

INTERNAL AUDIT SERVICES FOR A PERIOD OF THREE YEARS TENDER QUERIES

1. **Section 5 (page 18)** – *“This sub-section will focus on how the bidder proposes an audit plan for the first year of the three year audit plan which will detail the activities of the plan”*.
Does the aforementioned requirement mean that the bidder must provide Umalusi with the proposed focus areas for year 1 of the three (3) year plan?

Yes

If so, what other information should be included in this Annual Plan?

An experienced Internal Audit company should be able to know what to cover in an audit plan; (this is what the BEC will be evaluating).

2. **Section 29.1.5 (page 23)** – *if we propose as a lead company, with two (2) sub-contracting companies, is it necessary for these three (3) companies to submit a consolidated BEE certificate or will it be acceptable if each of the companies submit their individual BEE certificates? The consolidated B-BBEE Status Level verification certificate is only applicable in a joint venture arrangement. In a case of sub-contracting, the bidder will only be awarded B-BBEE points if it sub-contracts less than 25% of the value of the contract. However, if the bidder intends to sub-contract more than 25% of the value of the contract, which must be declared, B-BBEE points will only be awarded if it sub-contract to an Emerging Micro Enterprise (EME) that has the capability and ability to execute the contract or to any enterprise that has the equal or higher B-BBEE Status Level.*
Now the answer to the question, if you intend to sub-contract more than 25% of the value of the contract, the intended sub-contractees must prove that they are EMEs or have the same or higher B-BBEE level as the bidder.
3. **Section 32 (page 31)** – *Should there be a separate financial and technical proposal? Bidders are encouraged to submit a separate financial and technical proposal.*