

CLOSED REQUEST FOR QUOTATION PROCESS

NAME OF SERVICE PROVIDER: _____

REQUEST FOR QUOTATIONS FOR GOODS AND SERVICES AT JPC

N.B. THIS REQUEST FOR QUOTATIONS (RFQ) IS ONLY ISSUED TO SERVICE PROVIDERS APPROVED FOR INCLUSION IN PANEL 13/2019 TO RENDER INTERNAL AUDIT SERVICES AT JPC.

JPC requests your quotation on the goods and/or services listed hereunder and/or on the available RFQ forms. Please furnish all information as requested and return your quotation on the date stipulated. Late and incomplete submissions will invalidate the quotation submitted.

DATE OF ISSUE	11 MAY 2022
CLOSING DATE	18 MAY 2022
CLOSING TIME	10:30AM
RFQ NUMBER	RFQ 293/2022
PANEL NUMBER	POP 13/2019
DESCRIPTION OF GOODS/SERVICES	APPOINTMENT OF A SERVICE PROVIDER FROM POP13/2019 FOR INTERNAL AUDIT SERVICES: INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
PRE-QUALIFICATION CRITERIA	N/A
DIS-QUALIFICATION CRITERIA	N/A
COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Valid Tax Compliant Verification PIN number issued by SARS. Close Corporation- current copy of CK1 and/or CK2C Certified copy or Original of entity's BBBEE Certificate or original sworn affidavit Up to date Municipal Account not older than three (3) months and not over three (3) months in arrears for the individual / Proof that acknowledgements / arrangements have been made to settle arrears / Valid lease agreement / Affidavit stating why an up to date municipal account cannot be submitted.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Up to date Municipal Account not older than three (3) months and not over three (3) months in arrears for the Entity / Proof that acknowledgements or arrangements have been made to settle arrears / Valid lease agreement / Affidavit stating why an up to date municipal account cannot be submitted • Up to date Municipal Account not older than three (3) months and not over three (3) months in arrears for the Director (s) or Member (s) / Proof that acknowledgements or arrangements have been made to settle arrears / Valid lease agreement Affidavit stating why an up to date municipal account cannot be submitted • If the director does not own any property at least lease agreement or certified affidavit need to be provided • In the event the bidder is tendering as a Joint Venture/Consortium, all members of the JV/Consortium must submit all required documentation and a JV / Consortium agreement • Central Supplier Data Base registration (CSD) • Signature of the following documents. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Declaration of interest in MBD 4 ➤ MBD 6.2: Local Content (If applicable) ➤ Declaration of the Bidder's Past Supply Chain Practices in MBD 8, ➤ Certificate of Independent Bid Determination in MBD 9 <p><i>If the entity or any of its Directors are listed on the National Treasury register of defaulters, the bid will be rejected.</i></p>
COMPULSORY BRIEFING SESSION	N/A
RFQ SPECIFICATION FORMS/ DOCUMENTS ARE OBTAINABLE FROM:	www.jhbproperty.co.za

<u>SUBMISSION OF QUOTES:</u>	Forum I Block A, Braampark 33 Hoofd Street Braamfontein 2017 <i>Submissions must be deposited into the RFQ Box at the Reception. No emailed submissions will be accepted</i>
ENQUIRIES:	Sifiso Mabizela smabizela@jhbproperty.co.za

QUOTATIONS ABOVE R30 000 WILL BE EVALUATED ON THE BASIS OF THE 80:20 POINT SYSTEM AS STIPULATED IN THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT POLICY FRAMEWORK ACT (ACT NUMBER 5 OF 2000) & JPC'S SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT POLICIES AND PROCEDURES.

SCOPE OF WORK

1. Information Technology

- Review of the IT General Control environment:
 - IT Security – Policy, Security Management
 - Network Security - Patch, Antivirus, and Firewall management
 - IT Operational security policy – Baseline SPP
 - User Account Management
 - IT Programme Change Management
 - IT Service Continuity Management - backups and policy/procedure testing
 - IT Physical and Environmental Management
- Determine if software applications are compliant with the following
 - Data preparation
 - Data input
 - Data processing
 - Data output
 - Data Storage
 - High-level access management
 - Interface reconciliation

- Perform Network Vulnerability Assessment
- Review the IT governance annual plan and review implementation by inspection of the quarterly report submitted to the Board
- Review the IT Disaster recovery plan in place and confirm that tests are performed in terms of the policy.

CHECKLIST

SCM NO: RFQ 293/2022

PLEASE USE THE CHECKLIST TO CONFIRM THAT ALL COMPLIANCE DOCUMENTS HAVE BEEN ATTACHED TO YOUR QUOTATION.

No	Details	✓
1.	Certified Copy of Company Registration Document	
2.	Rates & Taxes Account for Company OR Certified Copy of Lease Agreement OR Affidavit Certified by the Commissioner of Oaths/ Arrangements letter	
3.	Rates and Taxes Account for All the Directors of the Company OR Certified Copy of Lease Agreement OR Affidavit Certified by the Commissioner of Oaths/ Arrangements letter	
4.	If the director does not own any property at least lease agreement or certified affidavit need to be provided	
5.	MBD 4: Declaration of Interest (Attached)	
6.	MBD 6.2: Local Content (Attached)	
7.	MBD 8: Declaration of bidders past supply chain management practices (attached)	
8.	MBD 9: Certificate of Independent Bid Determination. (Attached)	
9.	Certified Copy of BBBEE certificate or consolidated BBBEE certificates for joint ventures and consortiums. NB non-submission of BBBEE will result in a bid being awarded zero points for BBBEE.	
10.	Valid Tax Clearance Certificate or Pin number	
11.	Empowerment Plan and employment statistics (youth, women and people with disabilities)	
12.	All alterations must be signed.	
13.	Quotation is signed	
14.	UIF	
15.	Copies of ID's for the Directors or Members of the Entity	
16.	Copies of ID's for the employees of the Entity and employment contracts	
17.	Central Supplier Data Base registration (CSD)	
18.	Works Insurance and Public liability insurance	
19.	Affiliation / Registration with Professional bodies	

SIGNATURE_____

NAME_____

PLEASE NOTE THAT NOT SUBMITTING DOCUMENTS REQUESTED UNDER PRE-QUALIFICATION AND DISQUALIFICATION CRITERIA WILL LEAD TO THE BID NOT BEING EVALUATED FURTHER / DISQUALIFIED.

NB: PLEASE NOTE THAT PRICE CHANGES WITHOUT A SIGNATURE WILL LEAD TO THE DISQUALIFICATION OF THE QUOTATION SUBMITTED

I HEREWITH CONFIRM THAT I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTOOD THE ABOVEMENTIONED REQUIREMENTS

SIGNATURE_____

NAME_____

CONDITIONS

1. All goods or services purchased will be subject to JPC SCM Policy and Procedures. A copy of said conditions is available from the SCMU office.
2. All purchases will be made through an official order form. Therefore no goods must be delivered or services rendered before an official order has been forwarded to and accepted by the successful bidder.
3. To participate in JPC's Quotation process for the procurement of goods and/or services, vendors are advised to get accredited and registered on Central Supplier Database. Supplier registration forms are available from the Supply Chain Management Unit. JPC is dealing only with the registered and accredited suppliers on its Database.
4. All prices quoted must be exclusive of Value Added Tax (VAT). Suppliers who are not registered for VAT will be treated as Non VAT Vendors.
5. Prices quoted must include delivery charges and goods must be delivered to the address indicated on the quotation page.
6. All prices submitted must be firm. "Firm" prices are deemed to be fixed prices, which are only subject to the following statutory changes, namely VAT and any levy related to customs and excise.
7. Quantities are given in good faith and without commitment to JPC. The JPC reserves the right to increase or reduce the quantity to be in line with the set threshold for quotations prescribed in the SCM Policy.
8. **JPC reserves the right to award a bidder who did not score the highest points, in BBBEE and Price, if the highest scoring bidder has been awarded a bid that has the same closing date as the bid under consideration.**
9. **JPC will negotiate with the next eligible bidder. The negotiated price will not exceed 10% of the highest scoring bidder.**
10. **JPC DOES NOT TAKE RESPONSIBILITY FOR ANY QUOTATIONS DEPOSITED IN THE WRONG BOX.**
11. **QUOTATIONS SUBMITTED THROUGH FAX/EMAIL WILL BE AUTOMATICALLY DISQUALIFIED.**

I HEREWITH CONFIRM THAT I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTOOD THE ABOVEMENTIONED REQUIREMENTS

SIGNATURE _____

NAME _____

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

DECLARATION

I certify that the information supplied is correct and I have read and understood the JPC General Conditions and Policies and Procedures and accept same.

I further certify that all the required information has been furnished and the relevant forms completed and are herewith submitted as part of the quotation.

SIGNATURE: _____

NAME: _____

CAPACITY: _____

DATE: _____

SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT
P.O. BOX 31565
BRAAMFONTEIN
2017

VAT. NO: 4010194266

BIDDER NAME:	REQUEST FOR QUOTATION	
ADDRESS:	RFQ NUMBER	RFQ DATE
TEL:	RFQ 293/2022	11 MAY 2022
FAX:	CONTACT PERSON	
CSD NUMBER:	NAME:	Sifiso Mabizela
	TEL No:	079 331 3663

Submission Deadline: 18 MAY 2022
Submission Time: 10:30AM

VALIDITY OF RFQ:
60 DAYS

OFFICE USE ONLY:
PRICE/S TO BE VAT EXCLUSIVE

Please deposit all quotation in the RFQ box as stipulated in the cover page

Bids above R30 000-00 to a maximum of R50 000 000 will be evaluated on the basis of the 80:20 point system as stipulated in the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act (Act number 5 of 2000), as amended.

EVALUATION CRITERIA

THE BIDS WILL BE EVALUATED ON PRICE AND BBBEE

POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE

THE 80/20 PREFERENCE POINT SYSTEMS

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

80/20

Where

Ps = Points scored for comparative price of bid under consideration.

Pt = Comparative price of bid under consideration

Pmin = Comparative price of lowest acceptable bid

POINTS AWARDED FOR B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL OF CONTRIBUTION

Points will be allocated as follows:

Price	80
Points for B-BBEE (Max of 20):	20
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

- **Certified Copy** of BBBEE certificate or **original** sworn affidavit by the director or **consolidated** BBBEE certificates for joint ventures and consortiums.
- NB non-submission of BBBEE certificate **will** result in a bidder allocated zero points for BBBEE.

PRICE SCHEDULE

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PLEASE NOTE:

- **NO PRICE INCREASES WILL BE APPROVED AFTER SUBMISSION OF THE QUOTATION.**
- **PRICE CHANGES WITHOUT A SIGNATURE WILL LEAD TO THE DISQUALIFICATION OF THE QUOTATION SUBMITTED**

ITEM NO	DESCRIPTION	PRICE
1.	Information Technology: Estimated hours per audit plan is 250.	
VAT		
TOTAL		

Conditions

1. All prices quoted must be exclusive of Value Added Tax (VAT).
2. Prices quoted must include delivery charges and goods must be delivered to the address indicated.
3. All prices submitted must be firm. * *"Firm" prices are deemed to be fixed prices, which are only subject to the following statutory changes, namely VAT and any levy related to customs and excise.*
4. Quantities are given in good faith and without commitment to the JPC.
5. Vendors not registered for Value Added Tax with SARS will be treated as Non VAT vendors.

MBD 4

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

1. No bid will be accepted from persons in the service of the state¹.
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 favoritism, 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.
3. **In order to give effect to the above, the following questionnaire must be completed and submitted with the bid.**

No.	Information	Please provide detail	
3.1	Full name of bidder or his or her representative		
3.2	Identity number		
3.3	Position occupied in the company (director, trustee, shareholder ²)		
3.4	Company registration number		
3.5	Tax reference number		
3.6	VAT registration number		
Note	<i>(The names of all directors / trustees / shareholders members, their individual identity numbers and state employee numbers must be indicated in paragraph 4</i>		
3.7	Are you presently in the service of the state?	Yes	No
	If yes, please furnish particulars :		

No.	Information	Please provide detail	
3.7.1	Name of director		
3.7.2	Service of state organisation		
3.8	Have you been in the service of the state for the past twelve months? If yes, please furnish particulars :	Yes	No
3.8.1	Name of director		
3.8.2	Service of state organisation		
3.9	Do you have any relationship (family, friend, other) with persons in the service of the state and who may be involved with the evaluation and or adjudication of this bid? If yes, please furnish particulars :	Yes	No
3.9.1	Name of person in the service of state		
3.9.2	Relationship		
3.10	Are you, aware of any relationship (family, friend, other) between any other bidder and any persons in the service of the state who may be involved with the evaluation and or adjudication of this bid? If yes, please furnish particulars :	Yes	No
3.10.1	Name of person in the service of state		
3.10.2	Relationship		
3.11	<i>Are any of the company's directors, trustees, managers, principle shareholders or stakeholders in service of the state?</i> If yes, please furnish particulars :	Yes	No

No.	Information	Please provide detail	
3.11.1	Name of director		
3.11.2	Service of state organisation		
3.12	Is any spouse, child or parent of the company's director trustees, managers, principle shareholders or stakeholders in service of the state? If yes, please furnish particulars:	Yes	No
3.12.1	Name of director		
3.12.2	Name of relative		
3.12.3	Relationship		
3.13	Do you or any of the directors, trustees, managers, principle shareholders, or stakeholders of this company have any interest in any other related companies or business whether or not they are bidding for If yes, please furnish particulars:	Yes	No
3.13.1	Name of director		
3.13.2	Related company		

No.	Information	Please provide detail
Note:	<p>SCM Regulations:</p> <p>“¹In the service of the state” means to be –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) a member of – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) any municipal council; (ii) any provincial legislature; or (iii) the national Assembly or the national Council of provinces; (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. <p>“² Shareholder” means a person who owns shares in the company and is actively involved in the management of the company or business and exercises control over the company.</p>	

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

Full Name	Identity Number	State Employee Number

5. I, the undersigned 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.	
NAME OF REPRESENTATIVE	AUTHORISED SIGNATURE (UNDERSIGNED)
DATE	CAPACITY

MBD 6.2

DECLARATION CERTIFICATE FOR LOCAL PRODUCTION AND CONTENT (IF APPLICABLE)

This Municipal Bidding Document (MBD) must form part of all bids invited. It contains general information and serves as a declaration form for local content (local production and local content are used interchangeably).

Before completing this declaration, bidders must study the General Conditions, Definitions, Directives applicable in respect of Local Content as prescribed in the Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2011 and the South African Bureau of Standards (SABS) approved technical specification number SATS 1286:201x.

1. General Conditions

- 1.1. Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2011 (Regulation 9. (1) and 9. (3) make provision for the promotion of local production and content.
- 1.2. Regulation 9. (1) prescribes that in the case of designated sectors, wherein the award of bids local production and content is of critical importance, such bids must be advertised with the specific bidding condition that only locally produced goods, services or works or locally manufactured goods, with a stipulated minimum threshold for local production and content will be considered.
- 1.3. Regulation 9. (3) prescribes that where there is no designated sector, a specific bidding condition may be included, that only locally produced services, works or goods or locally manufactured goods with a stipulated minimum threshold for local production and content, will be considered.
- 1.4. Where necessary, for bids referred to in paragraphs 1.2 and 1.3 above, a two-stage bidding process may be followed, where the first stage involves a minimum threshold for local production and content and the second stage price and B-BBEE.
- 1.5. A person awarded a contract in relation to a designated sector, may not subcontract in such a manner that the local production and content of the overall value of the contract is reduced to below the stipulated minimum threshold.
- 1.6. The local content (LC) as a percentage of the bid price must be calculated in accordance with the SABS approved technical specification number SATS 1286: 201x as follows:

Local content

$$LC = 1 - \frac{x}{y} \times 100$$

Where:

x imported content

y bid price excluding value added tax (VAT)

Prices referred to in the determination of x must be converted to Rand (ZAR) by using the exchange rate published by the South African Reserve Bank (SARB) at 12:00 on the date, one week (7 calendar days) prior to the closing date of the bid as required in paragraph 4.1 below.

1.7. A bid will be disqualified if:

- the bidder fails to achieve the stipulated minimum threshold for local production and content indicated in paragraph 3 below, and.
- this declaration certificate is not submitted as part of the bid documentation.

2. Definitions

2.1. **“bid”** includes advertised competitive bids, written price quotations or proposals:

2.2. **“bid price”** price offered by the bidder, excluding value added tax (VAT).

2.3. **“contract”** means the agreement that results from the acceptance of a bid by an organ of state;

2.4. **“designated sector”** means a sector, sub-sector or industry that has been designated by the Department of Trade and Industry in line with national development and industrial policies for local production, where only locally produced services, works or goods or locally manufactured goods meet the stipulated minimum threshold for local production and content;

2.5. **“duly sign”** means a Declaration Certificate for Local Content that has been signed by the Chief Financial Officer or other legally responsible person nominated in writing by the Chief Executive, or senior member / person with management responsibility (close corporation, partnership or individual).

2.6. **“imported content”** means that portion of the bid price represented by the cost of components, parts or materials which have been or are still to be imported (whether by the supplier or its subcontractors) and which costs are inclusive of the costs abroad, plus freight and other direct importation costs, such as landing costs, dock duties, import duty, sales duty or other similar tax or duty at the South African port of entry;

2.7. **“local content”** means that portion of the bid price which is not included in the imported content, provided that local manufacture does take place;

2.8. **“stipulated minimum threshold”** means that portion of local production and content as determined by the Department of Trade and Industry; and

2.9. **“sub-contract”** means the primary contractor’s assigning, leasing, making out work to, or employing another person to support such primary contractor in the execution of part of a project in terms of the contract.

3. The stipulated minimum threshold(s) for local production and content for this bid is/are as follows:

Description of services, works or goods	Stipulated minimum threshold
_____	_____ %
_____	_____ %
_____	_____ %

4. Does any portion of the services, works or goods offered have any imported content? YES / NO
- 4.1. If yes, the rate(s) of exchange to be used in this bid to calculate the local content as prescribed in paragraph 1.6 of the general conditions must be the rate(s) published by the SARB for the specific currency at 12:00 on the date, one week (7 calendar days) prior to the closing date of the bid.

The relevant rates of exchange information is accessible on www.reservebank.co.za.

Indicate the rate (s) of exchange against the appropriate currency in the table below:

Currency Rates of exchange

Currency	Rates of exchange
US Dollar	
Pound Sterling	
Euro	
Yen	
Other	

NB: Bidders must submit proof of the SARB rate (s) of exchange used.

LOCAL CONTENT DECLARATION BY CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER OR OTHER LEGALLY RESPONSIBLE PERSON NOMINATED IN WRITING BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OR SENIOR MEMBER/PERSON WITH MANAGEMENT RESPONSIBILITY (CLOSE CORPORATION, PARTNERSHIP OR INDIVIDUAL) IN RESPECT OF BID No.

ISSUED BY: (Procurement Authority / Name of Municipality / Municipal Entity):

NB The obligation to complete, duly sign and submit this declaration cannot be transferred to an external authorized representative, auditor or any other third party acting on behalf of the bidder.

I, the undersigned, (full names),
do hereby declare, in my capacity as
of (name of bidder entity), the following:

- The facts contained herein are within my own personal knowledge.
- I have satisfied myself that the goods/services/works to be delivered in terms of the above-specified bid comply with the minimum local content requirements as specified in the bid, and as measured in terms of SATS 1286.
- The local content has been calculated using the formula given in clause 3 of SATS 1286, the rates of exchange indicated in paragraph 4.1 above and the following figures:

Bid price, excluding VAT (y)	R
Imported content (x)	R
Stipulated minimum threshold for Local content (paragraph 3 above)	

Local content % as calculated in terms of SATS 1286	
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If the bid is for more than one product, a schedule of the local content by product shall be Attached

- d) I accept that the Procurement Authority / Municipality /Municipal Entity has the right to request that the local content be verified in terms of the requirements of SATS 1286.
- e) I understand that the awarding of the bid is dependent on the accuracy of the information furnished in this application. I also understand that the submission of incorrect data, or data that are not verifiable as described in SATS 1286, may result in the Procurement Authority / Municipal / Municipal Entity imposing any or all of the remedies as provided for in Regulation 13 of the Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2011 promulgated under the Policy Framework Act (PPPFA), 2000 (Act No. 5 of 2000).

SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____

WITNESS No. 1: _____

DATE: _____

WITNESS No. 2: _____

DATE: _____

MBD 8

DECLARATION OF BIDDERS 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:
 - 3.1. Abused the municipality's / municipal entity's supply chain management system or committed any improper conduct in relation to such system;
 - 3.2. been convicted for fraud or corruption during the past five years;
 - 3.3. willfully neglected, reneged on or failed to comply with any government, municipal or other public sector contract during the past five years; or
 - 3.4. 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	<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?</p> <p>(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	No
4.1.1	If so, furnish particulars:		

Item	Question	Yes	No
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)? 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.	Yes	No
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:		

I, the undersigned 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.	
NAME OF REPRESENTATIVE	AUTHORISED SIGNATURE (UNDERSIGNED)
DATE	CAPACITY

MBD 9

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 per 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:
 - 3.1. take all reasonable steps to prevent such abuse;
 - 3.2. 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
 - 3.3. 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.

MBD 9

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;
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 authorised 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 authorised 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 organisation, 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

MBD 9

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.**

MBD 9

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

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Date

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Position

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Name of Bidder