

REQUEST FOR QUOTATION (RFQ)

REQUISITION NUMBER	RFQ NO03 04-02-2022
DESCRIPTION	PROVISION OF INTERNET CONNECTIVITY SERVICES FOR A PERIOD OF THIRTY SIX (36) MONTHS
ISSUE DATE	04 February 2022
CLOSING DATE	14 February 2022
CLOSING TIME	12:00 Noon

1. PURPOSE

The purpose of this Request for Quotation (RFQ) is to appoint a suitably qualified service provider with a proven track record to provide internet connectivity services to the National Arts Council of South Africa (NAC) for a period of thirty six (36) months.

2. BACKGROUND

The National Arts Council of South Africa, an Agency of the Department of Arts and Culture, is the de-facto successor in title to the Foundation for the Creative Arts, originally established in 1989. NACSA's mandate as set out in the National Arts Council Act, Act 56 of 1997, specifies its Objects as:

- To provide, and encourage the provision of, opportunities for persons to practice the arts
- To promote the appreciation, understanding and enjoyment of the arts
- To promote the general application of the arts in the community
- To foster the expression of a national identity and consciousness by means of the arts
- To uphold and promote the right of any person to freedom in the practice of the arts
- To give the historically disadvantaged such additional help and resources as are required to give them greater access to the arts
- To address historical imbalances in providing infrastructure for the promotion of the arts
- To promote and facilitate national and international liaison between individuals

3. SCOPE OF WORK

Introduction:

The NAC seeks to appoint a suitably qualified and licenced Internet Service Provider (ISP) for the provision internet connectivity services for its offices, located in Newtown, Johannesburg. The NAC will be replacing its current Internet Solution (IS) Wi-Band Internet Solution with an upgraded line speed of a minimum bandwidth of 50 Mbps. The equipment and software must be continuously upgraded to the latest version for the duration of the contract at no cost to the NAC.

The NAC seeks to conclude a service contract, supported by a Service Level Agreement, for the detailed supply, installation, configuration, commissioning and maintenance of a logically and administratively single, resilient, scalable Internet Connectivity Service, for a period of three (3) years.

Background

The NAC currently utilises a 10 Mbps Wi-Band service. The service contract terminates at the end of July 2019. The NAC plans to upgrade the current connection to a minimum of 50 Mb, with an appropriate service level agreement with guaranteed Quality of Services which will also cater for additional growth requirements.

The successful bidder will be responsible for this requirement. This will be dedicated to internal business requirements. Business requirements include, but not limited to: data replication to a secure, offsite data centre (IS), hosted exchange (to be confirmed), and hosted Email Exchange.

One of the major requirements of NAC is the availability of internet facility that has efficient capability to access electronic data and information from different sources. Considering the above, the NAC deemed it necessary to invite service providers to provide Internet line connection services that shall provide it with efficient, reliable and cost effective internet connection services. The service provider should ensure a smooth transition of the existing services.

Technical Details of the specification:

Fiber upgrade

- Upgrade of the current Line from 10mbp link to a 50 mb link, dedicated.
- 50 Mb 1:1 Guaranteed Internet Bandwidth with 4:1
- Redundancy

Service Level Agreement

Maintenance must be included in the Service Level Agreement for a period of thirty-six (36) months, which must cover all aspects of the solution including hardware, software, data and engineering time. Software must be assured, hardware warrantied, and maintenance on hardware and software should apply for a period of thirty-six (36) months for the proposed solution.

The SLA must as a MINIMUM make provision for the following:

- 50 Mb dedicated uncontended internet access
- Access to a 24/7/365 call centre;
- 24/7/365 monitoring of all services supplied to NAC
- Allocated account and service manager;
- Fault reporting procedures with contact details;
- Escalation procedures with contact details;
- Required uptime for provisioned services; and
- Response and resolution times for events and service requirements

Notes to Consider:

- Bidders can request to perform a site visit to better understand the environment.
- The bids are inclusive of installations, configurations and handover documentation to the internal IT staff.
- Service provider must show value in terms of either renting or owning some or all of the components on the proposals.

4. FUNCTIONALITY EVALUATION CRITERIA

- Supporting material must be provided for the below elements.
- Only bidders scoring 70 points and above on pre-qualification criteria will be considered for price evaluation and BBEE.

CRITERIA	SUB CRITERIA	WEIGHTING FACTOR
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Project Implementation Plan	Fully detailed project implementation plan based on the timelines provided (i.e.: 20 days from date of delivery to full implementation) which includes: - All tasks and activities, Resources; Milestones and contingency plan to manage milestones	30
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delivery within 2 weeks – 30 points • Delivery within 4 weeks – 20 points • Delivery is 5 weeks and above – 10 points 	
Bidder's Experience in providing Similar Solutions	<p>Bidders' experience in providing similar solutions (internet connectivity) have recently been implemented with similar criteria).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Less than 2 years' experience – 5 points • 2 – 5 years' experience- 10 points • 6 – 8 years' experience – 20 points • Above 8 years 'experience – 30 points 	30
References	<p>Bidders are requested to provide the following:</p> <p>Three (3) letters on a letterhead from their clients where Internet Connectivity Services have recently been implemented with similar criteria. Bidders must make sure that the letters are signed and contact details are fully completed. The contact details must include the contact number and email address of the referee. The reference must not be older than 36 months from the date of the RFQ submission.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 x letters of reference – 20 points • 2 x letters of reference – 15 points • 1 x letter of reference – 10 points • No letter of reference – 0 points 	20
Onsite support warranty	<p>Bidders must provide a comprehensive onsite support warranty for a period of three (3) years, with TWO (2) HOURS response time</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bidder has included maintenance and support for a 3-year period with 2 hours' response time with next business day resolution – 20 points • Bidder has not included maintenance and support for 3 year with 2 hours' response time. - 0 points 	20

Total Points A FUNCTIONALITY SCORE OF LESS THAN (70) POINTS WILL ELIMINATE THE PROPOSAL FOR FURTHER EVALUATION	100
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NB: Only qualifying quotations will be evaluated for 80/20 preference points, in terms of the preference point system described in the PPPFA.

5. PRICE AND PREFERENCE POINTS EVALUATION

	Preference Point Criteria	Points Allocation
1.	Price	80
2.	Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment (BBBEE)	20
Total Points		100

Points awarded for B-BBEE Status Level of Contribution

In terms of Regulation 5 (2) and 6 (2) of the Preferential Procurement Regulations, preference points must be awarded to a bidder for attaining the B-BBEE status level of contribution in accordance with the table below:

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

6. Proposal Submission

Closing Date: **14 February 2022**

Time: @ **12:00 noon**

Attention: Esona Zandile

Email: supplychain@nac.org.za

Kindly submit your quotation electronically to the Supply Chain Management Unit

(supplychain@nac.org.za)

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7. Enquiries

SCM Enquiries :	Esona Zandile Tel: 011 838 1383/4/5 Email: supplychain@nac.org.za
Technical Enquiries :	Itumeleng Sikhosana or Collen Mathipa Tel: 011 838 1383/4/5 Email: itumeleng@nac.org.za or collen@nac.org.za

8. Terms and Conditions:

- a. A Valid Tax Clearance Certificate MUST be submitted.
- b. The completed SBD 4 and 9 documents attached to this RFQ must be completed and returned with the quotation. Failure to submit completed and signed SBD 4, SBD 6.1, SBD 8 and 9 documents with quotations will invalidate the quotation.
- c. Failure to submit a valid BBBEE Certificate will result in no points for BBBEE being awarded. If the quoting entity's annual total revenue is R5m or less, then an Exemption Certificate may be submitted which has been issued by a registered Auditor, Accounting Officer (as contemplated in section 60(4) of the Close Corporation Act, 1984 (Act No. 69 of 1984)) or an accredited SANAS verification agency. Exempted Suppliers submitting an Exemption Certificate will be considered to be Level 4 BBBEE Contributors, and will automatically be entitled to claim/ be awarded 12 out of the 20 Points.

- d. Proof of registration with the Central Supplier Database (CSD) must be submitted.
- e. No late quotations will be accepted under any circumstances.
- f. Suppliers must complete and **return all the required documents**, failing which, the supplier's quotation will be declared invalid.

INVITATION TO BID

YOU ARE HEREBY INVITED TO BID FOR REQUIREMENTS OF THE (NAME OF DEPARTMENT/ PUBLIC ENTITY)					
BID NUMBER:	RFQ NO03 04-02-2022	CLOSING DATE:	14 February 2022	CLOSING TIME:	12:00
DESCRIPTION	PROVISION OF INTERNET CONNECTIVITY SERVICES FOR A PERIOD OF THIRTY SIX (36) MONTHS				
BID RESPONSE DOCUMENTS MAY BE DEPOSITED IN THE BID BOX SITUATED AT (STREET ADDRESS)					
supplychain@nac.org.za					
BIDDING PROCEDURE ENQUIRIES MAY BE DIRECTED TO			TECHNICAL ENQUIRIES MAY BE DIRECTED TO:		
CONTACT PERSON	Esona Zandile		CONTACT PERSON	Itumeleng Sikhosana or Collen Mathipa	
TELEPHONE NUMBER			TELEPHONE NUMBER		
FACSIMILE NUMBER			FACSIMILE NUMBER		
E-MAIL ADDRESS	supplychain@nac.org.za		E-MAIL ADDRESS	itumeleng@nac.org.za or collen@nac.org.za	
SUPPLIER INFORMATION					
NAME OF BIDDER					
POSTAL ADDRESS					
STREET ADDRESS					
TELEPHONE NUMBER	CODE		NUMBER		
CELLPHONE NUMBER					
FACSIMILE NUMBER	CODE		NUMBER		
E-MAIL ADDRESS					
VAT REGISTRATION NUMBER					
SUPPLIER COMPLIANCE STATUS	TAX COMPLIANCE SYSTEM PIN:		OR	CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE No:	MAAA
B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE	TICK APPLICABLE BOX] <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL SWORN AFFIDAVIT		[TICK APPLICABLE BOX] <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
[A B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE/ SWORN AFFIDAVIT (FOR EMES & QSEs) MUST BE SUBMITTED IN ORDER TO QUALIFY FOR PREFERENCE POINTS FOR B-BBEE]					
ARE YOU THE ACCREDITED REPRESENTATIVE IN SOUTH AFRICA FOR THE GOODS /SERVICES /WORKS OFFERED?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No [IF YES ENCLOSE PROOF]		ARE YOU A FOREIGN BASED SUPPLIER FOR THE GOODS /SERVICES /WORKS OFFERED?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No [IF YES, ANSWER THE QUESTIONNAIRE BELOW]
QUESTIONNAIRE TO BIDDING FOREIGN SUPPLIERS					
IS THE ENTITY A RESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA (RSA)?					<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO

DOES THE ENTITY HAVE A BRANCH IN THE RSA?

YES

NO

DOES THE ENTITY HAVE A PERMANENT ESTABLISHMENT IN THE RSA?

YES

NO

DOES THE ENTITY HAVE ANY SOURCE OF INCOME IN THE RSA?

YES

NO

IS THE ENTITY LIABLE IN THE RSA FOR ANY FORM OF TAXATION?

YES NO

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

PART B TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR BIDDING

1. BID SUBMISSION:

- 1.1. BIDS MUST BE DELIVERED BY THE STIPULATED TIME TO THE CORRECT ADDRESS. LATE BIDS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED FOR CONSIDERATION.
- 1.2. **ALL BIDS MUST BE SUBMITTED ON THE OFFICIAL FORMS PROVIDED–(NOT TO BE RE-TYPED) OR IN THE MANNER PRESCRIBED IN THE BID DOCUMENT.**
- 1.3. THIS BID IS SUBJECT TO THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT POLICY FRAMEWORK ACT, 2000 AND THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS, 2017, THE GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT (GCC) AND, IF APPLICABLE, ANY OTHER SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT.
- 1.4. **THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER WILL BE REQUIRED TO FILL IN AND SIGN A WRITTEN CONTRACT FORM (SBD7).**

2. TAX COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS

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

NB: FAILURE TO PROVIDE / OR COMPLY WITH ANY OF THE ABOVE PARTICULARS MAY RENDER THE BID INVALID.

SIGNATURE OF BIDDER:

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CAPACITY UNDER WHICH THIS BID IS SIGNED:

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(Proof of authority must be submitted e.g. company resolution)

DATE:

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DECLARATION OF INTEREST

1. Any legal person, including persons employed by the state¹, or persons having a kinship with persons employed by the state, including a blood relationship, may make an offer or offers in terms of this invitation to bid (includes a price quotation, advertised competitive bid, limited bid or proposal). In view of possible allegations of favouritism, should the resulting bid, or part thereof, be awarded to persons employed by the state, or to persons connected with or related to them, it is required that the bidder or his/her authorised representative declare his/her position in relation to the evaluating/adjudicating authority where-
 - the bidder is employed by the state; and/or
 - the legal person on whose behalf the bidding document is signed, has a relationship with persons/a person who are/is involved in the evaluation and or adjudication of the bid(s), or where it is known that such a relationship exists between the person or persons for or on whose behalf the declarant acts and persons who are involved with the evaluation and or adjudication of the bid.

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

2.1 Full Name of bidder or his or her representative:

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2.1 Identity Number:

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

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2.3 Company Registration Number:

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2.4 Tax Reference Number:

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2.5 VAT Registration Number:

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

¹“State” means –

- (a) any national or provincial department, national or provincial public entity or constitutional institution within the meaning of the Public Finance Management Act, 1999 (Act No. 1 of 1999);
- (b) any municipality or municipal entity;
- (c) provincial legislature;
- (d) national Assembly or the national Council of provinces; or
- (e) Parliament.

²“Shareholder” means a person who owns shares in the company and is actively involved in the management of the enterprise or business and exercises control over the enterprise.

2.7 Are you or any person connected with the bidder **YES / NO**
presently employed by the state?

2.7.1 If so, furnish the following particulars:

Name of person / director / trustee / shareholder/ member:

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Name of state institution at which you or the person
connected to the bidder is employed :

..... Position occupied in the state institution:

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Any other particulars:

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2.7.2 If you are presently employed by the state, did you obtain **YES / NO** the
appropriate authority to undertake remunerative work outside employment in the
public sector?

2.7.2.1 If yes, did you attached proof of such authority to the bid **YES / NO**
document?

(Note: Failure to submit proof of such authority, where applicable, may result in the disqualification of the bid.

2.7.2.2 If no, furnish reasons for non-submission of such proof:

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2.8 Did you or your spouse, or any of the company's directors / **YES / NO** trustees / shareholders / members or their spouses conduct business with the state in the previous twelve months?

2.8.1 If so, furnish particulars:

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2.9 Do you, or any person connected with the bidder, have **YES / NO** any relationship (family, friend, other) with a person employed by the state and who may be involved with the evaluation and or adjudication of this bid?

2.9.1 If so, furnish particulars.

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2.10 Are you, or any person connected with the bidder, **YES/NO** aware of any relationship (family, friend, other) between any other bidder and any person employed by the state who may be involved with the evaluation and or adjudication of this bid?

2.10.1 If so, furnish particulars.

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2.11 Do you or any of the directors / trustees / shareholders / members of the company have any interest in any other related companies whether or not they are bidding for this contract? **YES/NO**

2.11.1 If so, furnish particulars:

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3 Full details of directors / trustees / members / shareholders.

Full Name	Identity Number	Personal Reference Number	Tax	State Employee Number / Persal Number

4 DECLARATION

I, THE UNDERSIGNED
 (NAME).....

CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION FURNISHED IN PARAGRAPHS 2 and 3 ABOVE IS CORRECT. I ACCEPT THAT THE STATE MAY REJECT THE BID OR ACT AGAINST ME IN TERMS OF PARAGRAPH 23 OF THE GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT SHOULD THIS DECLARATION PROVE TO BE FALSE.

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 Signature Date

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 Position Name of bidder

SBD 6.1

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

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

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

1. GENERAL CONDITIONS

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

1.2

a) The value of this bid is estimated to not exceed R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included) and therefore the 80/20 preference point system shall be applicable; or

1.3 Points for this bid shall be awarded for:

- a) Price; and
- b) B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor.

1.4 The maximum points for this bid are allocated as follows:

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

1.5 Failure on the part of a bidder to submit proof of B-BBEE Status level of contributor together with the bid, will be interpreted to mean that preference points for B-BBEE status level of contribution are not claimed.

- 1.6 The purchaser reserves the right to require of a bidder, either before a bid is adjudicated or at any time subsequently, to substantiate any claim in regard to preferences, in any manner required by the purchaser.

2. DEFINITIONS

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

3. POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE

3.1 THE 80/20 PREFERENCE POINT SYSTEMS

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

80/20

$$P_s = 80 \left[1 - \frac{P_t - P_{\min}}{P_{\min}} \right]$$

Where

P_s = Points scored for price of bid under consideration

P_t = Price of bid under consideration

P_{\min} = Price of lowest acceptable bid

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

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

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

5. BID DECLARATION

5.1 Bidders who claim points in respect of B-BBEE Status Level of Contribution must complete the following:

6. B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL OF CONTRIBUTOR CLAIMED IN TERMS OF PARAGRAPHS 1.4 AND 4.1

6.1 B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor: =(maximum of 20 points)

(Points claimed in respect of paragraph 7.1 must be in accordance with the table reflected in paragraph 4.1 and must be substantiated by relevant proof of B-BBEE status level of contributor.

7. SUB-CONTRACTING

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

(Tick applicable box)

YES	<input type="checkbox"/>	NO	<input type="checkbox"/>
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7.1.1 If yes, indicate:

- i) What percentage of the contract will be subcontracted.....% ii) The name of the sub-contractor..... iii) The B-BBEE status level of the sub-contractor.....

iv) Whether the sub-contractor is an EME or QSE *(Tick applicable box)*

YES	<input type="checkbox"/>	NO	<input type="checkbox"/>
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v) Specify, by ticking the appropriate box, if subcontracting with an enterprise in terms of Preferential Procurement Regulations,2017:

Designated Group: An EME or QSE which is at last 51% owned by:	EME	QSE
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Black people	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Black people who are youth	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Black people who are women	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Black people with disabilities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Black people living in rural or underdeveloped areas or townships		
Cooperative owned by black people		
Black people who are military veterans		
OR		
Any EME		
Any QSE		

8. DECLARATION WITH REGARD TO COMPANY/FIRM

8.1 Name of company/firm:.....

8.2 VAT registration number:.....

8.3 Company registration number:.....

8.4 TYPE OF COMPANY/ FIRM

- Partnership/Joint Venture / Consortium
 - One person business/sole propriety
 - Close corporation
 - Company
 - (Pty) Limited
- [TICK APPLICABLE BOX]

8.5 DESCRIBE PRINCIPAL BUSINESS ACTIVITIES

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8.6 COMPANY CLASSIFICATION

- Manufacturer
 - Supplier
 - Professional service provider
 - Other service providers, e.g. transporter, etc.
- [TICK APPLICABLE BOX]

8.7 Total number of years the company/firm has been in business:.....

8.8 I/we, the undersigned, who is / are duly authorised to do so on behalf of the company/firm, certify that the points claimed, based on the B-BBE status level of contributor indicated in paragraphs 1.4 and 6.1 of the foregoing certificate, qualifies the company/ firm for the preference(s) shown and I / we 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 6.1, the contractor may be required to furnish documentary proof to the satisfaction of the purchaser that the claims are correct;
- iv) If the B-BBEE status level of contributor has been claimed or obtained on a fraudulent basis or any of the conditions of contract have not been fulfilled, the purchaser may, in addition to any other remedy it may have –
 - (a) disqualify the person from the bidding process;
 - (b) recover costs, losses or damages it has incurred or suffered as a result of that person's conduct;
 - (c) cancel the contract and claim any damages which it has suffered as a result of having to make less favourable arrangements due to such cancellation;
 - (d) recommend that the bidder or contractor, its shareholders and directors, or only the shareholders and directors who acted on a fraudulent basis, be restricted by the National Treasury from obtaining business from any organ of state for a period not exceeding 10 years, after the *audi alteram partem*

- (hear the other side) rule has been applied; and
- (e) forward the matter for criminal prosecution.

WITNESSES

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SIGNATURE(S) OF BIDDERS(S)

SBD 7.2

DATE:

ADDRESS

SBD 8

DECLARATION OF BIDDER’S PAST SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

- a) This Standard Bidding Document must form part of all bids invited.
- b) It serves as a declaration to be used by institutions in ensuring that when goods and services are being procured, all reasonable steps are taken to combat the abuse of the supply chain management system.
- c) The bid of any bidder may be disregarded if that bidder, or any of its directors have-
 - i) abused the institution’s supply chain management system; ii) committed fraud or any other improper conduct in relation to such system; or iii) Failed to perform on any previous contract.
- d) **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 as companies or persons prohibited from doing business with the public sector?</p> <p>(Companies or persons who are listed on this database were informed in writing of this restriction by the National Treasury after the <i>audi alteram partem</i> rule was applied).</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>To access this Register enter the National Treasury’s website, www.treasury.gov.za, click on the icon “Register for Tender Defaulters” or submit your written request for a hard copy of the Register to facsimile number (012) 3265445.</p>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
4.2.1	If so, furnish particulars:		
4.3	<p>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?</p>	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:		

CERTIFICATION

**I, THE UNDERSIGNED (FULL NAME).....
CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION FURNISHED ON THIS DECLARATION FORM IS
TRUE AND CORRECT.**

**I ACCEPT THAT, IN ADDITION TO CANCELLATION OF A CONTRACT, ACTION MAY
BE TAKEN AGAINST ME SHOULD THIS DECLARATION PROVE TO BE FALSE.**

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Signature

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Date

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Position

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Name of Bidder

SBD 9

CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT BID DETERMINATION

- 1 This Standard Bidding Document (SBD) must form part of all bids¹ invited.
- 2 Section 4 (1) (b) (iii) of the Competition Act No. 89 of 1998, as amended, prohibits an agreement

between, or concerted practice by, firms, or a decision by an association of firms, if it is between parties in a horizontal relationship and if it involves collusive bidding (or bid rigging).² Collusive bidding is a *pe se* prohibition meaning that it cannot be justified under any grounds.

- 3 Treasury Regulation 16A9 prescribes that accounting officers and accounting authorities must take all reasonable steps to prevent abuse of the supply chain management system and authorizes accounting officers and accounting authorities to:
 - a. disregard the bid of any bidder if that bidder, or any of its directors have abused the institution's supply chain management system and or committed fraud or any other improper conduct in relation to such system.
 - b. cancel a contract awarded to a supplier of goods and services if the supplier committed any corrupt or fraudulent act during the bidding process or the execution of that contract.
- 4 This SBD serves as a certificate of declaration that would be used by institutions to ensure that, when bids are considered, reasonable steps are taken to prevent any form of bid-rigging.
- 5 In order to give effect to the above, the attached Certificate of Bid Determination (SBD 9) must be completed and submitted with the bid:

¹ Includes price quotations, advertised competitive bids, limited bids and proposals.

² Bid rigging (or collusive bidding) occurs when businesses, that would otherwise be expected to compete, secretly conspire to raise prices or lower the quality of goods and / or services for purchasers who wish to acquire goods and / or services

through a bidding process. Bid rigging is, therefore, an agreement between competitors not to compete.

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I, the undersigned, in submitting the accompanying bid:

_____ (Bid Number and Description)

in response to the invitation for the bid made by:

(Name of Institution)

do hereby make the following statements that I certify to be true and complete in every respect:

I certify, on behalf of: _____ that:
(Name of Bidder)

1. I have read and I understand the contents of this Certificate;
2. I understand that the accompanying bid will be disqualified if this Certificate is found not to be true and complete in every respect;
3. I am authorized by the bidder to sign this Certificate, and to submit the accompanying bid, on behalf of the bidder;
4. Each person whose signature appears on the accompanying bid has been authorized by the bidder to determine the terms of, and to sign the bid, on behalf of the bidder;
5. For the purposes of this Certificate and the accompanying bid, I understand that the word "competitor" shall include any individual or organization, other than the bidder, whether or not affiliated with the bidder, who:
 - (a) has been requested to submit a bid in response to this bid invitation;

- (b) could potentially submit a bid in response to this bid invitation, based on their qualifications, abilities or experience; and
 - (c) provides the same goods and services as the bidder and/or is in the same line of business as the bidder
- 6. The bidder has arrived at the accompanying bid independently from, and without consultation, communication, agreement or arrangement with any competitor. However communication between partners in a joint venture or consortium³ will not be construed as collusive bidding.
- 7. In particular, without limiting the generality of paragraphs 6 above, there has been no consultation, communication, agreement or arrangement with any competitor regarding:
 - (a) prices;
 - (b) geographical area where product or service will be rendered (market allocation)
 - (c) methods, factors or formulas used to calculate prices;
 - (d) the intention or decision to submit or not to submit, a bid;
 - (e) the submission of a bid which does not meet the specifications and conditions of the bid; or
 - (f) bidding with the intention not to win the bid.
- 8. In addition, there have been no consultations, communications, agreements or arrangements with any competitor regarding the quality, quantity, specifications and conditions or delivery particulars of the products or services to which this bid invitation relates.
- 9. The terms of the accompanying bid have not been, and will not be, disclosed by the bidder, directly or indirectly, to any competitor, prior to the date and time of the official bid opening or of the awarding of the contract.

³ Joint venture or Consortium means an association of persons for the purpose of combining their expertise, property, capital, efforts, skill and knowledge in an activity for the execution of a contract.

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

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Signature	Date
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