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INVITATION TO BID NWDOH 21/2024: PROVISION OF BUILDING INFRASTRUCTURE, SUPPLY, INSTALLATION AND COMMISSIONING OF A NEW DIGITAL MAGNETIC RESONANCE IMAGING SYSTEM IN NORTH WEST PROVINCE FOR A PERIOD OF THREE (03) YEARS

Open bids are hereby invited for Provision of building infrastructure, supply, and installation and commissioning of a new digital Magnetic Resonance Imaging System in North West Province for a period of three (03) years

The conditions contained in the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act and 2022 PPPFA Regulations, National Treasury Implementation Guide: Preferential Procurement Regulations 2022, the General Conditions of Contract (GCC) and/ NEC 3 Engineering & Construction Contract, i.e. Annexure "A" and the attached bid forms, as well as any other conditions accompanying this invitation, are applicable.

1. The work procedure the bidder proposes to follow in order to obtain the required result must be clearly outlined and its terms may not conflict with those contained in the General Conditions of Contract.

2. All the documents accompanying this invitation to bid must be completed in detail where applicable, and together with all documentation required in considering the bid, be sealed in an envelope and be deposited in the bid box before the closing date and time.

3. The proposals in a sealed envelope and marked with the Bid Number , Company Name, Closing Date and Closing Time should be deposited in the Bid Box situated at the entrance of the **Department of Health North West, New Office Park Building, Ground floor, Corner First Street and Sekame, Mmabatho [Behind the Crossing Mall]. No correspondence will be entered into regarding non-submission/attachment of required documents after bid closure. Failure to submit all the required documents will render your bid non-responsive**

4. Duly completed and signed original bid documents issued by the Department should be sealed in an envelope marked:

Bid number : **NWDOH 21/2024**

Company Name :

Closing date : **11 NOVEMBER 2024**

Closing time : **11H00**

NB. A COMPULSORY BRIEFING SESSION WILL BE HELD ON 28 OCTOBER 2024 AT 10:00, AT DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH NORTH WEST, GROUND FLOOR, NEW OFFICE PARK BUILDING LEOPARD CONFERENCE ROOM, MAHIKENG.

Technical enquiries: MR BETHUEL KHUMALO - BethuelKhumalo@nwpg.gov.za - 060 973 3456

No telegraphic or facsimile bids will be considered.

5. In terms of the PFMA Treasury Regulations 2005;-

A. **Regulation 16A9. 1 [e] and [f]** the Accounting Officer of the Department may-

i. Reject a proposal for the award of a contract if the recommended bidder has committed a corrupt or fraudulent act in competing for the particular contract, or

ii. Cancel a contract awarded to a supplier of goods or services

- If the supplier committed any corrupt or fraudulent act during the bidding process or the execution of that contract, or
- If any official or other role-player committed any corrupt or fraudulent act during the bidding process or the execution of that contract that benefitted that supplier.

B. **Regulation 16A9.2 [a] and [b]** the accounting officer or accounting authority-

i. May disregard the bid of any bidder if that bidder, or any of its directors-

- Have abused the institution's supply chain management system
- Have committed fraud or any other improper conduct in relation to such system.

C. Bidders may NOT buy gifts for or ask for cell phone numbers from Bid Committee Members or contract managers during briefing sessions, evaluation and adjudication of bids. In terms of the **NATIONAL TREASURY MINUTE3/3/3/2/10 DATED 23 APRIL 2006-CODE OF CONDUCT FOR BID ADJUDICATION COMMITTEES** governing the Conduct of all Bid Committees, Stakeholders and SCM Practitioners involved in the SCM processes:-

i. Bid information and documentation are confidential

ii. No unauthorized communication should be made with a bidder/contractor by any member, stakeholder or SCM Practitioner prior to or after any meeting during the evaluation and adjudication of bids

D. **IN TERMS OF THE NATIONAL TREASURY SCM PRACTICE NOTE NUMBER: SCM 4 OF 2003; CODE OF CONDUCT FOR SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT PRACTITIONERS -**

"6.5. No person should:-

"6.5.1 Interfere with the supply chain management system of an Institution

"6.5.2 Amend or tamper with any bid after its submission

6. Bidders should ensure that all the relevant documentation required in considering bids are submitted. **Failure to submit all the required documents may render your bid non-responsive**

7. The Department will not be held responsible for missing or duplicated documents. **Bidders are required to sign, number sequentially and initial on each page of the bidding documents. Bid documents must be binded.**

8. It is the ultimate responsibility of every bidder to ensure that his/her bid is duly deposited in the Bid Box situated at the entrance of the Department of Health North West, New Office Park Building, Ground floor, Corner First Street and Sekame, Mmabatho on time before the closing date and time. **The Department of Health shall not be held responsible for any couriered bid documents that do not reach the Bid Box by the Closing date and time. – Couriered documents must be deposited in the bid box by Couriers before the closing date and time .No correspondence will be entered into regarding late bids and couriered documents that were not deposited in the bid box by the bid closing date and time.**

9. The Department of Health reserves the right to award any bid in whole or in part and the Department **does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any bid in whole and price alone is not a determining factor.**

10. National Treasury has per Circular no 3 OF 2015/2016 given instructions to all PFMA Institutions that with effect from 01 April 2016, no quotation or bid may be awarded to any supplier who is not registered as a Prospective Supplier on the National Treasury Central Service Provider Database [CSD]. If you are not registered proceed to complete the registration of your company prior to submitting your bid. Refer to https://secure.csd.gov.za/ to register your company. Ensure that all documentation on the database are updated and valid. Bidders should further note that the Central Supplier Database (CSD) will be utilized to confirm compliance to tax and other related matters. It is therefore the bidder's responsibility to ensure compliance in all respects.

11. For more information please contact the following:

ADMINISTRATION ENQUIRES:

Ms R. Mogolegang 018 391 4443 / RMogolegang@nwpg.gov.za

TECHNICAL ENQUIRIES:

RADIOLOGY DEPARTMENT	NAME	EMAIL ADDRESS	MOBILE NUMBER
HEAD OFFICE	MR BETHUEL KHUMALO	BethuelKhumalo@nwpg.gov.za	060 973 3456

Potential bidder(s) must reduce all telephonic enquiries to writing and send them to the above email addresses.

12. CONDITIONS TO BID

This bid is issued under the condition that the bidder should at any stage during production or execution or on completion of the bid be subject to inspection. The premises of the bidder or contractor shall be open, at all reasonable hours, for inspection by the representative of the Department of Health or organization acting on behalf of the State. The bidder shall provide, if required, all required facilities for inspections, tests and analysis of the land available, apparatus which may be required for the purpose of such inspection, tests and analysis free of charge unless otherwise specified. The bidder also agrees that the financial standing of the bidder may be examined as part of the inspection

13. RISK ANALYSIS

A risk analysis as per applicable legislation and prescripts shall be used to establish the competency and ability of the successful bidder for the project

14. BID CONDITIONS

a) Late bids will not be considered. Please note that bids are late if they are received at the address given in the bid document after the bid closing date and time.
b) Bids will be valid for a period of 90 days.
c) All bid prices must be quoted in South African currency and must be VAT inclusive.
d) All the Relevant Forms attached to this bid document must be completed and signed in black ink where applicable by a duly authorized official. Use of tippex and pencil in the bid document are not allowed. Where cancellation has been made, bidders should endorse with a signatures

15. BID ADMINISTRATION DOCUMENTS TO BE SUBMITTED BY ALL BIDDERS:

National Treasury has per **PFMA SCM INSTRUCTION NO.9 OF 2022/2023 MANDOTRY UTILISATION OF THE E-TENDER PORTAL FOR PUBLICATION OF BID**

OPPORTUNITIES, BID AWARDS AND ANY BID RELATED NOTIFICATIONS DATED 13 OCT 2022 prescribed the mandatory advertisement of bids on the e-tender Publication Portal by all departments. Constitutional institutions and public entities listed In Schedules 2 and 3 to the Public Finance Management Act (PFMA). 1999 (Act No.1 of 1999), hereafter referred to as PFMA compliant institutions. This application is aimed at ensuring that all potential service providers have easy access to advertised bids and are provided with an opportunity to supply PFMA compliant institutions with goods and services, as they may require. With effect from 1 Nov 2022, all PFMA compliant institutions must submit the following information to the relevant treasury's e-Tender Publication Administrator in support its advertisement:

a) Bid description;
b) Bid number;
c) Name of the PFMA compliant institution;
d) The place where the bid is required;
e) The closing date and time of the bid;
f) The PFMA compliant institution's contact details (postal and physical address, Telephone number, etc.);
g) The place where bids can be collected;
h) The place where bids should be delivered; and
i) The bid document, that is,
   - Invitation to Bid-which explains the bid administration requirements and the evaluation criteria, to be complied with by all bidders.
   - SBD Forms Prescribed by National Treasury- to be completed by all Bidders without exception
   - Technical Bid Specifications/Terms of Reference or Bill of Quantities requirements - depending on the technical nature of the bid.

16. BID ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS/CRITERIA TO BE USED IN EVALUATING A BID

The National Treasury **Supply Chain Management Circular Ref 3/4/3/2/10 dated 10 May 2005**: Page 2 Paragraph 1 stipulates that "Bids may only be evaluated in accordance with the evaluation Criteria stipulated in the bid documentation"

All the under-mentioned documentation /criteria required to evaluate this bid must be sealed in an envelope and be deposited in the bid box before the closing date and time.

ALL BIDDERS ARE REQUIRED TO ENSURE THAT THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS ARE ATTACHED:-

(a) Original, fully completed and signed applicable SBD Bid Documents and Preference Claim Forms in terms of the Preferential Procurements Regulations and National Treasury SCM prescripts. **NB. All Bidders are required to fully complete the SBD forms (SBD form 1, 3.1, 4, 6.1,) as required by the National Treasury PFMA prescripts and the PPPFA Regulations AND to fully complete all other forms as required by the specification, without fail.**

(b) Copies of Identity Documents of the Directors / Main Shareholders of the company.

(c) Valid Tax Clearance Certificate/ Tax Compliance Status PIN or CSD Report- The Department will also verify the tax compliance status of bidder

(d) **Only Bidders who collect bid documentation from the Health Department must attach a General Revenue Receipt of Two Hundred Rand (R200-00). Original or Copy of stamped Bank Deposit slip or Electronic Transfer printout or Departmental Revenue Receipt reflecting the name of the Bidder and Bid Number –Bidders are encouraged to download the bid documentation from the E-Tender**

Bank Name	**: ABSA**
Account Name	**: NW Health**
Account Holder	**: NWPG**
Branch Code	**: 632005**
Account Number	**: 41-1181-1655**
Account Type	**: Cheque Account**

(e) Copy of Company Registration Certificate from the Registrar of Companies of all Parties indicating the names of directors or main shareholders of the company. **NB The old Company Registration certificates issued in terms of the repealed 1973 Companies Act which do not show the company Directors 'names are not acceptable. All bidders are required to submit the updated Company Registration Certificates issued by the Registrar of Companies in terms of the 2008 Companies Act, that is, a complete certificates which indicate the names of all Directors or main shareholders of the Company.**

(f) Bidders are required to submit a copy of a valid B-BBEE Status level Verification Certificate, together with their bids, to substantiate their B-BBEE rating claims.
An EME is required to submit a sworn affidavit confirming their annual total revenue of R10 MILLION or less

(g) Bidders who do not submit B-BBEE Status level Verification Certificates , a sworn affidavit or are non-compliant contributors to B-BBEE do not qualify for preference points for B-BBEEE but shall not be disqualified from the bidding process , but will score points out of price only and zero [0] points out of B-BBEE.

(h) **In the case of joint venture (JV) or Consortium the following documents must be attached to the Bid documents:-**

- Copy of Valid Tax Clearance Certificate pin of all Partners- / Tax Compliance Status PIN or CSD report- The Department will also verify the tax compliance status of bidder
- Copies of Identity Documents of all Directors / Main Shareholders of the company.-
- Joint venture agreement duly signed by all parties

- A certificate or agreement regarding shareholder -ship of members

- Copies of Company Registration Certificates from the Registrar of Companies of all Parties to a Joint Venture indicating the names of directors or main shareholders of the companies to the joint venture.-**NB The old Company Registration certificates issued in terms of the repealed 1973 Companies Act which do not show the company Directors 'names are not acceptable. All bidders are required to submit the updated Company Registration Certificates issued by the Registrar of Companies in terms of the 2008 Companies Act, that is, a complete certificates which indicate the names of all Directors or main shareholders of the Company**

- Copy of a valid Consolidated B-BBEE Status level verification Certificate.-An EME is required to submit a sworn affidavit confirming their annual total revenue of R10 MILLION or less -Bidders who do not submit B-BBEE Status level Verification Certificates , a sworn affidavit or are non-compliant contributors to B-BBEE do not qualify for preference points for B-BBEEE but shall not be disqualified from the bidding process , but will score points out of price only and zero [0] points out of B-BBEE

(i) A Trust, consortium or a joint venture are required to submit a Consolidated-BBEEE Status Level Verification Certificate for every separate bid

(j) Public entities and tertiary institutions are required to submit B-BBEE Status level verification certificates together with their bids

All the bid documents should be completed, signed and sealed in an envelope and deposited in the Bid Box, situated at the entrance of the **Department of Health North West, New Office Park Building, Ground Floor, Corner First Street and Sekame, Mmabatho.**

16. VALIDITY OF B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATES

- AO/AAs must ensure that the B-BBEE Status Level Verification Certificates submitted are issued by the following agencies:

  - Tenderers other than EMEs
    I. Verification agencies accredited by SANAS; or
  - Tenderers who qualify as EMEs
    II. Sworn affidavit signed by the EME representative and attested by a Commissioner of oaths.

16.1 Verification agencies accredited by SANAS

16.1.1 These certificates are identifiable by a SANAS logo and a unique BVA number.

16.1.2 Confirmation of the validity of a B-BBEE Status Level Verification Certification can be done by tracing the name of the issuing Verification Agency to the list of all SANAS accredited agencies. The list is accessible on http://www.sanas.co.za/directory/bbee default.php

16.1.3. The relevant BVA may be contacted to confirm whether such a certificate is valid.

16.1.4 As a minimum requirement, all valid B-BBEE Status Level Verification Certificates should have the following information detailed on the face of the certificate:

- The name and physical location of the measured entity
- The registration number and, where applicable, the VAT number of the measured entity;
- The date of issue and date expiry;
- The certification number for identification and reference;
- The scorecard that was used (for example QSE, Specialized or Generic);
- The name and / or logo of the Verification Agency;
- The SANAS logo
- The certificate must be signed by the authorized person from the Verification Agency; and
- The B-BBEE Status Level of Contribution obtained by the measured entity

17. VERIFICATION OF B-BBEE LEVELS IN RESPECT OF EMEs

17.1. In terms of the Generic Codes Practice, an enterprise including a sole propriety with annual total revenue of R10 million or less qualifies as an EME

17.2 in instances where Sector Charters are developed to address the transformation challenges of specific sectors or industries, the threshold for qualification as an EME may be different from the generic threshold of R10 million. In such instances, the relevant sector Charter threshold will therefore be used as a basis for a potential bidder to qualify as an EME. (For example the approved threshold for EMEs for the Tourism and Construction Sector Charters are R2.5 million and R1.5 million respectively)

17.3 An EME is required to submit a sworn affidavit confirming their annual total revenue of R10 million or less and level of black ownership to claim points as prescribed by regulation 6 and 7 of the preferential procurement regulations 2017.

17.4 An EME that is regarded as a Specialized Enterprise is required to submit a sworn affidavit confirming their annual turnover/allocated budget/ gross receipt of R10 million or

17.5 An EME may be measured in terms of the QSE scorecard should they wish to maximize their points and move to a higher B-BBEE recognition level. It is this context that an EME may submit a B-BBEE verification certificate

18. EVALUATION CRITERIA FOR THIS BID IS AS FOLLOWS:

90 = Price (NOTE: All bid price/should be VAT inclusive)

10 = Preferential points (Points will be allocated according to the below table)

Specific Goals	**Procurement Transaction** **Preference Points allocated out of 10**
B-BBEE Status level of Contributor	**5**
1	5
2	4
3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and Non-compliant contributor	0
Enterprises located in a specific Local Municipality or District Municipality, Township or region for work to be done or services to be rendered in that area	**2**
Residing within North West Province where the service is required.	2
Residing outside the North West Province	0
Designated Groups (Any bid that meets 1 of the 5 groups will get maximum points)	**3**
• Enterprises 51% owned by black women. • Enterprises 51% owned by black youth. • Enterprises 51% owned by military veterans. • Enterprises 51% owned by cooperative. • Enterprises 51% owned by people with disability.	3

NB: Points will be allocated to all those who submitted their BBBEE verification certificates/Sworn Affidavit and Confirmation of preferred address on CSD will be checked and printed by the SCM Practitioner for locality points.

CHIEF DIRECTOR: SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT

DATE: 2024 10 08

COMPLIANCE CHECKLIST ***NB. THE BIDDERS MUST COMPLETE THE CHEKLIST TO VERIFY/CONFIRM WHETHER A BIDDER HAS ATTACHED ALL OF THE BID ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS***		
NO	***REQUIREMENT***	***HAVE YOU ATTACHED*** ***Answer Yes or No***
1	Compulsory Briefing session	
2	General Revenue Receipt should be attached by all bidders who obtained hardcopy bid documentation at the Offices of the Health Department-.Original Bank Deposit slip or Electronic Transfer printout receipt reflecting the name of the Bidder and Bid Number. **NB–Bidders who download the bid documentation from the E-Tender Website are exempted from this requirement. Bidders are encouraged to download the bid documentation from the E-Tender Website**	
3	Original, fully Completed and signed applicable Bid Documents and Preference Claim Forms in terms of the Preferential Procurement Regulations. NB. All Bidders are required to fully complete the SBD forms as required by the National Treasury PFMA prescripts and the 2022 PPPFA Regulations AND fully complete all other forms as required by the specification, without fail. Any bidder having not complied with these requirements shall be disqualified. [Each of the following SBD form must be fully completed and signed.]	
3.1	Availability of signed and fully completed SBD 1- Invitation to bid	
3.2	Availability of signed and fully completed SBD 3.2- Pricing Schedule – Non-Firm Prices(Purchases)	
3.3	Availability of signed and fully completed SBD 4- Declaration of Interest	
3.4	Availability of signed and fully completed SBD 6.1 - Preference Points Claim Form in Terms of the Preferential Procurement Regulations 2022	
4	Copies of Identity Documents of all Directors / Main Shareholders of the company.-	
5	Copy of Valid Tax Clearance Certificate / Tax Compliance Status PIN or CSD Report- Indicate the expiry date[s] of all the TCC The Department will also verify the tax compliance status of bidder	

6	Copy of Company Registration Certificate from the Registrar of Companies of all Parties indicating the names of directors or main shareholders of the company. **NB The old Company Registration certificates issued in terms of the repealed 1973 Companies Act which do not show the company Directors 'names are not acceptable. All bidders are required to submit the updated Company Registration Certificates issued by the Registrar of Companies in terms of the 2008 Companies Act, that is, a complete certificates which indicate the names of all Directors or main shareholders of the Company without fail**	
7	**TOTAL BID PRICE INCLUDING VAT** ***AMOUNT*****.....**	
8	Bidders are required to submit a copy of a valid B-BBEE Status level Verification Certificate, together with their bids, to substantiate their B-BBEE rating claims. An EME is required to submit a sworn affidavit confirming their annual total revenue of R10 MILLION or less -Bidders who do not submit B-BBEE Status level Verification Certificates , a sworn affidavit or are non-compliant contributors to B-BBEE do not qualify for preference points for B-BBEEE but shall not be disqualified from the bidding process , but will score points out of price only and zero [0] points out of B-BBEE	
9 IN THE CASE OF JOINT VENTURE (JV) OR CONSORTIUM THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS MUST BE ATTACHED TO THE BID DOCUMENTS		
9.1	Copy of Valid Tax Clearance Certificate of all Partners- / Tax Compliance Status PIN or CSD report- The Department will also verify the tax compliance status of bidder Indicate the expiry date[s] of all the TCC of the JV partners.	
9.2	Copies of Identity Documents of all Directors / Main Shareholders of all Parties to the Joint Venture.	
9.3	Joint venture agreement duly signed by all parties	
9.4	General Revenue Receipt should be attached by all bidders who obtained hardcopy bid documentation at the Offices of the Health Department-.Original Bank Deposit slip or Electronic Transfer printout receipt reflecting the name of the Bidder and Bid Number **NB–Bidders who download the bid documentation from the E-Tender Website are exempted from this requirement**	

9.5	Copies of Company Registration Certificates from the Registrar of Companies of all Parties to a Joint Venture indicating the names of directors or main shareholders of the companies to the joint venture.- **NB The old Company Registration certificates issued in terms of the repealed 1973 Companies Act which do not show the company Directors 'names are not acceptable. All bidders are required to submit the updated Company Registration Certificates issued by the Registrar of Companies in terms of the 2008 Companies Act, that is, certificates which indicate the names of all Directors or main shareholders of the Company, without fail.**	
9.6	Valid copy of the Consolidated B-BBEE Status level verification Certificate or confirmation letter. An EME is required to submit a sworn affidavit confirming their annual total revenue of R10 MILLION or less Bidders who do not submit B-BBEE Status level Verification Certificates , a sworn affidavit or are non-compliant contributors to B-BBEE do not qualify for preference points for B-BBEEE but shall not be disqualified from the bidding process , but will score points out of price only and zero [0] points out of B-BBEE	
10	A Trust, consortium or a joint venture are required to submit a consolidated B-BBEEE Status Level Verification Certificate for every separate bid	
11	Public entities and tertiary institutions are required to submit B-BBEE Status level verification certificates together with their bids	
12	Duly completed and signed original bid documents issued by the Department should be sealed in an envelope marked: Bid number : **NWDOH 21/2024** Company Name : Closing date : **11 November 2024** Closing time : **11H00**	
13	Address and contact details:	

SIGNATURE BY BIDDER: .....

DATE: .....

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1. PURPOSE

To advertise Provision of building infrastructure, supply, installation and commissioning of an approximate 70cm Wide Bore Fully Digital Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) Unit 1.5 Tesla (T) at MPH and JST.

2. BACKGROUND

2.1 Job Shimankana Tabane Tertiary hospital is mandated to expand its services to meet the standards of a tertiary hospital it has been approved to be.

2.2 Mafikeng Provincial Hospital is the only regional hospital in the Ngaka Modiri Molema and it has neuro, ortho, surgical, and other specialities that need MRI diagnostic services.

2.3 The North West province has only one Magnetic Resonance Imaging machine and it is in Tshepong tertiary hospital.

2.4 Job Shimankana Tabane Tertiary hospital has a 24 hour orthopaedic department and other departments like surgical and cardiac that need MRI services.

2.5 North West Department of health has allocated the necessary funding for this project through the NHI Oncology Grant.

2.6 The establishment of a Magnetic Resonance Imaging is key to improving diagnosis and treatment of cancer patients and other pathologies.

3. EXPECTED DELIVERABLES AND OUTCOMES

3.1 Improve diagnostic imaging services to the community.

3.2 Improved patient outcomes.

3.3 Increase the capacity, speed and volume of the service rendered to patient.

3.4 The deliverables are:

- An MRI.
- A control room.
- A changing room.
- Additional equipment: defibrillator, laser printer, anaesthetic machine, suction machine and UPS.
- Emergency trolley with defibrillator, monitor and suction, pressure injector.
- A vacuum and an oxygen outlet.
- Job Shimankana Tabane Tertiary hospital: Renovation of current infrastructure to

accommodate the MRI, the technical room, the control room, the changing room, the radiographer small kitchen and the UPS.

- Mafikeng Provincial hospital: Renovation of current infrastructure to accommodate the MRI, technical room. The control room, the UPS, the change room and the patient toilets.

4. TIME FRAME/DURATION OF BID

3 Years

5. COMPULSORY SITE BRIEFING SESSION (Register will be completed)

The briefing will be held 7 working days after advert at an institution (Date, Time and Venue will be on the bid document).

6. BIDDER REQUIREMENTS

6.1 The bidder must submit a copy of a valid license issued in terms of the Hazardous Substance Act No 15 of 1973 with the bid (company registration for radiology equipment).

6.2 The unit offered must be licensed and approved by the South African Health products Regulation Authority. It must be a separate SAHPRA document from number (a) above. Highlight the unit on offer on the list of products approved by SAHPRA.

6.3 The bidder must complete the technical specifications template IN FULL – no references to Brochure.

6.4 Bidder must provide relevant quality assurance certificate issued by an accredited agency.

6.5 Bidder must attach recent detailed building alterations plan with the bid.

7. FUNCTIONALITY

PLEASE NOTE THAT BIDDERS MUST SCORE 70 OUT OF 100 POINTS TO PROCEED TO THE NEXT EVALUATION STAGE.

FUNCTIONALITY	POINTS
A) Bidder must have experience with MRI radiology equipment and must attach award letter and or purchase order(s) and reference letter(s) (the reference letter(s) must confirm the appointment, amount of bid and the performance of MRI machine during its lifespan). Department reserves a right to conduct site inspection of the installed machine should the need arise.	**60**
6 or more projects	60
5 projects	50
4 projects	40
3 projects	30
2 projects	20
1 project	10
Non-submission	0
B) Bidder must provide for qualified technicians who will be responsible for repairs and maintenance of MRI equipment with a minimum of 2 years' experience(Attach Qualification(s) and a detailed CV outlining, years of experience, job responsibilities, and name of the company worked)	**40**
4 Technicians	**40**
3 Technicians	**30**
2 Technicians	**20**
1 Technicians	**10**
Non-submission	**0**

8. TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

The space provided under "Bidder's Comments" for each clause must be used for this purpose. Bidders who neglect to provide answers to every clause in this bid specification will be disqualified. Bidders must note that abbreviated answers e.g. N/A etc. will not be accepted.

Bidders must also note that no part of any clause/s in this Bid Specification may be altered. Where there are traces of alterations found to any clauses in this Bid Specification during Adjudication, the Adjudication Committee will reserve the right to disqualify the bidder.

The bidder must clearly indicate if their offered product complies with the required, by indicating "Yes" or "No" or answer the question next to the corresponding clause.

All responses must be clear and legible.

This specification establishes the requirements for:

- MRI.
- Additional equipment: defibrillator, laser printer, anaesthetic machine, suction machine and UPS.
- Infrastructure requirements.

Item	SPECIFICATIONS	Complies Yes/No	Comment
	A - Modality Details		
1	**MRI**		
1.1	Latest state of the art whole Body 1.5 Tesla or more Magnetic Resonance Imaging System. **Not more than 5 years technology (SOFTWARE OR HARDWARE OR TECH**		

	DEVELOPMENT)		
1.2	System minimum requirements following:		
1.2.1	Magnet		
1.2.2	Gradient System approximately 33mT/m-120T/m/s		
1.2.3	Radiofrequency System		
1.2.4	Coils design Non-resonant and digital		
1.2.5	Patient Table and Patient Support Management minimum 250Kg		
1.2.6	Computer/s		
1.2.7	Acquisition paraments/ application software and imaging techniques		
1.2.8	Specific software		
1.2.9	Performance evaluation phantoms		
1.2.10	Installation and testing		
1.2.11	Guarantee/warranty		
1.2.12	Training Schedule		
1.2.13	Service, Maintenance and Repairs		
1.2.14	Safety Features		
1.2.15	Additional Equipment		
1.2.16	MR Fluoroscopy		
1.2.17	Technology		
1.2.18	Optional Accessories		
1.2.19	Manuals		

2	**MAGNET**		
2.1	The Magnet Field Strength shall be minimum 1.5 T active shielded		
2.1.1	State available upgrade path for unit offered (without magnet replacement). Please also state if the magnet on offer is the latest Technology and Release - Date of release to market		
2.2	The Magnet shall be short bore cylindrical type and design.		
2.3	Bore length including all covers shall not exceed 180 cm.		
2.4	State internal bore dimensions (L x W x H).		
2.4.1	Maximum Vision Angle.		
2.5	Magnet homogeneity shall meet the following specifications using the standard deviation VRMS (volume root-mean square) using 24 plane plot measurement method: (Please indicate what your equipment homogeneity at different diameter of spherical volume (DSV) values).		
2.5.1	50 cm DSV state <5.5ppm		
2.5.2	If your MRI has a 48 cm DSV state the ppm		
2.5.3	45 cm DSV state <2ppm		
2.5.4	40 cm DSV state <0.75ppm		
2.5.5	30 cm DSV state <0.25ppm		
2.5.6	20 cm DSV state <0.07 ppm		
2.5.7	10 cm DSV state <0.02 ppm		
2.6	Magnetic field stability shall be equal or less than 0.1 ppm/hour.		
2.7	The 5 Gauss/0.5mT fringe field shall be contained in an area of typically 2.5 m (radial) by 4.0m (axial). State actual area.		
2.8	State helium boil-off details.		

2.9	State typical cryogen refilling interval.		
2.10	State maximum helium capacity.		
2.11	The bore diameter shall be minimum 70cm measured at the centre in an operational mode.		
2.12	The tenderer shall guarantee and ensure that there is no magnet vibration of the system, on the current location, with all possible imaging sequences. Give details.		
2.13	If such vibration occurs the bidder shall do the necessary alterations to magnet or building, even after expiry date of warranty.		
3	**MAGNET SAFETY**		
3.1	Magnet shall be equipped with quench exhaust leading to the outside of the building in event of Magnet quench to prevent injury to staff and patient. if your MRI does not use quench pipe, explain its technology and attach support documents.		
3.2	Magnet shall be equipped with emergency ramp down unit for fast Magnetic Field reduction.		
3.3	Any other safety regulations by Environmental Safety Law and Regulations must be applied.		
3.4	Successful bidder must provide a MRI user license obtained from Radiation Directorate.		
3.5	Walk through metal detector built into the door frame prior to the MRI examination room door to ensure safety of patients and others.		
3.6	Examination room shall be marked off by warning labels/lights.		
4	**GRADIENT SYSTEM**		
4.1	Actively shielded hi-performance non-resonant gradient coil system is required.		
4.2	Gradient amplitude/peak strength shall be at least 30mT/m measured per real axis plateau (100% duty cycle), not effective gradients.		
4.3	Gradient duty cycle shall be 100%.		

4.4	state gradient amplitude		
4.5	Silent gradient coil system is required to reduce noise during fast acquisition sequences.		
4.6	State gradient slew rate		
4.7	State Maximum number of slices.		
4.8	State Minimum slice thickness (3D).		
4.9	Gradient upgrades to different levels or equivalent should be possible without changing gradient coil.		
4.11	State high-end gradient (or equivalent) specifications for optional gradient upgrade		
4.12	State Max slew rate and amplitude and FOV at max slew rate and amplitude.		
4.13	The system should have effective cooling system for gradient coil and power supply. State type of cooling.		
4.14	The output linearity of the gradient amplifiers should be no worse than + 0.1% of peak.		
4.15	A Child Friendly scanning environment is required. Noise should be kept to a minimum. State advanced ergonomic features that characterize the configuration offered.		
4.15	Free choice of flip angle while maintaining signal to noise ratio to be supported. Specify.		
4.16	Maximum number of channels that can be connected simultaneously should be at minimum164.		
4.17	Number of independent receiver channels that can be connect simultaneously for a single scan should be minimum 30.		
4	**RADIOFREQUENCY SYSTEM**		
4,1	Resonance frequency shall be +/- 63MHz (1.5 T).		

4.2	Direct Radio Frequency (RF) Transmitter System: Digital signal generation and processing.		
4.3	RF system shall be digital transmitter and receiver design.		
4.4	Maximum power output of transmitter amplifier rating shall be approximately 18kW.		
4.5	State the bandwidth of the RF transmitter.		
4.6	High frequency data sampling is required for fast scan techniques.		
4.7	The system shall be equipped with RF fault protection limiting RF output in event of malfunction.		
4.8	State Frequency resolution of the RF synthesizer. The standard is 0.35 Hz, state yours.		
4.9	The receiver components shall be integrated into the magnet housing.		
4.10	The system should have min18 independent RF receiver channels.		
4.11	The standard Phase resolution is 0.1 degree/bit. (state yours)		
5,1	Noise of the preamplifier to be less than 0.5 decibels.		
4.12	State maximum receiver bandwidth of each receiver channel.		
4.13	State maximum number of simultaneously connected coil elements. Preference will be given to highest number.		
4.14	State maximum receiver bandwidth of each receiver channel.		
4.15	Sampling rate of each ADC to be about 80 MHz.		
4.16	The standard Digital receiver signal resolution 32 bit. State yours		
5	**RADIOFREQUENCY COILS**		
5.1	The bidder shall supply the latest Integrated Coil Technology (i.e. GE = GEM Technology, Canon = Atlas Technology, Siemens = TIM Technology, Philips = dStream Technology, etc). Please state how the Coil Philosophy of the unit contributes and improve the Image Quality and Workflow .		

5.2	Coil pre-amplifiers shall be on the patient table connector and coils shall be interchangeable, be of light construction and short cables.		
5.3	State any other Coil Technology that will enhance or improve performance with less stress and discomfort to the patient, and user friendly without wasting time.		
5.4	Diameter of minimum 70cm is required (larger bore will be preferred because of the patient profile at these institutions e.g. obese, claustrophobic, paediatrics etc.) NB: The bore to be measured at centre of the system and not on the flare.		
5.5	Give standard surface coils supplied with system.		
5.6	Maximum coils connection to do full body scan. Give details of coils and connections (short cable coil connections).		
5.7	Connected coils must be detected automatically, latest technology		
5.8	It must be possible to select active coil or elements from the main console.		
5.9	Special coils for the following applications should be available with the system (state price separately). State standard coils with the system.		
5.10	Coils to provide optimal imaging including, but not limited to the following clinical settings:		
5.10.1	Coils to facilitate optimal facial and intracranial imaging in the child from 1.5-60kgs, including visualisation of the orbits, optic nerves, optic tracts, pituitary fossa, hypothalamus, temporal lobe, posterior fossa and cerebral cortex;		
5.10.2	Whole body (Chest, abdomen, pelvis);		
5.10.3	Temporomandibular joint (TMJ) kit;		
5.10.4	Head;		
5.10.5	Head-neck (without repositioning patient);		
5.10.6	Cervical/Thoracic/Lumbar spine;		
5.10.7	Whole spine;		

5.10.8	Neck soft tissue;		
5.10.9	Extremities and joints: wrist, hand, elbow, hips, ankle and foot;		
5.10.10	Dedicated shoulder and knee;		
5.10.11	Peripheral array coil to be included in the price;		
5.10.12	Prostate, colon, Female Pelvis		
5.10.13	Whole body vascular (Peripheral vascular array);		
5.10.14	Peripheral MR Angiography;		
5.10.15	Neurovascular;		
5.10.16	Cardiac;		
5.10.17	All paediatric applications		
5.11	State all other software packages that comes standard with the system.		
5.12	State price of each coil separately.		
5.13	Supply a cupboard in the room for storage of all coils provided or alternatively sufficient coil cabinets to house the coils.		
6	**PATIENT SUPPORT/TABLE and MANAGEMENT/ PATIENT COMFORT**		
6.1	Patient table shall be lockable - for improved patient workflow.		
6.2	Please state table movement:		
6.2.1	Vertical table movement:		
6.2.1.1	Minimum table height from floor.		
6.2.1.2	Maximum table height from floor.		
6.2.2	Horizontal table movement:		

6.2.2.1	Maximum horizontal range of table movement.		
6.3	Dual table control panels shall be located at either side of aperture/gantry for easy access. State if controls are available on the rear of the magnet		
6.4	Three alignment light beams for anatomical references in axial, coronal and sagittal planes		
6.5	Table movement shall be controlled from both gantry and operator console		
6.6	Patient table shall be equipped with manual override for quick removal of patient from the magnet-bore in case of emergency.		
6.7	Load capacity shall be minimum 200kg. State maximum load capacity.		
6.8	Physiologic measurement unit essential with display of ECG, respiration and pulse at the main console.		
6.9	Two way in-bore intercom system shall allow communication in multiple languages with patient while gradient is running.		
6.10	In-bore music/stereo system shall be included. Integrated music for patient, including CD interface to be included.		
6.11	Hand held alarm button for patient signalling.		
6.12	Table restraining/immobilization straps are required.		
6.13	Separate Patient transport stretcher and wheelchair MRI compatible load minim 150kg to be supplied.		
6.14	Fresh air in-bore ventilation is essential.		
6.15	Adequate in-bore lightning is essential.		
6.16	Child friendly interior decoration to be included.		
6.17	State of the art technology is required to allow young patients to see outside the magnet during the examination. Give details.		

6.18	MRI compatible sand bags.		
6.19	Two comfortable patient mattresses, head rest, knee support and positioning accessories to be included.		
6.20	Camera system for patient observation.		
7.0	**ADDITIONAL WORKSTATION: DOCTORS CONSOLE**		
7.1	In addition to the acquisition console, additional, 2 x dedicated Workstations (for two doctors to work independently, Doctors Workstation) will be supplied (or better solution).		
7.2	The dedicated workstation will be used for all post processing. The system must included licenses for all 3D reconstruction and post processing requirements. Please give details and options where applicable.		
7.3	Please state if the additional workstation has the same user interface as the console.		
7.4	Please state if the additional workstation can have the same software packages as the console. Please confirm the Workstation is multi vendors		
7.5	High quality read/write CD-DVD robot device required.		
8	**OPERATOR USER INTERFACE**		
8.1	Minimum of 23 inch hi-resolution colour LCD flat-panel flicker-free monitor with undistorted image display required.		
8.2	Monitor min 1024 x 1024 dot resolution required		
8.3	User interface providing flexible multi-tasking in foreground or background (scanning, filming, reconstruction).		
8.4	Image display features required:		
8.4.1	Multiple image display.		
8.4.2	Window width and level adjustment		

8.4.3	Gray scale		
8.4.4	Zooming and planning		
8.4.5	Explicit magnify		
8.4.6	Roam, flip, rotate, scroll		
8.4.7	Display and hide patience/sequence data		
8.4.8	Edit patient data		
8.4.9	Text annotation		
8.4.10	Measurement tools (distance, angle, ROI)		
8.4.11	Draw gridlines		
8.4.12	Drawing tools (lines, rectangles, circles)		
8.4.13	Reference image display indicating position of slice		
8.4.14	Cine display		
8.5	Image filming features required:		
8.5.1	One button print series		
8.5.2	One button print page		
8.5.3	Multi-image formats 1,2,4,6,9,12,15,16,20,25 per film		
8.6	Image annotations required:		
8.6.1	Name of Hospital		
8.6.2	Name of manufacturer of MR machine		
8.6.3	Name of patient		
8.6.4	Patient ID		

8.6.5	Image orientation		
8.6.6	Window width/level		
8.6.7	Slice in three orthogonal directions		
8.6.8	Coil used for sequence		
8.6.9	Slice number		
8.6.10	Volume number		
8.6.11	Echo number in multiple-echo sequences		
8.6.12	Type of sequence used (SE, GE,...)		
8.6.13	Echo time (TE)		
8.6.14	Repetition time (TR)		
8.6.15	Sampling bandwidth		
8.6.16	Flip angle		
8.6.17	Field of view (FOV)		
8.6.18	Rectangular FOV		
8.6.19	Number of averages		
8.6.20	Slice thickness		
8.6.21	Resolution matrix		
8.6.22	Pre-saturation used		
8.6.23	Gating if applicable		
8.7	Advanced image processing features required:		
8.7.1	Multi-planner reformatting (MPR)		

8.7.2	Multi-projection volume rendering (MPVR)		
8.7.3	Maximum intensity projection (MIP)		
8.7.4	MR angiography processing		
8.7.5	3D surface rendering		
8.7.6	MR Hydrography MRCP/Urography/Myelography		
8.7.7	Image add/subtract		
8.7.8	CT image display		
8.7.9	CT image integrating		
8.7.10	Filtering for smooth/sharp images		
8.8	State any special features to improve productivity and consistency (e.g. automated scanning procedures)		
9	**ACQUISITION PARAMATERS, APPLICATION SOFTWARE AND IMAGING TECHNIQUES**		
9.1	State slice and slab thickness:		
9.1.1	2D		
9.1.2	3D		
9.2	State number of slices:		
9.2.1	2D		
9.2.2	3D		
9.3	Adequate scan length for peripheral angiography on patient of 180cm length.		
9.3	Variable Field Of View (FOV) required of 48cm or better (bigger). Please state FOV offered.		
9.4	Standard/conventional and fast imaging techniques/ sequences required for all the following		

	applications with dedicated post processing:		
9.4.1	**Neuro:**		
9.4.1.1	Brain		
9.4.1.2	Conventional imaging sequences		
9.4.1.3	Spectroscopy (Single voxel and multi voxel). State if compatible with parallel imaging 2D / 3D		
9.4.1.4	Diffusion weighted		
9.4.1.5	Perfusion weighted. Sate sequences used.		
9.4.1.6	Fast MRI sequences. Sate sequences used.		
9.4.1.7	Tractography / Fibre tracking		
9.4.1.8	Spine		
9.4.2	**All joints.**		
9.4.3	**Cardiac:**		
9.4.3.1	Conventional sequences		
9.4.4	**Abdomen:**		
9.4.4.1	Conventional sequences		
9.4.4.2	Virtual endoscopy		
9.4.4.3	MRCP		
9.4.4.4	Small bowel studies		
9.4.4.5	Dynamic liver contrast studies		
9.4.5	**Chest:**		
9.4.5.1	Conventional sequences		

9.4.5.2	Mammography		
9.4.5.3	Dynamic (3D FSGRE etc.)		
9.4.5.4	Biopsy capability		
9.4.5.5	Pulmonary ventilation studies		
9.4.6	**Pelvis:**		
9.4.6.1	Conventional sequences		
9.4.6.2	Prostate imaging (including spectroscopy)		
9.4.6.3	Dynamic pelvic floor imaging		
9.4.7	**Vascular:**		
9.4.7.1	TOF (2D/3D)		
9.4.7.2	PC (2D/3D)		
9.4.7.3	Contrast enhancement for:		
9.4.7.4	Neck vessel studies		
9.4.7.5	Intracranial vessel studies		
9.4.7.6	Aortic arch and branches		
9.4.7.7	Abdominal aorta and outflow		
9.4.7.8	Upper limbs		
9.4.7.9	Pulmonary arteries		
9.4.7.10	Renal arteries		
9.4.7.11	Multistep MR angiography		
9.4.7.12	Lower limbs		

9.4.8	**Head and neck:**		
9.4.8.1	Conventional sequences		
9.4.8.2	IAM's		
9.4.8.3	TMJ's		
9.5	State standard sequences in offered software package.		
9.6	State maximum parallel imaging factor possible for offered software package (and compatible coils).		
9.7	State sequences that are compatible with parallel imaging.		
9.8	State optional software packages. State details and costs.		
10	**PERFORMANCE EVALUATION PHANTOMS REQUIRED / QUALITY CONTROL**		
10.1	Performance evaluation software and appropriate phantoms required for evaluation of image quality required as per licensing conditions.		
11	**SAFETY FEATURES**		
11.1	The Magnet system shall include an emergency ramp down unit (RDU) for fast reduction of The Magnetic field.		
11.2	The Magnet shall have quench bands that contain The fringe Field in The event of a Magnet quench or better and latest technology		
11.3	Real-time SAR calculation shall be performed by software to ensure that RF power levels comply with regulatory guidelines and be displayed on each image.		
11.4	The system shall have manual override of the motor drive for quick removal of the patient from the magnet bore.		
11.5	The system shall have RF fault protection hardware (RF transmit enable limit and RF power and duty cycle limit) to limit The RF output in The event of equipment malfunction.		

11.6	Walk through metal detector (as indicated in 3.5)		
12	**ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT**		
12.1	MRI compatible ECG cables required.		
12.2	MRI integrated pulse oximeter for adults and children. Please specify make and model.		
12.3	MRI compatible Anaesthetic unit for General Anaesthetics of paediatric and neonatal patients is required. Unit must include MR compatible haemodynamic monitoring system. **Unit must be user friendly.** Please state the specifications of the unit on offer. Please also note the warranty and customer support agreement terms. Please specify make and model.		
12.4	MR compatible injector Pump to be included in offer. Include 200ml syringes and 200ml matching syringe lines. Please specify make and model.		
12.5	The system must include an optimal printer appropriate to the system. DICOM Compatible networked laser printer must be provided. Please specify make and model.		
12.6	An "on-line" UPS shall be supplied to power the machine, printer and all computers of the unit so that the equipment can shut down safely when interrupted by a power failure, preferable UPS that can last up to 30 minutes when there is no main power supply. Batteries of UPS to have a minimum of 4 years warranty.		
12.7	Emergency trolley, mobile unit able to contain all equipment which is required for the resuscitation of a patient in emergencies.		
12.8	A portable electric suction machine used for the aspiration of body liquids, oral, nasal and tracheal aspiration in adults or children. Suitable for emergency applications and must have rechargeable battery.		
	A defibrillator to reverse fibrillation to a normal rhythm with ECG and peripheral oxygen saturation monitoring. Must include 3 lead ECG patient cable, AED pads x2 pairs, cable for AED pads, 10 rolls of printer paper, SpO2 transducer and cable. Please specify make and model.		

12.7	**Incubator for Neonatal Imaging - OPTIONAL quote separately.**		
13	**MR FLUROSCOPY**		
13.1	A MR Fluoroscopy mode with real-time acquisition and display techniques is required as an option. Please state the software and hardware required if this is optional.		
14	**TECHNOLOGY**		
14.1	Innovation and Latest technology. Give explanation and support documents		
14.2	Unique. Give explanation and support document and list of Installed based in South Africa.		
14.3	Clinical benefits. Give detailed explanation		
15	**OPTIONAL ACCESSORIES**		
15.1	The tenderer to give full description and pricing of optional accessories available for the system. Each item must be priced separately.		

	B - GENERAL REQUIREMENTS		
16	**SAFETY STANDARDS OF THE SYSTEM**		
16.1	MR Unit should be CE marked		
16.2	MR Unit should be manufactured according to FDA 1020.30 regulations		
16.3	MR Unit must Comply to IEC 601		
16.4	The equipment/system must be approved and licensed by Radiation Control.		
16.5	A copy of a valid license issued in terms of the Hazardous Substance Act, Act No 15 of 1973 must be submitted with the tender.		
16.6	Electrical safety conforms to standards for electrical safety IEC-60601 / ISO-13450		
17	**IT INTEGRATION**		

17.1	The system must have the following DICOM 3 compatibility:		
17.1.1	DICOM Send / Receive		
17.1.2	DICOM Storage Commitment (SC):		
17.1.3	DICOM query/retrieve		
17.1.4	DICOM worklist		
17.1.5	DICOM Basic Print		
17.1.6	DICOM MPPS (Modality Performed Procedure Steps)		
17.2	The system must comply to the following IHE profiles (Integrating the Healthcare Enterprise)		
17.2.1	Scheduled Workflow (SWF)		
17.2.2	Patient Information Reconciliation (PIR)		
17.2.3	Simple Image and Numeric Reports (SINR)		
17.3	System to be integrated to the existing PACS		
18	**AFTER SALES CUSTOMER CARE AND SERVICE**		
18.1	State capacity and capability of your after sales service		
18.2	Supply full installed base of same or similar systems on offer		
18.3	A full Remote Services functionality to reduce downtime. Give details		
18.4	Up-Time is defined as follows: 24/7; i.e. 365days times 24 hours = 8760 Hours. A down time of 2% relates to 175 hours per annum.		
18.5	Spares turn-around to achieve 98% Up-time. Give details		

18.6	The up-time of the unit must be better than 98%, excluding scheduled preventative maintenance and software upgrades, measured on a quarterly basis. The percentage lower than 98% will be added to the warranty period. A sliding scale penalty clause will form part of the service contract. This will result in the maintenance payment being reduced by a pro rata amount that the up-time is less than 98%.		
18.7	No part shall be second hand or refurbished.		
18.8	Spare parts must be guaranteed available for the specified life of the equipment, with a minimum of ten years.		
18.9	It must be guaranteed that no additional equipment, parts or software, excluding consumables, is required to operate the equipment specified in this tender.		
19	**AIR CONDITIONING**		
19.1	State power		
19.2	Specialised air conditioning will not be supplied by the hospital to the technical room and air conditioning will not be supplied to the examination room by the hospital. Vendors must include additional air conditioning required in their offer. This equipment will remain the responsibility of the vendor interim of guarantees and service as described in item 5 below. State cooling required.		
19.3	The Chiller unit needed to support the cryogenic system must been seen as part of the system in term of supply, maintenance, support and guarantees.		
19.4	Air conditioning to be supplied in control room, doctors room and reporting room.		
20	**POWER REQUIREMENTS**		
20.1	Tenderers must state the power requirements for the system of offer.		
20.2	Please provide the price for a UPS (uninterrupted power supply) to the unit allowing full operational functionality. State the size of the UPS and specification required for installation. **The computer systems should be standard on a UPS**		

20.3	Electrical requirements for the MRI are a responsibility of the tenderer and it must be quoted on the bid supplied. Tenderer to make sure that during the site visit it is clarified where the power supply will come from and that an appropriate quote is supplied with the tender.		
20.4	Extra power points must be available in control room, MRI Room, Emergency section, kitchen, doctors room and reporting room.		
21	**SERVICE AND MAINTENANCE**		
21.1	The two years guarantee must be **included** in the unit price of the equipment. The purchase pricing schedule must be completed in full.		
21.2	All equipment, materials and workmanship provided under this contract shall be unconditionally guaranteed for a minimum period of two years (including the Helium) from the date of commissioning. All costs associated with any preventative and safety inspection required during the guarantee period or any quality assurance test required during the guarantee period shall be included in the contract.		
22	**TRAINING**		
22.1	Applications specialist should train all users for 2 weeks on site during commissioning. During the 12 months following commissioning, session of 4 days be scheduled for follow-up training.		
22.2	On-going application training by Applications Specialist of 3 days a year must be provided at no additional cost.		
22.3	Full details to be given of all training specified and offered		
23	**ROOM AND SITE PREPARATION**		
23.1	A Site visit is required.		

23.2	Building alterations are to be indicated on a layout drawing with a full scope of work. Please note the quote must be according to plans and these plans have to be approved by the Engineer responsible for the project. **Quotation to be supplied separately.**		
23.3	All costs associated with the provision of such information in whatever form required including the necessary systems planning expertise shall be for the cost of the successful Tenderer		
23.4	Tenderers are required to submit a detailed plan indicating layout of proposed equipment configuration with room alterations		
23.5	Faraday cage to be manufactured and custom designed to suit the host room, local site conditions and requirements		
23.6	Outlets for oxygen and vacuum must be connected to the MR room (RF shielding to be included).		
23.7	Tenderers must supply power plugs enough to connect all systems, inside MRI room, control room and doctors room.		
24.	**FURNITURE**		
24.1	Control room needs table tops, with drawers and a mobile chair.		
24.2	Table tops and drawers for reporting room. Must include wall mounted cupboards. And 2 mobile office chairs.		
24.3	Doctors room needs to have a desk with 2 mobile office chairs.		
24.4	Kitchen where applicable must have a cupboard with shelves for plates and a sink. A wall mount cupboard for cups. A small kitchen table with 2 chairs.		
24.5	Three sets of four hard wearing floor mounted metal visitors chairs for patients waiting for MRI must be included.		

24.6	Examination couch for emergency room.		
24.7	Change room to include place for patient to sit and enough space for wheelchair patient to go in with a nurse.		
25	**UPGRADES**		
25.1	Free upgrades of software provided in the guarantee period		
25.2	State upgrade packages that will improve life span and performance of system in its useful life. State conditions for acquisition of the upgrade packages		
26	**INSTALLATION**		
26.1	State timeframe from awarded bid to completion of project.		
27	**MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT**		
27.1	Bidders must provide a fully comprehensive maintenance agreement inclusive of all equipment supplied (medical equipment, aircons, computers) and service agreement for a period of 5 years to commence upon termination of the 2 year guarantee period.		
27.2	The five year maintenance plan must also include all quality check and quality assurance requirements, including all required calibrations.		
28	**COSTING**	**JST**	**MPH**
28.1	Cost of unit with 2 year warranty excluding maintenance		
28.2	Cost for 5 year maintenance.(Year 3,4,5,6,7)		
28.3	Cost of room alterations **(As per Annexure A)**		
28.4	The cost of hilium replenishment of your machine after ramping		
	TOTAL COST		

9. EVALUATION CRITERIA

a. 90/10 PREFERENTIAL POINTS SYSTEM

90 = Price (All inclusive)

10 = Preferential points (Points will be allocated according to specific goals table below)

Specific Goals	**Procurement Transaction** **Preference Points allocated out of 10**
B-BBEE Status level of Contributor	**5**
1	5
2	4
3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and Non-compliant contributor	0
Enterprises located in a specific Local Municipality or District Municipality, Township or region for work to be done or services to be rendered in that area	**2**
Residing within North West Province where the service is required.	2
Residing outside the North West Province	0
Designated Groups (Any bid that meets 1 of the 5 groups will get maximum points)	**3**
• Enterprises 51% owned by black women. • Enterprises 51% owned by black youth. • Enterprises 51% owned by military veterans. • Enterprises 51% owned by cooperative. • Enterprises 51% owned by people with disability.	3

NB: Points will be allocated to all those who submitted their BBBEE verification certificates/Sworn Affidavit and Confirmation of preferred address on CSD will be checked and printed by the SCM Practitioner for locality points

All responses must follow the format presented in Appendix A below.

APPENDIX A:

Please arrange your proposals as follows:

1. Company profile and information
2. Compulsory bid documents
3. Provide all relevant and valid licensing, CE marking, FDA certification documents, ISO 9000 and ISO 13458 standards for every piece of equipment on offer
4. Completed and detailed technical specifications template
5. Detailed warranty and Maintenance plans with cost
6. Previous installation base pertaining to the solution offered; References and contact details
7. Names and qualifications of engineers and technical support personnel
8. Pricing schedule per site.
9. Original brochures of equipment offered, no copies will be accepted.
10. Any other Annexures

10. TECHNICAL ENQUIRIES:

RADIOLOGY DEPARTMENT	NAME	EMAIL ADDRESS	MOBILE NUMBER
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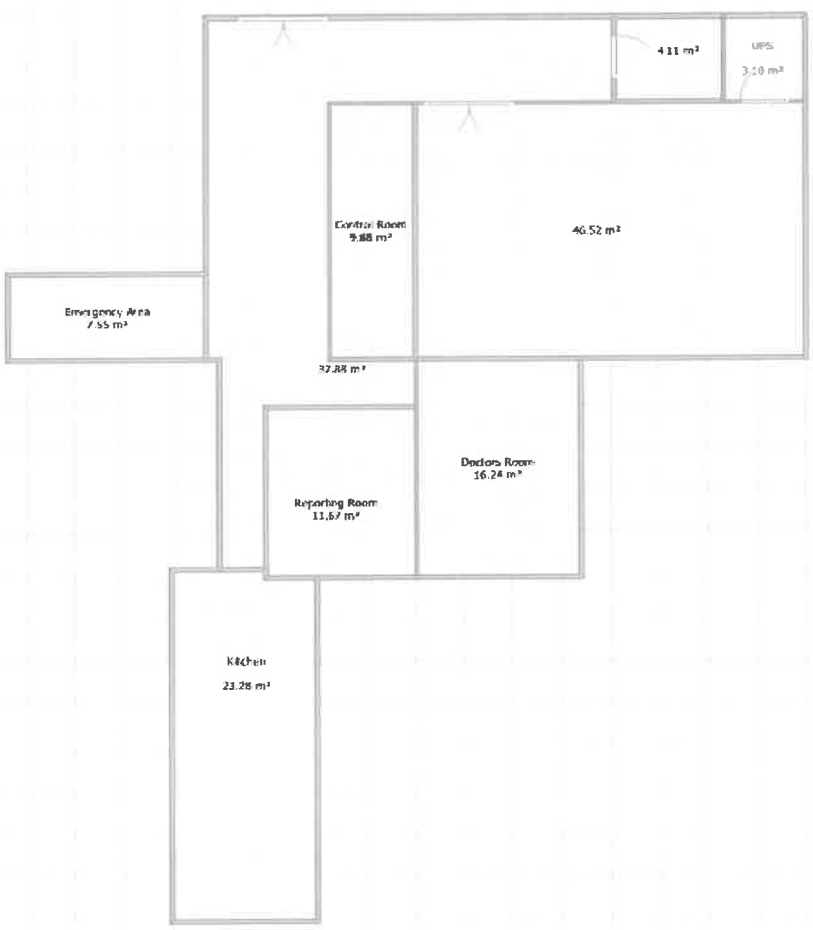
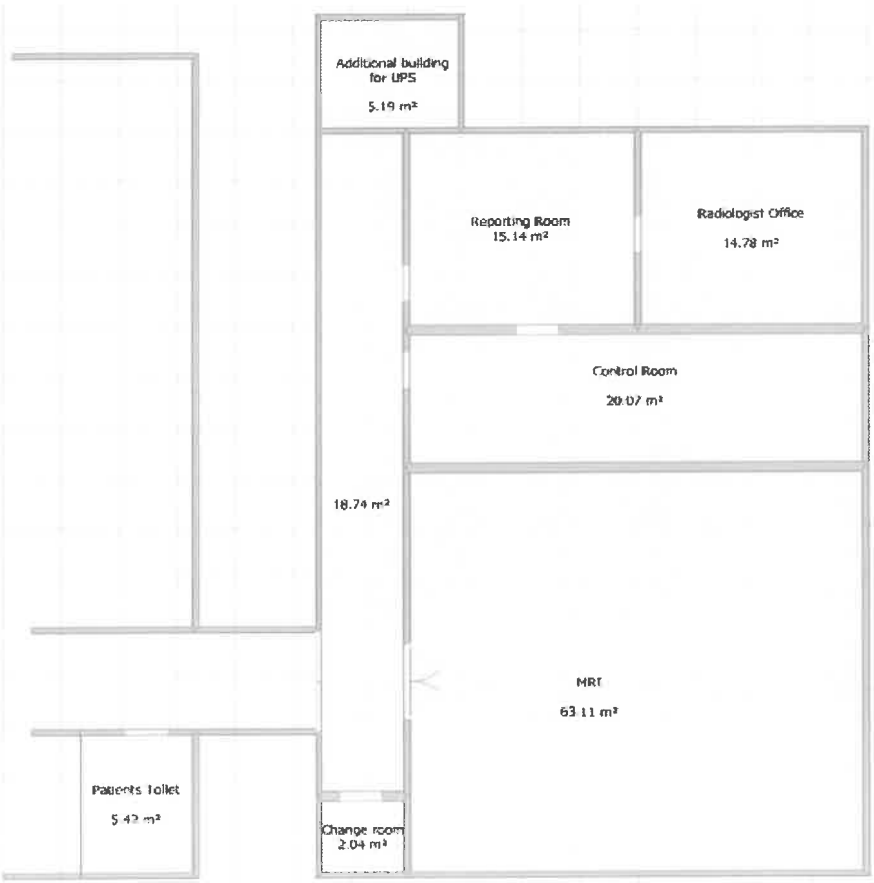
ANNEXURE A

A.1 Example of layout for MRI at JST Hospital



A.2 Example of layout for MRI at Mahikeng Hospital



PART A
INVITATION TO BID

YOU ARE HEREBY INVITED TO BID FOR REQUIREMENTS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH					
BID NUMBER:	NWDOH 21/2024	CLOSING DATE:	11 November 2024	CLOSING TIME:	11:00
DESCRIPTION	Provision of building infrastructure, supply, installation and commissioning of a new digital Magnetic Resonance Imaging System in North West Province for a period of three (03) years				

BID RESPONSE DOCUMENTS MAY BE DEPOSITED IN THE BID BOX SITUATED AT *(STREET ADDRESS)*
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH NORTH WEST, GROUND FLOOR
NEW OFFICE PARK BUILDING,
3801 CORNER FIRST STREET AND SEKAME ROAD
MMABATHO, 2735

BIDDING PROCEDURE ENQUIRIES MAY BE DIRECTED TO		TECHNICAL ENQUIRIES MAY BE DIRECTED TO:	
CONTACT PERSON	Ms Mogolegang	CONTACT PERSON	Mr B. Khumalo
TELEPHONE NUMBER	018 391 4443	TELEPHONE NUMBER	060 973 3456
FACSIMILE NUMBER	N/A	FACSIMILE NUMBER	N/A
E-MAIL ADDRESS	RMogolegang@nwpg.gov.za	E-MAIL ADDRESS	bethuelkhumalo@nwpg.gov.za

SUPPLIER INFORMATION					
NAME OF BIDDER					
POSTAL ADDRESS					
STREET ADDRESS					
TELEPHONE NUMBER	CODE		NUMBER		
CELLPHONE NUMBER					
FACSIMILE NUMBER	CODE		NUMBER		
E-MAIL ADDRESS					
VAT REGISTRATION NUMBER					
SUPPLIER COMPLIANCE STATUS	TAX COMPLIANCE SYSTEM PIN:		OR	CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE No:	MAAA
B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE	TICK APPLICABLE BOX] ☐ Yes ☐ No		B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL SWORN AFFIDAVIT	[TICK APPLICABLE BOX] ☐ Yes ☐ No	

[A B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE/ SWORN AFFIDAVIT (FOR EMES & QSEs) 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 ☐No [IF YES ENCLOSE PROOF]	ARE YOU A FOREIGN BASED SUPPLIER FOR **THE GOODS /SERVICES /WORKS OFFERED?**	☐Yes ☐No [IF YES, ANSWER THE QUESTIONNAIRE BELOW]

QUESTIONNAIRE TO BIDDING FOREIGN SUPPLIERS	
IS THE ENTITY A RESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA (RSA)?	☐ YES ☐ NO
DOES THE ENTITY HAVE A BRANCH IN THE RSA?	☐ YES ☐ NO
DOES THE ENTITY HAVE A PERMANENT ESTABLISHMENT IN THE RSA?	☐ YES ☐ NO
DOES THE ENTITY HAVE ANY SOURCE OF INCOME IN THE RSA?	☐ YES ☐ NO
IS THE ENTITY LIABLE IN THE RSA FOR ANY FORM OF TAXATION?	☐ YES ☐ NO

IF THE ANSWER IS "NO" TO ALL OF THE ABOVE, THEN IT IS NOT A REQUIREMENT TO REGISTER FOR A TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS SYSTEM PIN CODE FROM THE SOUTH AFRICAN REVENUE SERVICE (SARS) AND IF NOT REGISTER AS PER 2.3 BELOW.

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, 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 PARTICULARS 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: .....

PRICING SCHEDULE – NON-FIRM PRICES (PURCHASES)

NOTE: **PRICE ADJUSTMENTS WILL BE ALLOWED AT THE PERIODS AND TIMES SPECIFIED IN THE BIDDING DOCUMENTS.**

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.....

Closing Time 11:00 ..... Closing date.....

OFFER TO BE VALID FOR.....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

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

*Delete if not applicable

PRICE ADJUSTMENTS

A NON-FIRM PRICES SUBJECT TO ESCALATION

1. IN CASES OF PERIOD CONTRACTS, NON FIRM PRICES WILL BE ADJUSTED (LOADED) WITH THE ASSESSED CONTRACT PRICE ADJUSTMENTS IMPLICIT IN NON FIRM PRICES WHEN CALCULATING THE COMPARATIVE PRICES

2. IN THIS CATEGORY PRICE ESCALATIONS WILL ONLY BE CONSIDERED IN TERMS OF THE FOLLOWING FORMULA:

$$Pa = (1-V)Pt\left(D1\frac{R1t}{R1o} + D2\frac{R2t}{R2o} + D3\frac{R3t}{R3o} + D4\frac{R4t}{R4o}\right) + VPt$$

Where:

Pa	=	The new escalated price to be calculated.
(1-V)Pt	=	85% of the original bid price. **Note that Pt must always be the original bid price and not an escalated price.**
D1, D2..	=	Each factor of the bid price eg. labour, transport, clothing, footwear, etc. The total of the various factors D1, D2...etc. must add up to 100%.
R1t, R2t.....	=	Index figure obtained from new index (depends on the number of factors used).
R1o, R2o	=	Index figure at time of bidding.
VPt	=	15% of the original bid price. This portion of the bid price remains firm i.e. it is not subject to any price escalations.

3. The following index/indices must be used to calculate your bid price:

Index..... Dated..... Index..... Dated..... Index..... Dated.....

Index..... Dated..... Index..... Dated..... Index..... Dated.....

4. FURNISH A BREAKDOWN OF YOUR PRICE IN TERMS OF ABOVE-MENTIONED FORMULA. THE TOTAL OF THE VARIOUS FACTORS MUST ADD UP TO 100%.

FACTOR (D1, D2 etc. eg. Labour, transport etc.)	PERCENTAGE OF BID PRICE

B PRICES SUBJECT TO RATE OF EXCHANGE VARIATIONS

1. Please furnish full particulars of your financial institution, state the currencies used in the conversion of the prices of the items to South African currency, which portion of the price is subject to rate of exchange variations and the amounts remitted abroad.

PARTICULARS OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTION	ITEM NO	PRICE	CURRENCY	RATE	PORTION OF PRICE SUBJECT TO ROE	AMOUNT IN FOREIGN CURRENCY REMITTED ABROAD
				ZAR=		
				ZAR=		
				ZAR=		
				ZAR=		
				ZAR=		
				ZAR=		

2. Adjustments for rate of exchange variations during the contract period will be calculated by using the average monthly exchange rates as issued by your commercial bank for the periods indicated hereunder: (Proof from bank required)

NB **THE RATES TO BE USED ARE FOR THE 01 NOVEMBER 2024 AT 12H00, BUSINESS DAY NEWSPAPER**

AVERAGE MONTHLY EXCHANGE RATES FOR THE PERIOD:	DATE DOCUMENTATION MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THIS OFFICE	DATE FROM WHICH NEW CALCULATED PRICES WILL BECOME EFFECTIVE	DATE UNTIL WHICH NEW CALCULATED PRICE WILL BE EFFECTIVE

BIDDER'S DISCLOSURE

1. PURPOSE OF THE FORM

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

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

2. Bidder's declaration

2.1 Is the bidder, or any of its directors / trustees / shareholders / members / partners or any person having a controlling interest1 in the enterprise, employed by the state? **YES/NO**

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

Full Name	Identity Number	Name of State institution

2.2 Do you, or any person connected with the bidder, have a relationship

1 the power, by one person or a group of persons holding the majority of the equity of an enterprise, alternatively, the person/s having the deciding vote or power to influence or to direct the course and decisions of the enterprise.

with any person who is employed by the procuring institution? **YES/NO**

2.2.1 If so, furnish particulars:

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2.3 Does the bidder or any of its directors / trustees / shareholders / members / partners or any person having a controlling interest in the enterprise have any interest in any other related enterprise whether or not they are bidding for this contract? **YES/NO**

2.3.1 If so, furnish particulars:

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3 DECLARATION

I, the undersigned, (name)..... in submitting the accompanying bid, do hereby make the following statements that I certify to be true and complete in every respect:

3.1 I have read and I understand the contents of this disclosure;

3.2 I understand that the accompanying bid will be disqualified if this disclosure is found not to be true and complete in every respect;

3.3 The bidder has arrived at the accompanying bid independently from, and without consultation, communication, agreement or arrangement with any competitor. However, communication between partners in a joint venture or consortium2 will not be construed as collusive bidding.

3.4 In addition, there have been no consultations, communications, agreements or arrangements with any competitor regarding the quality, quantity, specifications, prices, including methods, factors or formulas used to calculate prices, market allocation, the intention or decision to submit or not to submit the bid, bidding with the intention not to win the bid and conditions or delivery particulars of the products or services to which this bid invitation relates.

3.4 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.

3.5 There have been no consultations, communications, agreements or arrangements made by the bidder with any official of the procuring

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2 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.

institution in relation to this procurement process prior to and during the bidding process except to provide clarification on the bid submitted where so required by the institution; and the bidder was not involved in the drafting of the specifications or terms of reference for this bid.

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

I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION FURNISHED IN PARAGRAPHS 1, 2 and 3 ABOVE IS CORRECT.
I ACCEPT THAT THE STATE MAY REJECT THE BID OR ACT AGAINST ME IN TERMS OF PARAGRAPH 6 OF PFMA SCM INSTRUCTION 03 OF 2021/22 ON PREVENTING AND COMBATING ABUSE IN THE SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT SYSTEM SHOULD THIS DECLARATION PROVE TO BE FALSE.

.....	.....
Signature	Date
.....	.....
Position	Name of bidder

PREFERENCE POINTS CLAIM FORM IN TERMS OF THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS 2022

This preference form must form part of all tenders invited. It contains general information and serves as a claim form for preference points for specific goals.

NB: BEFORE COMPLETING THIS FORM, TENDERERS MUST STUDY THE GENERAL CONDITIONS, DEFINITIONS AND DIRECTIVES APPLICABLE IN RESPECT OF THE TENDER AND PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS, 2022

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1. GENERAL CONDITIONS

1.1 The following preference point systems are applicable to invitations to tender:

- the 80/20 system for requirements with a Rand value of up to R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included); and
- the 90/10 system for requirements with a Rand value above R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included).

1.2 **To be completed by the organ of state**

(*delete whichever is not applicable for this tender*).

a) The applicable preference point system for this tender is the 90/10 preference point system.

1.3 Points for this tender (even in the case of a tender for income-generating contracts) shall be awarded for:

(a) Price; and

(b) Specific Goals.

1.4 **To be completed by the organ of state:**

The maximum points for this tender are allocated as follows:

	POINTS
PRICE	90
SPECIFIC GOALS	10
Total points for Price and SPECIFIC GOALS	**100**

1.5 Failure on the part of a tenderer to submit proof or documentation required in terms of this tender to claim points for specific goals with the tender, will be interpreted to mean that preference points for specific goals are not claimed.

1.6 The organ of state reserves the right to require of a tenderer, either before a tender is adjudicated or at any time subsequently, to substantiate any claim in regard to preferences, in any manner required by the organ of state.

2. DEFINITIONS

(a) **"tender"** means a written offer in the form determined by an organ of state in response to an invitation to provide goods or services through price quotations, competitive tendering process or any other method envisaged in legislation;

(b) **"price"** means an amount of money tendered for goods or services, and includes all applicable taxes less all unconditional discounts;

(c) **"rand value"** means the total estimated value of a contract in Rand, calculated at the time of bid invitation, and includes all applicable taxes;

(d) **"tender for income-generating contracts"** means a written offer in the form determined by an organ of state in response to an invitation for the origination of income-generating contracts through any method envisaged in legislation that will result in a legal agreement between the organ of state and a third party that produces revenue for the organ of state, and includes, but is not limited to, leasing and disposal of assets and concession contracts, excluding direct sales and disposal of assets through public auctions; and

(e) **"the Act"** means the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act, 2000 (Act No. 5 of 2000).

3. FORMULAE FOR PROCUREMENT OF GOODS AND SERVICES

3.1. POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE

3.1.1 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** **90/10**

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

Where

Ps = Points scored for price of tender under consideration

Pt = Price of tender under consideration

Pmin = Price of lowest acceptable tender

3.2. FORMULAE FOR DISPOSAL OR LEASING OF STATE ASSETS AND INCOME GENERATING PROCUREMENT

3.2.1. POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE

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

80/20 **or** **90/10**

$$Ps = 80\left(1 + \frac{Pt - P\,max}{P\,max}\right) \text{ or } \quad Ps = 90\left(1 + \frac{Pt - P\,max}{Pmax}\right)$$

Where

Ps = Points scored for price of tender under consideration

Pt = Price of tender under consideration

Pmax = Price of highest acceptable tender

4. POINTS AWARDED FOR SPECIFIC GOALS

4.1. In terms of Regulation 4(2); 5(2); 6(2) and 7(2) of the Preferential Procurement Regulations, preference points must be awarded for specific goals stated in the tender. For the purposes of this tender the tenderer will be allocated points based on the goals stated in table 1 below as may be supported by proof/ documentation stated in the conditions of this tender:

4.2. In cases where organs of state intend to use Regulation 3(2) of the Regulations, which states that, if it is unclear whether the 80/20 or 90/10 preference point system applies, an organ of state must, in the tender documents, stipulate in the case of—

(a) an invitation for tender for income-generating contracts, that either the 80/20 or 90/10 preference point system will apply and that the highest acceptable tender will be used to determine the applicable preference point system; or

(b) any other invitation for tender, that either the 80/20 or 90/10 preference point system will apply and that the lowest acceptable tender will be used to determine the applicable preference point system,

then the organ of state must indicate the points allocated for specific goals for both the 90/10 and 80/20 preference point system.

Table 1: Specific goals for the tender and points claimed are indicated per the table below.

(Note to organs of state: Where either the 90/10 or 80/20 preference point system is applicable, corresponding points must also be indicated as such.

Note to tenderers: The tenderer must indicate how they claim points for each preference point system.)

Specific Goals	Number of points allocated (90/10 system) (To be completed by the organ of state	Number of points claimed (90/10 system) (To be completed by the tenderer
B-BBEE Status level of Contributor	**5**	
1	5	
2	4	
3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and Non-compliant contributor	0	
Enterprises located in a specific Local Municipality or District Municipality, Township or region for work to be done or services to be rendered in that area	**2**	
Residing within North West Province where the service is required.	2	
Residing outside the North West Province	0	
Designated Groups (Any bid that meets 1 of the 5 groups will get maximum points)	**3**	
• Enterprises 51% owned by black women. • Enterprises 51% owned by black youth. • Enterprises 51% owned by military veterans. • Enterprises 51% owned by cooperative. • Enterprises 51% owned by people with disability.	3	

DECLARATION WITH REGARD TO COMPANY/FIRM

4.3. Name of company/firm.....

4.4. Company registration number: .....

4.5. TYPE OF COMPANY/ FIRM

Partnership/Joint Venture / Consortium
One-person business/sole propriety
Close corporation
Public Company
Personal Liability Company
(Pty) Limited
Non-Profit Company
State Owned Company
[TICK APPLICABLE BOX]

4.6. I, the undersigned, who is duly authorised to do so on behalf of the company/firm, certify that the points claimed, based on the specific goals as advised in the tender, qualifies the company/ firm for the preference(s) shown and I 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 paragraphs 1.4 and 4.2, the contractor may be required to furnish documentary proof to the satisfaction of the organ of state that the claims are correct;

iv) If the specific goals have been claimed or obtained on a fraudulent basis or any of the conditions of contract have not been fulfilled, the organ of state may, in addition to any other remedy it may have –

(a) disqualify the person from the tendering 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 tenderer or contractor, its shareholders and directors, or only the shareholders and directors who acted on a fraudulent basis, be restricted 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, if deemed necessary.

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SIGNATURE(S) OF TENDERER(S)

SURNAME AND NAME: .....

DATE: .....

ADDRESS: .....

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THE NATIONAL TREASURY

Republic of South Africa

GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT:

GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

July 2010

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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.

TABLE OF CLAUSES

General Conditions of Contract

1. Definitions

1. The following terms shall be interpreted as indicated:

1.1 "Closing time" means the date and hour specified in the bidding documents for the receipt of bids.

1.2 "Contract" means the written agreement entered into between the purchaser and the supplier, as recorded in the contract form signed by the parties, including all attachments and appendices thereto and all documents incorporated by reference therein.

1.3 "Contract price" means the price payable to the supplier under the contract for the full and proper performance of his contractual obligations.

1.4 "Corrupt practice" means the offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting of any thing of value to influence the action of a public official in the procurement process or in contract execution.

1.5 "Countervailing duties" are imposed in cases where an enterprise abroad is subsidized by its government and encouraged to market its products internationally.

1.6 "Country of origin" means the place where the goods were mined, grown or produced or from which the services are supplied. Goods are produced when, through manufacturing, processing or substantial and major assembly of components, a commercially recognized new product results that is substantially different in basic characteristics or in purpose or utility from its components.

1.7 "Day" means calendar day.

1.8 "Delivery" means delivery in compliance of the conditions of the contract or order.

1.9 "Delivery ex stock" means immediate delivery directly from stock actually on hand.

1.10 "Delivery into consignees store or to his site" means delivered and unloaded in the specified store or depot or on the specified site in compliance with the conditions of the contract or order, the supplier bearing all risks and charges involved until the supplies are so delivered and a valid receipt is obtained.

1.11 "Dumping" occurs when a private enterprise abroad market its goods on own initiative in the RSA at lower prices than that of the country of origin and which have the potential to harm the local industries in the

RSA.

1.12 "Force majeure" means an event beyond the control of the supplier and not involving the supplier's fault or negligence and not foreseeable. Such events may include, but is not restricted to, acts of the purchaser in its sovereign capacity, wars or revolutions, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions and freight embargoes.

1.13 "Fraudulent practice" means a misrepresentation of facts in order to influence a procurement process or the execution of a contract to the detriment of any bidder, and includes collusive practice among bidders (prior to or after bid submission) designed to establish bid prices at artificial non-competitive levels and to deprive the bidder of the benefits of free and open competition.

1.14 "GCC" means the General Conditions of Contract.

1.15 "Goods" means all of the equipment, machinery, and/or other materials that the supplier is required to supply to the purchaser under the contract.

1.16 "Imported content" means that portion of the bidding price represented by the cost of components, parts or materials which have been or are still to be imported (whether by the supplier or his subcontractors) and which costs are inclusive of the costs abroad, plus freight and other direct importation costs such as landing costs, dock dues, import duty, sales duty or other similar tax or duty at the South African place of entry as well as transportation and handling charges to the factory in the Republic where the supplies covered by the bid will be manufactured.

1.17 "Local content" means that portion of the bidding price which is not included in the imported content provided that local manufacture does take place.

1.18 "Manufacture" means the production of products in a factory using labour, materials, components and machinery and includes other related value-adding activities.

1.19 "Order" means an official written order issued for the supply of goods or works or the rendering of a service.

1.20 "Project site," where applicable, means the place indicated in bidding documents.

1.21 "Purchaser" means the organization purchasing the goods.

1.22 "Republic" means the Republic of South Africa.

1.23 "SCC" means the Special Conditions of Contract.

1.24 "Services" means those functional services ancillary to the supply of the goods, such as transportation and any other incidental services, such as installation, commissioning, provision of technical assistance, training, catering, gardening, security, maintenance and other such

obligations of the supplier covered under the contract.

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

2. Application

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

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

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

3. General

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

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

4. Standards

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

5. Use of contract documents and information; inspection.

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

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

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

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

6. Patent rights

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

7. Performance security

7.1 Within thirty (30) days of receipt of the notification of contract award, the successful bidder shall furnish to the purchaser the performance security of the amount specified in SCC.

7.2 The proceeds of the performance security shall be payable to the purchaser as compensation for any loss resulting from the supplier's failure to complete his obligations under the contract.

7.3 The performance security shall be denominated in the currency of the contract, or in a freely convertible currency acceptable to the purchaser and shall be in one of the following forms:

(a) a bank guarantee or an irrevocable letter of credit issued by a reputable bank located in the purchaser's country or abroad, acceptable to the purchaser, in the form provided in the bidding documents or another form acceptable to the purchaser; or

(b) a cashier's or certified cheque

7.4 The performance security will be discharged by the purchaser and returned to the supplier not later than thirty (30) days following the date of completion of the supplier's performance obligations under the contract, including any warranty obligations, unless otherwise specified in SCC.

8. Inspections, tests and analyses

8.1 All pre-bidding testing will be for the account of the bidder.

8.2 If it is a bid condition that supplies to be produced or services to be rendered should at any stage during production or execution or on completion be subject to inspection, the premises of the bidder or contractor shall be open, at all reasonable hours, for inspection by a representative of the Department or an organization acting on behalf of the Department.

8.3 If there are no inspection requirements indicated in the bidding documents and no mention is made in the contract, but during the contract period it is decided that inspections shall be carried out, the purchaser shall itself make the necessary arrangements, including payment arrangements with the testing authority concerned.

8.4 If the inspections, tests and analyses referred to in clauses 8.2 and 8.3 show the supplies to be in accordance with the contract requirements, the cost of the inspections, tests and analyses shall be defrayed by the purchaser.

8.5 Where the supplies or services referred to in clauses 8.2 and 8.3 do not comply with the contract requirements, irrespective of whether such supplies or services are accepted or not, the cost in connection with these inspections, tests or analyses shall be defrayed by the supplier.

8.6 Supplies and services which are referred to in clauses 8.2 and 8.3 and which do not comply with the contract requirements may be rejected.

8.7 Any contract supplies may on or after delivery be inspected, tested or

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

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

9. Packing

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

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

10. Delivery and documents

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

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

11. Insurance

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

12. Transportation

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

13. Incidental services

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

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

(d) performance or supervision or maintenance and/or repair of the supplied goods, for a period of time agreed by the parties, provided that this service shall not relieve the supplier of any warranty obligations under this contract; and

(e) training of the purchaser's personnel, at the supplier's plant and/or on-site, in assembly, start-up, operation, maintenance, and/or repair of the supplied goods.

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

14. Spare parts

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

(a) such spare parts as the purchaser may elect to purchase from the supplier, provided that this election shall not relieve the supplier of any warranty obligations under the contract; and

(b) in the event of termination of production of the spare parts:

(i) Advance notification to the purchaser of the pending termination, in sufficient time to permit the purchaser to procure needed requirements; and

(ii) following such termination, furnishing at no cost to the purchaser, the blueprints, drawings, and specifications of the spare parts, if requested.

15. Warranty

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

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

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

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

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

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

16. Payment

16.1 The method and conditions of payment to be made to the supplier under this contract shall be specified in SCC.

16.2 The supplier shall furnish the purchaser with an invoice accompanied by a copy of the delivery note and upon 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.