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NOTICE: 95/2017

FORMAL WRITTEN PRICE QUOTATION: 06/11/2017

APPOINTMENT OF SERVICE PROVIDER FOR THE COMPILING OF WSP (WATER SAFETY PLAN) AND W2RAP (WASTEWATER RISK ABATEMENT PLAN)

Laingsburg Municipality awaits formal written price quotations from suitably experienced service providers for the **Appointment of Service Provider for the Compiling of WSP and W2RAP**.

The quotation must be submitted on the letterhead of your business and must be returned via the following means of communication:

- 1. Email: <u>scm@laingsburg.gov.za;</u> or
- 2. Posted to LAINGSBURG MUNICIPALITY, PRIVATE BAG X4, LAINGSBURG, 6900 or delivered by hand at the 02 Van Riebeeck Street, Municipal Buildings, Laingsburg; **or**
- 3. Faxed to number indicated below;

Suppliers must be registered on the Centralised Supplier Database.

The quotation should reach SCM offices by no later than **06 DECEMBER 2017** AT **12H00**.

- Contact Person: Jan Venter
- Telephone No: 023 55 11 019
- Fax No: 023 55 11 019

AS GROENEWALD ACTING MUNICIPAL MANAGER

29 NOVEMBER 2017

- **NB:** The following conditions will apply:
 - **1.** Price(s) quoted must be valid for at least thirty (30) days from date of your offer;
 - 2. Price(s) quoted must be firm and must be inclusive of VAT;
 - 3. A firm delivery period must be indicated;
 - 4. This quotation will be evaluated in terms of the 80/20 preference point system as prescribed in the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act (No.5 of 2000), if the quote is above R30 000.00 and for this purpose the enclosed forms:
 - Pricing schedule;
 - MBD 4, MBD 6.1, MBD 7.2, MBD 8 & MBD 9 must be scrutinized, completed if not completed with registration on Database and submitted together with your quotation.
 - 5. Only those suppliers who complies to specifications will be eligible for points;
 - 6. The successful provider will be the one scoring the highest points;
 - 7. Enclosed your valid Tax clearance certificate with the quotation.

PRICING SCHEDULE

(Professional Services)

Name of Bidder:	Bid Number: 06/11/2017
Closing Time: 12H00	Closing Date 06 DECEMBER 2017

OFFER TO BE VALID FOR 30 DAYS FROM THE CLOSING DATE OF BID.

ITEM NO		DESCRIPTION		BID PRICE IN F **(ALL APPLIC/		RENCY ES INCLUDED)
	1.	The accompanying information must be used for the f of proposals.	ormulation			
	2.	Bidders are required to indicate a ceiling price based estimated time for completion of all phases and includ expenses inclusive of all applicable taxes for the proje	ding all			
	3.	PERSONS WHO WILL BE INVOLVED IN THE PROJ RATES APPLICABLE (CERTIFIED INVOICES MUST RENDERED IN TERMS HEREOF)				
	4.	PERSON AND POSITION	HOURI	LY RATE	DAIL	Y RATE
			R			
			R			
			R			
			R			
			R			
	5.	PHASES ACCORDING TO WHICH THE PROJECT A COMPLETED, COST PER PHASE AND MAN-DAYS SPENT				
			R			days
			R			days
			R			days
			R			days
	5.1	I Travel expenses (specify, for example rate/km and to of airtravel, etc). Only actual costs are recoverable. I expenses incurred must accompany certified invoices	Proof of the	SS 9		
		DESCRIPTION OF EXPENSE TO BE INCURRED	RATE	QUA	NTITY	AMOUNT
						R
						R
						R
						R

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

5.2 Other expenses, for example accommodation (specify, eg. Three star hotel, bed and breakfast, telephone cost, reproduction cost, etc.). On basis of these particulars, certified invoices will be checked for correctness. Proof of the expenses must accompany invoices.

	DESCRIPTION OF EXPENSE TO BE INCURRED	RATE	QUANTITY	AMOUNT
				R
				R
				R
				R
		TOTAL: R		
6.	Period required for commencement with project after acceptance of bid			
7.	Estimated man-days for completion of project			
8.	Are the rates quoted firm for the full period of contract?			*YES/ NO.
9.	If not firm for the full period, provide details of the basis of adjustments will be applied for, for example consumer p			
*Delete if not a	pplicable			

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

- 1. No bid will be accepted from persons in the service of the state *.
- 2. Any person, having a kinship with persons in the service of the state, including a blood relationship, may make an offer or offers in terms of this invitation to bid. In view of possible allegations of favouritism, should the resulting bid, or part thereof, be awarded to persons connected with or related to persons in service of the state, it is required that the bidder or their authorised representative declare their position in relation to the evaluating/adjudicating authority and/or take an oath declaring his/her interest.
- 3 In order to give effect to the above, the following questionnaire must be completed and submitted with the bid. Full Name: 3.1 3.2 Identity Number: 3.3 Company Registration Number: 3.4 Tax Reference Number: 3.5 VAT Registration Number: 3.6 Are you presently in the service of the state* YES / NO 3.6.1 If so, furnish particulars. 3.7 Have you been in the service of the state for the past YES / NO twelve months? 3.7.1 If so, furnish particulars. * MSCM Regulations: "in the service of the state" means to be -(a) a member of -(i) any municipal council; any provincial legislature; or (ii) the national Assembly or the national Council of provinces; (iii) (b) a member of the board of directors of any municipal entity; (c) an official of any municipality or municipal entity;
 - (d) an employee of 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);
 - (e) a member of the accounting authority of any national or provincial public entity; or
 - (f) an employee of Parliament or a provincial legislature.

3.8 Do you, have any relationship (family, friend, other) with YES / NO persons in the service of the state and who may be involved with the evaluation and or adjudication of this bid? 3.8.1 If so, furnish particulars. 3.9 Are you, aware of any relationship (family, friend, other) YES / NO between a bidder and any persons in the service of the state who may be involved with the evaluation and or adjudication of this bid? 3.9.1 If so, furnish particulars YES / NO 3.10 Are any of the company's directors, managers, principal shareholders or stakeholders in service of the state? 3.10.1 If so, furnish particulars. 3.11 Are any spouse, child or parent of the company's directors, YES / NO managers, principal shareholders or stakeholders in service of the state? 3.11.1 If so, furnish particulars.

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CERTIFICATION

I, THE UNDERSIGNED (NAME) CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION FURNISHED ON THIS DECLARATION FORM IS CORRECT. I ACCEPT THAT THE STATE MAY ACT AGAINST ME SHOULD THIS DECLARATION PROVE TO BE FALSE.

Signature

Date

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Name of Bidder

Position

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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
 - the 90/10 system for requirements with a Rand value above R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included).
- 1.2
- a) The value of this bid is estimated to exceed/not exceed R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included) and therefore the preference point system shall be applicable; or
- b) Either the 80/20 or 90/10 preference point system will be applicable to this tender (*delete whichever is not applicable for this tender*).
- 1.3 Points for this bid shall be awarded for:
 - (a) Price; and
 - (b) B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor.
- 1.4 The maximum points for this bid are allocated as follows:

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

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

2. **DEFINITIONS**

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

3. POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE

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

A maximum of 80 or 90 points is allocated for price on the following basis: 80/20 or 90/10

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

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

Where

Ps = Points scored for price of bid under consideration

Pt = Price of bid under consideration

Pmin = Price of lowest acceptable bid

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

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

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

5. BID 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 10 or 20 points)

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

7. SUB-CONTRACTING

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

(Tick applicable box)



7.1.1 If yes, indicate:

i)	What	percentage	of	the	contract	will	be
	subcontrac	ted		%			
ii)	The	name		of	the		sub-
	contractor.						
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- iii) The B-BBEE status level of the subcontractor.....
- iv) Whether the sub-contractor is an EME or QSE
 - (Tick applicable box)
 - YES NO
- v) Specify, by ticking the appropriate box, if subcontracting with an enterprise in terms of Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2017:

Designated Group: An EME or QSE which is at last 51% owned	EME	QSE
by:		
Black people		
Black people who are youth		
Black people who are women		

	people with disabilities	
	people living in rural or underdeveloped areas or townships	
	erative owned by black people	
Black	people who are military veterans	
Any E	OR	
Any C		
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8.	DECLARATION WITH REGARD TO COMPANY/FIRM	
8.1	Name	of
	company/firm:	
8.2	VAT	registration
	number:	
8.3	Company	registration
	number:	0
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 MUNICIPAL INFORMATION

	Munici	pality	w	here	bu	siness	is	situa	ted:			
	Registered Account Number: Stand Number:											
8.8	Total	number	of	years	the	company/firm	has	been	in			

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business:....

8.9 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	
1	SIGNATURE(S) OF BIDDERS(S)
2	DATE:
	ADDRESS

CONTRACT FORM - RENDERING OF SERVICES

THIS FORM MUST BE FILLED IN DUPLICATE BY BOTH THE SERVICE PROVIDER (PART 1) AND THE PURCHASER (PART 2). BOTH FORMS MUST BE SIGNED IN THE ORIGINAL SO THAT THE SERVICE PROVIDER AND THE PURCHASER WOULD BE IN POSSESSION OF ORIGINALLY SIGNED CONTRACTS FOR THEIR RESPECTIVE RECORDS.

PART 1 (TO BE FILLED IN BY THE SERVICE PROVIDER)

- 1. I hereby undertake to render services described in the attached bidding documents to (name of the institution) LAINGSBURG MUNICIPALITY in accordance with the requirements and task directives / proposals specifications stipulated in Bid Number 06/11/2017 at the price/s quoted. My offer/s remain binding upon me and open for acceptance by the Purchaser during the validity period indicated and calculated from the closing date of the bid.
- 2. The following documents shall be deemed to form and be read and construed as part of this agreement:
 - (i) Bidding documents, *viz*
 - Invitation to bid;
 - Tax clearance certificate;
 - Pricing schedule(s);
 - Filled in task directive/proposal;
 - Preference claims for Broad Based Black Economic Empowerment Status Level of Contribution in terms of the Preferential Procurement Regulations 2011;
 - Declaration of interest;
 - Declaration of Bidder's past SCM practices;
 - Certificate of Independent Bid Determination;
 - Special Conditions of Contract;
 - (ii) General Conditions of Contract; and
 - (iii) Other (specify)
- 3. I confirm that I have satisfied myself as to the correctness and validity of my bid; that the price(s) and rate(s) quoted cover all the services specified in the bidding documents; that the price(s) and rate(s) cover all my obligations and I accept that any mistakes regarding price(s) and rate(s) and calculations will be at my own risk.
- 4. I accept full responsibility for the proper execution and fulfilment of all obligations and conditions devolving on me under this agreement as the principal liable for the due fulfillment of this contract.
- 5. I declare that I have no participation in any collusive practices with any bidder or any other person regarding this or any other bid.
- 6. I confirm that I am duly authorised to sign this contract.

NAME (PRINT)	_	
		WITNESSES
CAPACITY		1
SIGNATURE		2
NAME OF FIRM		DATE:
DATE		DATE.

CONTRACT FORM - RENDERING OF SERVICES

PART 2 (TO BE FILLED IN BY THE PURCHASER)

- 1. I AS GROENEWALD in my capacity as ACTING MUNICIPAL MANAGER accept your bid under reference number 06/11/2017 dated......for the rendering of services indicated hereunder and/or further specified in the annexure(s).
- 2. An official order indicating service delivery instructions is forthcoming.
- 3. I undertake to make payment for the services rendered in accordance with the terms and conditions of the contract, within 30 (thirty) days after receipt of an invoice.

DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE	PRICE (ALL APPLICABLE TAXES INCLUDED)	COMPLETION DATE	B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL OF CONTRIBUTION	MINIMUM THRESHOLD FOR LOCAL PRODUCTION AND CONTENT (if applicable)

4. I confirm that I am duly authorised to sign this contract.

SIGNED AT ON

NAME (PRINT)

SIGNATURE

OFFICIAL STAMP

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WITNESSES
1
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DATE:

DECLARATION OF BIDDER'S PAST SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

- 1 This Municipal Bidding Document must form part of all bids invited.
- 2 It serves as a declaration to be used by municipalities and municipal entities 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.
- 3 The bid of any bidder may be rejected if that bidder, or any of its directors have:
 - a. abused the municipality's / municipal entity's supply chain management system or committed any improper conduct in relation to such system;
 - b. been convicted for fraud or corruption during the past five years;
 - c. willfully neglected, reneged on or failed to comply with any government, municipal or other public sector contract during the past five years; or
 - d. been listed in the Register for Tender Defaulters in terms of section 29 of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act (No 12 of 2004).

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

Item	Question	Yes	No
4.1	Is the bidder or any of its directors listed on the National Treasury's Database of Restricted Suppliers as companies or persons prohibited from doing business with the public sector?	Yes	No
	(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).		
	The Database of Restricted Suppliers now resides on the National Treasury's website(<u>www.treasury.gov.za</u>) and can be accessed by clicking on its link at the bottom of the home page.		
4.1.1	If so, furnish particulars:		
4.2	Is the bidder or any of its directors listed on the Register for Tender Defaulters in terms of section 29 of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act (No 12 of 2004)?	Yes	No
	The Register for Tender Defaulters can be accessed on the National Treasury's website (<u>www.treasury.gov.za</u>) by clicking on its link at the bottom of the home page.		
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 of law outside the Republic of South Africa) for fraud or corruption during the past five years?	Yes	No

4.3.1	If so, furnish particulars:		
Item	Question	Yes	No
4.4	Does the bidder or any of its directors owe any municipal rates and taxes or municipal charges to the municipality / municipal entity, or to any other municipality / municipal entity, that is in arrears for more than three months?	Yes	No
4.4.1	If so, furnish particulars:		
4.5	Was any contract between the bidder and the municipality / municipal entity or any other organ of state terminated during the past five years on account of failure to perform on or comply with the contract?	Yes	No
4.7.1	If so, furnish particulars:		

CERTIFICATION

I, THE UNDERSIGNED (FULL NAME) CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION FURNISHED ON THIS DECLARATION FORM 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.

Signature

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Position

Name of Bidder

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CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT BID DETERMINATION

- 1 This Municipal Bidding Document (MBD) 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 Municipal Supply Regulation 38 (1) prescribes that a supply chain management policy must provide measures for the combating of abuse of the supply chain management system, and must enable the accounting officer, among others, to:
 - a. take all reasonable steps to prevent such abuse;
 - b. reject the bid of any bidder if that bidder or any of its directors has abused the supply chain management system of the municipality or municipal entity or has committed any improper conduct in relation to such system; and
 - c. cancel a contract awarded to a person if the person committed any corrupt or fraudulent act during the bidding process or the execution of the contract.
 - 4 This MBD 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 (MBD 9) must be completed and submitted with the bid:

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

² Bid rigging (or collusive bidding) occurs when businesses, that would otherwise be expected to compete, secretly conspire to raise prices or lower the quality of goods and / or services for purchasers who wish to acquire goods and / or services through a bidding process. Bid rigging is, therefore, an agreement between competitors not to compete.

CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT BID DETERMINATION

I, the undersigned, in submitting the accompanying bid:

(Bid Number and Description)

in response to the invitation for the bid made by:

(Name of Municipality / Municipal Entity)

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;
- 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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