with regard to the provision of internal audit and risk management services to Umalusi.

Prospective bidders should be familiar with the provisions of the Public Finance Management Act and its regulated Treasury Regulations, Supply Chain Management Framework, as well as the Framework for Strategic Plans and Annual Performance Plans. Bidders should also have a good understanding of the Public Sector environment.

The contract term will be for a period of three years and the contract will be reviewed on an annual basis.

It is mandatory for firms to be registered with the Institute of Internal Auditors (IIA), membership with the South African Institute of Chartered Accountants (SAICA) and the Independent Regulatory Board of Auditors (IRBA).

I. Objective of Internal Audit

One of the objectives of the internal audit function is to assist the Audit and Risk Committee (ARC), and through it the Accounting Authority and management, in the effective discharge of their responsibilities. This has to be done through furnishing them with analyses, appraisals, recommendations, counsel and information concerning the activities that have been reviewed as well as regular follow-ups. Other objectives/standards/controls of the audit function, which are subject to an evaluation, are to review the following:

- Internal control processes;
- The information systems environment;
- The reliability and integrity of financial and operational information;
- The effectiveness of operations;
- Compliance with policies, regulations and contracts;
- The safeguarding of assets;
- The economical and efficient use of resources;
- The achievement of established operational goals and objectives; and
- Compliance with laws, regulations and controls.

Background information on the structure of Umalsui can be found in the latest Annual Report, which is available on our website (www.umalusi.org.za).

II. Scope of work

The Internal Audit and Risk Management function aims to assist the Umalsui Council accomplish its objectives by bringing a systematic, disciplined approach to evaluate and improve the function of risk management, control and governance processes. The function renders an independent appraisal function as a service to Council by examining the effectiveness of internal controls for the purpose of assisting management in the effective discharge of the responsibilities.

The scope of work of the internal audit and risk management function is to determine where Umalsui operation risk management, internal control

and governance process are adequate and functioning in an appropriate manner to ensure that:

- Umalusi operational risk management, control and governance process as designed and presented by the organization, are adequate and functioning in a manner to ensure risks are appropriately identified and managed
- Significant financial, operating and managerial information is accurate, reliable and timely
- Employees' actions are compliant with policies, standard procedures and applicable laws and regulations
- Resources are acquired economically and used efficiently and adequately protected
- Objectives, Programs, plans and are achieved, that quality and continuous improvements are fostered in Umalusi 's internal control and mitigation processes
- Significant legislative or regulatory changes impacting the organization are recognized and addressed properly and timeously
- Prepare a rolling three-year strategic internal audit plan based on assessment of key risks for Umalusi, having regard to its current operations, the operations proposed in its strategic plan and risk management strategy
- Prepare plans indicating the scope of each audit in the annual internal audit plan
- Report to the audit and risk committee detailing performance against the plan, to allow effective monitoring and intervention where necessary
- Report directly to the accounting officer of Umalusi and report at all audit and risk committee meetings
- Manage an independent fraud hotline for Umalusi.
- Develop a flexible annual audit plan using appropriate risk-based methodology, including any risk or control concerns identified by the management and submit that plan to the Audit and Risk Committee for review and approval as well as period updates

- Implement the annual audit plan as approved, including as appropriate any special tasks or projects requested by management/ and or the audit and Risk Committee
- The audits that will need to be taken into account at the IRBA are, among others:
 - IT security and systems processes audit.
 - Conducting special assignments and investigations, on behalf of ARC or the CEO, into any matter or activity affecting the probity, interest and operating efficiency of the Umalsui.
 - Audit designed to detect fraud.

Fraud and Irregularities

In planning and conducting its work, the internal auditor should seek to identify serious defects in internal controls, which might result in possible malpractices. Any such defects must be reported immediately to the CEO and/or ARC without disclosing these to any other staff. This also applies to instances where serious fraud and irregularities have been uncovered.

III. Independence

Treasury Regulations 3.2.9 requires: "An internal audit function must report directly to the accounting officer and shall report at all audit committee meetings. The function must be independent of activities that are audited. With no limitation on its access to information".

To provide for the independence of the Internal Audit function, the function reports administratively to the Accounting Officer and functionally to the Audit & Risk Committee of Umalusi.

All relationships with any entity regulated by Umalusi must be disclosed in Annexure x of this Invitation to bid.

IV. Quality Assurance review of the work

The Internal Audit and risk management function should comply with the Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing. Internal Audits should be conducted in accordance with the Code of Ethics and the Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing as laid down by the Institute of Internal Auditors.

V. Relationship with External Auditors

The Internal Audit function will co-ordinate their work with other interested parties as directed by the Audit and Risk Committee. The External Auditors will be notified of the activities of the internal audit in order to minimize duplication of audit. This will be accomplished by:

- A compulsory meeting between internal auditors and the external auditors to discuss the annual internal and external audit plan
- Access by the External Auditors to the internal Audit documentation and vice versa
- Exchange of management letters and internal audit reports
- Access to system documentation
- Sharing the information of perceived risk areas

2. BID DOCUMENT

Bid documents are available on the website (www.umalusi.org.za) at no cost. Bidders are advised not to ask an Umalusi Council staff member to download the bid documentation from the website on their behalf. Serious action will be taken against the staff member and the offending supplier may be disqualified to do business with the Umalusi Council in future.

3. VALIDITY PERIOD

The proposal submitted by the supplier must be valid for a period of 180 days from the closing date for the submission of proposals.

4. ENQUIRIES

All enquiries regarding this bid must be directed to the Supply Chain Management Office:

E-mail address: tenders@umalusi.org.za

Telephone numbers: (012) 349 1510 Extension 354

Bid related enquiries will close on the 06 January 2016

5. BRIEFING SESSION

Compulsory briefing session: 25 November 2016

Address: 37 General Van Ryneveld Street, Persequor Techno Park Pretoria, Gauteng Province, South Africa.

Time: 12:00 AM till 14:00PM

A maximum of two people per company will be allowed

6. SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS

Proposals must be submitted in three (3) sealed envelopes clearly marked with the tender number, description and address together with a soft copy on a disk (CD). The first envelope must contain the originals of the bid proposal, the second envelop a copy of the original and the third envelop needs to contain the itemised quotation whereby they will be deposited in the tender box situated at the reception of the Umalusi Council at the below address:

37 General Van Ryneveld Street,Persequor Techno Park Pretoria, Gauteng Province, South Africa. Bidders must submit their proposals at the above address on/ before the closing date the 13 January 2017 at 12:00. The office hours are between 07:30 and 16:00.

N.B Please note that Umalusi Council offices will be closed from 24 December 2016 till the 02 January 2016 and bidders will not have access to the tender box

7. PRICING

- A firm ZAR pricing schedule as per SBD 3.1. The quoted price must include all taxes, delivery DPP (Delivery Duty Paid), installation and commissioning of the equipment.
- The quoted price must be valid for a period of 90 days from the closing date of the bid.
- The final price must be inclusive of VAT.
- No advance payments will be made in respect of this bid. Payments shall be made in terms of the deliverables as agreed upon and shall be made strict in accordance with the prescripts of the PFMA (Public Finance Management Act, 1999. Act 1 of 1999).
- Invoice will only be accepted after successful completion and signing off of each deliverable.
- Where applicable suppliers may submit a payment schedule.
- Payment will be made within 30 days after receipt of the final Original Tax Invoice(s).
- All tender submissions are subject to the Government Procurement General Conditions of Contract.

8. EVALUATION PROCESS

Aim of Evaluation

To ensure that all bids/ proposals received are afforded the opportunity to compete equally and enable Umalusi Council a chance to evaluate the bid received in a fair and unbiased manner as per the pre-determined evaluation criteria.

Evaluation Criteria

The evaluation criteria as set out hereunder will assist Umalusi Council to ensure conformity to all tender requirements. The Umalusi Council evaluation team shall use the evaluation criteria, applicable values and/or minimum qualifying scores for functionality as indicated in the bid specification document.

The following are the stages that will be used to evaluate all bid/s received:

9. MANDATORY/ LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS

This stage checks and validates the bidders' compliance to the legal requirements to conduct business in South Africa, as well as to the industry requirement for the supply of goods and services.

NB: No points will be allocated to this stage; however, bidders' that do not comply with the pre-qualification requirements below will be disqualified and will not advance to the next stage of evaluation.

Pre-Qualification Requirements	Check list ✓ Tick each box
SBD 1: Completed, attached and signed	
SBD 3.1: Completed, attached and signed	
SBD 4: Completed, attached and signed	
SBD 6.1: Completed, attached and signed	
SBD 8: Completed, attached and signed	
SBD 9: Completed, attached and signed	
Specification document Completed, attached and signed	
Valid tax status on Central Supplier Database	
Valid B-BBEE on Central Supplier Database	
Central Supplier Database report	
Registered on the Central Supplier Database of National Treasury. (For registration information, go to https://secure.csd.gov.za/)	

Note: Some requirements may not be applicable to International suppliers/ bidders and only those suppliers/ bidders will be exempted from these mandatory/ legislative requirements. All SBDs must be submitted (signed) noting where it is not applicable.

If any specific SBD is not submitted, documentary proof clearly stating the reason must be attached.

10. COMPULSORY TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS

Please complete the table below by indicating “yes” or “no” to confirm whether this requirement is met and provide explanations/ comments to support your answers.

NB: Bids that score NO for any items in the compulsory technical specification section will be disqualified and will not advance to the next stage of evaluation.

COMPULSORY TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS	YES/NO	PROVIDE DOCUMENTATION
The bidder must be registered with the Institute of Internal Auditors		
Membership with the South African Institute of Chartered Accountants(SAICA) and the Independent Regulatory Board of Auditors (IRBA)		
One set (two years) recent Audited Financial Statements or financial statements signed by the Accounting Officer for Close Corporations.		
Include Board resolution for delegation of authority. i.e. The following proof MUST be produced: Proof that the person who signed the proposal has the authority to do so.		

11. FUNCTIONALITY

The evaluation criteria for functionality aim to assess the bidder's capability, reliability and ability to execute and maintain a bid and/ or contract. The minimum number of points that bidders' have to obtain in order to progress to the next stage of evaluation is **80**.

NB: Bids that scored less than 80 on functionality will be disqualified and will not progress to the next stage of evaluation.

FUNCTIONALITY CRITERIA	ALLOCATED POINTS
<p>Methodology of implementing the audit plan</p> <p>The bidder must propose an audit plan which will detail the activities, schedules. The hours for the past 3 years are as follows: Year 1 - 950 Year 2 - 850 Year 3 - 960</p> <p>A detailed execution of audit plan supplied = 30 points A detailed execution plan audit plan not supplied = 0 points</p>	<p>30</p>
<p>Qualifications and experience of key project team</p> <p>Engagement partner</p> <p>CV with minimum experience of 10 years and is a Chartered Accountant attached = 10 points CV and/or qualification not attached or not met = 0 points</p> <p>Senior Manager</p> <p>CV with minimum experience of 10 years and is a Chartered Accountant attached = 10 points CV and/or qualification not attached or not met = 0 points</p> <p>Manager</p> <p>CV with minimum experience of 10 years and is a Chartered Accountant attached = 10 points CV and/or qualification not attached or not met = 0 points</p>	<p>30</p>
<p>Locality</p> <p>Location of Business</p>	<p>20</p>

FUNCTIONALITY CRITERIA	ALLOCATED POINTS
Within Tshwane Municipality Region = 20 Points	
Outside Tshwane Municipality Region = 10 Points	
References Bidders must have contactable experience in providing the products and service as a primary vendor for Schedule 3 entities as defined in the Public Finance Management Act a) Entity name; b) Contact name and telephone number; c) Date when service was rendered; d) Description of service; e) Duration of project; and f) Contract price. Three contactable positive references = 20 points Two contactable positive references = 15 points No list attached or fewer than two references = 0 points	20
Total	100

To enable the Umalusi Council to score the functionality, kindly complete the below table and attach proof where applicable.

Description	Action required	Comments
Methodology of implementing the project	Please attach proposal	
Qualification and experience of key personnel	Attach CVs and qualifications	
Locality	Please attach proof of residence (e.g. Utility bill or lease agreement)	
References	Provide list of contactable references as per the attached supplier questioner	

12. PRESENTATIONS

Bidders that met the requirements of the previous stages will be evaluated further with a presentation that they will be required to provide at Umalusi's offices. The threshold for this will be 80 points and bidders will be provided with the scoring criteria at this point.

13. PRICE AND B-BBEE POINTS

Bidders that met the requirements of the previous stages will be evaluated further in accordance with the 90/10 preferential points system. The 90 points will be allocated for price whilst, 10 points will be allocated for B-BBEE both totalling 100 points.

i) PRICING

Pricing based on hourly tariffs, will be considered in determining the suitability of the services to be provided. Your rates should be your most competitive commercial rates.

The rates per hour of the following level staff should be provided

Level of resource	Hourly rate(including disbursement and VAT)
Engagement partner	
Senior Manager	
Manager	
Assistant Manager	
Supervisor	
Senior Auditor	

Junior Auditor	
Specialist (e.g. Risk, Forensic, IT. etc.)	

Activity	Hours	Average Rate	Total (Inc. VAT
Risk Assessment			
Audit Planning			
Audit Execution and Reporting			
Project Management			

ii) **B-BBEE**

The below formula will be used in calculating points scored for the Preference points system.

Step 1: Calculation of points for price

The contract value for this bid is estimated to above R1 000 000.00 therefore the 90/10 preference points system will be used.

Points awarded for price

The following formula would be applied:

$$P_s = 90 \times [1 - ((P_t - P_{min}) / P_{min})]$$

Where

P_s = Points scored for comparative price of bid or offer under consideration

Pt = Comparative price of bid or offer under consideration
Pmin = Comparative price of lowest acceptable bid or offer.

Step 2: Points allocated for B-BBEE status level of contributor

A maximum of 10 points will be awarded for B-BBEE Status Level 1 of Contributor.

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

Note: Both points will be added together to obtain a final score out of 100 points in total.

14. NOTES TO BIDDERS

This section outlines basic requirements that must be met. Failure to accept these conditions or part thereof may result in your proposal being excluded from the evaluation process.

- Proposal documents should be submitted to the Umalusi.
- Proposals shall be submitted in English.
- The Umalusi will not be liable to reimburse any costs incurred by the bidder during the proposal process.
- Evaluation of proposals will be carried out by the Umalusi. The Bid Evaluation Committee will, if necessary, contact bidders to seek clarification on any aspect of the proposals.

- The tender and all information in connection therewith shall be held in strict confidence by bidders and usage of such information shall be limited to the preparation of the tender.
- Suppliers must sign the register at the reception when the proposal is submitted.
- All bidders are bound by a confidentiality agreement preventing the unauthorized disclosure of any information regarding Umalusi or of its activities to any other organisation or individual. The bidders may not disclose any information, documentation or products to other clients without written approval of the accounting authority or the delegate.
- Copyright of all documentation relating to this assignment belongs to Umalusi. The successful bidders may not disclose any information, documentation or products to other clients without the written approval of the accounting authority or the delegate.
- The successful bidder must ensure that the work is confined to the scope as defined and agreed to. As soon as it becomes known to the contractor that he will not be able to deliver the goods/services within the delivery period and/or against the quoted price and/or as specified, Umalusi must be given immediate written notice to this effect. Umalusi reserves the right to implement remedies as provided for in the GCC.
- Umalusi reserves the right to conduct physical evaluations on short-listed tenders. The purpose of the visits would be to verify the contents of the submitted tenders by means of demonstration and to evaluate bidder's capability to meet the requirements specified in this document and supporting documents.
- Umalusi has the right to enter into negotiation with a prospective contractor regarding any terms and conditions, including price(s), of a proposed contract.
- All bidders will be informed whether they have been successful or not. A contract will only be deemed to be concluded when reduced to writing in a contract form signed by the designated responsible person of both parties.

15. DISCLAIMER

Umalusi reserves the right not to appoint a service provider.

The Umalusi reserves the right to:

- Conduct due diligence prior to award
- Award the contract or any part thereof to one or more service providers.
- Cancel the bid in accordance with the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act
- Decline to consider any bids that do not conform to any aspect of the bidding process.
- Request further information from any service provider after the closing date, for clarification purposes.

16. DECLARATION

I, _____ the _____ undersigned _____ (full _____ name)

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Certify that the information provided is true and correct, and understood the above document in full.

SIGNATURE

DATE