

BID NUMBER: RFP009/22

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR APPOINTMENT OF SERVICE PROVIDER INFRASTRUCTURE, SECURITY AND NETWORK FOR A PERIOD OF THIRTY-SIX (36) MONTHS

NO BRIEFING SESSION

at Gauteng Partnership Fund, GPF Offices, 82 Grayston Drive, 1st Floor, Sandton, 2196 (Deposit in the tender box)

ENQUIRIES: tenders@gpf.org.za

CLOSING DATE AND TIME:

14 October 2022 AT 11H00AM

ACRONYMS

GPF	Gauteng Partnership Fund
ICASA	Independent Communications Authority of South Africa
SLA	Service Level Agreement
GDHS	Gauteng Department of Human Settlements
PPE	Provincial Public Entity
GPG	Gauteng Provincial Government
PFMA	Public Finance Management Act
SLA	Service Level Agreement
BBBEE	Broad Black Based Economic Empowerment
SANAS	South African National Accreditation System
CIPC	Companies and Intellectual Properties Commission
EME	Exempted Micro Enterprise
QSE	Qualifying Small Enterprise

1 SECTION 1: GENERAL CONDITIONS OF BID

Proprietary Information

GPF considers this Request for Proposal (RFP) and all related information, either written or verbal, which is provided to the

respondent, to be proprietary to GPF. It shall be kept confidential by the respondent and its officers, employees, agents and

representatives. The respondent shall not disclose, publish, or advertise this RFP or related information to any third party without the

prior written consent of GPF.

1. Enquiries

1.1 All communication and attempts to solicit information of any kind relative to this RFP should be channelled in writing to:

Name: Ms Florence Maluleke

Email address: <u>tenders@gpf.org.za</u>

1.2 Closing date for enquiries in relation to this RFP will be 6 October 2022

1.3 The enquiries will be consolidated and GPF will issue one response and such response will be posted, within two days after the last

day of enquiries, onto the GPF website (<u>www.gpf.org.za</u>) under tenders i.e. next to the same RFP document.

1.4 The GPF may respond to any enquiry in its absolute discretion and the bidder acknowledges that it will have no claim against the GPF on the basis that its bid was disadvantaged by lack of information, or inability to resolve ambiguities.

2. Bid Validity Period

Responses to this RFP received from bidders will be valid for a period of 180 days counted from the bid closing date.

3. Instructions on submission of Bids

- 3.1 Bids should be submitted in duplicate (2 hard copies) and one electronic copy (on CD/USB) in PDF format all bound in a sealed envelope endorsed. The sealed envelope must be placed in the bid box at the First-floor area of the GPF Offices, 82 Grayston Drive, 1st Floor, Sandton, 2196 by no later than 11:00 AM [Telkom time].
- 3.2 Bids must be submitted in the prescribed response format, herein reflected as **Response Format.**
- 3.3 The bid closing date, bidder name and the return address must also be endorsed on the envelope.
- 3.4 If a courier service company is being used for delivery of the bid response, the bid description must be endorsed on the delivery note/courier packaging and the courier must ensure that documents are placed / deposited into the bid box found on the GPF Offices, 82 Grayston Drive, 1st Floor, Sandton, 2196. **The GPF will not be held responsible for any delays where bid documents are handed to the GPF Receptionist/ officials.**
- 3.5 No bid response received by telegram, telex, email, facsimile or similar medium will be considered.
- 3.6 Where a bid response is not in the bid box at the time of the bid closing, such a bid document will be regarded as a late bid. It is the GPF's policy not to consider late bids for tender evaluation.

4. Preparation of Bid Response

4.1 All the documentation submitted in response to this RFP must be in English.

- 4.2 The bidder is responsible for all the costs that it shall incur related to the preparation and submission of the bid document.
- 4.3 Bids submitted by bidders which comprised of companies must be signed by a person or persons duly authorised thereto by a resolution of the applicable Board of Directors, a copy of which Resolution, duly certified, must be submitted with the bid.
- 4.4 The bidder should check the numbers of the pages of its bid to satisfy itself that none of their documents are missing or duplicated.

 No liability will be accepted by GPF in regard to anything arising from the fact that pages/documents of a bid are missing or duplicated.
- 4.5 A valid tax compliance status PIN must be included in the bid response to verify bidders' tax compliance status.
- 4.6 All bidders must be registered on the Central Supplier Database (CSD) prior to submitting bids and include in their bid a copy of their Master Registration Number (Supplier Number) in order for GPF to verify the bidder's tax status on CSD and other Governing compliances.

5. Supplier Performance Management

Supplier Performance Management is viewed by the GPF as a critical component in ensuring value for money acquisition and good supplier / or service provider relations between the GPF and all its suppliers.

The successful bidder shall, upon receipt of written notification of an award, be required to conclude a Service Level Agreement (SLA) with the GPF, which will form an integral part of the supply agreement. The SLA will serve as a tool to measure, monitor and assess the supplier 's performance and ensure effective delivery of service, quality and value-add to GPF's business.

6. Supplier Development

The GPF promotes enterprise development. In this regard, successful bidders may be required to mentor SMMEs and/ or Youth-Owned businesses. The implications of such arrangement will be subject to negotiations between the GPF and the successful bidder.

7. **GPF's Rights**

- 7.1 The GPF is entitled to amend any bid conditions, bid validity period, RFP specifications, or extend the bid closing date, all before the bid closing date. All bidders, to whom the RFP documents have been issued and where the GPF has record of such bidders, may be advised in writing of such amendments in good time and any such changes will be posted on the GPF's website under the relevant tender information. All prospective bidders should therefore ensure that they visit the website regularly and before they submit their bid response to ensure that they are kept updated on any amendments in this regard.
- 7.2 The GPF reserves the right to award this bid as a whole or in part.
- 7.3 The GPF reserves the right to consider the guidelines and prescribed hourly remuneration rates for consultants as provided in the **National Treasury Instruction 03 of 2017/2018: Cost Containment Measures**, where relevant.
- 7.4 The GPF reserves the right to request all relevant information, agreements and other documents to verify information supplied in the bid response. The bidder hereby gives consent to the GPF to conduct background checks on the bidding entity and any of its directors / trustees / shareholders / members.

8. Undertakings by the Bidder

8.1 By submitting a bid in response to the RFP, the bidder will be taken to offer to render all or any of the services described in the bid response submitted by it to the GPF on the terms and conditions and in accordance with the specifications stipulated in this RFP document.

- The bidder may be required to attend an interview should GPF require such and the bidder shall be notified thereof in good time before the actual presentation date. Such interview may include a practical demonstration of understanding products or services as called for in this RFP.
- 8.3 The successful bidder accepts full responsibility for the proper execution and fulfilment of all obligations and conditions devolving on him/her under the supply agreement and SLA to be concluded with GPF, as the principal(s) liable for the due fulfilment of such contract.
- The bidder accepts that all costs incurred in the preparation, presentation and demonstration of the solution offered by it shall be for the account of the bidder. All supporting documentation and manuals submitted with its bid will become GPF property unless otherwise stated by the bidder/s at the time of submission.

9. Reasons for disqualification

- 9.1 The GPF reserves the right to disqualify any bidder which does any one or more of the following, and such disqualification may take place without prior notice to the offending bidder, however the bidder will be notified in writing of such disqualification:
 - 9.1.1 Bidders who submit incomplete information and documentation according to the requirements of this RFP document;
 - 9.1.2 Bidders who submit information that is fraudulent, factually untrue or inaccurate;
 - 9.1.3 Bidders who receive information not available to other potential bidders through fraudulent means;
 - 9.1.4 Bidders who do not comply with *mandatory requirements* as stipulated in the RFP document; and/or

10. Response Format (Returnable Schedules)

Bidders shall submit their bid responses in accordance with the response format specified below (each schedule must be clearly marked):

10.1 Cover Page: (the cover page must clearly indicate the RFP reference number, bid description and the bidder's name)

10.2 **Schedule 1**:

- 10.2.1. Executive Summary
- 10.2.2. Company Registration Documents
- 10.2.3. Central Supplier Database Report

10.3 **Schedule 2**

- 10.3.1. Valid tax compliance status PIN must be included in the bid response to verify bidders' tax compliance status;
- 10.3.2. The following RFP document (duly completed and signed)
 - Annexure 1: SBD 1 (duly completed and signed)
 - Annexure 2: SBD 4 (duly completed and signed);
- 10.3.3. Annexure 3: Sworn Affidavits / BBBEE Certificate issues by accredited SANAS Verification Agency;
- 10.3.4. Annexure 4: GPF's Standard Condition of bid and General Condition of Contract (signed);
- 10.3.5. Annexure 5: General Conditions of Contract (signed)
- 10.3.6. Annexure 6: Protection of Personal Information Act 4 of 2013 (POPIA) completed and signed.
- 10.3.7. Copy of Joint Venture/ Consortium/ Subcontracting Agreement duly signed by all parties (if applicable).

Note: If a bidder is a Consortium, Joint Venture or Prime Contractor with Subcontractor(s), the documents listed above (10.3.1-10.3.6) must be submitted for each Consortium/ JV member or Prime Contractor and Subcontractor(s).

SECTION 2: FUNCTIONAL REQUIREMENTS SPECIFICATION

1. BACKGROUND

- 1.1. The Gauteng Partnership Fund (GPF) was founded in 2002 as a Benevolent Trust under the Trust Properties Control Act 57 (1988), by the Executive Authority of the GPF, Gauteng Department of Human Settlements. Gauteng Partnership Trust is trading as the Gauteng Partnership Fund (GPF):
- 1.2. 31 August 2005 GPF was listed as a Schedule 3C Provincial Public Entity (PPE), in terms of the Public Finance Management Act (Act 1 of 1999, as amended by Act 29 of 1999) (PFMA). The Gauteng Partnership Trust trading as Gauteng Partnership Fund (GPF) is a PFMA Schedule 3C provincial public entity under the Gauteng Department of Human Settlements (GDHS).
- 1.3. The mandate of the GPF is to serve as the Gauteng Department of Human Settlements (GDHS) capital raising and implementing agent of identified Mega Projects in the Gauteng Province. In 2002, the Gauteng Department of Housing (later configured as the Gauteng Department of Local Government and Housing, and since 2013 as the Gauteng Department of Human Settlements).
- 1.4. GPF reports to the Gauteng Department of Human Settlements (GDHS) as its Executive Authority, and from which it receives its annual budget allocation. It aims to support the National priorities and outcomes as detailed in the National Development Plan (NDP) and aligned Medium Term Strategic Framework (MTSF) and directs its efforts at contributing to the decisive spatial transformation and modernisation of human

settlements pillars of the Gauteng Provincial Government's (GPG) Ten Pillars Programme of Transformation, Modernisation and Reindustrialisation (TMR).

2. **SCOPE OF WORK**

The GPF needs to partner with reputable IT managed service provider to deliver the expected services in accordance with the required service standards, to provide second- and third-line support and other ICT specialized skills and to deliver the full spectrum of Information and Communication Technology (ICT) services needed by the organization to fulfil its mandate

REQUIRED SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE

2.1 Prospective bidders should possess the following skills and experience:

- at least (5) years' experience in the provision of ICT Network and Security Services to Medium (>100 users) to large enterprises
- least (5) years' hands-on experience in managing enterprise-wide ICT Services for organizations; and

2.2 Must have ICT Server, Network and Security engineers with skills and over 3 years' experience in the following areas:

- Network Configuration, management, and monitoring.
- ICT Security Management with experience in Fortinet products.
- End-point security management with experience in Sentinel one end-point security management tools.
- ICT Infrastructure Performance Management.
- Patch Management
- Server Virtualization with Microsoft Windows Server Hyper-V System Centre.
- SharePoint Online Administration Skills.
- Microsoft Azure Administration Skills.
- Microsoft Office 365 Administration, including Security and Compliance.

- Microsoft Windows Server Management and Support Skills
- ICT Applications Support.
- · Active directory administration and maintenance
- Disaster Recovery and Backup Management
- Data Centre Management.
- Manage Engine suite.

2.2 Business Analysis Skills

- Creating in-depth business analyses that identify problems and opportunities available to the organization
- Define As-is and To-be business processes
- Suggesting the most appropriate IT solutions to solve issues and improve operations
- Improving current systems to increase productivity

3 DETAILED INFORMATION COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY SERVICES REQUIRED

The services to be included in the scope of the required Service Level Agreement (SLA) Comprises of the following:

3.1 Network and Support Services

- Maintenance and support of network equipment, including switches, wireless controller, etc.
- Assessment and configuration of network monitoring tools.
- Installation of patches and upgrades to network and security infrastructure
- Minor cabling if needed.
- Configuration of monitoring alert notification in case of failure of equipment, etc.
- Isolation of bottlenecks and associated problems.
- Configuration of peripheral devices on network.
- General troubleshooting of network problems.

- Setup of secure network connections including Server Virtualization setup and management.
- General network & security administration and support advisory.
- Other on-demand network and security support services.

3.1.2 Servers Maintenance and Support Services

- Management of the Server and Storage Infrastructure including the Hyper-V Clusters and virtual hosts.
- Configuration and Management of software patches and security updates.
- Configuration of anti-virus and anti-malware management tools.
- Scheduling of preventive maintenance for equipment
- Servers and workstations security management.
- Other preventative maintenance activities.
- Server software installations, configuration, maintenance, and support.
- Directory services administration.
- Directory Policy configuration, maintenance, and support.
- · General fault finding and troubleshooting.
- Storage capacity management.
- · General server technology advisory; and
- Other On-Demand Server Administration and Support Requests.

34.1.3 Application support

· Applications fault finding and troubleshooting.

- Installation and configuration of systems and application software.
- Installation of product updates.
- Migrations to major releases of the software and Other on-demand applications support requests.
- Manage Engine Suite Configuration and Management

3.1.4 Security Management, Support Services and Governance and Compliance

- FortiGate Firewall assessment, reconfiguring, support, and maintenance.
- Timely updates and release management (patch and security hotfix)
- Quarterly Vulnerability assessment and reports.
- Other on-demand security management requests.
- Policies and Procedures documentation

3.1.5 Business Analysis Skills

- Creating in-depth business analyses that identify problems and opportunities available to the organization
- Define As-is and To-be business processes
- Suggesting the most appropriate IT solutions to solve issues and improve operations
- Improving current systems to increase productivity

4. MANAGEMENT

The successful bidder shall be expected to deliver services to the GPF through the following service channels and corresponding service availability parameters:

- **Telephonic Support and Remote Support** -Telephone support services shall be accessible to the GPF between 08:00 hours 17:00 hours during working days and after-hours telephonic support shall also be available to the GPF and such calls shall be routed to a designated after-hours support contact number.
- Email Support- the service provider shall avail a dedicated email address to which support requests will be directed. Email support shall be accessible to the GPF between 08:00 hours 17:00 hours during working days; and emails made outside of office hours shall be collected and processed on the next working day, if not processed on the same day.
- Online Services Portal the service provider shall provide an online services portal, which will be used to log support request as well as to monitor the status of the logged support requests. The online portal shall be available 24 hours a day and 7 days a week: and the online portal may be off-line only during maintenance windows, which shall not be during the 08:00 hours 17:00 hours working days.
- On-site Support the service provider shall provide on-site support services for support request that require on-site support. On-site support shall be provided to the GPF at its office and shall be accessible to the GPF between 08:00 hours 17:00 hours during working days. After-hours on-site support services must be available for critical and urgent support request as well as for maintenance activities that cannot be carried-out during office hours to avoid unnecessary service disruptions.

5. SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENT

The relationship between GPF and the successful service provider will be managed through a Service Level Agreement (SLA) and proper procedures must be in place to manage, monitor and report as stipulated.

Priority	Priority Description	Response	Ongoing	Resolution
Level		Times	Response	Times
Priority (Critical)	 Incident affecting multiple users, and/or multiple services and causing cessation of work within the entire secretariat or multiple departments. Multiple services or critical services down. No workaround exists; and Examples include complete network failure, firewall failure, virtual host failure, critical server failure, failure of the main service (e.g., Sage, File Server, Internet, email, etc.), data restore, and new server creation/configuration requests intended to restore critical services. 	Within 30 minutes	 Attended within 30 minutes Hourly status updates 	Within working hours

Priority	Priority Description	Respons	Ongoing Response	Resolutio
Level		e Times		n Times

Priority 2 (High)	 Problems affecting multiple users, which prevents the successful and timely completion of work. Service(s) working but in an impaired fashion. Workarounds exist; and Examples include network services slow, internet services; printing problems when print jobs cannot be re-routed to other printers, and 	Within 2 hours	 Attended within hours Daily status updates 	Within working days
Priority 3 (Standard)	 Problems affecting a single user, which prevents the successful and timely completion of work. Service(s) working but in an impaired fashion. Workarounds exist; and Examples include installation of new workstations, repairs to workstations, inability to install or use a particular software package, software enhancements, usage questions, inability to install or use a particular software package, software enhancements 	Within 4 hours	 Attended within 4 hours Daily status updates 	Within S working days

Priority 4	Scheduled appointments to perform requested services.	• Within 1	 Agreed 	Agreed
(Scheduled)	Procurement and/installation of certain new services.	working day	between	between
,	Examples include installation of security updates and		Service	Service
	patches, undertaking backups, testing backups, server		Provider	Provider
	room maintenance tasks including UPS testing,		and GPF	and GPF
	antivirus and malware updates, periodic vulnerability		IT	IT
	scans, etc.			

7. PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENT

- 8.1 The following processes will be used to manage the provision of the support services within the service contract:
- (a) Ongoing Request Monitoring request monitoring will be carried out as follows:
 - The bidder will be expected to undertake regular monitoring of service requests to ensure that these are carried out in accordance with set SLA targets; and
 - The GPF ICT unit will also continuously monitor logged requests, flag-up requests of high criticality for speedy resolution and escalate worrisome requests that are likely to or have exceeded their service targets.
- (b) Monthly and Quarterly SLA Reports the service provider shall be expected to provide monthly SLA reports by the 7th day of the subsequent month. These reports should provide among others the following details:
 - A summarized system availability report indicating the availability of systems managed within the contract, where appropriate.
 - A summary of request statistics indicating volumes of request per month, comparing the reporting month against the preceding months.
 - A summary of requests per classification (category) for the reporting month.
 - A summary of requests per priority (criticality) for the reporting month.
 - A summary indicating requests logged, requests solved and outstanding requests during the period.
 - A request obsolescence report indicating outstanding requests and time elapsed.
 - A service performance summary indicating, per priority, requests logged, average response times, average resolution times, percentage responded within SLA parameters, and percentage resolved within SLA.

- An overall service response performance score derived from the percentage of requests responded within SLA parameters; and
- An overall service resolution performance score derived from percentage of requests resolved within SLA parameters.
- (c) Monthly SLA Meetings there shall be monthly SLA meetings that will be conducted to review service performance for the previous month, by the 15th of the subsequent month. The recording and distribution of the proceedings of the SLA meetings shall be the responsibility of the bidder. These meetings will be address among others the following issues:
 - Review of the performance for the previous month.
 - Tracking outstanding requests and plans for addressing the issues; and
 - Any challenges and issues pertaining to delivery of services for the previous month

8. EVALUATION CRITERIA

THE BID WILL BE EVALUATED BASED ON THE FOLLOWING STAGES.

- 2.1. Stage 1- Administration compliance
- 2.2 Stage 2- Pre-qualification criteria for Preferential Procurement
- 2.3. Stage 3 Mandatory Requirements
- 2.4. Stage 4-Functionality Criteria
- 2.5. Stage 5- Price and BBEE

8.1. Administrative Compliance (Stage 1)

- Valid tax clearance certificate(s), A tax compliance status PIN must be included in the bid response to verify bidders' tax compliance status.
- Pricing Schedule (completed to be enclosed in envelope 2)
- SBD 1: Invitation to Bid (duly completed and signed)
- SBD 3.1: Pricing schedule for firm prices (duly completed and signed).
- SBD 4: Bidders Disclosure (duly completed and signed).
- SBD 6.1: preferential points claim form (duly completed and signed).
- SBD 7.2: Contract form rendering services (duly completed and signed at appointment).
- Annexure 9: GPF's Standard Condition of bid and General Condition of Contract (signed)
- Annexure 10: General Conditions of Contract (signed)
- Annexure 11: Protection of Personal Information Act 4 of 2013 (POPIA) completed and signed.
- Financial Statements for the latest financial year signed by an independent registered Accountant.
- Copy of Joint Venture/ Consortium/ Subcontracting Agreement duly signed by all parties (if applicable).
- Two copies of tender document (one original document and one copy) and an USB must be submitted (The information contained in the USB must be the same as information contained in the hard copy tender document)

8.2. Pre-Qualification criteria for Preferential Procurement (Stage 2)

The GPF has decided to apply the prequalification criteria in line with the preferential procurement regulations 4(1)(a) of 2017, therefore, only bidders meeting the following must submit proposals:

- A tenderer must have a B-BBEE status contributor level 1 4
- Bidders are also required to, together with their bids to submit:

- A valid (original or certified copy) Broad-based black economic empowerment (B-BBEE) Certificate issued by agencies accredited by South African national accreditation system (SANAS) will be accepted.
- Fenderers who qualify as Exempted Micro Enterprises (EME) must submit a valid (original) Sworn Affidavit signed by the EME representative and attested by a Commissioner of Oaths in line with the justices of the Peace and Commissioners of Oaths Act, 1963. Alternatively, the bidder must submit a Broad-based Black Economic Empowerment (B-BBEE) Certificate for Exempted Micro Enterprises issued by the Companies & Intellectual Property Commission (CIPC) on behalf of the Department of Trade and Industry (This certificate serves as a sworn affidavit in terms of Code Series 000, Section 4.5 of the Amended codes 2013.)
- In the case of Qualifying Small Enterprises (QSE), if the bidding entity is more than 51% black owned, then no Broad-based Black Economic empowerment (B-BBEE) Certificate is required as a valid original Sworn Affidavit signed by the QSE representative and attested by a Commissioner of Oaths in line with the justices of the Peace and Commissioners of Oaths Act, 1963 will suffice. If the QSE is less than 51% black owned, then the bidding entity will be required to provide an original and Broad-based black economic empowerment (B-BBEE) Certificate (issued by an agency accredited by South African national accreditation system (SANAS)
- ➤ In case of a trust, consortium or joint venture, such bidders must submit a consolidated Broad-based black economic empowerment (B-BBEE) Status Level Verification Certificate issued by an agency accredited by South African national accreditation system (SANAS).

Note that a sworn affidavit as explained above is to be signed by a commissioner of oath at the same date as deponent.

Note 2: Sworn Affidavits and certification as a "true copy of the original", must comply with the requirements outlined in the Justices of the Peace and Commissioners of Oaths Act, No. 16 of 1963 and its Regulations promulgated in Government Notice GNR 1258 of 21 July 1972 Justices of the Peace and Commissioners of Oaths Act, No. 16 of 1963.

NB! Failure to submit (A B-BBEE Certificate, sworn affidavit as explained above bidders will lead to disqualification.

8.3. Mandatory Requirements (Stage 3)

Only bidders who have complied with the Pre-Qualification Criteria for Preferential Procurement, Stage 2 above, will be evaluated for the Mandatory Requirements. All bid responses that do not meet the Mandatory Requirements will be disqualified and will not be considered for further evaluation on the Functional Requirements.

Failure to comply with the Mandatory Requirements assessed in this phase will lead to disqualification of bids.

Bidders who fail to comply with the Mandatory Requirements will be disqualified

NB: Bidders must take note of the following:

- To be completed by the bidders: bidders must indicate whether they comply and attach proof thereof.
- The proof attachments must be referenced from Annexure A.

Mandatory Requirements No		Comply	Do not comply	Properly mark your attachments from the annexure A-D
1.	Microsoft partner letter -Silver or above Attach a valid letter from Microsoft indicating the partnership level or equivalent			Annexure A

2.	Fortinet partnership or FortiGate certification or equivalent	Annexure B
	Attach a valid letter from Fortinet partnership or FortiGate certification or equivalent	
3.	Dell EMC partnership or Network certification or equivalent	Annexure C
	Attach a valid letter from Dell EMC partnership or any Dell EMC network certification or equivalent	
4.	Any Anti-virus certification but preferably SENTINELONE or equivalent • Attach partnership certificate or certification or equivalent	Annexure D

* NB: Failure to attach a copy of the certificate/required documents shall lead to disqualification.

8.4. Functionality Evaluation (minimum threshold is 70 points) (Stage 4)

. Stage 4 evaluation criteria: Only bidders who have complied with the previous stages (Stage 2: Pre-qualification and Stage 3: Mandatory requirements) will be evaluated for Functionality. The bidders will be required to score a **minimum of 70** points (functionality/technical) to qualify for Stage 5 of the evaluation where only points for Price and B-BBEE will be considered.

Functionality: Criteria (minimum threshold is 70 points)

CRITERION	WEIGHT
Functionality	
Proof of successful work in IT Managed Service	20
Bidder must attach a signed reference letter, not older than 5 (five) years,	
limited to 2 (Two) letters per client for provisioning of IT managed service	
projects/contracts detailing the value of the project on appropriate	
letterhead and signed off by the client. The letter must detail the scope of	
work undertaken, project value undertaken, date of award, duration of the	
project and completion date (if applicable). Failure to attach the required	
documents shall lead to the forfeiture of points.	
No reference letter - 0 points	
1 reference letter - 3 points	
2 reference letters - 5 points	
3 reference letters - 10 points	
4 reference letters - 15 points	
5 and above reference letters - 20 points	
2. Expertise and Ability	15
The bidder must submit a company profile and organogram of the team	
that will deliver on GPF with list of names, designation, qualifications,	
years of experience and area of specialty. For each resource, a detailed	
CV should be submitted.	

NB: The staff organogram must be aligned to skills required as per	
TOR)	
 If profile, team organogram and CV are not attached =0 points 	
 Profile with staff organogram – 5 points 	
 Profile with staff organogram with CV relevant skills (as per 	
scope of work point 2 above) defined - 15 points	
3. Service Delivery Manager	10
Must have experience in managing IT managed services contracts/s and	
points will be awarded from the 3 years of experience up to a maximum of	
10 points as follows:	
(Note: ITIL stands for Information Technology Infrastructure Library)	
CV demonstrating Less than 3 years with ITIL certification	
attached or equivalent -0 points	
CV demonstrating 3 years and less than 4 years' experience	
with ITIL certification or equivalent attached -3 points	
CV demonstrating 4 years and less than 5 years' experience	
with ITIL certification or equivalent attached -7 points	
CV demonstrating 5 years or more experience with ITIL	
certification attached or equivalent	
● −10 points	

4. Information Security Specialist	20
Must have experience in managing IT network managed services	3
contracts/s and points will be awarded from the 3rd year of experience up	
to a maximum of 20 points as follows	
 NSE4 FortiGate certification or equivalent or higher attached 	
and CV demonstrating less than 3 years' experience – 0 points	3
 NSE4 FortiGate certification or equivalent or higher attached 	t l
and CV demonstrating 3 years and less than 4 years	,
experience – 5 points	
 NSE4 FortiGate certification or equivalent or higher attached 	t l
and CV demonstrating 4 years and less than 5 years	,
experience –10 points	
 NSE4 FortiGate certification or equivalent or higher attached and CV demonstrating 5 years and less than 6 years' experience –15 points 	
NSE4 FortiGate certification or equivalent or higher attached	
and CV demonstrating 6 years or more experience –20 points	
5. Network Specialist	20
Must have experience in IT security managed services contracts/s and	
points will be awarded from the 3rd year of experience up to a maximum	1
of 20 points as follows	

- Dell EMC Associate certificate or equivalent or higher attached and CV demonstrating less than 3 years' experience –0 points
- Dell EMC Associate certificate or equivalent or higher attached and CV demonstrating 3 years and less than 4 years' experience –5 points
- Dell EMC Associate certificate or higher attached and CV demonstrating 4 years and less than 5 years' experience –10 points
- Dell EMC Associate certificate or equivalent or higher attached and CV demonstrating 5 years and less than 6 years' experience –15 points
- Dell EMC Associate certificate or equivalent or higher attached and CV demonstrating 5 years or more experience –20 points

6. Business Analyst	15
Must have experience in managing IT managed services contracts/s and	
points will be awarded from the 3rd year of experience up to a maximum	
of 15 points as follows:	
Business analyst professional certificate or equivalent and less	
than 3 years –0 points	
Business analyst professional certificate or equivalent 3 years	
and less than 4 years' experience -5 points	
Business analyst professional certificate or equivalent 4 years	
and less than 5 years' experience -10 points	
Business analyst professional certificate or equivalent 5 years	
or more experience –15 points	
Total points for Functionality	100
A minimum requirement for functionality out of 100 is	70

Bidders with a total score of less than 70 points for functionality will be disqualified and will not be further evaluated for Price and BBBEE

9. 5 Pricing and B-BBEE (Stage 5)

All proposals submitted will be evaluated in accordance with the 80/20 principle, in line with PPPFA Regulations of 2017.

Only bidders who obtained a score of 70 and above for functionality (Stage 4) will be evaluated for Stage 5: Price and BBBEE

The bids will be evaluated according to the 80/20 preference point system, which is applicable to bids with a Rand value equal to, or above R30 000 and up to a Rand value of R 50 million (all applicable taxes included), shall be applied, were a maximum of 80 points will be allocated for price and maximum of 20 for preference points (BBBEE level of contribution)

• Price and Preference Points evaluation.

• Calculated in terms of Regulations 6(1) and 6(2) of the Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2017 as follows:

AREAS	POINTS
Price	80
B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor	20

Price Evaluation:

- The formula to be used to calculate the points for price is as follows:
- $Ps = 80 \times \{1- (Pt Pmin) \div Pmin\}$
- Where:
- Ps = Points score for the price
- Pt = Comparative price of Bid under consideration
- Pmin = Comparative price of the lowest acceptable Bid

• Preference Point Evaluation:

• Preference points must be awarded to a Bidder for attaining the B-BBEE status level of contribution in accordance with the table below:

B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor	Number of points (80 / 20 system)
1	20
2	18
3	14
4	12
5	8
6	6

7	4
8	2
Non-compliant contributor	0

[•] Note: All points will be allocated in accordance with Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act, 2000: Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2017 as amended and available on www.treasury.gov.za

Fronting is not permitted: (Fronting is the circumvention or attempted circumvention of the B-BBEE Act and the codes. Fronting commonly involves reliance on data or claims of compliance based on misrepresentations of facts, whether made by the party claiming compliance or by any other person)

1. <u>IN EVALUATING THE TECHNICAL INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THE BID, THE EVALUATION COMMITTEE WILL BE</u> <u>GUIDED BY THE FOLLOWING:</u>

- 14.1 Bidder understanding of the brief The bid provides a clear indication that the bidder fully understands the purpose and scope of the work and the bidders' own roles and functions in this regard.
- 14.2 Capability and experience The bid provides a clear indication that the bidder's team comprises people with the necessary experience, skills, qualifications, knowledge, and the proposed methodology to ensure the efficient and effective generation of the required deliverables to the standards of quality.

15. JOINT VENTURES AND CONSORTIUMS

- 14.1 Note for consortium and joint ventures
- The items above are to be addressed and completed by **EACH** member of the consortium or joint venture.
- A signed agreement between all parties of the consortium or joint venture is to accompany the tender submission.
- A lead consultant is to be appointed and noted in the submission.

NAME OF BIDDER:	
INAME OF BIDDER.	

VALIDITY: 180 DAYS

ANNEXURE 1: SBD 1

PART A

INVITATION TO BID

YOU ARE HEREBY INVITED TO BID FOR REQUIREMENTS OF THE GPF							
		CLOSING		CLOSING			
BID NUMBER:	RFP009/22	DATE:	14 OCTOBER 2022	TIME:	11:00AM		
	Appointment of service provider infrastructure, security and network for a period of						
DESCRIPTION	thirty- six(36) mont	hs					
BID RESPONSE	DOCUMENTS MAY	BE DEPOSITE	D IN THE BID BOX SITU	JATED AT (S	TREET ADDRESS)		
Gauteng Partners	ship Fund Offices						
1 st Floor							
82 Grayston Driv	e						
Johannesburg, 2196							
BIDDING PROCEDURE ENQUIRIES MAY BE							
	OCEDURE ENQUIR	IES MAY B					
DIRECTED TO	OCEDURE ENQUIR	IES MAY B	TECHNICAL ENQUI	RIES MAY BE	E DIRECTED TO:		
	OCEDURE ENQUIR	IES MAY B		RIES MAY BE	E DIRECTED TO:		
DIRECTED TO	Nokuthula Mqwa						
DIRECTED TO CONTACT			TECHNICAL ENQUI				
DIRECTED TO CONTACT PERSON			CONTACT PERSON		rise		
DIRECTED TO CONTACT PERSON TELEPHONE	Nokuthula Mqwa		CONTACT PERSON TELEPHONE	Ntombikay	rise		
DIRECTED TO CONTACT PERSON TELEPHONE NUMBER	Nokuthula Mqwa		CONTACT PERSON TELEPHONE	Ntombikay 011 685 66	rise		
DIRECTED TO CONTACT PERSON TELEPHONE NUMBER FACSIMILE	Nokuthula Mqwa 011 685 6627	ashi	CONTACT PERSON TELEPHONE NUMBER	Ntombikay 011 685 66	rise 59		

NAME OF BIDDER						
POSTAL ADDRESS						
STREET ADDRESS						
TELEPHONE						
NUMBER	CODE		NUMB	SER		
CELLPHONE						
NUMBER						
FACSIMILE						
NUMBER	CODE		NUMB	SER		
E-MAIL ADDRESS						
VAT						
REGISTRATION						
NUMBER						
SUPPLIER	TAX			CENTRAL		
COMPLIANCE	COMPLIANCE		OR	SUPPLIER		
STATUS	SYSTEM PIN:			DATABASE		
				No:	MAAA	
B-BBEE STATUS	TICK APPLI	CABLE BOX]	B-BI	BEE STATUS	[TICK APPLI	CABLE BOX]
LEVEL			LEV	EL SWORN		
VERIFICATION			AFF	IDAVIT		
CERTIFICATE	☐ Yes	☐ No			☐ Yes	☐ No
[A B-BBEE STATUS	LEVEL VERIFIC	ATION CERTIF	ICATE/	SWORN AFFID	AVIT (FOR EMES	& QSEs) MUST

BE SUBMITTED IN	ORDER TO QUALIFY	FOR PREFE	ERENCE POINTS FOR	R B-BBEE]
ARE YOU THE ACCREDITED REPRESENTATIVE IN SOUTH AFRICA FOR THE GOODS /SERVICES /WORKS OFFERED?	□Yes [IF YES ENCLOSE F	□No PROOF]	ARE YOU A FOREIGN BASED SUPPLIER FOR THE GOODS /SERVICES /WORKS OFFERED?	☐YeS ☐No [IF YES, ANSWER THE QUESTIONNAIRE BELOW]
QUESTIONNAIRE T	O BIDDING FOREIGN	SUPPLIERS	Š	
☐ YES ☐ NO	ESIDENT OF THE REI		SOUTH AFRICA (RSA)	?
DOES THE ENTITY HAVE A PERMANENT ESTABLISHMENT IN THE RSA? YES NO				
DOES THE ENTITY	HAVE ANY SOURCE	OF INCOME	IN THE RSA?	
IS THE ENTITY LIAB	BLE IN THE RSA FOR	ANY FORM	OF TAXATION?	
		•		QUIREMENT TO REGISTER FOR 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, 2017, THE GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT (GCC) AND, IF APPLICABLE, ANY OTHER SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT.
- 1.4. THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER WILL BE REQUIRED TO FILL IN AND SIGN A WRITTEN CONTRACT FORM (SBD7).

2. TAX COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS

- 2.1 BIDDERS MUST ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THEIR TAX OBLIGATIONS.
- 2.2 BIDDERS ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT THEIR UNIQUE PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (PIN) ISSUED BY SARS TO ENABLE THE ORGAN OF STATE TO VERIFY THE TAXPAYER'S PROFILE AND TAX STATUS.
- 2.3 APPLICATION FOR TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS (TCS) PIN MAY BE MADE VIA E-FILING THROUGH THE SARS WEBSITE <u>WWW.SARS.GOV.ZA</u>.
- 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:	

ANNEXURE 2 SBD 4

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 institution	of	State

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

2.2	Do you, or any person connected with the bidder, have a relationship with any person who is employed by the procuring institution? YES/NO
2.2.1	If so, furnish particulars:
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:
3 D	PECLARATION

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 consortium will not be construed as collusive bidding.
- 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 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.

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.

I CERTIFY T	HAT THE IN	FORMATION I	FURNISHED IN	N PARAGRAPHS	1, 2 and 3 AE	BOVE IS CORF	RECT.	
I ACCEPT TH	HAT THE STA	ATE MAY REJ	ECT THE BID (OR ACT AGAINS	T ME IN TERN	IS OF PARAG	RAPH 6 OF PF	MA SCM
INSTRUCTIO)N 03 OF 20	021/22 ON PR	EVENTING A	ND COMBATING	ABUSE IN 7	THE SUPPLY	CHAIN MANA	GEMENT
SYSTEM SH	OULD THIS	DECLARATIO	N PROVE TO	BE FALSE.				

Signature	Date
Position	Name of bidder

SWORN AFFIDAVIT - B-BBEE EXEMPTED MICRO ENTERPRISE

I, the undersigned,	
Full name & Surname	
Identity number	

Hereby declare under oath as follows:

- 1. The contents of this statement are to the best of my knowledge a true reflection of the facts.
- 2. I am a member / director / owner of the following enterprise and am duly authorised to act on its behalf:

Enterprise Name	
Trading Name	
Registration Number	

Enterprise Address			
 Based on the man 	% black owned; % black woman owned;	=	or, the income did not exceed R10,000,000.00 (ten million rands);
100% black owned	Level One (135% B-BBEE procurement recognition)		
More than 51% black owned	Level Two (125% B-BBEE procurement recognition)		
Less than 51% black owned	Level Four (100% B-BBEE procurement recognition)		

- 4. The entity is an empowering supplier in terms of the dti Codes of Good Practice.
- 5. I know and understand the contents of this affidavit and I have no objection to take the prescribed oath and consider the oath binding on my conscience and on the owners of the enterprise which I represent in this matter.
- 6. The sworn affidavit will be valid for a period of 12 months from the date signed by commissioner.

Deponent Signature:	

Date:

Commissioner of Oaths
Signature & stamp

	SWORN AFFIDAVIT – B-BBEE QUALIFYING SMALL ENT	ERPRISE - GENERAL
I, the undersigned,		
Full name & Surname		

Hereby declare under oath as follows:

Identity number

- 1. The contents of this statement are to the best of my knowledge a true reflection of the facts.
- 2. I am a Member / Director / Owner of the following enterprise and am duly authorised to act on its behalf:

Entarprica Nama:	
Enterprise Name:	

Trading Name (If Applicable):	
Registration Number:	
Enterprise Physical Address:	
Type of Entity (CC, (Pty) Ltd, Sole Prop etc.):	
Nature of Business:	
Definition of "Black People"	As per the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act 53 of 2003 as Amended by Act No 46 of 2013 "Black People" is a generic term which means Africans, Coloureds and Indians –
	(a) who are citizens of the Republic of South Africa by birth or descent; or
	(b) who became citizens of the Republic of South Africa by naturalisation-
	i. before 27 April 1994; or
	ii. on or after 27 April 1994 and who would have been entitled to acquire citizenship by naturalization prior to that date;"

Definition of "Black Designated Groups" (a) unemployed black people not attending and not required by law to attend an educational institution and not awaiting admission to an educational institution; (b) Black people who are youth as defined in the National Youth Commission Act of 1996; (c) Black people who are persons with disabilities as defined in the Code of Good Practice on employment of people with disabilities issued under the Employment Equity Act; (d) Black people living in rural and under developed areas; (e) Black military veterans who qualifies to be called a military veteran in terms of the Military Veterans Act 18 of 2011;"

3. I hereby declare under Oath that:

•	The Enterprise is% Black Owned as per Amended Code Series 100 of the Amended Codes of Good Practice issued under section 9 (1) of B-BBEE Act No 53 of 2003 as Amended by Act No 46 of 2013,
•	The Enterprise is% Black Female Owned as per Amended Code Series 100 of the Amended Codes of Good Practice issued under section 9 (1) of B-BBEE Act No 53 of 2003 as Amended by Act No 46 of 2013,
•	The Enterprise is% Black Designated Group Owned as per Amended Code Series 100 of the Amended Codes of Good Practice issued under section 9 (1) of B-BBEE Act No 53 of 2003 as Amended by Act No 46 of 2013,
•	Black Designated Group Owned % Breakdown as per the definition stated above:
•	Black Youth % =%
•	Black Disabled % =%
•	Black Unemployed % =%
•	Black People living in Rural areas % =%
•	Black Military Veterans % =%

Based on the Financial Statements/Management Accounts and other information available on the latest financial year-end of, the annual Revenue was between R10,000,000.00 (Ten Million Rands) and R50,000,000.00 (Fifty Million Rands),							
•	 Please confirm on the table below the B-BBEE level contributor, by ticking the applicable box. 						
0% Black Owned		Level One (135% B-BBEE procurement recognition level)					
Least 51% black owned		Level Two (125% B-BBEE procurement recognition level)					
 4. 5. 	4. I know and understand the contents of this affidavit and I have no objection to take the prescribed oath and consider the oath binding on my conscience and on the owners of the enterprise which I represent in this matter.5. The sworn affidavit will be valid for a period of 12 months from the date signed by commissioner.						
Deponent Signature:							
Date:							
	missioner of Oaths ature & stamp						

ANNEXURE 4

GPF'S

STANDARD

CONDITIONS OF BID

6. 1 GENERAL

Actions

1 GPF's *Representative* and each *bidder* submitting a bid shall act timeously as stated in these Conditions of Bid and in a manner which is fair, equitable, transparent, competitive and cost-effective.

Interpretation 2

- 2 Terms shown in *italics* vary for each bid. The details of each term for this bid are identified in the Bid Data. Terms shown in capital initials are defined terms in the appropriate conditions of contract.
- 3 Any additional or amended requirements in the Bid Data, and additional requirements given in the Schedules in the *bid returnables* are deemed to be part of these Conditions of Bid.
- The Conditions of Bid and the Bid Data shall not form part of any contract arising from this invitation to bid.

Communicati 5

on

Each communication between the GPF and a *bidder* shall be to or from GPF's *Representative* only, and in a form that can be read, copied and recorded. Communication shall be in the English language. GPF takes no responsibility for non-receipt of communications from or by a *bidder*.

GPF's rights to accept or reject any bid

GPF may accept or reject any variation, deviation, bid, or alternative bid, and may cancel the bid process and reject all bids at any time prior to the formation of a contract. GPF's Representative will not accept or incur any liability to a bidder for such cancellation and rejection, but will give written reasons for the action upon written request to do so. GPF reserves the right to accept the whole of any part of any bid.

After the cancellation of the bid process or the rejection of all bids GPF may abandon the proposed work and services, have it performed in any other manner, or re-issue a similar invitation to bid at any time.

7. 2 BIDDER'S OBLIGATIONS

The *bidder* shall comply with the following obligations when submitting a bid and shall:

Eligibility

Submit a bid only if the *bidder* complies with the *criteria* stated in the Bid Data and the *bidder*, or any of his principals, is not under any restriction to do business with the GPF.

Cost of biding

Accept that the GPF will not compensate the *bidder* for any costs incurred in the preparation and submission of a bid, including the costs of any testing necessary to demonstrate that aspects of the bid satisfy the evaluation criteria.

Check documents

3 Check the *bid documents* on receipt, including pages within them, and notify GPF's *Representative* of any discrepancy or omissions.

Confidentialit 4 y and copyright of

documents

Treat as confidential all matters arising in connection with the bid. Use and copy the documents provided by the GPF only for the purpose of preparing and submitting a bid in response to this invitation.

Standardised 5 specification

Obtain, as necessary for submitting a bid, copies of the latest revision of standardised specifications and other publications, which are not

s and other publications

attached but which are incorporated into the *bid documents* by reference.

Acknowledge receipt of Addenda to the *bid documents*, which GPF's Representative may issue, and if necessary apply for an extension to the *deadline for bid submission*, in order to take the Addenda into account.

Site visit and 8 / or clarification meeting

Attend a site visit and/or clarification meeting at which *bidders* may familiarise themselves with the proposed work, services or supply, location, etc. and raise questions.. Details of the meeting(s) are stated in the Bid Data.

Seek clarification

9 Request clarification of the *bid documents*, if necessary, by notifying GPF's Representative earlier than the *closing time for clarification of queries*.

Insurance

10 Be informed that the extent (if any) of insurance provided by the GPF may not be for the full cover required in terms of the relevant category

listed in Section 8 of the *conditions of contract*, the *bidder* is advised to seek qualified advice regarding insurance.

Pricing the bid

- 11 Include in the rates, prices, and the bidded total of the prices (if any) all duties, taxes (except VAT), and other levies payable by the successful bidder. Such duties, taxes and levies are those applicable 14 days prior to the deadline for bid submission.
- 12 Show Value Added Tax (VAT) payable by the GPF separately as an addition to the bidded total of the prices.
- 13 Provide rates and prices that are fixed for the duration of the contract and not subject to adjustment except as provided for in the *conditions* of contract.
- 14 State the rates and Prices in South African Rand unless instructed otherwise as an additional condition in the Bid Data.

Alterations to 15 documents

Not make any alterations or additions to the *bid documents*, except to comply with instructions issued by GPF's *Representative* or if necessary to correct errors made by the *bidder*. All such alterations

shall be initialled by all signatories to the bid. Corrections may not be made using correction fluid, correction tape or the like.

Alternative bids

- Submit alternative bids only if a main bid, strictly in accordance with all the requirements of the *bid documents* is also submitted. The alternative bid is submitted with the main bid together with a schedule that compares the requirements of the *bid documents* with the alternative requirements the *bidder* proposes.
- 17 Accept that an alternative bid may be based only on the criteria stated in the Bid Data and as acceptable to the GPF.

Submitting a bid

- The GPF require one original bidding document, indexed according to the page numbers and content as well as one CD of the same.
 - Submit a bid for providing the whole of the works, services or supply identified in the Contract Data unless stated otherwise as an additional condition in the Bid Data.
- Return the *bid returnables* to the GPF, completing without exception all the forms, data and schedules included therein.

- Submit the bid as an original plus the number of copies stated in the Bid Data and provide an English translation for documentation submitted in a language other than English. Bids may not be written in pencil but must be completed in ink.
- 21 Sign the original and all copies of the bid where indicated. The GPF will hold the signatory duly authorised and liable on behalf of the *bidder*.
- Seal the original and each copy of the bid as separate packages marking the packages as "ORIGINAL" and "COPY". Each package shall state on the outside the GPF's national office address and invitation to bid number stated in the Bid Data, as well as the bidder's name and contact address.
- 23 Seal original and copies together in an outer package that states on the outside only the GPF's national office address and invitation to bid number as stated in the Bid Data. The outer package must be marked "CONFIDENTIAL"
- Where a two-envelope system is required in terms of the bid data, place and seal the returnable documents listed in the bid data in an envelope

marked "financial proposal" and place the remaining returnable documents in an envelope marked "technical proposal". Each envelope shall state on the outside the GPF's national office address and identification details stated in the bid data, as well as the bidder's name and contact details. Make sure both parts of the bid are delivered as a single package.

Accept that the GPF will not assume any responsibility for the misplacement or premature opening of the bid if the outer package is not sealed and marked as stated

Note:

The GPF prefers not to receive bids by post, and takes no responsibility for delays in the postal system or in transit within or between GPF offices.

Where bids are sent per fax, the GPF takes no responsibility for difficulties in transmission caused by line or equipment faults.

Where bids are sent via courier, the GPF takes no responsibility for bids delivered to any other site than the bid office.

GPF employees are not permitted to deposit a bid into the GPF's bid box on behalf of a bidder, except those lodged by post or courier.

Closing time 26 Ensure that the GPF has received the bid at the address and in the bid box no later than the *deadline for bid submission*. Proof of posting will

not be taken by the GPF as proof of delivery. The GPF will not accept a bid submitted telephonically, e-mail or by telegraph unless stated otherwise in the Bid Data.

27 Accept that, if the GPF extends the *deadline for bid submission* for any reason, the requirements of these Conditions of Bid apply equally to the extended deadline.

Bid validity

- Hold the bid(s) valid for acceptance by the GPF at any time within the validity period after the deadline for bid submission.
- 29 Extend the *validity period* for a specified additional period if the GPF requests the *bidder* to extend it. A *bidder* agreeing to the request will not be required or permitted to modify a bid, except to the extent the GPF may allow for the effects of inflation over the additional period.

Clarification of bid after submission

Provide, on request from the GPF's Representative during the evaluation of bids, any other material that has a bearing on the bid, the bidder's commercial position (including notarised joint venture agreements), preferencing arrangements or samples of materials, considered necessary by the GPF for the purpose of a full and fair risk

assessment. This may include providing a breakdown of rates or Prices. No change in the total of the Prices or substance of the bid is sought, offered, or permitted except as required by the GPF's Representative to confirm the correction of arithmetical errors discovered in the evaluation of bids. The total of the Prices stated by the bidder as corrected by the GPF's Representative with the concurrence of the bidder, shall be binding upon the bidder

Submit bonds, policies etc.

- 31 If instructed by the GPF's Representative (before the formation of a contract), submit for the GPF's acceptance, the bonds, guarantees, policies and certificates of insurance required to be provided by the successful bidder in terms of the conditions of contract.
- 32 Undertake to check the final draft of the contract provided by GPF's Representative, and sign the Form of Agreement all within the time required by these Conditions of Bid.

Where an agent on behalf of a principal submits a bid, an authenticated copy of the authority to act as an agent must be submitted with the bid.

Fulfil BEE

34 Comply with GPF's requirements regarding BBBEE.

requirements

8. 3 THE GPF'S UNDERTAKINGS

GPF's Representative, shall:

Respond to clarification

1 Respond to a request for clarification received earlier than the *closing* time for clarification of queries. The response is notified to all *bidders*.

Issue Addenda

If necessary, issue Addenda that may amend, amplify, or add to the *bid* documents, to each *bidder*. If a *biddes* applies for an extension to the deadline for bid submission, in order to take Addenda into account in preparing a bid, the GPF may grant such an extension and GPF's Representative shall notify the extension to all *bidders*.

Return late bids

Return bids received after the *deadline for bid submission* unopened to the *bidder* submitting a late bid. Bids will be deemed late if they are not on the designated fax or in the designated bid box at the date and time stipulated as the deadline for bid submission.

Bid opening

- 4 Open the bids in the presence of the *bidders'* representatives who choose to attend at the time and place stated in the Bid Data. Bids for which an acceptable notice of withdrawal has been submitted will not be opened.
- Announce at the opening the name of each *bidder* only. Die unsuccessful bidder may request a debriefing meeting with the Supply Chain Manager on request.

Twoenvelope system

- Where stated in the bid data that a two-envelope system is to be followed, open only the technical proposals in the presence of bidder's representatives and announce the name of each bid.
- 7 Evaluate the quality of the technical proposals, then advise bidders who remain in contention for the award of the contract. Return unopened financial proposals to bidders whose technical proposals failed to achieve the minimum criteria.

Nondisclosure

Not disclose to *bidders*, or to any other person not officially concerned with such processes, information relating to the evaluation and comparison of bids and recommendations for the award of a contract, until after the award of the contract to the successful bidder.

Grounds for rejection

9 Consider rejecting a bid if there is any effort by a *bidder* to influence the processing of bids or contract award.

Disqualificati on

10 Instantly disqualify a *bidder* (and his bid) if it is established that the *bidder* offered an inducement to any person with a view to influencing the placing of a contract arising from this invitation to bid.

Test for responsivene

11 Determine before detailed evaluation, whether each bid properly received

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- · meets the requirements of these Conditions of Bid,
- has been properly signed, and
- is responsive to the requirements of the *bid documents*.
- 12 Judge a *responsive bid* as one which conforms to all the terms, conditions, and specifications of the *bid documents* without material

deviation or qualification. A material deviation or qualification is one which, in the GPF's opinion would

- detrimentally affect the scope, quality, or performance of the works, services or supply identified in the Contract Data,
- change the GPF's or the bidder's risks and responsibilities under the contract, or
- affect the competitive position of other bidders presenting responsive bids, if it were to be rectified.

Non-responsive bids

Reject a non-responsive bid, and not allow it to be subsequently made responsive by correction or withdrawal of the non-conforming deviation or reservation.

Arithmetical errors

- 14 Check responsive bids for arithmetical errors, correcting them as follows:
 - Where there is a discrepancy between the amounts in figures and in words, the amount in words shall govern.
 - If a bill of quantities applies and there is a discrepancy between the
 rate and the line item total, resulting from multiplying the rate by the
 quantity, the rate as quoted shall govern. Where there is an
 obviously gross misplacement of the decimal point in the rate, the
 line item total as quoted shall govern, and the rate will be corrected.

- Where there is an error in the total of the Prices, either as a result
 of other corrections required by this checking process or in the
 bidder's addition of prices, the total of the Prices, if any, will be
 corrected.
- The corrected price will be communicated to the bidder. The bidder may withdraw the bid, but may not change the bid price.
- 15 Reject a bid if the *bidder* does not accept the corrected total of the Prices (if any).

Evaluating the bid

16 Evaluate responsive bids in accordance with the *procedure and criteria* stated in the Bid Data. The evaluated bid price will be disclosed only to the relevant GPF bid committee and will not be disclosed to *bidders* or any other person.

Clarification

of a bid

Obtain from a *bidder* clarification of any matter in the bid which may not be clear or could give rise to ambiguity in a contract arising from this bid if the matter were not to be clarified.

Acceptance of bid

8 Notify GPF's acceptance to the successful *bidder* before the expiry of the *validity period*, or agreed additional period. Providing the notice of

acceptance does not contain any qualifying statements, it will constitute the formation of a contract between the GPF and the successful *bidder*.

Notice to unsuccessful bidders

After the successful *bidder* has acknowledged the GPF's notice of acceptance, notify other *bidders* that their bids have not been accepted, following the GPF's current procedures.

Prepare contract documents

20 Revise the contract documents issued by the GPF as part of the *bid* documents to take account of

- Addenda issued during the bid period,
- inclusion of some of the bid returnables, and
- other revisions agreed between the GPF and the successful bidder,
 before the issue of the GPF's notice of acceptance (of the bid).
- The schedule of deviations attached to the form of offer and acceptance, if any.

Issue final contract

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Issue the final contract documents to the successful *bidder* for acceptance within one week of the date of the GPF's notice of acceptance.

Sign Form of Agreement

Arrange for authorised signatories of both parties to complete and sign the original and one copy of the Form of Agreement within two weeks of the date of the GPF's notice of acceptance of the bid. If either party requires the signatories to initial every page of the contract documents, the signatories for the other party comply with the request.

Complete Adjudicator's Contract

Unless alternative arrangements have been agreed, arrange for both parties to complete and sign the Form of Agreement and Contract Data with the selected adjudicator.

Provide copies of the contracts

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Provide to the successful *bidder* the number of copies stated in the Bid Data of the signed copy of the contracts within three weeks of the date of the GPF's acceptance of the bid.

ANNEXURE 5



GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT

GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

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General Conditions of Contract

- 1. **Definitions** 1. The following terms shall be interpreted as indicated:
 - 1.1. "Closing time" means the date and hour specified in the bidding documents for the receipt of bids.
 - 1.2. "Contract" means the written agreement entered into between the purchaser and the supplier, as recorded in the contract form signed by the parties, including all attachments and appendices thereto and all documents incorporated by reference therein.
 - 1.3. "Contract price" means the price payable to the supplier under the contract for the full and proper performance of his contractual obligations.
 - 1.4. "Corrupt practice" means the offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting of 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 analysed and may be rejected if found not to comply with the requirements of the contract. Such rejected supplies shall be held at the cost and risk of the supplier who shall, when called upon, remove them immediately at his own cost and forthwith substitute them with supplies which do comply with the requirements of the contract. Failing such removal the rejected supplies shall be returned at the suppliers cost and risk. Should the supplier fail to provide the substitute supplies forthwith, the purchaser may,

- without giving the supplier further opportunity to substitute the rejected supplies, purchase such supplies as may be necessary at the expense of the supplier.
- 8.8. The provisions of clauses 8.4 to 8.7 shall not prejudice the right of the purchaser to cancel the contract on account of a breach of the conditions thereof, or to act in terms of Clause 23 of GCC.

9. Packing

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

10. Delivery and documents

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

11. Insurance

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

12. Transportation

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

13. Incidental services

- 13.1. The supplier may be required to provide any or all of the following services, including additional services, if any, specified in SCC:
 - (a) performance or supervision of on-site assembly and/or commissioning of the supplied goods;
 - (b) furnishing of tools required for assembly and/or maintenance of the supplied goods;
 - (c) furnishing of a detailed operations and maintenance manual for each appropriate unit of the supplied goods;
 - (d) performance or supervision or maintenance and/or repair of the supplied goods, for a period of time agreed by the parties, provided that this service shall not relieve the supplier of any warranty obligations under this contract; and
 - (e) training of the purchaser's personnel, at the supplier's plant and/or on-site, in assembly, start-up, operation, maintenance, and/or repair of the supplied goods.
- 13.2. Prices charged by the supplier for incidental services, if not included in the contract price for the goods, shall be agreed upon in advance by the parties and shall not exceed the prevailing rates charged to other parties by the supplier for similar services.

14. Spare parts

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

15. Warranty

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

16. Payment

- 16.1. The method and conditions of payment to be made to the supplier under this contract shall be specified in SCC.
- 16.2. The supplier shall furnish the purchaser with an invoice accompanied by a copy of the delivery note and upon fulfilment of other obligations stipulated in the contract.
- 16.3. Payments shall be made promptly by the purchaser, but in no case later than thirty (30) days after submission of an invoice or claim by the supplier.
- 16.4. Payment will be made in Rand unless otherwise stipulated in SCC.

17. Prices

17.1. Prices charged by the supplier for goods delivered and services performed under the contract shall not vary from the prices quoted by the supplier in his bid, with the exception of any price adjustments authorized in SCC or in the purchaser's request for bid validity extension, as the case may be.

18. Contract amendments

18.1. No variation in or modification of the terms of the contract shall be made except by written amendment signed by the parties concerned.

19. Assignment

19.1. The supplier shall not assign, in whole or in part, its obligations to perform under the contract, except with the purchaser's prior written consent.

20. Subcontracts

20.1. The supplier shall notify the purchaser in writing of all subcontracts awarded under this contracts if not already specified in the bid. Such notification, in the original bid or later, shall not relieve the supplier from any liability or obligation under the contract.

21. Delays in the supplier's performance

- 21.1. Delivery of the goods and performance of services shall be made by the supplier in accordance with the time schedule prescribed by the purchaser in the contract.
- 21.2. If at any time during performance of the contract, the supplier or its subcontractor(s) should encounter conditions impeding timely delivery of the goods and performance of services, the supplier shall promptly notify the purchaser in writing of the fact of the delay, its likely duration and its cause(s). As soon as practicable after receipt of the supplier's notice, the purchaser shall evaluate the situation and may at his discretion extend the supplier's time for performance, with or without the imposition of penalties, in which case the extension shall be ratified by the parties by amendment of contract.
- 21.3. No provision in a contract shall be deemed to prohibit the obtaining of supplies or services from a national department, provincial department, or a local authority.

- 21.4. The right is reserved to procure outside of the contract small quantities or to have minor essential services executed if an emergency arises, the supplier's point of supply is not situated at or near the place where the supplies are required, or the supplier's services are not readily available.
- 21.5. Except as provided under GCC Clause 25, a delay by the supplier in the performance of its delivery obligations shall render the supplier liable to the imposition of penalties, pursuant to GCC Clause 22, unless an extension of time is agreed upon pursuant to GCC Clause 21.2 without the application of penalties.
- 21.6. Upon any delay beyond the delivery period in the case of a supplies contract, the purchaser shall, without cancelling the contract, be entitled to purchase supplies of a similar quality and up to the same quantity in substitution of the goods not supplied in conformity with the contract and to return any goods delivered later at the supplier's expense and risk, or to cancel the contract and buy such goods as may be required to complete the contract and without prejudice to his other rights, be entitled to claim damages from the supplier.

22. Penalties

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

23. Termination for default

- 23.1. The purchaser, without prejudice to any other remedy for breach of contract, by written notice of default sent to the supplier, may terminate this contract in whole or in part:
 - (a) if the supplier fails to deliver any or all of the goods within the period(s) specified in the contract, or within any extension thereof granted by the purchaser pursuant to GCC Clause 21.2;
 - (b) if the Supplier fails to perform any other obligation(s) under the contract; or

- (c) if the supplier, in the judgment of the purchaser, has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for or in executing the contract.
- 23.2. In the event the purchaser terminates the contract in whole or in part, the purchaser may procure, upon such terms and in such manner as it deems appropriate, goods, works or services similar to those undelivered, and the supplier shall be liable to the purchaser for any excess costs for such similar goods, works or services. However, the supplier shall continue performance of the contract to the extent not terminated.
- 23.3. Where the purchaser terminates the contract in whole or in part, the purchaser may decide to impose a restriction penalty on the supplier by prohibiting such supplier from doing business with the public sector for a period 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 antidumping or countervailing duties are imposed, or the amount of a provisional payment or anti-dumping or countervailing right is increased in respect of any dumped or subsidized import, the State is not liable for any amount so required or imposed, or for the amount of any such increase. When, after the said date, such a provisional payment is no longer required or any such anti-dumping or countervailing right is abolished, or where the amount of such provisional payment or any such right is reduced, any such favourable difference shall on demand be paid forthwith by the contractor to the State or the State may deduct such amounts from moneys (if any) which may otherwise be due to the 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.

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ANNEXURE 6



TO THE GPF

PROTECTION OF PERSONAL INFORMATION ACT, 4 OF 2013

By signing this referral form;

- a) I/we hereby grant my/our voluntary consent that my/our personal information may be processed, collected, used and disclosed in compliance with the Protection of Personal Information Act, 4 of 2013.
- b) I/we furthermore agree that my/our personal information may be used for the lawful and reasonable purposes in as far as the GPF (responsible party) must use my/our information in the performance of its public legal duty.
- c) I/we understand that my/our personal information may be disclosed to a third party in as far as the GPF must fulfil its public legal duty.
- d) I/we furthermore understand that there are instances in terms of abovementioned Act where my express consent is not necessary to permit the processing of personal information, which may be related to litigation or when the information is publicly available. Further details are available on the GPF website.

SIGNED AT	ON THIS	DAY OF	2022
COMPANY NAME:			
INITIAL AND SURNAME OF	REPRESENATIVE OF THE CO	OMPANY:	
SIGNATURE OF REPRESEN	IATIVE OF THE COMPANY:		

COMMITMENT / UNDERTAKING

Bidders undertakes or commit to comply with the following below;

This information must be submitted prior to the signing of the Service Level Agreement (SLA)

No	Description	
1.	The service provider undertakes to familiarise itself and comply with the Protection of Personal Information Act	
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Bidder's signature :....