

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR APPOINTMENT OF A SERVICE PROVIDER FOR DESIGN, IMPLEMENTATION AND MAINTENANCE OF

CLOUD-BASED MICROSOFT TELEPHONY SOLUTION FOR A PERIOD OF 36 MONTHS

[PSiRA/2021/RFB/10]

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Closing date and time: [09 NOVEMBER 2021 at 11:00]
Virtual Compulsory Briefing Session: 25 October 2021

at 10:00 (SERVICE PROVIDERS TO REGISTER FOR VIRTUAL BRIEFING SESSION BY SENDING EMAILS TO bids@psira.co.za NO LATER THAN 21 October 2021.

Bid Validity Period: [120 days]

TENDER BOX ADDRESS:

420 Witch-Hazel Avenue, Block B – Eco Glades 2 Office Park, Highveld Ext 70, Centurion



CHECKLIST OF COMPULSORY RETURNABLE SCHEDULES & DOCUMENTS/REQUIREMENTS

YES	NO	DOCUMENTATION
		SBD1: Invitation to Bid
		SBD2: Central Supplier Database (CSD) report to be submitted confirming the Bidders Tax Compliance
		SBD3: Pricing schedule (All pages to be initialled by the bidder)
		SBD4: Declaration of Interest
		SBD6.1: Preference Claim Forms in terms of Preferential Procurement Regulations, evidence for BEE points claimed must be attached/provided
		SBD 8: Declaration of Bidder's Past Supply Chain Practices
		SBD9: Certificate of Independent Bid Determination
		General Conditions of Contract (All pages to be initialled and last page signed by the bidder)
		Terms of Reference (All pages to be initialled and last page signed by the bidder)
		The bidder must be Microsoft Certified Gold Communications partner. An
		official written communication from Microsoft confirming bidder's certification
		must be provided
		Session Board Controller must be Microsoft Certified and cloud-based.
		Attendance of Compulsory Briefing session

Bidders must submit their bid by submitting one (1) Original document and one (1) copy + a USB

Sealed and clearly marked bids indicating the bid Reference No. i.e PSiRA/2021/RFB/01 must be deposited in the PSiRA Head Office tender box located at **420 Witch Hazel Avenue**, **Eco Glades**, **Block B2,Eco Park**, **Centurion**, **Pretoria**- before the closing date and time.



TERMS OF REFERENCE

FOR

DESIGN, IMPLEMENTATION AND MAINTENANCE OF CLOUD-BASED MICROSOFT TELEPHONY SOLUTION

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1. PURPOSE

The objective of this bid is to appoint a suitable service provider that can design, implement and maintain Cloud-based Microsoft Teams telephony solution for a period of **36 months** for Private Security Industry Regulatory Authority (herein after referred to as "PSiRA").

2. BACKGROUND

PSiRA was established in terms of Section 2 of the Private Security Industry Regulation Act (56 of 2001) in 2002. The strategic mandate of PSiRA originates from the Act and the regulations issued in terms of the Act. In a nutshell, the primary objectives of PSiRA are to regulate the private security industry and to exercise effective control over the practice of the occupation of security service provider in the public and national interest and in the interest of the private security industry itself.

PSiRA has started a journey to migrate to Microsoft Office 365. The migration of staff mailboxes to Exchange Online was completed in 2020 and we have moved all user data to Microsoft OneDrive and SharePoint to maximize the investment PSiRA has made in Office 365.

With regards to the Telephony solution, PSiRA currently uses a **Hosted PBX Telephony solution** with a Telephone Management system for reporting and billing purposes, and we are currently experiencing the following challenges with the existing solution:

- No integration to MS Teams
- Lack of mobility resulting in low levels of staff satisfaction.
- Inconsistent vendor support
- Multiple points of failure

3. SCOPE OF WORK

The scope of work extents to design, implement and maintain Cloud-based Microsoft Teams Telephony solution for PSiRA for the following sites: Port Elizabeth, Durban, Nelspruit, Polokwane, Pretoria, Bloemfontein, Mthatha, Johannesburg, Cape Town, and Eco Park (Centurion) for a period of three (3) years. In addition, the successful bidder must provide three (3) year support

and maintenance to overall Microsoft Teams Telephony solution and Telephone Management System with One (1) hour response; two (2) hours to fix for severity 1 incidents and four (4) hours to fix for severity 2 incidents including scheduled firmware upgrades and fixes. Severity 1 incident is described as a critical incident with very high impact where Telephony system is down for all PSIRA employees whereas severity 2 incident is where the system is working but severely limited.

4. TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION

The successful bidder will be required to:

- (i) Design, implement and maintain a Cloud-based Microsoft Teams Telephony solution which includes the following:
 - The solution must be provided as a service (including devices, session board controller, Telephone Management System, telecommunication services, etc.)
 - Migrate from traditional PRI lines to new technology (e.g., Session Initiation Protocol (SIP) Trunk, Least Cost Routing, etc)
 - The solution must work with Microsoft Teams and Microsoft Teams certified devices
 - The service provider must provide **25** certified Microsoft Teams premium level desk phones
 - The service provider must provide **334** certified Microsoft Teams entry level desk phones.
 - The service provider must provide 50 certified MS Teams entry level headsets to connect to laptops and desktops. Headsets must have a Microphone.
 - Additional devices will be requested as and when required.
 - The service provider must provide least cost routing, call management system for **409** users with licenses.
 - Deploying and maintaining a Microsoft certified cloud Session Board Controller (SBC) as a service with a monthly payment plan is required.
 Session Board Controller must have an uptime of 99, 95% and Mean Time to Repair (MTTR) of 2 hours for severity 1 incidents.

- Required to deploy and maintain a cloud-based Telephone Management system that will be compatible with Microsoft Teams and Session Board Controller.
- The bidder will enable telephony trunk connectivity to Session Board Controller, including configuration of PSTN trunks to Session Board Controller.
- The bidder must perform network assessment and make recommendations to optimize existing data lines for provisioning on Microsoft Teams calling to ensure optimal network traffic flow.
- The service provider will configure all requirements for direct routing to enable deployment of the solution.
- Microsoft Teams training and user manuals for desktop, laptops, tablets, desk phones and cell phones must be provided to all staff.
- All PSiRA phone calls inbound and outbound must be through Microsoft Telephony Solution.
- All PSiRA numbers must be ported in compliance with all Independent Communications Authority of South Africa (ICASA) regulations if new telecommunications service provider as proposed.
- Because Microsoft does not yet offer calling plans in South Africa, a costeffective voice bundles will be negotiated with the provider for all PSiRA offices.
- The bidder must provide training and skills transfer to the internal PSiRA Information Technology staff to support the Microsoft Telephony solution.
- Emergency Support: Emergency calling services, with delivery to proper Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP), call-back support and emergency onsite notification.
- Blind Transfer
- Call Forwarding
- Call Queues
- Call Blocking
- Do not Disturb
- Safe Transfer
- Simultaneous Ringing on Desk phone and team's app client
- Speed Dial

- Multi- call handling
- Voicemail
- Out of office support
- Group call pickup
- Call Park
- The solution should be able to facilitate the transfer of calls to any PSiRA numbers countrywide and/or roaming if required.
- The solution should transfer calls to cell phone numbers for South Africa or international if required.
- Speed dialing for all extensions including regional offices is required.
- Conferencing facility and ability for all extensions including regional offices is required.
- Inbound / outbound blind transfers facility to all Microsoft Teams users within PSiRA is required.
- Consultative transfers' facility to another Teams user within PSiRA is required.
- The solution should be able to facilitate multiple on-hold callers in a single session.
- Existing phone book information must be uploaded onto the new system.
- The solution should be able to return call to switchboard if intended recipient is unavailable.
- The solution should ensure that employees are able to make calls inside and outside the PSiRA using Microsoft Teams calling from the Microsoft Teams client.
- The solution should be able to place calls, receive calls, save frequent calls to a speed dial, create new groups to have specific clients, suppliers, coworkers working on a project, etc.
- The solution should show history to view incoming calls and outgoing calls, name, phone number, duration and date. Further, the voicemail should be activated for voicemail messages. There should be an option to configure voicemail settings.
- Solution must cater for call forwarding to cell phone when user not in the office.
- The solution must cater for hunting capability.

- Systems must be able to forward calls to other extension within the same business unit if the number is busy or unavailable.
- Configuration of Auto-attendant if needed for switchboard.
- Call Transfer.
- Configuration of shortest call routing to optimize call quality and time
- Configuration of Dial plans for teams users (Voice calling policies, Public Switched Telephone Network (PSTN) usage).
- The successful bidder will be required to enter into a **36 months' contract** to design, implement and maintain a Cloud-based Microsoft Teams Telephony solution as required.
- PSiRA's regional offices connected via the system, should be able to call each other as if they are calling internally at no cost.
- The successful bidder must provide a training plan / approach for PSiRA to assist employees to prepare, plan for and adopt new technology to ensure the change is sustained.
- The successful bidder must provide a monthly telephone reports that indicates private and business calls for the organization.

Footprint		# of Users
Eco park Centurion Head Office)	=	+ 245 users
Durban	=	+ 29 users
Nelspruit	=	+ 9 users
Polokwane	=	+ 10 users
Port Elizabeth	=	+13 users
Pretoria	=	+43 users
Bloemfontein	=	+8 users
Mthatha	=	+7 users
Johannesburg	=	+ 22 users
Cape Town	=	+ 23 users

Addresses of PSIRA offices

Eco Park	420 Witch-Hazel Avenue, Eco Glades 2 Office Park, Highveld Ext
Pretoria	170 Thabo Sehume Street Pretoria
Durban	26 Mathew Meyiwa Street, Cnr Fynn and Methew Meyiwa Str
PE	Shop 211-D, 2 nd Floor, Pier 14 Center 444 Govan Mbeki Street
Polokwane	80 Hans van Rensburg, Polokwane
Nelspruit	21 Brander Street, Nelspruit
Mthatha	13 Cumberland Street, Mthatha
Johannesburg	Romi-Lee Building, 130 Cnr Marshall and Elloff Streets,
Cape Town	3rd Floor Louwville Place, 23 Vrede Street, Bellville
Bloemfontein	53 St Andrews Street, Bloemfontein

5. GENERAL SPECIFICATION

- The solution must be an easily updatable and manageable and should not hinder the Authority from integrating with other standards-based telephony solutions.
- PSiRA will provide Microsoft Teams phone system licenses for all PSIRA employees.
- The bidder must provide licenses for Telephone Management System and Session Board Controller.
- All Microsoft Teams compliant devices are to be owned and maintained by the successful bidder. All desktop phones and headsets provided must be replaced in the event of damage, theft or any act of god (replacement must be done within 24 business hours (8:00am - 5:00pm) of notice).
 Switchboard phones should be replaced within 8 hours.
- The successful bidder will be required to port existing numbers.
- The successful bidder to supply a detailed description, approach, and methodology for managing project and client relationships. Supply a detailed breakdown of all deliverables identified in the scope of work including methods, tools, and timelines to complete project.
- Define and implement a migration strategy from old to new telephony solution.
- A comprehensive change management plan is required to maximize the opportunity for staff to operationalize these tools in their day to day work activities and cover the below requirements:
- a. Enabling staff to use Microsoft Teams Telephony solution

- b. Training
- c. Workshops
- d. Communications initiatives

6. DELIVERABLES

- Successful deployment of a Cloud- based Microsoft Teams Telephony solution as per the requirements.
- Successful monitoring of a Cloud-based Microsoft Teams Telephony solution for the duration of the contract.
- Implementation and utilization of Telephone Management System (TMS) as indicated under scope.
- Successful implementation of the project plan, change management and migration plans.
- Monthly reporting will be required on the solution.

7. SUCCESS CRITERIA

The project will be considered successful when at minimum, the inbound and outbound calls are integrated into Microsoft Teams and calls can be made and received by the Authority.

8. DEPENDENCIES

The following are a list of dependencies, both internal and external:

- Porting of all numbers as per scope from the current service provider to the new service provider.
- Testing of the solution.
- Training of PSiRA employees.
- Delivery of phones and headsets

9. KEY MILESTONES

- Completion of the design and implementation of the solution at Head office and all regional offices.
- System testing signed off after work has been completed.
- Project completion signed off.

10. EVALUATION CRITERIA

10.1 CRITERION 1 - COMPULSORY REQUIREMENTS

Bidders will first be evaluated in terms of the minimum requirements / gatekeepers. Bidders who do not fulfil all the requirements or do not submit the required documents will be disqualified. Those who fulfil all the minimum requirements or have submitted the required documents will be further evaluated on **criterion 2** which is the functionality/technical specification.

COMPULSORY/ MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS

The tender must be submitted in the prescribed format. Standard bidding documents should be filled in. These standard-bidding documents include the following:

- a. SBD1 Invitation to Bid.
- b. SBD 2- Central Supplier Database (CSD) report to be submitted confirming the Bidders tax compliance.
- c. SBD 3.1 Pricing Schedule.
- d. SBD 4 Declaration of Interest.
- e. SBD 6.1 Preference Points Claim Form.
- f. SBD 8 Declaration of Bidder's Past Supply Management Practices
- g. SBD 9 Certificate of Independent Bid Determination.
- h. General Conditions of Contract (ALL pages to be initialed and last page must be signed by the bidder).
- i. Terms of reference (ALL pages to be initialed and last page must be signed by the bidder).

NB: All forms must be completed and signed. Incomplete forms will lead to disqualification.

- j. The bidder must be Microsoft Certified Gold Communications partner. An official written communication from Microsoft confirming bidder's certification must be provided.
- k. Session Board Controller must be Microsoft Certified and cloud-based.

10.2 CRITERION 2 - FUNCTIONALITY / TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION

Functionality is worth **100** points. The minimum threshold is **70** points. Bidders who score less than **70** points on functionality will therefore be disqualified. Those who score more than **70** points will be further evaluated in terms of price and preference points (i.e. on the B-BBEE status level of contributor). The functionality evaluation is broken down as follows:

Functionality / Technical Criteria	Weight
PROJECT TEAM MEMBERS	20

The bidder should possess the technical knowledge and should provide the necessary Microsoft certification of the individuals that will be implementing the solution.

Points Allocation (20)

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Project	Manager	in	the	ΙΤ	10
environm	nent with	minin	num	of 5	
years as	a project	Mana	ger		
Project	team	in	the	ΙT	10
environm	nent with	minin	num	of 3	
years of	experienc	e			
If not					0

REFERENCE LETTERS 15

Bidders are requested to provide the following:

Three (3) reference letters on a letterhead from their clients where 'Cloud-based Microsoft Teams Telephony Solution' has been successfully implemented. The reference letters and the projects implemented must not be older than 3 years from the date of the RFP submission. Bidders must make sure that the reference letters are signed and the contact details are fully completed. The contact details must include the contact number and the e- mail address of the referee.

Points allocation (15)

3 reference letters	15
2 reference letters	10
1 reference letter	5
No reference letter	0

Note: PSiRA may verify the information provided; and if your referee does not confirm the information provided the reference will not be considered.

INSURANCE AND REPORTING

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Bidders must provide the following:

5 points for Insurance of phones, bidder must be able to cover PSiRA offices as stipulated in this TOR – Quote from the insurance must be provided, the bidder must be able to able to fulfil the requirement

10 points for Full Telephone Management Reporting as per the TOR – Telephone management reporting template (monthly usage as per regional office) must be provided **10 points** for Network assessment and recommendations

PROJECT MANAGEMENT STRATEGY

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Project Management Strategy

Bidders must provide full details of proposed project plan for the provision of a Cloud-based Microsoft Teams Telephony solution for PSiRA

Points allocation (20)

Detailed Project Management Plan that highlights tasks and timeframes	10
Bidders must provide a maintenance and support services for a period of three (3) years with 1 hour response time, 2 hour resolution time (severity 1) and 4 hour resolution time (severity 2)	10
One item not addressed	0

Migration Strategy

• Bidder/s must provide full details of proposed migration plan from the old Telephony system to the new solution

Points allocation (10)

Detailed	Migration	Plan	that	10
(i)highlights	tasks and	timefr	ames,	
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One item not addressed			0	

CHANGE MANAGEMENT PLAN

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Bidder's change management Plan

• Bidder/s must provide a training plan/approach to assist employees to prepare, plan for and adopt new technology to ensure that change is sustained.

Points allocation (10)

Detailed training plan	10
No training plan	0

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10.3 CRITERIA 3- PRICE AND PREFERENCE POINT SYSTEM

The Bidder will be evaluated on a points system for Price and Preference as per Preferential Procurement Framework Act of 2000 (Act 5 of 2000).

The price / preference weighting applicable for BID are as follows:

Price / Preference	Weighting percentage
Preference:	20%
Price:	80%
Total must equal:	100%

Preference Point allocation - 80/20

B-BBEE Level	Number of Points
1	20
2	18
3	14
4	12
5	8
6	6
7	4
8	2
Non-Compliant contributor	0

Price Calculation 80/20

The following formula will be used to calculate the points for price.

$$Ps = 80$$
 1- (Pt - Pmin)
Pmin
Where:

Ps = Points scored for price of bid under consideration

Pt = Rand value of bid under consideration

Pmin = Rand value of lowest acceptable bid

11. COSTS AND COMPLIANCE

The bidders must provide the Authority with the following information:

- Costs for Telephone Management System.
- Costs for Session Board controller.
- Costs for headsets and desk phones.
- Costs for voice bundles.
- Costs for support and maintenance for 36 months.

- Costs for insurance (desk phones and headsets).
- The proposal must either conform to the minimum requirements as set out in this document, or it must be stated clearly, how it deviates from these requirements and why. Proposals strictly sticking to specifications are preferred.
- This document will form the basis of a binding contract between the bidder and the Authority.
- Pricing proposal must be firm, include all costs inclusive of VAT.

12. GENERAL INFORMATION

- a. Bid documentation will be made available from National Treasury E-Tender Website, ready to be downloaded by bidders;
- b. All compulsory forms contained in the bid documentation must be completed and signed in full.
- c. Proof of Registration with the National Treasury Central Supplier Database (CSD) must be provided.
- d. Received bids will be opened in public on the closing date at 11h30.
- e. Bids should be submitted at the correct address, before or on the closing date and time. No late bids will be accepted under any circumstance.
- f. PSiRA will enter into a Service Level Agreement with the successful bidder/bidders. The Service Level Agreement will among others, govern the relationship between the parties; ensure that services are provided according to specified standards and within stipulated timeframes; and to provide for remedies for under/poor performance and non-compliance with terms and conditions of the Service Level Agreement.
- g. The evaluation will only be done on the basis of information that was requested and provided.
- h. The evaluation process does not obligate PSiRA to make use of any proposed services. Acceptance of any proposal shall only indicate a willingness to include the information into an analysis or to commence negotiations and shall not place any other duties or liabilities on PSiRA.

- PSiRA shall have no obligation to furnish any formal acceptance or nonacceptance of any information presented.
- i. PSiRA will treat all proposals as confidential until a contract is awarded or the process is completed. Thereafter, proposals and related documentation may be made available for inspection at PSiRA's sole discretion, except for material that is proprietary or confidential. PSiRA will not disclose or make public any information, which the bidder and its partner has marked "proprietary" or "confidential".
- j. Only original bid documents will be accepted. No e-mailed or posted copies will be accepted (one original and three copies will be sufficient).
- k. Bidders may make use of courier services and have to confirm bid acknowledgement with SCM office.
- Sealed and clearly marked bids indicating the Bid Reference No. i.e. PSiRA/2021/RFB/01 must be deposited in the PSiRA Head Office tender situated at 420 Witch Hazel Avenue, Eco Glades, Block B2-Eco Park, Centurion, Pretoria.
- m. Failure to comply with the above-mentioned conditions may invalidate your bid.
- n. All due care has been taken in connection with the preparation of this bid, however, in the event that the information provided to bidders during the bidding process in ambiguous, erroneous, obsolete, incomplete or inconsistent with any other information provided, PSiRA will endeavour to take the necessary and most economic corrective action.

13. PSiRA RIGHT

Notwithstanding anything else in this Request for Proposal (RFP), and without limiting its rights at law or otherwise, PSiRA reserves the right, in its absolute discretion at any time

- a. Cancel or Call for new Tenders.
- b. To appoint more than one bidder or contractor.
- c. Reject any Tender received after the Closing Time.
- d. Consider and accept or reject any alternative tender.
- e. Alter the structure and/or the timing of this RFP or the Tendering Process.

- f. Reject any Tender that does not comply with the requirements of this RFP.
- g. Terminate the participation of any Bidder or any other person in the Tendering Process.
- h. Vary or extend any time or date specified in this RFP for all or any Bidder or other persons.
- i. Cease to proceed with, or suspend the Tendering Process prior to the execution of a formal written contract.
- j. Require additional information or clarification from any Bidder or any other person or provide additional information or clarification.
- k. PSiRA is not obliged to accept the lowest or any bid thereof, and reserves the right to withdraw this bid.

14. INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

- a. The bidder is required to confirm that it will hold its proposal valid for 120 days from the closing date of the tender, during which time it will maintain without change, their proposed rates and prices.
- b. Bidders are required to submit 2 indexed hard copies of bids (one original and 1 copy) and a USB (bidders must ensure that the documentation on the USB are exactly the same as the one submitted as hard copy document).

15. CONTACT PERSONS

Name of bidder

Bidder's Signature

Date

PART A INVITATION TO BID

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DOES THE ENTITY HAVE	E A BRANCH IN T	HE RSA?				☐ YES	□NO
DOES THE ENTITY HAVE	A PERMANENT	ESTABLISHMENT IN THI	E RSA?			☐ YES	□NO
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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 IN THE MANNER PRESCRIBED IN THE BID DOCUMENT.
- 1.3. THIS BID IS SUBJECT TO THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT POLICY FRAMEWORK ACT, 2000 AND THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS, 2017, THE GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT (GCC) AND, IF APPLICABLE, ANY OTHER SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT.
- 1.4. THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER WILL BE REQUIRED TO FILL IN AND SIGN A WRITTEN CONTRACT FORM (SBD7).

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 VERIFY THE TAXPAYER'S PROFILE AND TAX STATUS.
- 2.3 APPLICATION FOR TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS (TCS) PIN MAY BE MADE VIA E-FILING THROUGH THE SARS WEBSITE WWW.SARS.GOV.ZA.
- 2.4 BIDDERS MAY ALSO SUBMIT A PRINTED TCS CERTIFICATE TOGETHER WITH THE BID.
- 2.5 IN BIDS WHERE CONSORTIA / JOINT VENTURES / SUB-CONTRACTORS ARE INVOLVED, EACH PARTY MUST SUBMIT A SEPARATE TCS CERTIFICATE / PIN / CSD NUMBER.
- 2.6 WHERE NO TCS PIN IS AVAILABLE BUT THE BIDDER IS REGISTERED ON THE CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE (CSD), A CSD NUMBER MUST BE PROVIDED.
- 2.7 NO BIDS WILL BE CONSIDERED FROM PERSONS IN THE SERVICE OF THE STATE, COMPANIES WITH DIRECTORS WHO ARE PERSONS IN THE SERVICE OF THE STATE, OR CLOSE CORPORATIONS WITH MEMBERS PERSONS IN THE SERVICE OF THE STATE."

NB: FAILURE TO PROVIDE / OR COMPLY WITH ANY OF THE ABOVE PA	RTICULARS MAY RENDER THE BID INVALID.
SIGNATURE OF BIDDER:	
CAPACITY UNDER WHICH THIS BID IS SIGNED: (Proof of authority must be submitted e.g. company resolution)	
DATE:	





Purpose

Application for a Tax Clearance Certificate

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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 o	of bidder	Bid number: PSiRA/2021/RFB/10
Closing	Time 11:00	Closing date: 09 NOVEMBER 2021
OFFER	TO BE VALID FOR 120 DAYS FROM THE CL	OSING DATE OF BID.
ITEM NO.	QUANTITY DESCRIPTION *	BID PRICE IN RSA CURRENCY * (ALL APPLICABLE TAXES INCLUDED)
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IMPLE		IT OF A SERVICE PROVIDER FOR DESIGI D-BASED MICROSOFT TELEPHONY SOLUTIO
-	Required by: PRIVATE SECURITY INDUSTRY	REGULATORY AUTHORITY (PSIRA)
-	At: ALL PSIRA OFFICES	
-	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 pr	rice, 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.

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:

 2.2 Identity Number:

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

 2.4 Company Registration Number:
- 2.5 Tax Reference Number:

 2.6 VAT Registration Number:
- 2.6.1 The names of all directors / trustees / shareholders / members, their individual identity numbers, tax reference numbers and, if applicable, employee / persal numbers must be indicated in paragraph 3 below.

1"State" means -

2.

- (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 presently employed by the state?	YES / NO
2.7.1	If so, furnish the following particulars:	
	Name of person / director / trustee / shareholder/ member: Name of state institution at which you or the person connected to the bidder is employed : Position occupied in the state institution:	
	Any other particulars:	
2.7.2	If you are presently employed by the state, did you obtain the appropriate authority to undertake remunerative work outside employment in the public sector?	YES / NO
2.7.2.1	If yes, did you attached proof of such authority to the bid document?	YES / NO
	(Note: Failure to submit proof of such authority, where applicable, may result in the disqualification of the bid.	
2.7.2.2	If no, furnish reasons for non-submission of such proof:	
2.8	Did you or your spouse, or any of the company's directors / trustees / shareholders / members or their spouses conduct business with the state in the previous twelve months?	YES / NO
2.8.1	If so, furnish particulars:	
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

	Full Name	Identity Number	Personal Reference	Tax Number	State Number	 ployee Persal
3 F	Full details of directors / trus					
2.11.1	If so, furnish particulars:					
2.11	Do you or any of the director of the company have any into whether or not they are biddi	erest in any other related		YES/NO		
2.10.1						
2.10	Are you, or any person caware of any relationship any other bidder and any who may be involved with of this bid?	(family, friend, other) bet person employed by the	ween state	YES/NO		
	2.9.1lf so, furnish particulars					
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	Number

Name of bidder

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Position

May 2011

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

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

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

1. GENERAL CONDITIONS

- 1.1 The following preference point systems are applicable to all bids:
 - The 80/20 system for requirements with a Rand value of up to R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included).

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- a) The value of this bid is estimated not exceed R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included) and therefore the ...80/20............ Preference point system shall be applicable; or
- b) The 80/20 preference point system will be applicable to this tender
- 1.3 Points for this bid shall be awarded for:
 - (a) Price; and
 - (b) B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor.
- 1.4 The maximum points for this bid are allocated as follows:

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

- 1.5 Failure on the part of a bidder to submit proof of B-BBEE Status level of contributor together with the bid, will be interpreted to mean that preference points for B-BBEE status level of contribution are not claimed.
- 1.6 The purchaser reserves the right to require of a bidder, either before a bid is adjudicated or at any time subsequently, to substantiate any claim in regard to preferences, in any manner required by the purchaser.

2. **DEFINITIONS**

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

3. POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE

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

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

80/20 or 90/1

$$Ps = 80\left(1 - \frac{Pt - P\min}{P\min}\right)$$
 or $Ps = 90\left(1 - \frac{Pt - P\min}{P\min}\right)$

Where

Ps = Points scored for price of bid under consideration

Pt = Price of bid under consideration

Pmin = Price of lowest acceptable bid

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

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

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

5. BID DE	CLAI	RATI	ON
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5.1 Bidders who claim points in respect of B-BBEE Status Level of Contribution must complete the following:

6.	B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL OF CONTRIBUTOR CLAIMED IN TERMS OF PARAGRAPHS 1.4 AND 4.1
6.1	B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor: =(maximum of 10 or 20 points)
	(Points claimed in respect of paragraph 7.1 must be in accordance with the table reflected in paragraph 4.1 and must be substantiated by relevant proof of B-BBEE

7. SUB-CONTRACTING

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

(Tick applicable box)

status level of contributor.

YES	NO	

7.1.1	lf yes,	ind	icate:
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i)	What	percentage	of	the	contract	will	be
	subcontract	ed		%			
ii)	The name of	of the sub-contrac	tor				
iii)	The B-BBEI	E status level of t	he sub-co	ntractor			
iv)	Whether the	e sub-contractor i	s an EME	or QSE			
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(Tick applicable box)
YES NO

v) Specify, by ticking the appropriate box, if subcontracting with an enterprise in terms of Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2017:

Designated Group: An EME or QSE which is at last 51% owned		QSE
by:	V	V
Black people		
Black people who are youth		
Black people who are women		
Black people with disabilities		
Black people living in rural or underdeveloped areas or townships		
Cooperative owned by black people		

Black people who are military veterans		
OR		
Any EME		
Any QSE		

8.	DECLARATION WITH REGARD TO COMPANY/FIRM	
8.1	Name	of
	company/firm:	
8.2	VAT	registration
	number:	
8.3	Company number:	registration
8.4	TYPE OF COMPANY/ FIRM	
	 □ Partnership/Joint Venture / Consortium □ One person business/sole propriety □ Close corporation □ Company □ (Pty) Limited [TICK APPLICABLE BOX] 	
8.5	DESCRIBE PRINCIPAL BUSINESS ACTIVITIES	
8.6	COMPANY CLASSIFICATION	
	 Manufacturer Supplier Professional service provider Other service providers, e.g. transporter, etc. [TICK APPLICABLE BOX] 	
8.7	Total number of years the company/firm has been in business:	
8.8	I/we, the undersigned, who is / are duly authorised to do so on be company/firm, certify that the points claimed, based on the B-BBE state contributor indicated in paragraphs 1.4 and 6.1 of the foregoing certificate, company/ firm for the preference(s) shown and I / we acknowledge that:	atus level of

- i) The information furnished is true and correct;
- ii) The preference points claimed are in accordance with the General Conditions as indicated in paragraph 1 of this form;
- iii) In the event of a contract being awarded as a result of points claimed as shown in paragraphs 1.4 and 6.1, the contractor may be required to furnish documentary proof to the satisfaction of the purchaser that the claims are correct;
- iv) If the B-BBEE status level of contributor has been claimed or obtained on a

fraudulent basis or any of the conditions of contract have not been fulfilled, the purchaser may, in addition to any other remedy it may have —

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

WITNESSES		
1	SIG	NATURE(S) OF BIDDERS(S)
2	DATE:	
	ADDRESS	

DECLARATION OF BIDDER'S PAST SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

- 1 This Standard Bidding Document must form part of all bids invited.
- 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.
- 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.
- In order to give effect to the above, the following questionnaire must be completed and submitted with the bid.

Item	Question	Yes	No
4.1	Is the bidder or any of its directors listed on the National Treasury's Database of Restricted Suppliers as companies or persons prohibited from doing business with the public sector? (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 audi alteram partem rule was applied). 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.	Yes	No
4.1.1	If so, furnish particulars:		
4.2	Is the bidder or any of its directors listed on the Register for Tender Defaulters in terms of section 29 of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act (No 12 of 2004)? 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.	Yes	No
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	No
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	No

4.4.1 If so, furnish parti	culars:	
		SBD 8
	CERTIFIC	ATION
		URNISHED ON THIS DECLARATION
	BE TAKEN AGAINST	CANCELLATION OF A CONTRACT, ME SHOULD THIS DECLARATION
Signature	•••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••	 Date
Position		Name of Bidder Js365bW

SBD9

CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT BID DETERMINATION

- 1 This Standard Bidding Document (SBD) must form part of all bids¹ invited.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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 res	spect
I certify, on behalf of:t	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.

Signature	Date
Position	Name of Bidder
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THE NATIONAL TREASURY

Republic of South Africa



GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT:
GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

July 2010

GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT

GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT July 2010

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 õClosing timeö means the date and hour specified in the bidding documents for the receipt of bids.
- 1.2 oContracto 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 oContract priceo means the price payable to the supplier under the contract for the full and proper performance of his contractual obligations.
- 1.4 oCorrupt practiceö 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 õCountry of originö 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 õDayö means calendar day.
- 1.8 õDeliveryö means delivery in compliance of the conditions of the contract or order.
- 1.9 õDelivery ex stockö means immediate delivery directly from stock actually on hand.
- 1.10 õDelivery into consignees store or to his siteö 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

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- 1.12 öForce majeureö means an event beyond the control of the supplier and not involving the supplier 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 õFraudulent practiceö 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 õGCCö means the General Conditions of Contract.
- 1.15 õGoodsö 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 õImported contentö 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 õLocal contentö means that portion of the bidding price which is not included in the imported content provided that local manufacture does take place.
- 1.18 õManufactureö means the production of products in a factory using labour, materials, components and machinery and includes other related value-adding activities.
- 1.19 ŏOrderö means an official written order issued for the supply of goods or works or the rendering of a service.
- 1.20 õProject site,ö where applicable, means the place indicated in bidding documents.
- 1.21 õPurchaserö means the organization purchasing the goods.
- 1.22 õRepublicö means the Republic of South Africa.
- 1.23 õSCCö means the Special Conditions of Contract.
- 1.24 õServicesö 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 õWrittenö or õin writingö 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® 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 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 performance under the contract if so required by the purchaser.
- 5.4 The supplier shall permit the purchaser to inspect the supplier 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 satisfactor 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 purchaserøs 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 cashiergs 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 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 Initial:

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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 goodsø 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 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

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such remedial action as may be necessary, at the supplier is 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 purchaserøs 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 suppliers notice, the purchaser shall evaluate the situation and may at his discretion extend the suppliers 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 point of supply is not situated at or near the place where the supplies are required, or the supplier 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 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.

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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 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 personos name be endorsed on the Register for Tender Defaulters. When a personos name has been endorsed on the Register, the person will be prohibited from doing business with the public sector for a period not less than five years and not more than 10 years. The National Treasury is empowered to determine the period of restriction and each case will be dealt with on its own merits. According to section 32 of the Act the Register must be open to the public. The Register can be perused on the National Treasury website.
- 24. Anti-dumping and countervailing duties and rights
- 24.1 When, after the date of bid, provisional payments are required, or antidumping or countervailing duties are imposed, or the amount of a
 provisional payment or anti-dumping or countervailing right is
 increased in respect of any dumped or subsidized import, the State is
 not liable for any amount so required or imposed, or for the amount of
 any such increase. When, after the said date, such a provisional
 payment is no longer required or any such anti-dumping or
 countervailing right is abolished, or where the amount of such
 provisional payment or any such right is reduced, any such favourable
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 which may otherwise be due to the contractor in regard to supplies or
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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 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 33.1 Industrial Participation (NIP) Programme

.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.

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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