



REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

<p>YOU ARE HEREBY INVITED TO SUBMIT A BID TO MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE DEVELOPMENT BANK OF SOUTHERN AFRICA LIMITED</p>	
<p>BID NUMBER:</p>	<p>RFP061/2026</p>
<p>COMPULSORY BRIEFING SESSION DETAILS:</p>	<p>Tender briefing will be done online via Microsoft teams. Bidders are advised to use the link below to join the briefing session.</p> <p>Click on the link to join the meeting. Bidders must complete their details fully in order to have access to the briefing session. The link will only be accessible 15 minutes before the meeting.</p> <p>Compulsory briefing session link - RFP061.2026</p> <p>Link: 05 May 2026 @09H00 AM (Johannesburg time)</p>
<p>CLOSING DATE:</p>	<p>18 May 2026</p>
<p>CLOSING TIME:</p>	<p>23H55 (Midnight)</p>
<p>PERIOD FOR WHICH BIDS ARE REQUIRED TO REMAIN OPEN FOR ACCEPTANCE:</p>	<p>120 days</p>
<p>DESCRIPTION OF BID:</p>	<p>Procurement of Technical Transaction Advisor to support the “Independent Power Producers’ Office” (IPP Office) for the assessment of a proposed conversion of the Peaker power plant facilities from diesel to gas and the extension of the term of the power purchase agreements.</p>
<p>BID DOCUMENTS ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION:</p>	<p>1. ELECTRONIC SUBMISSIONS</p> <p><u>INSTRUCTIONS:</u></p> <p>➤ Bidders are required to submit written requests for clarification via e-mail to vusiscm@dbsa.org ONLY, quoting the RFP Number</p>

	<p>on the subject of the e-mail. This must be done three (3) working days before submission day.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Bidders will thereafter receive a OneDrive Link to upload their submission documents electronically. ➤ Written requests for clarification will be considered up to and including 14 May 2026 16:30 Johannesburg time. Requests received after this date may not be attended to. ➤ Any requests after the stipulated date and time may be disregarded. <p>NB: Electronic submission is encouraged for all bidders interested in this tender Closing date of this 18/05/2026 is before 23:55.</p> <p>No physical bids will be received or accepted at the DBSA offices</p>
NAME OF BIDDER:	
CONTACT PERSON:	
EMAIL ADDRESS:	
TELEPHONE NUMBER:	
FAX NUMBER:	
BIDDER'S STAMP OR SIGNATURE	



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TollFree : 0800 20 49 33
 Email : dbsa@whistleblowing.co.za
 Free Post : Free Post KZN 665 | Musgrave | 4062
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**PART A
INVITATION TO BID**

YOU ARE HEREBY INVITED TO BID FOR REQUIREMENTS OF DEVELOPMENT BANK OF SOUTHERN AFRICA LIMITED (“DBSA”)

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DESCRIPTION: Procurement of Technical Transaction Advisor to support the “Independent Power Producers’ Office” (IPP Office) for the assessment of a proposed conversion of the Peaker power plant facilities from diesel to gas and the extension of the term of the power purchase agreements.

COMPULSORY BRIEFING: 05 May 2026 - Tender briefing will be done online via Microsoft teams.

COMPULSORY BRIEFING LINK:

Time: 11H00 AM Johannesburg time (Microsoft Teams)


[Compulsory briefing session link - RFP061.2026](#)

Closing time for the OneDrive Link submissions - 23h55 on the 18 May 2026 (Telkom Time)



CLOSING DATE: 18 May 2026

CLOSING TIME: 23H55

Name

 Bidder Name

Name

-  Folder 1_Financial Proposal
-  Folder 2_Technical Proposal

- a) It remains the bidder’s responsibility to ensure that the bid submission is uploaded using the correct bidder document and tender link.
- b) Should a bidder encounter an issue with the system, the bidder must provide sufficient evidence as proof of attempting to upload their submission before the cut-off time and the error received.
- c) Faxed, emailed bids will not be accepted, only an electronic submission received via the link will be accepted.
- d) It is therefore the responsibility of the bidder to request for a link to participate.
- e) The DBSA assumes no responsibility if a Bidder’s designated email address is not correct, or if there are technical challenges, including those with the Bidders computer, network, or internet service provider (ISP).

BID SUBMISSION LINK REQUESTS:

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

THIS BID IS SUBJECT TO THE GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT (GCC) AND, IF APPLICABLE, ANY OTHER SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT, WHICH ARE SET OUT IN PART C OF THIS DOCUMENT.

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

BIDDERS THAT ARE UNINCORPORATED CONSORTIA CONSISTING OF MORE THAN ONE LEGAL ENTITY MUST SELECT A LEAD ENTITY AND FURNISH THE DETAILS OF THE LEAD ENTITY, UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED.

NAME OF BIDDER AND EACH ENTITY IN CONSORTIUM:				
POSTAL ADDRESS:				
STREET ADDRESS:				
CONTACT PERSON (FULL NAME):				
EMAIL ADDRESS:				
TELEPHONE NUMBER:				
FAX NUMBER:				
BIDDER REGISTRATION NUMBER OR REGISTRATION NUMBER OF EACH ENTITY IN CONSORTIUM				
BIDDER VAT REGISTRATION NUMBER OR VAT REGISTRATION NUMBER OF EACH ENTITY IN CONSORTIUM				
BBBEE STATUS LEVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE /BBBEE STATUS LEVEL SWORN AFFIDAVIT SUBMITTED? [TICK APPLICABLE BOX]	YES		NO	

1..1.1 ARE YOU THE ACCREDITED REPRESENTATIVE IN SOUTH AFRICA FOR THE GOODS /SERVICES/WORKS OFFERED?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No [IF YES ENCLOSE PROOF]			
1..1.2 ARE YOU A FOREIGN BASED SUPPLIER FOR THE GOODS /SERVICES/WORKS OFFERED?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No [IF YES ANSWER PART B:3 BELOW]			
1..1.3 SIGNATURE OF BIDDER				
1..1.4 DATE				
1..1.5 FULL NAME OF AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE				
1..1.6 CAPACITY UNDER WHICH THIS BID IS SIGNED (Attach proof of authority to sign this bid; e.g. resolution of directors, etc.)				
IF YES, WHO ISSUED THE CERTIFICATE?				
REGISTERED WITH THE NATIONAL TREASURY CSD [TICK APPLICABLE BOX]	YES		NO	
CSD REGISTRATION NUMBER				
TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS PIN (TCS) NUMBER ISSUED BY SARS				

**PART B
TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR BIDDING**

1. BID SUBMISSION:

- 1.1. BIDS MUST BE SUBMITTED ELECTRONICALLY BY THE STIPULATED TIME TO THE LINK PROVIDED. 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)
- 1.3. SOUTH AFRICAN BIDDERS MUST REGISTER ON THE CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE (CSD) TO UPLOAD MANDATORY INFORMATION NAMELY: (BUSINESS REGISTRATION/ DIRECTORSHIP/ MEMBERSHIP/IDENTITY NUMBERS; TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS; AND BANKING INFORMATION FOR VERIFICATION PURPOSES). B-BBEE CERTIFICATE OR SWORN AFFIDAVIT FOR B-BBEE MUST BE SUBMITTED BY BIDDING INSTITUTION.
- 1.4. WHERE A BIDDER IS NOT REGISTERED ON THE CSD, MANDATORY INFORMATION NAMELY: (BUSINESS REGISTRATION/ DIRECTORSHIP/ MEMBERSHIP/IDENTITY NUMBERS; TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH THE BID DOCUMENTATION. B-BBEE CERTIFICATE OR SWORN AFFIDAVIT FOR B-BBEE MUST BE SUBMITTED TO BIDDING INSTITUTION.

2. TAX COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS

- 2.1 ALL BIDDERS MUST ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THEIR TAX OBLIGATIONS IN THEIR COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE.
- 2.2 SOUTH AFRICAN BIDDERS ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT THEIR UNIQUE PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (PIN) ISSUED BY SARS TO ENABLE THE ORGAN OF STATE TO VIEW THE TAXPAYER'S PROFILE AND TAX STATUS.
- 2.3 SOUTH AFRICAN BIDDERS CAN APPLY FOR TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS (TCS) OR PIN MAY ALSO BE MADE VIA E-FILING. IN ORDER TO USE THIS PROVISION, TAXPAYERS WILL NEED TO REGISTER WITH SARS AS E-FILERS THROUGH THE WEBSITE WWW.SARS.GOV.ZA.
- 2.4 SA BIDDERS' MAY ALSO SUBMIT A PRINTED TCS TOGETHER WITH THE BID.
- 2.5 IN BIDS WHERE CONSORTIA / JOINT VENTURES / SUB-CONTRACTORS ARE INVOLVED; EACH PARTY MUST SUBMIT A SEPARATE PROOF OF TCS / PIN / CSD NUMBER (TAX COMPLIANCE) IN ACCORDANCE WITH APPLICABLE LEGISLATION IN THEIR COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE.
- 2.6 WHERE SA BIDDERS HAVE NO TCS AVAILABLE BUT ARE REGISTERED ON THE CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE (CSD), A CSD NUMBER MUST BE PROVIDED.

3. QUESTIONNAIRE TO BIDDING FOREIGN SUPPLIERS

- 3.1. IS THE BIDDER A RESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA (RSA)? YES NO
- 3.2. DOES THE BIDDER HAVE A BRANCH IN THE RSA? YES NO
- 3.3. DOES THE BIDDER HAVE A PERMANENT ESTABLISHMENT IN THE RSA? YES NO
- 3.4. DOES THE BIDDER HAVE ANY SOURCE OF INCOME IN THE RSA? YES NO

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

NB: FAILURE TO PROVIDE ANY OF THE ABOVE PARTICULARS MAY RENDER THE BID INVALID.

PART C

CHECKLIST OF RETURNABLE SCHEDULES AND DOCUMENTS

Please adhere to the following instructions:

- Tick in the relevant block below;
- Ensure that the following documents are completed and signed where applicable; and
- Use the prescribed sequence in attaching the annexes that complete the Bid Document

NB: Should all these documents not be included, the Bidder may be disqualified on the basis of non-compliance

YES NO

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	One original Bid document in separate folders; Folder 1 - for Pre-Qualifying Criteria and Functional Evaluation and Folder 2 - Price / Financial Proposal – Electronic submission
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Part A: Invitation to Bid
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Part B: Terms and Conditions of Bidding
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Part C: Checklist of Compulsory Returnable Schedules and Documents
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Part D: Conditions of Tendering and Undertakings by Bidders
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Part E: Specifications/Terms of Reference and Project Brief
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Annexure A: Price Proposal Requirement
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Annexure B: SBD4 Declaration of Interest
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Annexure C: SBD6.1 and B-BBEE status level certificate
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Annexure F: Certified copies of your CIPC company registration documents listing all members with percentages, in case of a lose corporation
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Annexure G: Certified copies of latest share certificates, in case of a company.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Annexure H: (if applicable): A breakdown of how fees and work will be spread between members of the bidding consortium.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Annexure I: Supporting documents to responses to Pre-Qualifying Criteria and Functional Evaluation Criteria.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Annexure J: General Condition of Contract



Annexure K: CSD Tax Compliance Status and Registration Requirements Report

PART D

CONDITIONS OF TENDERING AND UNDERTAKINGS BY BIDDER

1. DEFINITIONS

In this Request for Proposals, unless a contrary intention is apparent:

- 1.1 **B-BBEE** means broad-based black economic empowerment as defined in section 1 of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act, 2003;
- 1.2 **B-BBEE Act** means the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act, 2003;
- 1.3 **B-BBEE status level of contributor** means the B-BBEE status received by a measured entity based on its overall performance used to claim points in terms of regulation 6 and 7 of the Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2022.
- 1.4 **Business Day** means a day which is not a Saturday, Sunday or public holiday in South Africa.
- 1.5 **Bid** means a written offer in the prescribed or stipulated form lodged by a Bidder in response to an invitation in this Request for Proposal, containing an offer to provide goods, works or services in accordance with the Specification as provided in this RFP.
- 1.6 **Bidder** means a person or legal entity, or an unincorporated group of persons or legal entities that submit a Bid.
- 1.7 **Companies Act** means the Companies Act, 2008.
- 1.8 **Compulsory Documents** means the list of compulsory schedules and documents set out in Part B.
- 1.9 **Closing Time** means the time, specified as such under the clause (Bid Timetable) in Part C, by which Tenders must be received.
- 1.10 **DBSA** means the Development Bank of Southern Africa Limited.
- 1.11 **DFI** means Development Finance Institution.
- 1.12 **Evaluation Criteria** means the criteria set out under the clause 26 (Evaluation Process) of this Part C, which includes the Qualifying Criteria, Functional Criteria and Price and Preferential Points Assessment (where applicable).
- 1.13 **Functional Criteria** means the criteria set out in clause 27 of this Part C.
- 1.14 **Intellectual Property Rights** includes copyright and neighbouring rights, and all proprietary rights in relation to inventions (including patents) registered and unregistered trademarks (including service marks), registered designs, confidential information (including trade secrets and know how) and circuit layouts, and all other proprietary rights resulting from intellectual activity in the industrial, scientific, literary or artistic fields.
- 1.15 **PFMA** means the Public Finance Management Act, 1999.
- 1.16 **PPPFA** means the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act, 2000.
- 1.17 **PPPFA Regulations** means the Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2022 published in terms of the PPPFA.
- 1.18 **Pre-Qualifying Criteria** means the criteria set out in clause 26.3 of this Part C.

- 1.19 **Price and Preferential Points Assessment** means the process described in clause 26.5 of this Part C, as prescribed by the PPPFA.
- 1.20 **Proposed Contract** means the agreement including any other terms and conditions contained in or referred to in this RFP that may be executed between the DBSA and the successful Bidder.
- 1.21 **Request for Proposal** or **RFP** means this document (comprising each of the parts identified under Part A, Part B, Part C and Part D) including all annexures and any other documents so designated by the DBSA.
- 1.22 **SARS** means the South African Revenue Service.
- 1.23 **Services** means the services required by the DBSA, as specified in this RFP Part D.
- 1.24 **SLA** means Service Level Agreement.
- 1.25 **SOE** means State Owned Enterprise, as defined by the Companies' Act.
- 1.26 **Specification** means the conditions of tender set and any specification or description of the DBSA's requirements contained in this RFP.
- 1.27 **State** means the Republic of South Africa.
- 1.28 **Statement of Compliance** means the statement forming part of a Tender indicating the Bidders compliance with the Specification.
- 1.29 **Tendering Process** means the process commenced by the issuing of this Request for Proposals and concluding upon formal announcement by the DBSA of the selection of a successful Bidder(s) or upon the earlier termination of the process.
- 1.30 **Website** means a website administered by DBSA under its name with web address www.dbsa.org

2. INTERPRETATIONS

In this RFP, unless expressly provided otherwise a reference to:

- 2.1 "includes" or "including" means includes or including without limitation; and
- 2.2 "R" or "Rand" is a reference to the lawful currency of the Republic of South Africa.

3. TENDER TECHNICAL AND GENERAL QUERIES

Queries pertaining to this tender must be directed to:-

DBSA Supply Chain Management Unit

Email: vusiscm@dbsa.org

No questions will be answered telephonically

4. SUBMISSION OF TENDERS

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Link: 05 May 2026 @09H00 AM (Johannesburg time) Time: 09H00 AM Johannesburg time (**Microsoft Teams**)

LINK REQUESTS: Bidders are asked to nominate one dedicated contact person (name, email address and phone number).

Link Request DATE By: **14 May 2026**

Link Request TIME By: 16H30

5. RULES GOVERNING THIS RFP AND THE TENDERING PROCESS

- 5.1 Participation in the tender process is subject to compliance with the rules contained in this RFP Part C.
- 5.2 All persons (whether a participant in this tender process or not) having obtained or received this RFP may only use it, and the information contained herein, in compliance with the rules contained in this RFP.
- 5.3 All Bidders are deemed to accept the rules contained in this RFP Part C.
- 5.4 The rules contained in this RFP Part C apply to:
 - 5.4.1 The RFP and any other information given, received or made available in connection with this RFP, and any revisions or annexure.
 - 5.4.2 the Tendering Process; and
 - 5.4.3 any communications (including any briefings, presentations, meetings and negotiations) relating to the RFP or the Tendering Process.

6. STATUS OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

- 6.1 This RFP is an invitation for person(s) to submit a proposal(s) for the provision of the services as set out in the Specification contained in this RFP. Accordingly, this RFP must not be construed, interpreted, or relied upon, whether expressly or implicitly, as an offer capable of acceptance by any person(s), or as creating any form of contractual, promissory or other rights. No binding contract or other understanding for the supply of services will exist between the DBSA and any Bidder unless and until the DBSA has executed a formal written contract with the successful Bidder.

7. ACCURACY OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

- 7.1 Whilst all due care has been taken in connection with the preparation of this RFP, the DBSA makes no representations or warranties that the content in this RFP or any information communicated to or provided to Bidders during the Tendering Process is, or will be, accurate, current or complete. The DBSA, and its officers, employees and advisors will not be liable with respect to any information communicated which is not accurate, current or complete.
- 7.2 If a Bidder finds or reasonably believes it has found any discrepancy, ambiguity, error or inconsistency in this RFP or any other information provided by the DBSA (other than minor clerical matters), the Bidder must promptly notify the DBSA in writing of such discrepancy, ambiguity, error or inconsistency in order to afford the DBSA an opportunity to consider what corrective action is necessary (if any).
- 7.3 Any actual discrepancy, ambiguity, error or inconsistency in this RFP or any other information provided by the DBSA will, if possible, be corrected and provided to all Bidders without attribution to the Bidder who provided the written notice.

8. ADDITIONS AND AMENDMENTS TO THE RFP

- 8.1 The DBSA reserves the right to change any information in, or to issue any addendum to this RFP before the Closing Time. The DBSA and its officers, employees and advisors will not be liable in connection with either the exercise of, or failure to exercise this right.
- 8.2 If the DBSA exercises its right to change information in terms of clause 8.1, it may seek amended Tenders from all Bidders.

9. REPRESENTATIONS

No representations made by or on behalf of the DBSA in relation to this RFP will be binding on the DBSA unless that representation is expressly incorporated into the contract ultimately entered between the DBSA and the successful Bidder.

10. CONFIDENTIALITY

- 10.1 All persons (including all Bidders) obtaining or receiving this RFP and any other information in connection with this RFP or the Tendering Process must keep the contents of the RFP and other such information confidential, and not disclose or use the information except as required for the purpose of developing a proposal in response to this RFP.

11. REQUESTS FOR CLARIFICATION OR FURTHER INFORMATION

- 11.1 All communications relating to this RFP and the Tendering Process must be directed to the Tender Officer.
- 11.2 All questions or requests for further information or clarification of this RFP or any other document issued in connection with the Tendering Process must be submitted to the Tender Officer in writing, and most preferably by e-mail to vusiscm@dbsa.org
- 11.3 Any communication by a Bidder to the DBSA will be effective upon receipt by the Tender Officer (provided such communication is in the required format).
- 11.4 The DBSA has restricted the period during which it will accept questions or requests for further information or clarification and reserves the right not to respond to any enquiry or request, irrespective of when such enquiry or request is received.
- 11.5 Except where the DBSA is of the opinion that issues raised apply only to an individual Bidder, questions submitted and answers provided will be made available to all Bidders by e-mail, as well as on the DBSA's website without identifying the person or organisation which submitted the question.
- 11.6 In all other instances, the DBSA may directly provide any written notification or response to a Bidder by email to the address of the Bidder (as notified by the Bidder to the Tender Manager).
- 11.7 A Bidder may, by notifying the Tender Officer in writing, withdraw a question submitted in accordance with clause 12, in circumstances where the Bidder does not wish the DBSA to publish its response to the question to all Bidders.

12. UNAUTHORISED COMMUNICATIONS

- 12.1 Communications (including promotional or advertising activities) with staff of the DBSA or their advisors assisting with the Tendering Process are not permitted during the Tendering Process, or otherwise with the prior consent of the Tender Officer. Nothing in this clause 12 is intended to prevent communications with staff of, or advisors to, the DBSA to the extent that such communications do not relate to this RFP or the Tendering Process.
- 12.2 Bidders must not otherwise engage in any activities that may be perceived as, or that may have the effect of, influencing the outcomes of the Tendering Process in any way.

13. IMPROPER ASSISTANCE, FRAUD AND CORRUPTION

- 13.1 Bidders may not seek or obtain the assistance of employees of the DBSA in the preparation of their tender responses.
- 13.2 The DBSA may in its absolute discretion, immediately disqualify a Bidder that it believes has sought or obtained such improper assistance.

13.3 Bidders are to be familiar with the implications of contravening the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act, 2004 and any other relevant legislation.

14. ANTI-COMPETITIVE CONDUCT

14.1 Bidders and their respective officers, employees, agents and advisors must not engage in any collusion, anti-competitive conduct or any other similar conduct in respect of this Tendering Process with any other Bidder or any other person(s) in relation to:

- 14.1.1 the preparation or lodgement of their Bid
- 14.1.2 the evaluation and clarification of their Bid; and
- 14.1.3 the conduct of negotiations with the DBSA.

14.2 For the purposes of this clause 14, collusion, anti-competitive conduct or any other similar conduct may include disclosure, exchange and clarification of information whether or not such information is confidential to the DBSA or any other Bidder or any other person or organisation.

14.3 In addition to any other remedies available to it under law or contract, the DBSA may, in its absolute discretion, immediately disqualify a Bidder that it believes has engaged in any collusive, anti-competitive conduct or any other similar conduct during or before the Tendering Process.

15. COMPLAINTS ABOUT THE TENDERING PROCESS

15.1 Any complaint about the RFP or the Tendering Process must be submitted to the Supply Chain Management Unit in writing, by email, immediately upon the cause of the complaint arising or becoming known to the Bidder, (tenders@dbsa.org)

15.2 The written complaint must set out:

- 15.2.1 the basis for the complaint, specifying the issues involved;
- 15.2.2 how the subject of the complaint affects the organisation or person making the complaint;
- 15.2.3 any relevant background information; and
- 15.2.4 the outcome desired by the person or organisation making the complaint.

15.3 If the matter relates to the conduct of an employee of the DBSA, the complaint should be addressed in writing marked for the attention of the Chief Executive Officer of the DBSA, and delivered to the physical address of the DBSA, as notified.

16. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

- 16.1 A Bidder must not, and must ensure that its officers, employees, agents and advisors do not place themselves in a position that may give rise to actual, potential or perceived conflict of interest between the interests of the DBSA and the Bidder's interests during the Tender Process.
- 16.2 The Bidder is required to provide details of any interests, relationships or clients which may or do give rise to a conflict of interest in relation to the supply of the services under any contract that may result from this RFP. If the Bidder submits its Bid and a subsequent conflict of interest arises, or is likely to arise, which was not disclosed in the Bid, the Bidder must notify the DBSA immediately in writing of that conflict.
- 16.3 The DBSA may immediately disqualify a Bidder from the Tendering Process if the Bidder fails to notify the DBSA of the conflict as required.

17. LATE BIDS

- 17.1 Bids must be delivered by the Closing Time. The Closing Time may be extended by the DBSA in its absolute discretion by providing written notice to Bidders.
- 17.2 Bids delivered after the Closing Time or lodged at a location or in a manner that is contrary to that specified in this RFP will be disqualified from the Tendering Process and will be ineligible for consideration. However, a late Bid may be accepted where the Bidder can clearly demonstrate (to the satisfaction of the DBSA, in its sole discretion) that late lodgement of the Bid was caused by the DBSA; that access was denied or hindered in relation to the physical tender box; or that a major/critical incident hindered the delivery of the Bid and, in all cases, that the integrity of the Tendering Process will not be compromised by accepting a Bid after the Closing Time.
- 17.3 The determination of the DBSA as to the actual time that a Bid is lodged is final. Subject to clause 17.2, all Bids lodged after the Closing Time will be recorded by the DBSA and will only be opened for the purposes of identifying a business name and address of the Bidder. The DBSA will inform a Bidder whose Bid was lodged after the Closing Time of its ineligibility for consideration. The general operating practice is for the late Bid to be returned within 5 (five) working days of receipt or within 5 (five) working days after determination not to accept a late Bid.

18. BIDDER'S RESPONSIBILITIES

- 18.1 Bidders are responsible for:
 - 18.1.1 examining this RFP and any documents referenced or attached to this RFP and any other information made or to be made available by the DBSA to Bidders in connection with this RFP;
 - 18.1.2 fully informing themselves in relation to all matters arising from this RFP, including all matters regarding the DBSA's requirements for the provision of the Services;
 - 18.1.3 ensuring that their Bids are accurate and complete;

- 18.1.4 making their own enquiries and assessing all risks regarding this RFP, and fully considering and incorporating the impact of any known and unknown risks into their Bid;
 - 18.1.5 ensuring that they comply with all applicable laws in regard to the Tendering Process particularly as specified by National Treasury Regulations, Guidelines, Instruction Notes and Practice Notes and other relevant legislation as published from time to time in the Government Gazette; and
 - 18.1.6 submitting all Compulsory Documents.
- 18.2 South African bidders with annual total revenue of ZAR10 million or less qualify as Exempted Micro Enterprises (EMEs) in terms of the B-BBEE Act must submit a certificate issued by a registered, independent auditor (who or which is not the Bidder or a part of the Bidder) or an accredited verification agency.
- 18.3 South African bidders other than EMEs must submit their original and valid B-BBEE status level verification certificate or a certified copy, or a sworn affidavit thereof, substantiating their B-BBEE status. The submission of such certificates must comply with the requirements of instructions and guidelines issued by National Treasury and be in accordance with the applicable notices published by the Department of Trade and Industry in the Government Gazette.
- 18.4 The DBSA reserves the right to require of a Bidder, either before a Bid is adjudicated or at any time subsequently, to substantiate any claim in regard to preferences, in any manner required by the DBSA.
- 18.5 Failure to provide the required information may result in disqualification of the Bidder.

19. PREPARATION OF BIDS

- 19.1 Bidders must ensure that:
- 19.1.1 their Bid is submitted in the required format as stipulated in this RFP; and
 - 19.1.2 all the required information fields in the Bid are completed in full and contain the information requested by the DBSA.
- 19.2 The DBSA may in its absolute discretion reject a Bid that does not include the information requested or is not in the format required.
- 19.3 Unnecessarily elaborate responses or other representations beyond that which is sufficient to present a complete and effective tender proposal are not desired or required. Elaborate and expensive visual and other presentation aids are not necessary.
- 19.4 Where the Bidder is unwilling to accept a specified condition, the non-acceptance must be clearly and expressly stated. Prominence must be given to the statement detailing the non-acceptance. It is not sufficient that the statement appears only as part of an attachment to the Bid or be included in a general statement of the Bidders usual operating conditions.
- 19.5 An incomplete Bid may be disqualified or assessed solely on the information completed or received with the Bid.

20. ILLEGIBLE CONTENT, ALTERATION AND ERASURES

- 20.1 Incomplete Bids may be disqualified or evaluated solely on information contained in the Bid.
- 20.2 The DBSA may disregard any content in a Tender that is illegible and will be under no obligation whatsoever to seek clarification from the Bidder.
- 20.3 The DBSA may permit a Bidder to correct an unintentional error in its Bid where that error becomes known or apparent after the Closing Time, but in no event will any correction be permitted if the DBSA reasonably considers that the correction would materially alter the substance of the Bid or effect the fairness of the Tendering Process.

21. OBLIGATION TO NOTIFY ERRORS

If, after a Bidder's Response has been submitted, the Bidder becomes aware of an error in the Bidders Response (including an error in pricing but excluding clerical errors which would have no bearing on the evaluation of the Bid), the Bidder must promptly notify the DBSA of such error.

22. RESPONSIBILITY FOR BIDDING COSTS

- 22.1 The Bidders participation or involvement in any stage of the Tendering Process is at the Bidders sole risk, cost and expense. The DBSA will not be held responsible for, or pay for, any expense or loss that may be incurred by Bidders in relation to the preparation or lodgement of their Bid.
- 22.2 The DBSA is not liable to the Bidder for any costs on the basis of any contractual, promissory or restitutionary grounds whatsoever as a consequence of any matter relating to the Bidders participation in the Tendering Process, including without limitation, instances where:
 - 22.2.1 the Bidder is not engaged to perform under any contract; or
 - 22.2.2 the DBSA exercises any right under this RFP or at law.

23. DISCLOSURE OF BID CONTENTS AND BID INFORMATION

- 23.1 All Bids received by the DBSA will be treated as confidential. The DBSA will not disclose contents of any Bid and Bid information, except:
 - 23.1.1 as required by law;
 - 23.1.2 for the purpose of investigations by other government authorities having relevant jurisdiction;

23.1.3 to external consultants and advisors of the DBSA engaged to assist with the Tendering Process; or for the general information of Bidders required to be disclosed as per National Treasury Regulations, Guidelines, Instruction Notes or Practice Notes.

24. USE OF BIDS

24.1 Upon submission in accordance with the requirements relating to the submission of Bids, all Bids submitted become the property of the DBSA. Bidders will retain all ownership rights in any intellectual property contained in the Bids.

24.2 Each Bidder, by submission of their Bid, is deemed to have licensed the DBSA to reproduce the whole, or any portion, of their Bid for the sole purposes of enabling the DBSA to evaluate the Bid.

25. BID ACCEPTANCE

All Bids received must remain open for acceptance for a minimum period of 90 (Ninety) days from the Closing Time. This period may be extended by written mutual agreement between the DBSA and the Bidder.

26. EVALUATION PROCESS

26.1 The Bids will be evaluated and adjudicated as follows:

26.1.1 First Stage – Test for administrative Responsiveness

The test for administrative responsiveness will include the following:

Stage 1: Responsiveness

The Tenderer should be able to provide all the relevant information required in the Supplier Information Form (SIF) which will include but not limited to;

A. Tenderers who do not adhere to those criteria listed a PRE-QUALIFIER, will be disqualified immediately.

Responsiveness Criteria		Prequalifying Criteria	Applicable to this Tender (Y/N)
1	Adherence to submitting Tender as a two-folder tender. Folder 1: Functionality and returnable submission separate from Folder 2: Pricing proposal submission	Pre-Qualifier	Y
2	Attendance of the compulsory briefing session	Pre-Qualifier	Y

B. Tenderers who do not adhere to the indicated response time for clarifications requested by the Employer will be deemed to be non-responsive and their submissions will not be evaluated further.

Responsiveness Criteria		Clarification Time	Applicable to this Tender (Y/N)
1	Standard conditions of tender as required.	48 hours	Y
2	Returnable documents completed and signed.	48 hours	Y
3	Submission of Registration with National Treasury Central Supplier Database (CSD) Summary Report: - Bidder must be registered to do business with the DBSA	48 hours	Y
4	A Tax Pin issued by SARS.	48 hours	Y

Only those Bidders which satisfy all the Pre-Qualifying Criteria of the First Stage will be eligible to participate in the Tendering Process further. Bids which do not satisfy all the Pre-Qualifying Criteria of the First Stage will not be evaluated further.

26.1.2 Second Stage – Functional evaluation criteria

26.1.1 Only those Bidders that meet the minimum threshold of **70%** for functional evaluation criteria during the Second Stage will be evaluated further. Bidders are required to submit supporting documentation evidencing their compliance with each requirement, where applicable.

Bidders will be assessed on the functional evaluation criteria (Second Stage) as set out in this RFP. Only those Bidders that meet the minimum threshold of **70%** for functional evaluation criteria will proceed to the Third Stage.

26.1.2 Third Stage – price

26.1.2.1 Those Bidders which have passed the First Stage (Responsiveness Test) and Second Stage (Functional Evaluation) of the tender process will be eligible to be evaluated on the Third Stage, based on price, in accordance with the PPPFA regulations.

26.1.2.2 The recommended preferred Bidder will be the Bidder with the lowest overall price in the Third Stage of the Bid evaluation, unless the DBSA exercises its right to cancel the RFP, in line with the PPPFA Regulations.

26.2 NB: Bidders are required to submit, as Annexure J to their Bids, any documentation which supports the responses provided in respect of the Eligibility Criteria below

26.3 First Stage: Pre-Qualifying Criteria

Only those Bidders which satisfy all the Pre-Qualifying Criteria will be eligible to participate in the Tendering Process further. Bids which do not satisfy all the Pre-Qualifying Criteria will not be evaluated further. Please refer to the table above

Note: A tender that fails to meet any Pre-Qualifying Criteria stipulated herein in the tender documents is an unacceptable tender. Please refer to the table above

26.4 Second Stage: Functional Evaluation Criteria

Minimum score of **70 out of 100** in each of the evaluation criteria as well as overall is required to progress to next stage.

The proposed functionality evaluation criteria for the Technical Transaction Advisor to deliver on the scope of work are as follows:

Eligibility Criteria	Evidence to be provided	WEIGHTING/SCORE
<p>1. Team Capacity and experience</p> <p>The proposed Team Leader(s) and key team members must demonstrate proven experience in providing technical advisory services on Thermal Power Plants (gas-fired power generation projects, Coal fired, geothermal, nuclear etc with a unit capacity of at least 50 MW that have reached Commercial Operation</p>	<p>Bidder to submit Team Leader (TL) CV, copy of qualification (minimum: Postgraduate degree in Engineering and proof of professional registration with the Engineering Council of South Africa (ECSA) or any other equivalent International statutory body equivalent to ECSA which is recognised by ECSA). The team leader must have a minimum of 7 years of experience in developing (planning, design, construction and commissioning) Gas Power plant projects.</p>	<p>Total Score 40% (20% for TL and 20% for TM)</p> <p>a) Team Leader (maximum 20%)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7 to 10 years experience = 10% • 10 to 15 years = 15% • above 15 years = 20%

	<p>Bidder to submit at least three Team Members' (TM) CVs, composed of one Electrical, one Chemical and one Mechanical as core disciplines, copy of qualification and Engineering Degree or a BTech. The Team Members must have a minimum of 3 years experience in thermal power generation (Design or Construction and commissioning or maintenance and operating)</p> <p>NB the total score will be calculated as the average of the three core team members and failure to submit three CV and qualifications of one core team member will results in score of 0</p> <p>The CVs of both TL and TMs must provide the detailed description of the project that the team was involved in (including capacity) and specify the key roles and responsibilities and activities undertaken with the start and end dates.</p>	<p>b) Team members (Maximum 20%)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 to 5 years = 10% • 5 to 10 years =15% • Above 10 years = 20%
<p>2. Technical advisory experience</p> <p>Demonstrate proven experience as technical advisor mainly in developing the RFP and evaluation of technical proposals in Energy Sector</p>	<p>Bidder must submit reference letters which demonstrate that it has a team track record of a minimum of RFP development and evaluation of Technical Proposals. These projects must have reached commercial operation before end of December 2025 .</p> <p>A reference letter/s submitted must</p>	<p>40%</p> <p>RFP development</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Less than 3 reference letters = 0% • 3 reference letters 10% • 4 reference letters = 15% • 5 or more reference letters = 20%

<p>and the projects must have a minimum combined capacity of 50MW.</p>	<p>include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project description • Be on client letterhead • Start and end date of the project • Client contact details <p>The score for this is divided into RFP development and evaluation of technical proposal but the final score will be the sum of the two scores</p>	<p>Evaluation of Technical Proposal</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Less than 3 reference letters = 0% •3 reference letters = 10% •4 reference letters = 15% •5 or more reference letters = 20%
<p>3. Methodology</p> <p>The bidder must provide a method statement showing the understanding of the project and the Plan for the successful review of the project proposal</p>	<p>The bidder/s must provide a detailed method statement detailing:</p> <p>1. Project Plan that is explicitly structured around the core work streams of this assignment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Analysis of current proposal • PPA Comparative analysis • Drafting of agreement and schedules • Stakeholder Engagement & Analysis • Value for Money Framework Development & Application • Final Recommendation and Reporting • Commercial and Financial Close <p>The project plan must include clear milestones, deliverables, resource mapping and critical decision points, showing a logical progression from data analysis to final advice.</p>	<p>20%</p> <p>No method statement = 0%</p> <p>Acceptable method statement that covers, at minimum the plan technical requirements, = 10%</p> <p>Satisfactory method statement with limited details on the project plan and project lifecycle and the technical requirements = 15%</p> <p>Detailed method statement that shows the detailed plan (milestones, resource mapping and stakeholders Engagement) and project lifecycle. Indicate clear understanding of due diligence to be undertaken = 20%</p>

	<p>2. A clear understanding of the Project Life Cycle Model and the technical requirements to be addressed in terms of requirements at planning, design, construction, testing and Commissioning for this gas conversion project</p> <p>3. Technical Due Diligence on Gas Technology and Engineering Assessment on the gas conversion. This must cover the key elements that will be considered in assessment of this proposal and explain the options.</p> <p>Bidders will be evaluated on understanding the scope of work and Technical Due Diligence. The bidders must provide details of the assessment they will consider for evaluating the condition and remaining useful life of the existing plant, including the review of historical operational and performance data, identification of retrofit constraints, and management of technical interface risks.</p> <p>The proposal will be evaluated both on its individual merits and against other proposals received (equal consideration will be given to both); therefore, it is advised that the bidder provides exhaustive details within their submission.</p>	
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Only proposals that meet the threshold of 70% will proceed to the next stage, which is the evaluation on a price and preference point basis

26.5 Third Stage: Price

26.5.1 The Third Stage of evaluation of the Bids will be in respect of price and preference.

27. Risk Analysis and Objective Criteria

(This must only be included in the tender document if it is applicable, ensure that the list is specific as to what your objective criteria are)

The DBSA reserves the right to award the tender to the tenderer who scores the highest number of points overall in line with Section (2) (1) (f) of the PPPFA, unless there are objective criteria which will justify the award of the tender to another tenderer.

The objective criteria that the DBSA may apply in this bid process includes:

- I. Any bidder that has a cumulative order book totalling 5 Awards with outstanding value, may be excluded from further evaluation.
- II. Where a bidder has 5 active Awards with an outstanding value and the outstanding value is 10% or less, indicating the project is nearing completion, the bidder may be included for further evaluation and/or recommendation for award.
- III. Where a bidder has 5 active Awards with an outstanding value and at least one of the projects has stalled for a period of 6 months or more, or the client has placed the project on hold indefinitely, the bidder may be included for further evaluation and/or recommendation for award.
- IV. The DBSA has the discretion to apply an objective criterion.

28. Due Diligence

DBSA shall perform a due diligence exercise on the preferred bidder to determine its risk profile. The due diligence exercise may take the following factors into account inter alia.

a. Judgements and criminal convictions

DBSA may consider previous civil judgements against the preferred bidder as part of its risk assessment. DBSA may also consider whether the preferred bidder or any of its directors have been convicted of a serious offence.

b. Pending litigation/liquidation/business rescue (distinct from Working Capital)

DBSA may consider any pending litigation in a court of law or administrative tribunal as part of its risk assessment.

c. Performance

DBSA will not consider the Service provider having a history of poor performance on any task orders/purchase orders or contracts, including poor performance in respect of compliance with policies or procedures regarding safety, health, quality control or environment, or having committed a serious and gross breach of contract.

d. Reputational harm

If DBSA is likely to suffer substantial reputational harm because of doing business with the preferred service provider, it may take this into account as part of its risk assessment.

e. Restricted/Blacklisted

Is not under restrictions, or has principals who are under restrictions, preventing participating in the employer's procurement.

f. Vetting

The DBSA reserves the right to conduct vetting on the tenderer or any of its directors.

g. PEP Checks for both Companies and Individual directors, as well as Procure Check and or any other systems that the DBSA may choose to utilize (which may be conducted by an authorized third party) that would be done to assess all risks, including but not limited to

- a. Financial stability of the bidder based on key ratio analysis ;
- b. Efficiency ;
- c. Profitability ;
- d. Financial Risk;
- e. Liquidity ;
- f. Acid Test ;
- g. Solvency; and
- h. Commercial relationship with a politically exposed and brand risk

- i. The DBSA reserves the right to award the scope in full or part thereof, subject to budget availability.
- ii. The DBSA reserves the right to negotiate to ensure the value for money principle is not compromised.

29. Generally, suppliers have their own business standards and regulations. Although DBSA cannot control the actions of our suppliers, we will not tolerate any Illegal activities. These include, but are not limited to:

- Misrepresentation of any kind (e.g. origin of manufacture, specifications, intellectual property rights, etc.);
- Collusion;
- Failure to disclose accurate information required during the sourcing activity (ownership, financial situation, BBBEE status, etc.);
- Corrupt activities listed above; and
- Harassment, intimidation or other aggressive actions towards DBSA's employees.

30. STATUS OF BID

30.1 Each Bid constitutes an irrevocable offer by the Bidder to the DBSA to provide the Services required and otherwise to satisfy the requirements of the Specification as set out in this RFP.

30.2 A Bid must not be conditional on:

30.2.1 the Board approval of the Bidder or any related governing body of the Bidder being obtained.

30.2.2 the Bidder conducting due diligence or any other form of enquiry or investigation.

30.2.3 the Bidder (or any other party) obtaining any regulatory approval or consent.

30.2.4 the Bidder obtaining the consent or approval of any third party; or

30.2.5 the Bidder stating that it wishes to discuss or negotiate any commercial terms of the contract.

30.3 The DBSA may, in its absolute discretion, disregard any Bid that is, or is stated to be, subject to any one or more of the conditions detailed above (or any other relevant conditions).

30.4 The DBSA reserves the right to accept a Bid in part or in whole or to negotiate with a Bidder in accordance with the provisions of this RFP and the applicable laws and regulations.

31. CLARIFICATION OF BIDS

- 31.1 The DBSA may seek clarification from and enter into discussions with any or all of the Bidders in relation to their Bid. The DBSA may use the information obtained when clarification is sought or discussions are held in interpreting the Bid and evaluating the cost and risk of accepting the Bid. Failure to supply clarification to the satisfaction of the DBSA may render the Bid liable to disqualification.
- 31.2 The DBSA is under no obligation to seek clarification of anything in a Bid and reserves the right to disregard any clarification that the DBSA considers to be unsolicited or otherwise impermissible or irrelevant in accordance with the rules set out in this RFP.

32. DISCUSSION WITH BIDDERS

- 32.1 The DBSA may elect to engage in detailed discussions with any one or more Bidder(s), with a view to maximising the benefits of this RFP as measured against the evaluation criteria and in fully understanding a Bidder's offer.
- 32.2 Where applicable, the DBSA will invite Bidders to give a presentation to the DBSA in relation to their submissions.
- 32.3 The DBSA is under no obligation to undertake discussions with, and Bidders.
- 32.4 In addition to presentations and discussions, the DBSA may request some or all Bidders to:
 - 32.4.1 conduct a site visit, if applicable.
 - 32.4.2 provide references or additional information; and/or
 - 32.4.3 make themselves available for panel interviews.

33. SUCCESSFUL BIDS

- 33.1 Selection as a successful Bidder does not give rise to a contract (express or implied) between the successful Bidder and the DBSA for the supply of the Services. No legal relationship will exist between the DBSA and a successful Bidder for the supply of the Services until such time as a binding contract is executed by them.
- 33.2 The DBSA may, in its absolute discretion, decide not to enter into pre-contractual negotiations with a successful Bidder.
- 33.3 A Bidder is bound by its Bid and all other documents forming part of the Bidder's Response and, if selected as a successful Bidder, must enter into a contract on the basis of the Bid with or without further negotiation.

34. NO OBLIGATION TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT

- 34.1 The DBSA is under no obligation to appoint a successful Bidder or Bidders (as the case may be), or to enter into a contract with a successful Bidder or any other person, if it is unable to identify a Bid that complies in all relevant respects with the requirements of the DBSA, or if due to changed circumstances, there is no longer a need for the Services requested, or if funds are no longer available to cover the total envisaged expenditure.

For the avoidance of any doubt, in these circumstances the DBSA will be free to proceed via any alternative process.

34.2 The DBSA may conduct a debriefing session for all Bidders (successful and unsuccessful). Attendance at such debriefing session is optional.

35. BIDDER WARRANTIES

35.1 By submitting a Bid, a Bidder warrants that:

- 35.1.1 it did not rely on any express or implied statement, warranty or representation, whether oral, written, or otherwise made by or on behalf of the DBSA, its officers, employees, or advisers other than any statement, warranty or representation expressly contained in the RFP;
- 35.1.2 it did not use the improper assistance of DBSA's employees or information unlawfully obtained from them in compiling its Bid;
- 35.1.3 it is responsible for all costs and expenses related to the preparation and lodgement of its Bid, any subsequent negotiation, and any future process connected with or relating to the Tendering Process;
- 35.1.4 it accepts and will comply with the terms set out in this RFP; and
- 35.1.5 it will provide additional information in a timely manner as requested by the DBSA to clarify any matters contained in the Bid.

36. DBSA'S RIGHTS

36.1 Notwithstanding anything else in this RFP, and without limiting its rights at law or otherwise, the DBSA reserves the right, in its absolute discretion at any time, to:

- 36.1.1 cease to proceed with or suspend the Tendering Process prior to the execution of a formal written contract.
- 36.1.2 alter the structure and/or the timing of this RFP or the Tendering Process;
- 36.1.3 vary or extend any time or date specified in this RFP
- 36.1.4 terminate the participation of any Bidder or any other person in the Tendering Process.
- 36.1.5 require additional information or clarification from any Bidder or any other person;
- 36.1.6 provide additional information or clarification.
- 36.1.7 negotiate with any one or more Bidder;
- 36.1.8 call for new Bid.
- 36.1.9 reject any Bid received after the Closing Time; or
- 36.1.10 reject any Bid that does not comply with the requirements of this RFP.

37. GOVERNING LAWS

37.1 This RFP and the Tendering Process are governed by the laws of the Republic of South Africa.

37.2 Each Bidder must comply with all relevant laws in preparing and lodging its Bid and in taking part in the Tendering Process.

37.3 All Bids must be completed using the English language and all costing must be in South African Rand (ZAR).

TERMS OF REFERENCE (TOR)

Procurement of Technical Transaction Advisor to support the “Independent Power Producers’ Office” (IPP Office) for the assessment of a proposed conversion of the Peaker power plant facilities from diesel to gas and the extension of the term of the power purchase agreements.

1. INTRODUCTION

The IPP Office is mandated to undertake the procurement of energy on behalf of the Department of Electricity and Energy (DEE). As such, it is the IPPO's responsibility to prepare procurement documentation and run the procurement processes to ultimately to evaluate proposals and select and appoint successful bidders. These bidders (Independent Power Producers [IPPs]) are responsible for constructing, operating, and maintaining power plants providing much-needed power to the South African grid.

This Terms of Reference are for the appointment of the Technical Transaction Advisors for assessment of the proposal to convert the Avon and Dedisa Peaker Power Plant Facilities from diesel-fired to natural gas-fired and to evaluate the associated extension of the existing PPA term.

2. BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

- 2.1 The IPP Peaking Power Programme was initiated by the then Department of Minerals Resources and Energy, now the Department of Electricity and Energy (the Department), pursuant to a Ministerial Determination issued in terms of section 34 of the Electricity Regulation Act, 2006 (Act No. 4 of 2006), as amended, in consultation with the National Energy Regulator of South Africa (NERSA). The Determination provided for the procurement of new peaking generation capacity to ensure a continued and uninterrupted electricity supply to the national grid.
- 2.2 Following the procurement process, two projects, namely Avon Peaking Power (RF) (Pty) Ltd and Dedisa Peaking Power (RF) (Pty) Ltd (collectively, the Sellers), were appointed as Preferred Bidders under the IPP Peaking Power Generation Project. The projects comprise two open-cycle diesel-fired gas turbine peaking power plants with a combined contracted capacity of 1,005 MW.
- 2.3 On 03 June 2013, the Sellers concluded, inter alia, fifteen (15) year Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs) with Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd, now the National Transmission Company South Africa (NTCSA), as Buyer, as well as Implementation Agreements (IAs) with the Department. Dedisa Peaking Power achieved Commercial Operation in 2015 with a PPA end date of 2030, while Avon Peaking Power achieved Commercial Operation in 2016 with a PPA end date of 2031.
- 2.4 The PPAs and IAs expressly contemplate the potential conversion of the facilities to operate using an alternative fuel source, including natural gas, subject to consultation with relevant authorities and agreement between the parties. In particular, clause 18.22 of the PPAs and clause 6.1.10(c) of Schedule C to the IAs provide a contractual basis for the consideration of future fuel conversion and associated amendments to the project agreements.

- 2.5 The proposed conversion is aligned with the Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) 2025. The IRP 2025 identifies gas-to-power as a transitional and balancing energy source that will enhance system flexibility and support renewable energy integration. It commits an initial 6 000 MW (6 GW) of gas-to-power capacity to be developed by 2030 and a total allocation of approximately 15 250 MW of new gas-to-power capacity over the plan horizon to 2042. Furthermore, the IRP 2025 highlights that there is a need to consider converting the existing diesel-powered peaking plants to natural gas as primary energy. Additionally, the IRP states that the plans for converting these peaking plants should be progressed to the execution stage.
- 2.6 The IPP Office has been mandated by the Department to engage with the Sellers and NTCSA on the proposed conversion and associated PPA extension. Given the legal, technical and financial and procurement complexities associated with the proposed amendments to the existing project agreements, as well as the potential implications under the Electricity Regulation Act, the Public Finance Management Act, 1999, and section 217 of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, it is necessary for the IPP Office to appoint independent Technical Transaction Advisors to support these engagements and negotiations.
- 2.7 The purpose of these Terms of Reference is to appoint an experienced and independent Technical Transaction Advisor to provide technical advisory support to the IPP Office in relation to the proposed conversion of the Avon and Dedisa peaking power plants from diesel-fired to natural gas-fired, and the contemplated extension of the term of the existing Power Purchase Agreements.
- 2.8 The Technical Transaction Advisor will assist the IPP Office in assessing and advising on the technical requirements associated with contractual, regulatory, and procurement implications of the proposed conversion and PPA extension including the review/evaluation of the technical proposals.
- 2.9 The Technical Transaction Advisor will further support the IPP Office during engagements and negotiations with the Sellers, NTCSA, the Department, NERSA, National Treasury (where required), and other relevant stakeholders, with a view to ensuring that the proposed conversion and contract amendments are technically sound and aligned with government policy and value for money principles.

3. SCOPE OF WORK

The Technical Transaction Advisors appointed for the assessment of the Peakers proposed conversion from diesel-fired to natural gas-fired and for the evaluation of the associated extension of the term of the PPAs, will be responsible for providing Technical advisory services to the IPP Office.

The Advisor's deliverables will include, but will not be limited to, those set out below. It should be noted that the list is non-exhaustive, and the fee proposal must cover all tasks required to complete the assignment, without exclusions, limitations or assumptions relating to the scope of work.

To cover all workstreams associated with the proposal, the Department will appoint a team of independent multi-disciplinary Advisors comprising:

- Financial Advisors
- Legal Advisers
- Technical Advisors
- Economic Development Advisors (if required)

In performing the duties associated with each element of the scope of work, Technical Advisors will be required to work collaboratively with the above-mentioned advisors to ensure a coordinated and integrated assessment.

3.1 UNDERTAKE EVALUATION OF THE PROPOSAL FROM THE SELLERS

The Technical Transaction Advisor will be required to undertake a comprehensive evaluation and assessment of the technical proposal to ensure it is technically sound, compliant and complete.

This shall include, but not be limited to:

- Reviewing the proposal against the existing technical and contractual framework, including the PPAs, IAs, IRP and all associated project documentation.
- Assessing the technical feasibility of the proposed conversion contemplated under the existing agreements as well as the impact on the proposed extension of the contractual term.
- Identifying any actual and potential risks, opportunities and dependencies associated with the conversion and extension of the contractual term.
- Identifying any technical and related shortcomings with respect to the technical proposal submitted by the Sellers.
- Review the current operational parameters of the two plants from a technical perspective under the existing regime to understand the baseline

- Assess the concession proposal against baseline and quantify the extent of the required modifications
- Engagement with the stakeholders such as the Department, Sellers, NTCSA, NERSA, National Treasury and other key stakeholders. Provide input to historical operational and technical data used in the financial model, including actual dispatch and fuel usage.
- Prepare a report summarising key findings, gaps, and recommendations for additional information or further engagements necessary to improve the robustness of the proposal. Within the report, the advisor should highlight any shortcomings and inconsistencies contained in the current proposal.
- The assessment will include the appropriateness of the following:
 - Dispatch regime (load factor consideration) and production forecast
 - Design life of the Facility
 - Remnant Life
 - Impact of the Conversion on the Capacity of the Facility
 - Construction duration including dependencies
 - Gas volumes and availability of the gas
 - Heat rate
 - Plant configuration in line with the dispatch regime and ancillary services requirements
 - Scope and cost of the technical modification including fuel supply, storage and feeding system
 - Benchmark of OCGT or CCGT conversion to assess technical integrity.
 - Emissions impact (CO₂ etc.) of the proposed technology changes
 - Recommendation for the life extension modification or upgrades
 - The other related technical requirements such as technology selection, design, construction and commissioning requirements.

The Technical Transaction Advisor will be required to advise the IPPO on any potential technical limitations and opportunities associated with the conversion and extension in a manner that is technically feasible.

3.2 DRAFTING THE AMENDMENTS TO THE PROJECT AGREEMENTS

The appointed Technical Transaction Advisor will be required to review and advise on the technical requirements of the agreements and the associated schedules arising from the conversion of the facilities from diesel to gas and the extension of the term of the Power Purchase Agreements. This will include, amongst others:

- Reviewing the existing Project Agreements and the associated schedules to assess the technical implications of the proposed conversion and extension.
- There is a range of technical schedules, such as:
 - Testing
 - Planning and dispatch procedures
 - Outages
 - Operating parameters etc.
 - Facilities details
 - Reporting
- Advising on the scope and feasibility of the modification and the impact or the updates required to implement the proposed conversion.
- collaborate with other TAs in Drafting, reviewing, and finalising amendments to the Project Agreements.

3.3 COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS OF THE TECHNICAL PROVISIONS IN THE PEAKERS' PPA WITH THE GAS IPP PROGRAMME PPA

- Prepare a report comparing the Technical contractual provisions within the current Peakers' PPA to those of the Gas IPP Programme. The PPA for Gas IPP programme will be provided. As part of this assessment, the advisor will be required to:
 - Conduct a clause-by-clause comparative analysis of the Technical provisions in the current PPA against those contained in the Gas IPP Programme PPA. The analysis must identify key differences, quantify their Technical impact, assess risk allocation implications, and highlight the provisions that may be required to be adopted to support a Technically robust conversion PPA.
 - Compare the technical assumptions for tariff and payment mechanism contained in both PPAs: This should include at the minimum, the technical assumptions for Capacity Payment, Energy Payment, Ancillary Services and Variable O&M components.
 - Review and compare the performance indicators and the technical aspects of the incentive and penalty regime. The advisor will be required to compare the mechanisms for managing performance risk and determine which regime provides a more balanced incentive for reliable performance for the plant.
- Following engagements with key stakeholders (DEE, NERSA, National Treasury, NTCSA, etc.), the report must highlight any clauses in the current PPA that are no longer fit-for-purpose, such as:

- Outdated fuel type references
- The dispatch regime and production forecast
- Operational or risk allocations provisions misaligned with current policy or industry practices.
- Operational parameters and facilities details

The Advisor must provide recommendations on which elements of the Gas IPP Programme PPA may need to be incorporated or adopted to support the Gas Conversion PPA.

3.4 STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENTS

The Technical Advisor must develop and implement a Stakeholder Engagement Plan that identifies, prioritises, and coordinates engagement with all relevant stakeholders required to assess the proposed conversion, including but not limited to DEE, NERSA, the Sellers, NTCSA, Coega Development Corporation (CDC), TNPA and National Treasury.

The Advisor will be responsible for conducting structured technical engagements with these stakeholders, capturing their inputs, positions, and concerns, and incorporating the outcomes of these engagements in the overall the feasibility study and the risk assessment, and the Value for Money (VfM) Framework. Following each engagement, the Advisor must prepare a formal summary reflecting the key issues raised and any implications for the analysis.

3.5 VALUE FOR MONEY FRAMEWORK (VFM) FRAMEWORK

Provide technical input in developing a Value for Money (VfM) framework, in collaboration with the Legal and financial TAs.

- The technical inputs to the VfM framework must assist in guiding the assessment of whether the proposed conversion and PPA extension deliver net benefits compared to feasible alternatives. The required technical assumptions will include, but not limited to:
 - The dispatch regime (load factor) and production forecast informed by the system requirements
 - The gas volumes
 - The required modification for the facilities and the other alternative and the project value
 - The project lifecycle costs
 - Primary energy costs.
- The technical input must be informed by a benchmarking exercise against comparable local and international projects (to the extent data exists) to assess the alternatives to inform competitiveness of the costs and rates included in the Seller's proposal.

3.6 CLOSE OUT REPORT AND NEGOTIATION

The Technical Transaction Advisor as part of the team of the TAs shall be required to support the IPP Office through the close-out phase of the assessment, negotiation, approval, and implementation of the proposed conversion of the Avon and Dedisa Peaking Power Plants from diesel to gas and the extension of the term of the Power Purchase Agreements. The scope of work for this phase shall include but not be limited to:

- Prepare a comprehensive close-out report that consolidates all findings arising from the review of the proposal, stakeholder engagements, risk assessment, and other tasks undertaken during this assessment. The report must provide a clear evidence-based summary of the assessment undertaken and present the recommendations for the Department's consideration. The technical report shall include:
 - The feasibility of the proposal
 - The technical gaps and risks and the mitigation measures
 - The recommendation on whether the technical proposal is supported or not
- Subject to a determination by the Department regarding the acceptance of the optimal proposal the advisor will be required to continue, working closely and cooperatively with the appointed Legal and Financial Advisors, to assist the IPPO to conclude negotiations with the Seller on mutually acceptable, appropriate terms and conditions that will assure the successful development of the transaction.
- The advisor will also be required to provide input into presentations and reports to the Departments Bid Adjudication Committee (BAC) on technical evaluation findings and recommendations.
- Provide ongoing support through the project implementation phase, as and when required

3.7 COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL CLOSE

Following the acceptance of the proposal by the Department, the appointed Transaction Advisory Team will be required to prepare for and conclude all activities associated with achieving Financial Close for the two projects, including, but not limited to, the following:

- 3.2.1 Review, analyse and prepare responses to change requests for approval by IPP Office Management.
- 3.2.2 Support the IPP Office and DMRE in any further negotiations pertaining to specific aspects of the agreements.
- 3.2.3 Prepare for and conclude all activities associated with achieving Financial Close including but not limited to:

- 3.2.3.1 Change requests will deal primarily with a change in technology and advice is sought on the impact thereof on the technical parameters, potential impact on the financial viability and related issues such as environmental approvals, permits etc.
- 3.2.3.2 Advise on the latest changes and improvements in the generation technologies and the technical assumptions used in the financial model, etc. to assess the correctness thereof.
- 3.2.3.3 Assess the technical consequences, efficiencies and improvements and the impact thereof on the yield and the business cases.

4. PROCUREMENT REQUIREMENTS

The Development Bank of Southern Africa (DBSA), with this Terms of Reference, is inviting Transaction Advisors from an open tender to provide their resources and pricing in terms of the Scope of Work and the Service Level Agreement (SLA).

Any firm of advisors advising the Department will be allowed to advise the private sector and/or the lenders on the procurement process, provided that the same individuals from firms advising the Department on the Programmes will not be used by such firms when advising private sector and/or the lenders.

In managing potential conflict of interest and in lieu of a potential high number of bid responses, the Transactional Advisors will have to declare and indicate how they will manage potential conflict of interest.

Therefore, a firm participating in this tender should provide the Department with its policy to manage potential conflict of interest that may arise from such firms of advisors that are advising both the Department and the Seller. This policy should include the measures that will be put in place and applied to manage such conflict of interest.

The Advisory Team will have to sign the Declaration of Interest and Confidentiality Undertakings.

5. COMPETENCE AND EXPERTISE REQUIREMENTS OF RESOURCES

To effectively undertake the role the Technical Advisory, the team must possess a combination of international and national Technical expertise, practical experience in the energy infrastructure projects, and the ability to navigate complex project infrastructure agreements. The required competencies and experience are as follows:

- 5.1 Thorough knowledge and understanding of the international and South African energy sector coupled to a thorough understanding of the South African Power System
- 5.2 Proven knowledge and experience in any LNG value chain (Downstream Midstream and Upstream).

- 5.3 Exposure in planning, design development, construction commissioning and operating and a maintenance of the utility scale thermal power plants.
- 5.4 Experience in developing business case for the gas-to-power projects and the understanding of different types of gas turbines and knowledge of the different fuels applicable.
- 5.5 Understanding of the key performance indicators for thermal power plants, and expertise in conducting benchmarking studies.
- 5.6 Applied knowledge of grid code requirements for gas power plants.
- 5.7 Knowledge of the implications of converting existing thermal power plants from one fuel source to another, including capital expenditure (CAPEX) estimation, operational expenditure (OPEX) impacts, and changes in plant performance and efficiency.
- 5.8** Demonstrable experience in advising on thermal power plants or projects
- 5.9 Direct, hands-on experience in involvement in drafting, negotiating, and closing bespoke and standardised PPAs, with a specific understanding of the South African IPP programme PPA structure.

6. KEY DELIVERABLES, TIMELINES AND PAYMENT MILESTONES

The duration of the appointment will therefore be at least 48 months. This is an indicative timeline only; the duration of the services will continue until the full scope of work is completed and Commercial and Financial Close is achieved.

In responding to this TOR, the Transaction Advisors are required to provide a separate or distinct fee proposal for each of the functions specified in the scope of work:

The following guidelines in respect of the **fee proposal** must be noted:

- 6.1 The fee proposal must cover the full scope of work and all assignments required to progress the transaction from the assessment of the initial proposal through to Financial Close. The fee proposal must not contain any exclusions, limitations, or assumptions relating to any activity required to complete the assignment. The pricing element of the bid should be a fixed fee inclusive of VAT and disbursements and should not contain any pricing assumptions containing exclusions either in terms of time or scope.
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- 6.4 The detailed scope should be summarised in the payment milestones referred to under the previous bullet.
- 6.5 In addition to the fixed fee proposal, Service Providers are required to provide hourly charge-out rates for each of the team members to cover additional work which may be required in addition to the scope set out in these Terms of Reference.

- 6.6 In the event that international resources are submitting pricing in foreign currency, please note that for bid submission purposes, all foreign currency pricing must be converted to ZAR, with a clear indication of the exchange rate used.
- 6.7 The exchange rate at the time of the award will be used to determine the award price.
- 6.8 Upon invoicing, the exchange rate applicable on the invoice date for each billing period over the contract term will be used for conversion to ZAR, unless otherwise agreed.
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- 6.10 Any response submitted by a Bidder is subject to negotiation and review by DBSA
- 6.11 Work will commence as soon as the appointment is finalised, and a purchase order is issued. No work is to be undertaken without a duly authorised purchase order issued by the IPP Office.
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- 6.13 The Department and IPPO reserve the right to either cancel or replace a deliverable with another as circumstances require or to move the timelines as may be required.
- 6.14 The Department and IPPO also reserve the right to make an assessment and/or terminate the contract in the case where the Project failure to submit deliverables timeously as per the IPPO working plan, that will be agreed between the IPPO and the Project.
- 6.15 All travel and disbursement costs must be priced separately and shall be reimbursed on a cost basis, subject to the prior written approval of the IPP Office and supported by appropriate documentary evidence. No travel or disbursement costs shall be recoverable unless expressly approved in writing by the IPP Office.
- 6.16 These projects are supervised through the Public Private Partnership (PPP) Framework and Management Act (PPPFM Act), and therefore subject to high levels of scrutiny. In an event wherein evidence points that a contract related to this TOR is/are concluded irregularly, the Department and IPPO reserve the rights to terminate or cancel such agreement(s).

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SUBTOTAL		

7. MINIMUM PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS

All proposals need to clearly state the following information:

- 7.1 Understanding of the scope of work.
- 7.2 Deliverables (covering the full scope, timelines and cost per deliverable).
- 7.3 Details of Team members that will be dedicated to the project, their experience, credentials, level of seniority and level of participation (hours) that will be dedicated to the project.
- 7.4 Confirmation of the capacity and resources necessary to undertake the scope of work indicated in the TOR and availability in terms of the timelines.
- 7.5 Confirmation that the full scope of work is included in the fixed fee per deliverable or milestone.
- 7.6 Availability of the Team members for the anticipated duration of the appointment.
- 7.7 Acknowledgement that the work can be terminated at any milestone and only the fee for task or work done is payable on termination.

8. FUNCTIONALITY EVALUATION CRITERIA

Service Providers are required to indicate the lead resources responsible for the deliverables and link their experience and each of the proposed professional team resources to the functional criteria below:

The proposed functionality evaluation criteria for the Technical Transaction Advisor to deliver on the scope of work are as follows:

Eligibility Criteria	Evidence to be provided	WEIGHTING/SCORE
<p>Team Capacity and experience</p> <p>The proposed Team Leader(s) and key team members must demonstrate proven experience in providing technical advisory services on Thermal Power Plants (gas-fired power generation projects, Coal fired, geothermal, nuclear</p>	<p>Bidder to submit Team Leader (TL) CV, copy of qualification (minimum: Postgraduate degree in Engineering and proof of professional registration with the Engineering Council of South Africa (ECSA) or any other equivalent International statutory body equivalent to ECSA which is recognised by ECSA). The team leader must have a minimum of 7 years of experience in developing (planning, design, construction and commissioning) Gas Power plant projects.</p>	<p>Total Score 40% (20% for TL and 20% for TM)</p> <p>c) Team Leader (maximum 20%)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7 to 10 years experience = 10% • 10 to 15 years = 15% • above 15 years = 20%

<p>etc with a unit capacity of at least 50 MW that have reached Commercial Operation</p>		
	<p>Bidder to submit at least three Team Members' (TM) CVs, composed of one Electrical, one Chemical and one Mechanical as core disciplines, copy of qualification and Engineering Degree or a BTech. The Team Members must have a minimum of 3 years experience in thermal power generation (Design or Construction and commissioning or maintenance and operating)</p> <p>NB the total score will be calculated as the average of the three core team members and failure to submit three CV and qualifications of one core team member will results in score of 0</p> <p>The CVs of both TL and TMs must provide the detailed description of the project that the team was</p>	<p>d) Team members (Maximum 20%)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 to 5 years = 10% • 5 to 10 years =15% • Above 10 years = 20%

	<p>involved in (including capacity) and specify the key roles and responsibilities and activities undertaken with the start and end dates.</p>	
<p>Technical advisory experience</p> <p>Demonstrate proven experience as technical advisor mainly in developing the RFP and evaluation of technical proposals in Energy Sector and the projects must have a minimum combined capacity of 50MW.</p>	<p>Bidder must submit reference letters which demonstrate that it has a team track record of a minimum of RFP development and evaluation of Technical Proposals. These projects must have reached commercial operation before end of December 2025 .</p> <p>A reference letter/s submitted must include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project description • Be on client letterhead 	<p>40%</p> <p>RFP development</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Less than 3 reference letters = 0% • 3 reference letters 10% • 4 reference letters = 15% • 5 or more reference letters = 20% <p>Evaluation of Technical Proposal</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Less than 3 reference letters = 0% • 3 reference letters = 10%

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Start and end date of the project • Client contact details <p>The score for this is divided into RFP development and evaluation of technical proposal but the final score will be the sum of the two scores</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •4 reference letters = 15% •5 or more reference letters = 20%
<p>Methodology</p> <p>The bidder must provide a method statement showing the understanding of the project and the Plan for the successful review of the project proposal</p>	<p>The bidder/s must provide a detailed method statement detailing:</p> <p>4. Project Plan that is explicitly structured around the core work streams of this assignment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Analysis of current proposal • PPA Comparative analysis • Drafting of agreement and schedules • Stakeholder Engagement & Analysis • Value for Money Framework Development & Application • Final Recommendation and Reporting • Commercial and Financial Close <p>The project plan must include clear milestones, deliverables, resource mapping and critical decision points, showing a logical progression from data analysis to final advice.</p> <p>5. A clear understanding of the Project Life Cycle Model and the technical requirements to be addressed in terms of requirements at planning,</p>	<p>20%</p> <p>No method statement = 0%</p> <p>Acceptable method statement that covers, at minimum the plan technical requirements, = 10%</p> <p>Satisfactory method statement with limited details on the project plan and project lifecycle and the technical requirements = 15%</p> <p>Detailed method statement that shows the detailed plan (milestones, resource mapping and stakeholders Engagement) and project lifecycle. Indicate clear understanding of due diligence to be undertaken = 20%</p>

	<p>design, construction, testing and Commissioning for this gas conversion project</p> <p>6. Technical Due Diligence on Gas Technology and Engineering Assessment on the gas conversion. This must cover the key elements that will be considered in assessment of this proposal and explain the options.</p> <p>Bidders will be evaluated on understanding the scope of work and Technical Due Diligence. The bidders must provide details of the assessment they will consider for evaluating the condition and remaining useful life of the existing plant, including the review of historical operational and performance data, identification of retrofit constraints, and management of technical interface risks.</p> <p>The proposal will be evaluated both on its individual merits and against other proposals received (equal consideration will be given to both); therefore, it is advised that the bidder provides exhaustive details within their submission.</p>	
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Only proposals that meet the threshold of 70% will proceed to the next stage, which is the evaluation on a price and preference point basis

Signature(s)

Name(s)

Capacity

**For the
*Tenderer***

(Name and address of organisation)

**Name and
signature of
witness**

Date

Annexure A

Price proposal

(Note: This page must be separated from the pre-qualifying and functional proposal. Failure to separate this, will lead to disqualification of the bid)

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BIDDER'S DISCLOSURE

1. PURPOSE OF THE FORM

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

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

2. Bidder's declaration

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

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

Full Name	Identity Number	Name of State institution

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:

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2.3 Does the bidder or any of its directors / trustees / shareholders / members / partners or any person having a controlling interest in the enterprise have any

interest in any other related enterprise whether or not they are bidding for this contract?**YES/NO**

2.3.1 If so, furnish particulars:

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3 DECLARATION

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

- 3.1 I have read and I understand the contents of this disclosure;
- 3.2 I understand that the accompanying bid will be disqualified if this disclosure is found not to be true and complete in every respect;
- 3.3 The bidder has arrived at the accompanying bid independently from, and without consultation, communication, agreement or arrangement with any competitor. However, communication between partners in a joint venture or consortium² will not be construed as collusive bidding.
- 3.4 In addition, there have been no consultations, communications, agreements or arrangements with any competitor regarding the quality, quantity, specifications, prices, including methods, factors or formulas used to calculate prices, market allocation, the intention or decision to submit or not to submit the bid, bidding with the intention not to win the bid and conditions or delivery particulars of the products or services to which this bid invitation relates.
- 3.4 The terms of the accompanying bid have not been, and will not be, disclosed by the bidder, directly or indirectly, to any competitor, prior to the date and time of the official bid opening or of the awarding of the contract.
- 3.5 There have been no consultations, communications, agreements or arrangements made by the bidder with any official of the procuring 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

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.

was not involved in the drafting of the specifications or terms of reference for this bid.

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

I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION FURNISHED IN PARAGRAPHS 1, 2 and 3 ABOVE IS CORRECT.

I ACCEPT THAT THE STATE MAY REJECT THE BID OR ACT AGAINST ME IN TERMS OF PARAGRAPH 6 OF PFMA SCM INSTRUCTION 03 OF 2021/22 ON PREVENTING AND COMBATING ABUSE IN THE SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT SYSTEM SHOULD THIS DECLARATION PROVE TO BE FALSE.

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Signature	Date
.....
Position	Name of bidder

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

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

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

1. GENERAL CONDITIONS

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

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

1.2 To be completed by the organ of state

(delete whichever is not applicable for this tender).

- a) The applicable preference point system for this tender is the **80/20** preference point system.

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

- (a) Price; and
(b) Specific Goals (namely, BBBEE status level of contributor).

1.4 To be completed by the organ of state:

The maximum points for this tender are allocated as follows:

	POINTS
PRICE	80
SPECIFIC GOALS (BBBEE)	20
Total points for Price and SPECIFIC GOALS	100

- 1.5 Failure on the part of a tenderer to submit proof or documentation required in terms of this tender to claim points for specific goals with the tender, will be interpreted to mean that preference points for specific goals are not claimed.
- 1.6 The organ of state reserves the right to require of a tenderer, either before a tender is adjudicated or at any time subsequently, to substantiate any claim in regard to preferences, in any manner required by the organ of state.

2. DEFINITIONS

- (a) **“tender”** means a written offer in the form determined by an organ of state in response to an invitation to provide goods or services through price quotations, competitive tendering process or any other method envisaged in legislation;
- (b) **“price”** means an amount of money tendered for goods or services, and includes all applicable taxes less all unconditional discounts;
- (c) **“rand value”** means the total estimated value of a contract in Rand, calculated at the time of bid invitation, and includes all applicable taxes;
- (d) **“tender for income-generating contracts”** means a written offer in the form determined by an organ of state in response to an invitation for the origination of income-generating contracts through any method envisaged in legislation that will result in a legal agreement between the organ of state and a third party that produces revenue for the organ of state, and includes, but is not limited to, leasing and disposal of assets and concession contracts, excluding direct sales and disposal of assets through public auctions; and
- (e) **“the Act”** means the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act, 2000 (Act No. 5 of 2000).

3. FORMULAE FOR PROCUREMENT OF GOODS AND SERVICES

3.1. POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE

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

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

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

Where

Ps = Points scored for price of tender under consideration

Pt = Price of tender under consideration

Pmin = Price of lowest acceptable tender

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

3.2.1. POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE

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

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

Where

- Ps = Points scored for price of tender under consideration
Pt = Price of tender under consideration
Pmax = Price of highest acceptable tender

4. POINTS AWARDED FOR SPECIFIC GOALS

- 4.1. In terms of Regulation 4(2); 5(2); 6(2) and 7(2) of the Preferential Procurement Regulations, preference points must be awarded for specific goals stated in the tender. For the purposes of this tender the tenderer will be allocated points based on the goals stated in table 1 below as may be supported by proof/ documentation stated in the conditions of this tender:
- 4.2. In cases where organs of state intend to use Regulation 3(2) of the Regulations, which states that, if it is unclear whether the 80/20 or 90/10 preference point system applies, an organ of state must, in the tender documents, stipulate in the case of—
- (a) an invitation for tender for income-generating contracts, that either the 80/20 or 90/10 preference point system will apply and that the highest acceptable tender will be used to determine the applicable preference point system; or
 - (b) any other invitation for tender, that either the 80/20 or 90/10 preference point system will apply and that the lowest acceptable tender will be used to determine the applicable preference point system,

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

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

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

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

The specific goals allocated points in terms of this tender	Number of points allocated (90/10 system) (To be completed by the organ of state)	Number of points allocated (80/20 system) (To be completed by the organ of state)	Number of points claimed (90/10 system) (To be completed by the tenderer)	Number of points claimed (80/20 system) (To be completed by the tenderer)
1	10	20		
2	9	18		
3	6	14		
4	5	12		
5	4	8		
6	3	6		
7	2	4		
8	1	2		
Non-compliant contributor	0	0		

(Note: Bidders are required to submit their BBBEE certificates or sworn affidavits (in the case of EMEs/QSEs) in order to be eligible to claim points)

DECLARATION WITH REGARD TO COMPANY/FIRM

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

4.4. Company registration number:

4.5. TYPE OF COMPANY/ FIRM

- Partnership/Joint Venture / Consortium
- One-person business/sole propriety
- Close corporation
- Public Company
- Personal Liability Company

- (Pty) Limited
 - Non-Profit Company
 - State Owned Company
- [TICK APPLICABLE BOX]

4.6. I, the undersigned, who is duly authorised to do so on behalf of the company/firm, certify that the points claimed, based on the specific goals as advised in the tender, qualifies the company/ firm for the preference(s) shown and I acknowledge that:

- i) The information furnished is true and correct;
- ii) The preference points claimed are in accordance with the General Conditions as indicated in paragraph 1 of this form;
- iii) In the event of a contract being awarded as a result of points claimed as shown in paragraphs 1.4 and 4.2, the contractor may be required to furnish documentary proof to the satisfaction of the organ of state that the claims are correct;
- iv) If the specific goals have been claimed or obtained on a fraudulent basis or any of the conditions of contract have not been fulfilled, the organ of state may, in addition to any other remedy it may have –
 - (a) disqualify the person from the tendering process;
 - (b) recover costs, losses or damages it has incurred or suffered as a result of that person's conduct;
 - (c) cancel the contract and claim any damages which it has suffered as a result of having to make less favourable arrangements due to such cancellation;
 - (d) recommend that the tenderer or contractor, its shareholders and directors, or only the shareholders and directors who acted on a fraudulent basis, be restricted from obtaining business from any organ of state for a period not exceeding 10 years, after the *audi alteram partem* (hear the other side) rule has been applied; and
 - (e) forward the matter for criminal prosecution, if deemed necessary.

.....
SIGNATURE(S) OF TENDERER(S)

SURNAME AND NAME:

DATE:.....

ADDRESS:.....
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.....
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RESTRICTED SUPPLIERS

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

Item	Question	Yes	No
4.1	<p>Is the bidder or any of its directors listed on the National Treasury’s Database of Restricted Suppliers as companies or persons prohibited from doing business with the public sector? (Companies or persons who are listed on this Database were informed in writing of this restriction by the Accounting Officer/Authority of the institution that imposed the restriction after the <i>audi alteram partem</i> rule was applied).</p> <p>The Database of Restricted Suppliers now resides on the National Treasury’s website(www.treasury.gov.za) and can be accessed by clicking on its link at the bottom of the home page.</p>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
4.1.1	If so, furnish particulars:		
4.2	<p>Is the bidder or any of its directors listed on the Register for Tender Defaulters in terms of section 29 of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act (No 12 of 2004)?</p> <p>The Register for Tender Defaulters can be accessed on the National Treasury’s website (www.treasury.gov.za) by clicking on its link at the bottom of the home page.</p>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
4.2.1	If so, furnish particulars:		
4.3	Was the bidder or any of its directors convicted by a court of law (including a court outside of the Republic of South Africa) for fraud or corruption during the past five years?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
4.3.1	If so, furnish particulars:		
4.4	Was any contract between the bidder and any organ of state terminated during the past five years on account of failure to perform on or comply with the contract?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
4.4.1	If so, furnish particulars:		

Annexure F

Certified copies of your CIPC company registration documents listing all members with percentages, in case of a lose corporation

Annexure G

Certified copies of latest share certificates, in case of a company.

Annexure H

(if applicable): A breakdown of how fees and work will be spread between members of the bidding consortium.

Annexure I

Supporting documents to responses to Pre-Qualifying Criteria and Functional Evaluation Criteria.

[General Conditions of Contract]

PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL BIDDERS ARE REQUIRED TO READ THROUGH THE GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT PRESCRIBED BY THE NATIONAL TREASURY. SUCH GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT CAN BE ACCESSED ON THE NATIONAL TREASURY WEBSITE.

PLEASE NOTE FURTHER THAT ALL BIDDERS MUST ENSURE THAT THEY ARE WELL ACQUAINTED WITH THE RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS OF ALL PARTIES INVOLVED IN DOING BUSINESS WITH GOVERNMENT.

NOTE: All Bidders are required to confirm (*Tick applicable box*) below:

Item	YES	NO
Is the Bidder familiar with the General Conditions of Contract prescribed by the National Treasury?		

Annexure K

Tax Compliant Status and CSD Registration Requirements

ALL PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS MUST HAVE A TAX COMPLIANT STATUS EITHER ON THE CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE (CSD) OF THE NATIONAL TREASURY OR SARS E FILING PRIOR TO APPOINTMENT/AWARD OF THE BID.

REGISTRATION ON THE CSD SITE OF THE NATIONAL TREASURY IS A COMPULSORY REQUIREMENT FOR A BIDDER TO BE APPOINTED, TO CONDUCT BUSINESS WITH THE DBSA. THE ONUS IS ON THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER TO REGISTER ON THE CSD SITE AND PROVIDE PROOF OF SUCH REGISTRATION PRIOR TO APPOINTMENT/AWARD OF THE BID.

CSD Registration Number:



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