

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR THE PROVISION OF CLEANING SERVICES FOR THE NHBRC ERIC MOLOBI INNOVATION OFFICE FOR A CONTRACTUAL PERIOD OF THREE (03) YEARS.

RFP NO.: NHBRC 16/2015

COMPULSORY BRIEFING SESSION DATE: 09 SEPTEMBER 2015

CLOSING DATE: 25th SEPTEMBER 2015

TIME: 11:00



INVITATION TO BID

YOU ARE HEREBY INVITED TO BID FOR REQUIREMENTS OF THE NATIONAL HOME BUILDERS REGISTRATION COUNCIL

BID NUMBER: NHBRC 16/2015 CLOSING DATE: 25TH SEPTEMBER 2015 CLOSING TIME: 11H00

DESCRIPTION: REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR THE PROVISION OF CLEANING SERVICES FOR THE NHBRC ERIC MOLOBI INNOVATION OFFICES FOR A CONTRACTUAL PERIOD OF THREE (03) YEARS.

VALITY PERIOD: Offer to be valid for sixty (60) calendar days from the closing date of the bid.

TENDER DOCUMENTS MUST BE POSTED TO: NHBRC HEAD OFFICE: 5 LEEUWKOP ROAD, SUNNINGHILL, JOHANNESBURG

OR

DEPOSITED IN THE BID BOX SITUATED AT *(STREET ADDRESS):* NHBRC HEAD OFFICE: 5 LEEUWKOP ROAD, SUNNINGHILL, JOHANNESBURG

Bidders should ensure that bids are delivered timeously to the correct address. If the bid is late, it will not be accepted for consideration.

ALL BIDS MUST BE SUBMITTED ON THE OFFICIAL FORMS – (NOT TO BE RE-TYPED)
NB: FIVE (5) BID PROPOSALS MUST BE SIBMITTED, CLEALRY MARKED: 1 ORIGINAL AND 4 COPIES

THIS BID IS SUBJECT TO THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT POLICY FRAMEWORK ACT AND THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS, 2011, THE GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT (GCC) AND, IF APPLICABLE, ANY OTHER SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

THE FOLLOWING PARTICULARS MUST BE FURNISHED
NAME OF BIDDER
POSTAL ADDRESS
STREET ADDRESS
TELEPHONE NUMBER CODENUMBER
CELLPHONE NUMBER
FACSIMILE NUMBER CODENUMBER
E-MAIL ADDRESS
VAT REGISTRATION NUMBER
HAS AN ORIGINAL AND VALID TAX CLEARANCE CERTIFICATE BEEN SUBMITTED? (SBD 2)
YES or NO
HAS A B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE BEEN SUBMITTED? (SBD 6.1)
YES or NO
IF YES, WHO WAS THE CERTIFICATE ISSUED BY?
AN ACCOUNTING OFICER AS CONTEMPLATED IN THE
CLOSE CORPORATION ACT (CCA)
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OR	
A REGISTERED AUDITOR	
(A B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE IN PREFERENCE POINTS FOR B-BBEE)	MUST BE SUBMITTED IN ORDER TO QUALIFY FOR
ARE YOU THE ACCREDITED REPRESENTATIVE IN SOUTH AFRICA FOR THE GOODS / SERVICES / WORKS OFFERED?	YES or NO [IF YES ENCLOSE PROOF]
SIGNATURE OF BIDDER	DATE
CAPACITY UNDER WHICH THIS BID IS SIGNED	
TOTAL BID PRICE TOTAL NUMBER OF ITE	MS OFFERED
ANY ENQUIRIES REGARDING THE BIDDING I	PROCEDURE MAY BE DIRECTED TO:
Department: Supply Chain Management	
Contact Person: Mncedi Mabona	
Tel: (011) 317 0475	
E-mail address: mncedim@nhbrc.org.za	

A VERIFICATION AGENCY ACCREDITED BY THE SOUTH AFRICAN ACCREDITATION SYSTEM (SANAS);

ANY ENQUIRIES REGARDING TECHNICAL INFORMATION MAY BE DIRECTED TO:

Contact Person: Derrick Shellard

Tel: (011) 317 0079

E-mail address: DerrickS@nhbrc.org.za





TAX CLEARANCE CERTIFICATE REQUIREMENTS

It is a condition of bid that the taxes of the successful bidder <u>must</u> be in order, or that satisfactory arrangements have been made with South African Revenue Service (SARS) to meet the bidder's tax obligations.

- In order to meet this requirement bidders are required to complete in full the attached form TCC 001 "Application for a Tax Clearance Certificate" and submit it to any SARS branch office nationally. The Tax Clearance Certificate Requirements are also applicable to foreign bidders / individuals who wish to submit bids.
- 2 SARS will then furnish the bidder with a Tax Clearance Certificate that will be valid for a period of 1 (one) year from the date of approval.
- 3 The original Tax Clearance Certificate must be submitted together with the bid. Failure to submit the original and valid Tax Clearance Certificate will result in the invalidation of the bid. Certified copies of the Tax Clearance Certificate will not be acceptable.
- 4 In bids where Consortia / Joint Ventures / Sub-contractors are involved, each party must submit a separate Tax Clearance Certificate.
- 5 Copies of the TCC 001 "Application for a Tax Clearance Certificate" form are available from any SARS branch office nationally or on the website www.sars.gov.za.
- 6 Applications for the Tax Clearance Certificates may also be made via eFiling. In order to use this provision, taxpayers will need to register with SARS as eFilers through the website www.sars.gov.za.

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PRICING SCHEDULE – FIRM PRICES SBD 3.3 (PURCHASES)

NOTE:

*Delete if

ONLY FIRM PRICES WILL BE ACCEPTED. NON-FIRM PRICES (INCLUDING PRICES SUBJECT TO RATES OF EXCHANGE VARIATIONS) WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED

IN CASES WHERE DIFFERENT DELIVERY POINTS INFLUENCE THE PRICING, A SEPARATE PRICING SCHEDULE MUST BE SUBMITTED FOR EACH DELIVERY POINT

	Name of bidder					
OFFER	OFFER TO BE VALID FOR SIXTY (60) CALENDER DAYS FROM THE CLOSING DATE OF BID.					
ITEM NO.	QUANTITY DESCRIPTION	BID PRICE IN RSA CURRENCY ** (ALL APPLICABLE TAXES INCLUDED)				
-	Required by:					
-	At:					
-	Brand and model					
-	Country of origin					
-	Does the offer comply with the specification(s)?	*YES/NO				
-	If not to specification, indicate deviation(s)					
-	Period required for delivery	*Delivery: Firm/not firm				
-	Delivery basis					
Note:	Note: All delivery costs must be included in the bid price, for delivery at the prescribed destination.					
** "all applicable taxes" includes value- added tax, pay as you earn, income tax, unemployment insurance fund contributions and skills development levies.						





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

work outside employment in the public sector?

- 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.

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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:
2.2	Identity Number:
2.3	Position occupied in the Company (director, trustee, shareholder²):
2.4	Company Registration Number:
2.5	Tax Reference Number:
2.6 2.6.1 1"State"	VAT Registration Number: 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. 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.
	holder" means a person who owns shares in the company and is actively involved in the management of the enterprise or business and ises control over the enterprise.
2.7	Are you or any person connected with the bidder presently employed by the state?
2.7.1	If so, furnish the following particulars:
Name o	of person / director / trustee / shareholder/ member: of state institution at which you or the person ted to the bidder is employed : occupied in the state institution:
•	er particulars:
2.7.2 the app	If you are presently employed by the state, did you obtain YES / NO ropriate authority to undertake remunerative





2.7.2.1 docume	If yes, did you attached proof of such authority to the bid nt?	YES / NO
	ailure to submit proof of such authority, where le, may result in the disqualification of the bid.	
2.7.2.2	If no, furnish reasons for non-submission of such proof:	
	d you or your spouse, or any of the company's directors / trustees / shareholders / members or their spouses conduct business with the state in the previous twelve months?	YES / NO
2.8.1	If so, furnish particulars:	
2.9 Do	o you, or any person connected with the bidder, have 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? 2.9.1If so, furnish particulars.	YES / NO
any other bidd	Are you, or any person connected with the bidder, re of any relationship (family, friend, other) between er and any person employed by the state volved with the evaluation and or adjudication	YES/NO
2.10.1	If so, furnish particulars.	
	Do you or any of the directors / trustees / shareholders / members impany have any interest in any other related companies or not they are bidding for this contract?	YES/NO
2.11.1	If so, furnish particulars:	

Full details of directors / trustees / members / shareholders.

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Full Name	Identity Number	Personal Tax Reference Number	State E Number Persal Number	,



Position

SBD 4

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.					
Signature		Date			

Name of bidder





PREFERENCE POINTS CLAIM FORM IN TERMS OF THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS 2011

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, 2011.

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 R1 000 000 (all applicable taxes included); and
 - the 90/10 system for requirements with a Rand value above R1 000 000 (all applicable taxes included).
- 1.2 The value of this bid is estimated to exceed/not exceed R1 000 000 (all applicable taxes included) and therefore the.......system shall be applicable.
- 1.3 Preference points for this bid shall be awarded for:
 - (a) Price; and
 - (b) B-BBEE Status Level of Contribution.
- 1.3.1 The maximum points for this bid are allocated as follows:

	POINTS
1.3.1.1 PRICE	90
1.3.1.2 B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL OF CONTRIBUTION	10
Total points for Price and B-BBEE must not exceed	100

- 1.4 Failure on the part of a bidder to fill in and/or to sign this form and submit a B-BBEE Verification Certificate from a Verification Agency accredited by the South African Accreditation System (SANAS) or a Registered Auditor approved by the Independent Regulatory Board of Auditors (IRBA) or an Accounting Officer as contemplated in the Close Corporation Act (CCA) together with the bid, will be interpreted to mean that preference points for B-BBEE status level of contribution are not claimed.
- 1.5. 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**

- 2..1 **"all applicable taxes"** includes value-added tax, pay as you earn, income tax, unemployment insurance fund contributions and skills development levies;
- 2.2 **"B-BBEE"** means broad-based black economic empowerment as defined in section 1 of the Broad
 -Based Black Economic Empowerment Act:
- 2.3 **"B-BBEE status level of contributor"** means the B-BBEE status received by a measured entity based on its overall performance using the relevant scorecard contained in the Codes of Good Practice on Black Economic Empowerment, issued in terms of section 9(1) of the Broad-Based Black Economic



Empowerment Act;

- 2.4 **"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 services, works or goods, through price quotations, advertised competitive bidding processes or proposals;
- 2.5 **"Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act"** means the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act, 2003 (Act No. 53 of 2003);
- 2.6 "**comparative price**" means the price after the factors of a non-firm price and all unconditional discounts that can be utilized have been taken into consideration;
- 2.7 "consortium or joint venture" 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;
- 2.8 "contract" means the agreement that results from the acceptance of a bid by an organ of state;
- 2.9 "EME" means any enterprise with an annual total revenue of R5 million or less.
- 2.10 "Firm price" means the price that is only subject to adjustments in accordance with the actual increase or decrease resulting from the change, imposition, or abolition of customs or excise duty and any other duty, levy, or tax, which, in terms of the law or regulation, is binding on the contractor and demonstrably has an influence on the price of any supplies, or the rendering costs of any service, for the execution of the contract;
- 2.11 "functionality" means the measurement according to predetermined norms, as set out in the bid documents, of a service or commodity that is designed to be practical and useful, working or operating, taking into account, among other factors, the quality, reliability, viability and durability of a service and the technical capacity and ability of a bidder;
- 2.12 "non-firm prices" means all prices other than "firm" prices;
- 2.13 "person" includes a juristic person;
- 2.14 "rand value" means the total estimated value of a contract in South African currency, calculated at the time of bid invitations, and includes all applicable taxes and excise duties;
- 2.15 "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:
- 2.16 **"total revenue"** bears the same meaning assigned to this expression in the Codes of Good Practice on Black Economic Empowerment, issued in terms of section 9(1) of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act and promulgated in the *Government Gazette* on 9 February 2007:
- 2.17 "trust" means the arrangement through which the property of one person is made over or bequeathed to a trustee to administer such property for the benefit of another person; and
- 2.18 "**trustee**" means any person, including the founder of a trust, to whom property is bequeathed in order for such property to be administered for the benefit of another person.

3. ADJUDICATION USING A POINT SYSTEM

- 3.1 The bidder obtaining the highest number of total points will be awarded the contract.
- 3.2 Preference points shall be calculated after prices have been brought to a comparative basis taking into account all factors of non-firm prices and all unconditional discounts;.
- 3.3 Points scored must be rounded off to the nearest 2 decimal places.



- In the event that two or more bids have scored equal total points, the successful bid must be the one scoring the highest number of preference points for B-BBEE.
- 3.5 However, when functionality is part of the evaluation process and two or more bids have scored equal points including equal preference points for B-BBEE, the successful bid must be the one scoring the highest score for functionality.
- 3.6 Should two or more bids be equal in all respects, the award shall be decided by the drawing of lots.

4. POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE

4.1 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

$$Ps = 80\left(1 - \frac{Pt - P\min}{P\min}\right)$$
 or $Ps = 90\left(1 - \frac{Pt - P\min}{P\min}\right)$

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

5. Points awarded for B-BBEE Status Level of Contribution

5.1 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 (90/10 system)	Number of points (80/20 system)
1	10	20
2	9	18
3	8	16
4	5	12
5	4	8
6	3	6
7	2	4
8	1	2





Non-compliant	0	0
contributor		

- 5.2 Bidders who qualify as EMEs in terms of the B-BBEE Act must submit a certificate issued by an Accounting Officer as contemplated in the CCA or a Verification Agency accredited by SANAS or a Registered Auditor. Registered auditors do not need to meet the prerequisite for IRBA's approval for the purpose of conducting verification and issuing EMEs with B-BBEE Status Level Certificates.
- 5.3 Bidders other than EMEs must submit their original and valid B-BBEE status level verification certificate or a certified copy thereof, substantiating their B-BBEE rating issued by a Registered Auditor approved by IRBA or a Verification Agency accredited by SANAS.
- 5.4 A trust, consortium or joint venture, will qualify for points for their B-BBEE status level as a legal entity, provided that the entity submits their B-BBEE status level certificate.
- A trust, consortium or joint venture will qualify for points for their B-BBEE status level as an unincorporated entity, provided that the entity submits their consolidated B-BBEE scorecard as if they were a group structure and that such a consolidated B-BBEE scorecard is prepared for every separate bid.
- 5.6 Tertiary institutions and public entities will be required to submit their B-BBEE status level certificates in terms of the specialized scorecard contained in the B-BBEE Codes of Good Practice.
- 5.7 A person will not be awarded points for B-BBEE status level if it is indicated in the bid documents that such a bidder intends sub-contracting more than 25% of the value of the contract to any other enterprise that does not qualify for at least the points that such a bidder qualifies for, unless the intended sub-contractor is an EME that has the capability and ability to execute the sub-contract.
- 5.8 A person awarded a contract may not sub-contract more than 25% of the value of the contract to any other enterprise that does not have an equal or higher B-BBEE status level than the person concerned, unless the contract is sub-contracted to an EME that has the capability and ability to execute the sub-contract.

6. BID DECLARATION

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(Points claimed in respect of paragraph 7.1 must be in accordance with the table reflected in paragraph 5.1 and must be substantiated by means of a B-BBEE certificate issued by a Verification Agency accredited by SANAS or a Registered Auditor approved by IRBA or an Accounting Officer as contemplated in the CCA).

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=(maximum of 10 or 20 points)

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

8 SUB-CONTRACTING

8.1	Will	any portion of the contract be sub-contracted?	YES / NO (delete which is not applicable)
8.1.1	If yes	, indicate:	
	(i)	what percentage of the contract will be subconti	racted?%
	(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?	YES / NO (delete which is not applicable)

9 DECLARATION WITH REGARD TO COMPANY/FIRM

B-BBEE Status Level of Contribution:

9.1	Name of company/firm	
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9.2	VAT reg	istration	number	·
9.3	Compan	y registr	ation number	
9.4	TYPE O	F COMF	PANY/ FIRM	
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9.5	DESCRI	BE PRI	NCIPAL BUSINE	SS ACTIVITIES
9.6	COMPA	NY CLA	SSIFICATION	
	Manufacturer Supplier Professional service provider Other service providers, e.g. transporter, etc. [TICK APPLICABLE BOX]			
9.7	Total nu	mber of	years the compa	ny/firm has been in business?
9.8	the poin	ts claim	ed, based on the	re duly authorised to do so on behalf of the company/firm, certify that e B-BBE status level of contribution indicated in paragraph 7 of the company/ firm for the preference(s) shown and I / we acknowledge
	(i)	The in	formation furnish	ned is true and correct;
	(ii)		reference points agraph 1 of this f	claimed are in accordance with the General Conditions as indicated orm.
	(iii)	parag	raph 7, the co	ntract being awarded as a result of points claimed as shown in ntractor may be required to furnish documentary proof to the haser that the claims are correct;
	(iv)	basis	or any of the co	level of contribution has been claimed or obtained on a fraudulent onditions of contract have not been fulfilled, the purchaser may, in emedy it may have –
		(a)	disqualify the p	person from the bidding process;
		(b)	recover costs, person's condi	losses or damages it has incurred or suffered as a result of that uct;
		(c)		ntract and claim any damages which it has suffered as a result of





- (d) restrict the bidder or contractor, its shareholders and directors, or only the shareholders and directors who acted on a fraudulent basis, 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

WITNE	ESSES:	
1.		
		SIGNATURE(S) OF BIDDER(S)
2.		
		DATE:ADDRESS:



DECLARATION OF BIDDER'S PAST SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

- 1 This Standard Bidding Document must form part of all bids invited.
- 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.
- 3 The bid of any bidder may be disregarded if that bidder, or any of its directors have
 - a. abused the institution's supply chain management system;
 - b. committed fraud or any other improper conduct in relation to such system; or
 - c. failed to perform on any previous contract.
- In order to give effect to the above, the following questionnaire must be completed and submitted with the bid.

ltem	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? (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 audi alteram partem rule was applied). 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.	Yes	No 🗌
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)? egister 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 outside of the Republic of South Africa) for fraud or corruption during the past five years?	Yes	8□
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	2□





4.4.1	If so, furnish particulars:





CERTIFICATION

I, THE UNDERSIGNED (FULL NAME) CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION FUR	NISHED ON THIS DECLARATION FORM IS TRUE AND CORRECT.
I ACCEPT THAT, IN ADDITION TO CAN ME SHOULD THIS DECLARATION PROV	CELLATION OF A CONTRACT, ACTION MAY BE TAKEN AGAINST E TO BE FALSE.
Signature	Date
Position	Name of Bidder





CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT BID DETERMINATION

- 1 This Standard Bidding Document (SBD) must form part of all bids¹ invited.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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





CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT BID DETERMINATION

I, the undersigned, in submitting the accompanying bid:	
(Bid Number and Desc	cription)
in response to the invitation for the bid made by:	
(Name of Institution	on)
do hereby make the following statements that I certify to be tru	ue and complete in every respect:
I certify, on behalf of:	that:
(Name of Pidder	c)

- (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

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- 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.

Signature	Date
Position	Name of Bidder



1. ABOUT THE NHBRC

- 1.1 Mandate of the NHBRC in terms of the Housing Consumers Protection Measures Act.
- 1.2 The National Home Builders Registration Council (NHBRC) has a mandate through the Housing Consumer Protection Measures Act (Act No. 95 of 1998) providing warranty protection against defects in new homes. The Act state that the objects of the Council are, inter alia:
 - 3(b) "to regulate the home building industry";
 - 3(d) "to establish and promote ethical and technical standards in the home building industry"; and
 - 3(e) "to improve structural quality in the interests of housing consumers and the home building industry";
- 1.3 The Council is furthermore empowered by the Act:
 - 5(5) (a) "to engage in undertakings to promote improved structural quality of homes constructed in the Republic;
 - 5(5) (b) "to engage in undertakings to improve ethical and technical standards in the home building industry;
 - 5(5) (c) "to keep a record of competent persons"; and
 - 5(h) "to generally do all things necessary or expedient to achieve its objects and the objectives of this Act."

2. RISK MANAGEMENT BY THE NHBRC

2.1 The NHBRC's primary mandate is to manage the risk of structural defects in the home building industry and in so doing, protect the consumer. A prime activity of the NHBRC is to manage its risk exposure in terms of the warranty scheme, in order to ensure that it is not unduly exposed to claims. The current risk management tools being used by the Council include the Registration of Home Builders, enrolment and inspection of homes, the Home Building Manual available on sale at any of the NHBRC provincial offices which incorporates design and construction rules and the appointment of competent persons by the Home Builder to perform certain tasks.

3. BUSINESS OVERVIEW

3.1 The National Home Builders Registration Council is a statutory body with the responsibility to provide warranty cover (protection) and regulatory services to the home-building industry. This is done in terms of the Housing Consumers Protection Measures Act (No 95 of 1998). It is the NHBRC's mandate to provide protection to housing consumers against defined defects and to regulate the home building industry. Our mandate determines our scope of business as well as the principles and area of business in which we operate. As a consequence our



business is focused on specific business models in defined geographical areas with specific business objectives for all South African Housing Consumers.

3.2 The NHBRC is a medium sized organization with a staff complement of approximately 580 employees. The NHBRC's Head Office is located in Sunninghill, Gauteng with 9 Provincial offices of varying sizes, and 12 satellite offices.

Table 1: NHBRC Office locations

#	OFFICE		
1	Head Office (Sunninghill)		
2	DR site (at Pretoria Regional Office)		
3	KwaZulu Natal (Durban) – Regional		
4	Western Cape (Bellville) – Regional		
5	Eastern Cape (Port Elizabeth) – Regional		
6	North West (Rustenburg) – Regional		
7	Limpopo (Pietersburg) – Regional		
8	Mpumalanga (Nelspruit) – Regional		
9	Gauteng (Sunninghill) – Regional		
10	Pretoria (Pretoria) – Regional		
11	Free State (Bloemfontein) – Regional		
12	Shelly Beach (Satelite)		
13	New Castle		
14	East London		
15	George		
16	Northern Cape (Kimberly)		
17	Klerksdorp		
18	Tzaneen		
19	Bela Bela		
20	Witbank		
21	Bethlehem		
22	Mafikeng		
23	Eric Molobi Innovation Hub (Soshanguve)		
24	Thulamela		

4. SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

4.1 All RFP documents must be sealed in a clearly marked envelope and deposited into the tender box at the NHBRC HEAD OFFICE: 5 LEEUWKOP ROAD, SUNNINGHILL, JOHANNESBURG

5. AVAILABILITY OF RFP DOCUMENTS



5.1 Bid documents can be downloaded on the NHBRC Website (<u>www.nhbrc.org.za/current-tenders</u>) from 28 August 2015.

Province	Physical Address & Contact Number
NHBRC HEAD OFFICE:	5 LEEUWKOP ROAD,
	SUNNINGHILL,
	JOHANNESBURG
	Tel: (011) 317 0000

5.2. The compulsory briefing session will be held on 09 September 2015 at 11h00 at the following address.

Province	Physical Address & Contact Number
NHBRC HEAD OFFICE:	5 LEEUWKOP ROAD,
	SUNNINGHILL,
	JOHANNESBURG
	Tel: (011) 317 0000

5.3. Note: Bidders who have not attended the compulsory briefing session will be disqualified

6. RFP CLOSING DATE

- 6.1 Bid documents should be marked for Attention: Supply Chain Manager, and deposited into the Bid boxes at the NHBRC HEAD OFFICE: 5 LEEUWKOP ROAD, SUNNINGHILL, and JOHANNESBURG on or before 25th September 2015 at 11 h 00.
- 6.2 No emailed or faxed Bids will be accepted. The Bid document should be supplied in a sealed envelope and clearly marked with the Bid number and the full name of the service provider(s).

No late submissions will be accepted.

7. VALIDITY PERIODS OF BIDS

7.1. All bids submitted by the bidders must be valid for a period of 60 (sixty) days from the closing date specified above.

8. RFP ENQUIRIES AND QUERIES SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO

Mncedi Mabona Tel. 011-317-0475 or e-mail mncedim@nhbrc.org.za

Bernard Kekana Tel. 011-317-0316 or e-mail bernardk@nhbrc.org.za

9. SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS

9.1. Submission of bid MUST include **one** (1) original, **one** (1) soft copy and **five** (5) hard copies of the proposals in a clearly marked envelope and deposited into the Bid box.



9.2. All costs and expenses incurred by the Bidder relating to the participation in, and preparation of this proposal process shall be borne by the Bidder exclusively. All documentation and manuals submitted in respect of this RFP shall be retained by NHBRC, whether or not the proposal is accepted.

10. SCOPE OF WORK

10.1 Purpose

1.1.1.To invite and find suitably qualified service providers to submit proposals for the provision of cleaning services for a contractual period of three (03) years for the NHBRC Eric Molobi Innovation Hub in Soshanguve

10.2 Background

10.2.1 NHBRC Eric Molobi Innovation Hub in Soshanguve

The NHBRC Eric Molobi Innovation Hub are situated on Block XX Erick Molobi Training Centre Innovation Hub, 224 Juventos Street, Thorntree View, Soshanguve A, Pretoria East comprising of two double story buildings which require total professional cleaning services to exterior and interior fittings and furnished assets.

- 10.2.2 The NHBRC Innovation Hub Building is comprised of a Conference Centre and a Testing Laboratory which have a greater floor space of 744.54m² and 587.3 m² respectively. These offices have an estimated amount of 20 visitors on a daily basis and 60 employees.
- 10.2.3 The cleaning services required by the NHBRC can in a broad sense be described as "any work done requiring removal of dirt from and providing an aesthetic or hygiene improvement to any surface or article in or around the NHBRCs Offices buildings. This service is to ensure that the NHRBCs assets are maintained in such a manner that their value is not eroded for maximization of the service length. The NHBRC prides itself in ensuring compliance to all legislated regulations of the country, thus the NHRBC seeks to appoint a professional cleaning service provider who will provide the NHBRC with the management functions and overall supervision of cleaning services and ensure that the buildings is kept safe, healthy and compliant to regulations governing the cleaning service sector and enabling the NHRBC to focus on its core business functions.

10.3 Operations

- 10.3.1 The NHBRC operates on an eight (08) hour routine basis from Monday to Friday for the majority of employees with a limited number of employees working extended hours; thus the service provider needs to conduct bulk cleaning works at night and routine cleaning work during operational hours/during the day to not disrupt the NHBRCs operations.
- 10.3.2 Service providers will be expected to arrange transportation for the evening team and confirmation thereof should be provided in their proposal submission. Weekend work will be scheduled for time intensive cleaning works and a skeleton staff will be expected to prepare and ready the facility for normal Monday operations.



10.4 Floor Coverings

- 10.4.1 The NHBRC floors are covered in an array of floor coverings which are ISO 9001:2008 (quality management) and ISO 14001 (environmental management) approved by the SABS. The supplier will be expected to clean the floor coverings in accordance to the manufacturer's specified methods.
- 10.4.2 The NHBRC building floor surfaces are covered with the following as specified in **Table 1** below.

10.5 Building Walls

- 10.5.1 The building walls have the following finish;
- 1) Dulux 10BB 83/020
- 2) Dulux 30BB 62/044
- 3) Dulux 30BB 45/049
- 4) Dulux 30BB 18/190
- 5) Walldesign Suwide Diva (15431)
- 6) Walldesign Chacran (46070)
- 7) Walltaker EZ Rite (Walldesign)

10.6 Building Structure

10.6.1 The following key service areas found in each floor including floor size for assistance.

Table 1: NHBRC Eric Molobi Innovation Hub Floor Covering

	FLOOR	DESCRIPTION	TOTAL M ²
CE	GROUND FLOOR	CANTEEN + ENTRANCE + PASSAGE =WOODEN FLOOR	150.25SQM
EN RE		KITCHEN +TOILET=CERAMIC TILES	142.28SQM
CONFERENCE		TRAINING ROOMS +OFFICES +BOARDROOM +CONFERENCE ROOM=CARPET	345SQM
Į į		PATIO	20SQM
	UPPER FLOOR	OFFICES =CARPET	87.01SQM
	UPPER FLOOR	UPPER FLOOR OFFICES=CARPET	
		TOILET=CERAMIC TILES	12.8SQM
		BOARDROOM=CARPETS	91.5SQM
		PATIO=CERAMIC TILES	15SQM
		PASSAGE=CERAMIC TILES	6.05SQM
TESTING	GROUND FLOOR	CONTROL ROOM=CARPET	23.2SQM
LABORA		STORE ROOM CONCRETE FLOOR	14.5SQM
TORY		TOILETS=CERAMIC TILES	48.2SQM
TOKT		WORKSHOP =CONCRETE FLOOR	237SQM
		TRAINING ROOM =CARPET	50.3SQM
		PASSAGE = CONCRETE FLOOR	17.7SQM
		PATIO=CONCRETE FLOOR	26.15SQM
		VERANDA=CONCREATE FLOOR	12SQM
		Show houses =24 cleaned daily	

10.7 Scope of Works

10.7.1 The cleaning contractor will be expected to render a comprehensive cleaning service including scheduled/ routine (as per standard cleaning methods indicated below) day to day cleaning services



and reactionary cleaning services as and when required. The contractor will also be required to provide specialist cleaning services on ad hoc basis. e.g. cleaning of high rise windows, glass façade and carpet cleaning..

10.7.2 Standard Cleaning Methods

The list below itemised account of areas and items found at NHBRC building consisting of a brief description of the method and frequency of cleaning required in terms of the "Standards Cleaning" norms. It is the bidders responsibility to ensure that all areas of the facilities are kept clean at all times and to perform a continuous audit ensuring adequacy in the frequency of cleaning and methodology.

10.7.3 Cleaning Services

The services will be rendered according to the following frequencies:

- 10.7.4 Twice daily and as and when necessary.
- 10.7.5 Empty and clean all waste bins.
- 10.7.6 Wash dishes.
- 10.7.7 Replenish consumables in ablution facilities (toilet paper, hand soaps, air fresheners, clenining toilets,etc.

10.7.8 Daily

- 1) Sweep and damp mop tiled floors with appropriate tools and detergents.
- 2) Disinfect ablution facilities floors.
- 3) Damp wipe kitchen appliances (e.g. kettles, microwaves, fridges, water boilers, water coolers, urns, etc).
- 4) Damp wipe glass doors, door handles.
- 5) Damp wipe mirrors, door handles, hand basins, metal fittings, cisterns and urinals in the ablution facilities.
- 6) Damp wipe wall tiles in the kitchen area and ablution facilities
- 7) Damp wipe and disinfect telephone instruments and light switches.
- 8) Damp wipe sanitary bag dispensers and bins.
- 9) Sanitise the waste bins.
- 10) Dust all horizontal surfaces, low level ledges and furniture (e.g. desks, chairs, cupboards, counter tops).
- 11) Vacuum all heavy traffic areas.

10.7.9 Twice a week

 Collect and treat she bins. (NHBRC reserves the right to request certificates of safe disposal of the said waste).

10.7.10 Weekly

- 1) Replace bin liners.
- 2) Vacuum low traffic areas (offices and meeting rooms).
- 3) Dust and wipe skirting boards, picture frames, windows, décor and partitions below 2 metres.



- 4) Spot clean glass doors and glass partitions.
- 5) Clean and polish chrome surfaces.
- 6) The walls of the toilets must be cleaned and disinfected.
- 7) Clean and dust window blinds.
- 8) Remove spots on carpets.
- 9) Polish desks and office furniture.

10.7.11 Monthly

- 1) Replace urinal mats.
- 2) Vacuum clean upholstered office and visitors chairs.
- 3) Spring clean kitchen cupboards and fridges.
- 4) Clean and wipe all doors.
- 5) Clean windows in all public areas, foyers, passages, toilets etc.

10.7.12 Quarterly

- 1) IT cleaning (notebooks, computer work stations, desktops, telephones, copiers, etc).
- 2) Clean all windows on the inside.
- 3) Carpet wash.
- 4) Pest control.

10.7.13 Bi-annually

- 1) Deep cleaning on all carpeted areas and tiled areas surface, at the time to be agreed upon with NHBRC.
- 2) Deep cleaning in all toilets.
- 3) Clean all blinds.

10.8 Costing

10.8.1 Annual Service Fees

Note the NHBRC is made up of 744.54m² and 587.3 m² respectively

Description		Fixed Monthly Service Fee (VAT Excl.)	Total Cost per Annum (Vat Excl.
Cleaning Service Fee	Year 1		
	Year 2		
	Year 3		
Total (Vat Excl.)		1	

Note: The fixed Monthly Service Fee should comprehensively reflect the NHBRC requirements for the Hygiene Management services; covering all elements required for the provision of the services e.g. removal of sanitary bins and disposal thereof. The fee must cover the following, but not limited to elements: labour (in line with the relevant statutory guidelines), management.



Breakdown of Monthly Service Fee

The bidder must provide a detailed breakdown of the proposed monthly service fee:

Cost Element	Monthly Service Fee (Vat Excl)		
	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
Total Monthly Service Fees(VAT Excl.)			

Note: The cost breakdown must reflect detailed labour costs per personnel.

SUMMARY OF PROPOSAL

DESCRIPTION	BIDDER'S PROPOSAL
Number of resources	
Supervisors on site	

10.9 Ad hoc cleaning services

The bidder must provide rates to be used for ad hoc services:

Description	Rate (VAT Excl.)
1. High rise walls requiring special skills and equipment	
2. High-rise windows requiring special skills and	
equipment.	
3. Carpet cleaning	



EVALUATION PROCESS

- 1.1 In accordance with the NHBRC Supply Chain Management Policy, the bid evaluation process shall be carried out in two (2) stages namely:
 - Pre Evaluation of Compliance to Mandatory Requirements
 - Stage 1: Paper Based Evaluation (Functionality)
 - Stage 2: Price and Preference Points Evaluation
- 1.2 Pre Evaluation of Compliance to Mandatory Requirements

1.2.1 Bids must fully comply with all the Mandatory Requirements for the Pre Evaluation of Compliance to Mandatory Requirements in order to qualify for Stage 1 Paper Based Evaluation (Functionality) and those bids which fail to comply with all the requirements will be invalidated or disqualified from the process.

Mandatory Requirements (Original or Certified	Action	Comply/ Not comply
Сору)		
Proof of registration with COIDA and letter of good	Submit	
standing		
Unemployment Insurance Fund and Worker's	Submit	
Compensation Fund		
Registration with the National Contract Cleaners	Submit	
Association (NCCA)		
Original Tax Clearance Certificate (no certified or	Submit	
copies will be accepted)		
	Complete in full, sign and	
SBD 1 Invitation to bid	submit	
	Complete in full, sign and	
SBD 4 Declaration of Interest	submit	
	Complete in full, sign and	
SBD 6.1Preference Claim form	submit	
	Complete in full, sign and	
SBD 8 Declaration of Bidders past SCM practices	submit	
	Complete in full, sign and	
SBD 9 Certificate of Independent bid determination	submit	
General Conditions of Contract	Confirm you have read	

and understood the GCC	
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Mandatory Requirements - Document Checklist of Compliance

1.3 Stage 1 Paper Based Evaluation (Functionality)

1.3.1 Bidders must achieve 70 out of 100 points for **Stage 1: Functionality** in order to qualify for **Stage 2 Price and Preference Points Evaluation** and those bidders who fail to meet the minimum qualifying score will not be considered further in the process.

Evaluation Criteria for Functional Evaluation

No.	Evaluation Criteria	Weight
1	Company Experience in cleaning services	35
	Minimum related experience	15
	5 years and above = 5;4 years=4;3 years = 3; 2 years = 2; 1 years =1; 0=0	
	Reference letters for cleaning services completed within the past five (5) years.	20
	References to include project description, duration, start and end dates and contact details.	
	5 reference= 5; 4 references =4; 3 references = 3; 2 references = 2; 1 references =1;0=0	
	NB: Reference checks may be conducted.	
2	Key personnel experience (please attach CV)	30
	Minimum related experience	
	Site Manager(attach CVs)	20
	5 years = 5; 4 years = 4; 3years = 3; 2 years = 2; 1years =1;0=0	
	Cleaners(Attach CVs)	10
	5 years = 5; 4 years = 4; 3years = 3; 2 years = 2; 1years =1;0=0	
3	Project Plan	35

No.	Evaluation Criteria	Weight
	a) Cleaning intervals	5
	b) Monitoring	10
	c) Supervision	5
		5
	d) Timelines	
	e) Transition plan(the bidder to submit a transition plan demonstration how the bidder will take over from the previous contractor)	10
	Threshold	70
	Total	100

1.4 Each panel member will rate the above-mentioned criteria using the following values scale:

Value	Description
5 – Excellent	Meets and exceeds NHBRC functionality requirements
4 – Very Good	Above average compliance to requirements
3 – Good	Satisfactory and should be adequate for stated element
2 – Average	Below average compliance to requirements
1 – Poor	Unacceptable, does not meet criteria
0 - Non compliant	Non-compliant

The points for the panel members will be added and expressed as a fraction of the best possible score for each particular criterion as set out above.

1.5. Stage 2: Price and Preference Points Evaluation

- 1.5.1. Only bids that achieve minimum qualifying score for 'Stage (c) Site Visit Evaluation' will be evaluated further.
- 1.5.2. The contract will be awarded in terms of Regulations 4 of the Preferential Procurement Regulations pertaining to the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act, 2000 (Act 5 of 2000), bids will be adjudicated in terms of a (80/20) preference point system in terms of which points are awarded to bidders on the basis of:
- 1.5.3. The formula that will be utilized in calculating points scores for prices is as follows:

80/20 Preference point system (for acquisition of services, works or goods with a Rand value above R1million) (all applicable taxes included)

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

Where:

Ps = Points scored for comparative price of bid or offer under consideration

Pt = Comparative price of bid or offer under consideration

Pmin = Comparative price of lowest acceptable bid or offer.

The points scored will be rounded off to the nearest two decimal places.

1.5.4 The points will be awarded to a Bidder for attaining the B-BBEE status level of contribution in accordance with the table below:

BBBEE Level	80/20
Level 1	20
Level 2	18
Level 3	16
Level 4	12
Level 5	8
Level 6	6
Level 7	4
Level 8	2
Non-compliant contributor	0

- 1.5.5 The points scored for price will be added to the points scored for B-BBEE status level to obtain the Bidders total points scored out of 100 points.
- 1.5.6 NB: Prices must be fixed for duration of the contract, if fees are not fixed please indicate the percentage as per industry norms and escalation period.

CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

- 1. The Conditions of Contract that will govern the contractual relationship between the NHBRC and the Successful bidder consists of the following documents:
 - 1.1 Sub-Section 4.1 General Conditions of Contract;
 - 1.2 Sub-Section 4.2 Special Conditions of Contract for the Leasing of Property;.
- 2. The terms of the Conditions of Contract are firm. No additions, deletions or variations thereto shall be entertained.

SUB-SECTION 4.1 - GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

General Conditions of Contract

1. Definitions

- 1. The following terms shall be interpreted as indicated:
- 1.1 "Closing time" means the date and hour specified in the bidding documents for the receipt of bids.
- 1.2 "Contract" means the written agreement entered into between the purchaser and the supplier, as recorded in the contract form signed by the parties, including all attachments and appendices thereto and all documents incorporated by reference therein.
- 1.3 "Contract price" means the price payable to the supplier under the contract for the full and proper performance of his contractual obligations.
- 1.4 "Corrupt practice" means the offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting of any thing of value to influence the action of a public official in the procurement process or in contract execution.
- 1.5 "Countervailing duties" are imposed in cases where an enterprise abroad is subsidized by its government and encouraged to market its products internationally.
- 1.6 "Country of origin" means the place where the goods were mined, grown or produced or from which the services are supplied. Goods are produced when, through manufacturing, processing or substantial and major assembly of components, a commercially recognized new product results that is substantially different in basic characteristics or in purpose or utility from its components.
- 1.7 "Day" means calendar day.
- 1.8 "Delivery" means delivery in compliance of the conditions of the contract or order.
- 1.9 "Delivery ex stock" means immediate delivery directly from stock actually on hand.
- 1.10 "Delivery into consignees store or to his site" means delivered and unloaded in the specified store or depot or on the specified site in compliance with the conditions of the contract or order, the supplier bearing all risks and charges involved until the supplies are so delivered and a valid receipt is obtained.
- 1.11 "Dumping" occurs when a private enterprise abroad market its goods on own initiative in the RSA at lower prices than that of the country of and which have the potential to harm the local industries in the RSA.
- 1.12 "Force majeure" means an event beyond the control of the supplier and not involving the supplier's fault or negligence and not foreseeable. Such events may include, but is not restricted to, acts of the purchaser in its sovereign capacity, wars or revolutions, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions and freight embargoes.
- 1.13 "Fraudulent practice" means a misrepresentation of facts in order to influence a procurement process or the execution of a contract to the detriment of any bidder, and includes collusive practice among bidders (prior to or after bid submission) designed to establish bid prices at artificial non-competitive levels and to deprive the bidder of the benefits of free and open competition.
- 1.14 "GCC" means the General Conditions of Contract.
- 1.15 "Goods" means all of the equipment, machinery, and/or other materials that the supplier is required to supply to the purchaser under the contract.
- 1.16 "Imported content" means that portion of the bidding price represented by the cost of components, parts or materials which have been or are still to be

SUB-SECTION 4.1 - GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

imported (whether by the supplier or his subcontractors) and which costs are inclusive of the costs abroad, plus freight and other direct importation costs such as landing costs, dock dues, import duty, sales duty or other similar tax or duty at the South African place of entry as well as transportation and handling charges to the factory in the Republic where the supplies covered by the bid will be manufactured.

- 1.17 "Local content" means that portion of the bidding price which is not included in the imported content provided that local manufacture does take place.
- 1.18 "Manufacture" means the production of products in a factory using labour, materials, components and machinery and includes other related valueadding activities.
- 1.19 "Order" means an official written order issued for the supply of goods or works or the rendering of a service.
- 1.20 "Project site," where applicable, means the place indicated in bidding documents.
- 1.21 "Purchaser" means the organization purchasing the goods.
- 1.22 "Republic" means the Republic of South Africa.
- 1.23 "SCC" means the Special Conditions of Contract.
- "Services" means those functional services ancillary to the supply of the goods, such as transportation and any other incidental services, such as installation, commissioning, provision of technical assistance, training, catering, gardening, security, maintenance and other such obligations of the supplier covered under the contract.
- 1.25 "Written" or "in writing" means handwritten in ink or any form of electronic or mechanical writing.

2. Application

- 2.1 These general conditions are applicable to all bids, contracts and orders including bids for functional and professional services, sales, hiring, letting and the granting or acquiring of rights, but excluding immovable property, unless otherwise indicated in the bidding documents.
- 2.2 Where applicable, special conditions of contract are also laid down to cover specific supplies, services or works.
- 2.3 Where such special conditions of contract are in conflict with these general conditions, the special conditions shall apply.

3. General

- 3.1 Unless otherwise indicated in the bidding documents, the purchaser shall not be liable for any expense incurred in the preparation and submission of a bid. Where applicable a non-refundable fee for documents may be charged.
- 3.2 With certain exceptions, invitations to bid are only published in the Government Tender Bulletin. The Government Tender Bulletin may be obtained directly from the Government Printer, Private Bag X85, Pretoria 0001, or accessed electronically from www.treasury.gov.za

4. Standards

- 4.1 The goods supplied shall conform to the standards mentioned in the bidding documents and specifications.
- 5. Use of contract documents and information; inspection.
- 5.1 The supplier shall not, without the purchaser's prior written consent, disclose the contract, or any provision thereof, or any specification, plan, drawing, pattern, sample, or information furnished by or on behalf of the purchaser in connection therewith, to any person other than a person employed by the supplier in the performance of the contract. Disclosure to any such employed person shall be made in confidence and shall extend only so far as may be necessary for purposes of such performance.
- 5.2 The supplier shall not, without the purchaser's prior written consent, make use of any document or information mentioned in GCC clause 5.1 except for purposes of performing the contract.

- 5.3 Any document, other than the contract itself mentioned in GCC clause 5.1 shall remain the property of the purchaser and shall be returned (all copies) to the purchaser on completion of the supplier's performance under the contract if so required by the purchaser.
- 5.4 The supplier shall permit the purchaser to inspect the supplier's records relating to the performance of the supplier and to have them audited by auditors appointed by the purchaser, if so required by the purchaser.

6. Patent rights

6.1

The supplier shall indemnify the purchaser against all third-party claims of infringement of patent, trademark, or industrial design rights arising from use of the goods or any part thereof by the purchaser.

7. Performance security

- 7.1 Within thirty (30) days of receipt of the notification of contract award, the successful bidder shall furnish to the purchaser the performance security of the amount specified in SCC.
- 7.2 The proceeds of the performance security shall be payable to the purchaser as compensation for any loss resulting from the supplier's failure to complete his obligations under the contract.
- 7.3 The performance security shall be denominated in the currency of the contract, or in a freely convertible currency acceptable to the purchaser and shall be in one of the following forms:
 - (a) a bank guarantee or an irrevocable letter of credit issued by a reputable bank located in the purchaser's country or abroad, acceptable to the purchaser, in the form provided in the bidding documents or another form acceptable to the purchaser; or
 - (b) a cashier's or certified cheque
- 7.4 The performance security will be discharged by the purchaser and returned to the supplier not later than thirty (30) days following the date of completion of the supplier's performance obligations under the contract, including any warranty obligations, unless otherwise specified in SCC.

8. Inspections, tests and analyses

- 8.1 All pre-bidding testing will be for the account of the bidder.
- 8.2 If it is a bid condition that supplies to be produced or services to be rendered should at any stage during production or execution or on completion be subject to inspection, the premises of the bidder or contractor shall be open, at all reasonable hours, for inspection by a representative of the Department or an organization acting on behalf of the Department.
- 8.3 If there are no inspection requirements indicated in the bidding documents and no mention is made in the contract, but during the contract period it is decided that inspections shall be carried out, the purchaser shall itself make the necessary arrangements, including payment arrangements with the testing authority concerned.
- 8.4 If the inspections, tests and analyses referred to in clauses 8.2 and 8.3 show the supplies to be in accordance with the contract requirements, the cost of the inspections, tests and analyses shall be defrayed by the purchaser.
- 8.5 Where the supplies or services referred to in clauses 8.2 and 8.3 do not comply with the contract requirements, irrespective of whether such supplies or services are accepted or not, the cost in connection with these inspections, tests or analyses shall be defrayed by the supplier.
- 8.6 Supplies and services which are referred to in clauses 8.2 and 8.3 and which do not comply with the contract requirements may be rejected.
- 8.7 Any contract supplies may on or after delivery be inspected, tested or analyzed and may be rejected if found not to comply with the requirements of the contract. Such rejected supplies shall be held at the cost and risk of the supplier who shall, when called upon, remove them immediately at his own cost and forthwith substitute them with supplies which do comply with the requirements of the contract. Failing such removal the rejected supplies shall be returned at the suppliers cost and risk. Should the supplier fail to

provide the substitute supplies forthwith, the purchaser may, without giving the supplier further opportunity to substitute the rejected supplies, purchase such supplies as may be necessary at the expense of the supplier.

- 8.8 The provisions of clauses 8.4 to 8.7 shall not prejudice the right of the purchaser to cancel the contract on account of a breach of the conditions thereof, or to act in terms of Clause 23 of GCC.
- 9. Packing

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- The supplier shall provide such packing of the goods as is required to prevent their damage or deterioration during transit to their final destination, as indicated in the contract. The packing shall be sufficient to withstand, without limitation, rough handling during transit and exposure to extreme temperatures, salt and precipitation during transit, and open storage. Packing, case size and weights shall take into consideration, where appropriate, the remoteness of the goods' final destination and the absence of heavy handling facilities at all points in transit.
- 9.2 The packing, marking, and documentation within and outside the packages shall comply strictly with such special requirements as shall be expressly provided for in the contract, including additional requirements, if any, specified in SCC, and in any subsequent instructions ordered by the purchaser.
- 10. Delivery and documents
- 10.1 Delivery of the goods shall be made by the supplier in accordance with the terms specified in the contract. The details of shipping and/or other documents to be furnished by the supplier are specified in SCC.
- 10.2 Documents to be submitted by the supplier are specified in SCC.
- 11. Insurance
- 11.1 The goods supplied under the contract shall be fully insured in a freely convertible currency against loss or damage incidental to manufacture or acquisition, transportation, storage and delivery in the manner specified in the SCC.
- 12. Transportation
- Should a price other than an all-inclusive delivered price be required, this shall be specified in the SCC.
- 13. Incidental services
- 13.1 The supplier may be required to provide any or all of the following services, including additional services, if any, specified in SCC:
 - (a) performance or supervision of on-site assembly and/or commissioning of the supplied goods;
 - (b) furnishing of tools required for assembly and/or maintenance of the supplied goods;
 - (c) furnishing of a detailed operations and maintenance manual for each appropriate unit of the supplied goods;
 - (d) performance or supervision or maintenance and/or repair of the supplied goods, for a period of time agreed by the parties, provided that this service shall not relieve the supplier of any warranty obligations under this contract; and
 - training of the purchaser's personnel, at the supplier's plant and/or onsite, in assembly, start-up, operation, maintenance, and/or repair of the supplied goods.
- 13.2 Prices charged by the supplier for incidental services, if not included in the contract price for the goods, shall be agreed upon in advance by the parties and shall not exceed the prevailing rates charged to other parties by the supplier for similar services.
- 14. Spare parts
- 14.1 As specified in SCC, the supplier may be required to provide any or all of the following materials, notifications, and information pertaining to spare parts manufactured or distributed by the supplier:
 - such spare parts as the purchaser may elect to purchase from the supplier, provided that this election shall not relieve the supplier of any warranty obligations under the contract; and
 - (b) in the event of termination of production of the spare parts:
 - (i) Advance notification to the purchaser of the pending termination, in sufficient time to permit the purchaser to procure

needed requirements; and

(ii) following such termination, furnishing at no cost to the purchaser, the blueprints, drawings, and specifications of the spare parts, if requested.

15. Warranty 15.1 The supplier warrants that the goods supplied under the contract are new, unused, of the most recent or current models, and that they incorporate all recent improvements in design and materials unless provided otherwise in the contract. The supplier further warrants that all goods supplied under this contract shall have no defect, arising from design, materials, or workmanship (except when the design and/or material is required by the purchaser's specifications) or from any act or omission of the supplier, that may develop under normal use of the supplied goods in the conditions prevailing in the country of final destination. 15.2 This warranty shall remain valid for twelve (12) months after the goods, or any portion thereof as the case may be, have been delivered to and accepted at the final destination indicated in the contract, or for eighteen (18) months after the date of shipment from the port or place of loading in the source country, whichever period concludes earlier, unless specified otherwise in SCC. 15.3 The purchaser shall promptly notify the supplier in writing of any claims arising under this warranty. 15.4 Upon receipt of such notice, the supplier shall, within the period specified in SCC and with all reasonable speed, repair or replace the defective goods or parts thereof, without costs to the purchaser. 15.5 If the supplier, having been notified, fails to remedy the defect(s) within the period specified in SCC, the purchaser may proceed to take such remedial action as may be necessary, at the supplier's risk and expense and without prejudice to any other rights which the purchaser may have against the supplier under the contract. 16. Payment 16.1 The method and conditions of payment to be made to the supplier under this contract shall be specified in SCC. 16.2 The supplier shall furnish the purchaser with an invoice accompanied by a copy of the delivery note and upon fulfilment of other obligations stipulated in the contract. 16.3 Payments shall be made promptly by the purchaser, but in no case later than thirty (30) days after submission of an invoice or claim by the supplier. 16.4 Payment will be made in Rand unless otherwise stipulated in SCC. 17. Prices 17.1 Prices charged by the supplier for goods delivered and services performed under the contract shall not vary from the prices quoted by the supplier in his bid, with the exception of any price adjustments authorized in SCC or in the purchaser's request for bid validity extension, as the case may be. 18. Contract 18.1 No variation in or modification of the terms of the contract shall be made amendments except by written amendment signed by the parties concerned. 19. Assignment 19.1 The supplier shall not assign, in whole or in part, its obligations to perform under the contract, except with the purchaser's prior written consent. 20. Subcontracts 20.1 The supplier shall notify the purchaser in writing of all subcontracts awarded under this contracts if not already specified in the bid. Such notification, in

obligation under the contract.

the original bid or later, shall not relieve the supplier from any liability or

- 21. Delays in the supplier's performance
- 21.1 Delivery of the goods and performance of services shall be made by the supplier in accordance with the time schedule prescribed by the purchaser in the contract.
- 21.2 If at any time during performance of the contract, the supplier or its subcontractor(s) should encounter conditions impeding timely delivery of the goods and performance of services, the supplier shall promptly notify the purchaser in writing of the fact of the delay, its likely duration and its cause(s). As soon as practicable after receipt of the supplier's notice, the purchaser shall evaluate the situation and may at his discretion extend the supplier's time for performance, with or without the imposition of penalties, in which case the extension shall be ratified by the parties by amendment of contract.
- 21.3 No provision in a contract shall be deemed to prohibit the obtaining of supplies or services from a national department, provincial department, or a local authority.
- 21.4 The right is reserved to procure outside of the contract small quantities or to have minor essential services executed if an emergency arises, the supplier's point of supply is not situated at or near the place where the supplies are required, or the supplier's services are not readily available.
- 21.5 Except as provided under GCC Clause 25, a delay by the supplier in the performance of its delivery obligations shall render the supplier liable to the imposition of penalties, pursuant to GCC Clause 22, unless an extension of time is agreed upon pursuant to GCC Clause 21.2 without the application of penalties.
- 21.6 Upon any delay beyond the delivery period in the case of a supplies contract, the purchaser shall, without cancelling the contract, be entitled to purchase supplies of a similar quality and up to the same quantity in substitution of the goods not supplied in conformity with the contract and to return any goods delivered later at the supplier's expense and risk, or to cancel the contract and buy such goods as may be required to complete the contract and without prejudice to his other rights, be entitled to claim damages from the supplier.

22. Penalties

- 22.1 Subject to GCC Clause 25, if the supplier fails to deliver any or all of the goods or to perform the services within the period(s) specified in the contract, the purchaser shall, without prejudice to its other remedies under the contract, deduct from the contract price, as a penalty, a sum calculated on the delivered price of the delayed goods or unperformed services using the current prime interest rate calculated for each day of the delay until actual delivery or performance. The purchaser may also consider termination of the contract pursuant to GCC Clause 23.
- 23. Termination for default
- 23.1 The purchaser, without prejudice to any other remedy for breach of contract, by written notice of default sent to the supplier, may terminate this contract in whole or in part:
 - (a) if the supplier fails to deliver any or all of the goods within the period(s) specified in the contract, or within any extension thereof granted by the purchaser pursuant to GCC Clause 21.2;
 - (b) if the Supplier fails to perform any other obligation(s) under the contract; or
 - (c) if the supplier, in the judgment of the purchaser, has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for or in executing the contract.
- 23.2 In the event the purchaser terminates the contract in whole or in part, the purchaser may procure, upon such terms and in such manner as it deems appropriate, goods, works or services similar to those undelivered, and the supplier shall be liable to the purchaser for any excess costs for such similar goods, works or services. However, the supplier shall continue performance of the contract to the extent not terminated.
- 23.3 Where the purchaser terminates the contract in whole or in part, the purchaser may decide to impose a restriction penalty on the supplier by prohibiting such supplier from doing business with the public sector for a

period not exceeding 10 years.

- If a purchaser intends imposing a restriction on a supplier or any 12 person associated with the supplier, the supplier will be allowed a time period of not more than fourteen (14) days to provide reasons why the envisaged restriction should not be imposed. Should the supplier fail to respond within the stipulated fourteen (14) days the purchaser may regard the intended penalty as not objected against and may impose it on the supplier.
- Any restriction imposed on any person by the Accounting Officer /
 Authority will, at the discretion of the Accounting Officer / Authority,
 also be applicable to any other enterprise or any partner, manager,
 director or other person who wholly or partly exercises or exercised or
 may exercise control over the enterprise of the first-mentioned person,
 and with which enterprise or person the first-mentioned person, is or was
 in the opinion of the Accounting Officer / Authority actively associated.
- 23.6 If a restriction is imposed, the purchaser must, within five (5) working days of such imposition, furnish the National Treasury, with the following information:
 - (i) the name and address of the supplier and / or person restricted by the purchaser:
 - (ii) the date of commencement of the restriction
 - (iii) the period of restriction; and
 - (iv) the reasons for the restriction.

These details will be loaded in the National Treasury's central database of suppliers or persons prohibited from doing business with the public sector.

- If a court of law convicts a person of an offence as contemplated in sections 12 or 13 of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act, No. 12 of 2004, the court may also rule that such person's name be endorsed on the Register for Tender Defaulters. When a person's name has been endorsed on the Register, the person will be prohibited from doing business with the public sector for a period not less than five years and not more than 10 years. The National Treasury is empowered to determine the period of restriction and each case will be dealt with on its own merits. According to section 32 of the Act the Register must be open to the public. The Register can be perused on the National Treasury website.
- 24. Anti-dumping and countervailing duties and rights
- When, after the date of bid, provisional payments are required, or antidumping or countervailing duties are imposed, or the amount of a
 provisional payment or anti-dumping or countervailing right is increased in
 respect of any dumped or subsidized import, the State is not liable for any
 amount so required or imposed, or for the amount of any such increase.
 When, after the said date, such a provisional payment is no longer required
 or any such anti-dumping or countervailing right is abolished, or where the
 amount of such provisional payment or any such right is reduced, any such
 favourable difference shall on demand be paid forthwith by the contractor to
 the State or the State may deduct such amounts from moneys (if any) which
 may otherwise be due to the contractor in regard to supplies or services
 which he delivered or rendered, or is to deliver or render in terms of the
 contract or any other contract or any other amount which may be due to him
- 25. Force Majeure 25.1
- Notwithstanding the provisions of GCC Clauses 22 and 23, the supplier shall not be liable for forfeiture of its performance security, damages, or termination for default if and to the extent that his delay in performance or other failure to perform his obligations under the contract is the result of an event of force majeure.
- 25.2 If a force majeure situation arises, the supplier shall promptly notify the purchaser in writing of such condition and the cause thereof. Unless otherwise directed by the purchaser in writing, the supplier shall continue to perform its obligations under the contract as far as is reasonably practical, and shall seek all reasonable alternative means for performance not prevented by the force majeure event.
- 26. Termination for 26.1 insolvency
- The purchaser may at any time terminate the contract by giving written notice to the supplier if the supplier becomes bankrupt or otherwise

insolvent. In this event, termination will be without compensation to the supplier, provided that such termination will not prejudice or affect any right of action or remedy which has accrued or will accrue thereafter to the purchaser.

27. Settlement of Disputes

- 27.1 If any dispute or difference of any kind whatsoever arises between the purchaser and the supplier in connection with or arising out of the contract, the parties shall make every effort to resolve amicably such dispute or difference by mutual consultation.
- 27.2 If, after thirty (30) days, the parties have failed to resolve their dispute or difference by such mutual consultation, then either the purchaser or the supplier may give notice to the other party of his intention to commence with mediation. No mediation in respect of this matter may be commenced unless such notice is given to the other party.
- 27.3 Should it not be possible to settle a dispute by means of mediation, it may be settled in a South African court of law.
- 27.4 Mediation proceedings shall be conducted in accordance with the rules of procedure specified in the SCC.
- 27.5 Notwithstanding any reference to mediation and/or court proceedings herein,
 - the parties shall continue to perform their respective obligations under the contract unless they otherwise agree; and
 - (b) the purchaser shall pay the supplier any monies due the supplier.

28. Limitation of liability

- 28.1 Except in cases of criminal negligence or wilful misconduct, and in the case of infringement pursuant to Clause 6;
 - (a) the supplier shall not be liable to the purchaser, whether in contract, tort, or otherwise, for any indirect or consequential loss or damage, loss of use, loss of production, or loss of profits or interest costs, provided that this exclusion shall not apply to any obligation of the supplier to pay penalties and/or damages to the purchaser; and
 - (b) the aggregate liability of the supplier to the purchaser, whether under the contract, in tort or otherwise, shall not exceed the total contract price, provided that this limitation shall not apply to the cost of repairing or replacing defective equipment.

29. Governing language

- 29.1 The contract shall be written in English. All correspondence and other documents pertaining to the contract that is exchanged by the parties shall also be written in English.
- 30. Applicable law
- 30.1 The contract shall be interpreted in accordance with South African laws, unless otherwise specified in SCC.

31. Notices

- 31.1 Every written acceptance of a bid shall be posted to the supplier concerned by registered or certified mail and any other notice to him shall be posted by ordinary mail to the address furnished in his bid or to the address notified later by him in writing and such posting shall be deemed to be proper service of such notice
- 31.2 The time mentioned in the contract documents for performing any act after such aforesaid notice has been given, shall be reckoned from the date of posting of such notice.

32. Taxes and duties

- 32.1 A foreign supplier shall be entirely responsible for all taxes, stamp duties, license fees, and other such levies imposed outside the purchaser's country.
- 32.2 A local supplier shall be entirely responsible for all taxes, duties, license fees, etc., incurred until delivery of the contracted goods to the purchaser.
- 32.3 No contract shall be concluded with any bidder whose tax matters are not in order. Prior to the award of a bid the Department must be in possession of a tax clearance certificate, submitted by the bidder. This certificate must be an original issued by the South African Revenue Services.

33. National Industrial Participation (NIP) Programme

33.1. The NIP Programme administered by the Department of Trade and Industry shall be applicable to all contracts that are subject to the NIP obligation.

34. Prohibition of Restrictive practices

- 34.1. In terms of section 4 (1) (b) (iii) of the Competition Act No. 89 of 1998, as amended, an agreement between, or concerted practice by, firms, or a decision by an association of firms, is prohibited if it is between parties in a horizontal relationship and if a bidder (s) is / are or a contractor(s) was / were involved in collusive bidding (or bid rigging).
- 34.2. If a bidder(s) or contractor(s), based on reasonable grounds or evidence obtained by the purchaser, has / have engaged in the restrictive practice referred to above, the purchaser may refer the matter to the Competition Commission for investigation and possible imposition of administrative penalties as contemplated in the Competition Act No. 89 of 1998.
- 34.3. If a bidder(s) or contractor(s), has / have been found guilty by the Competition Commission of the restrictive practice referred to above, the purchaser may, in addition and without prejudice to any other remedy provided for, invalidate the bid(s) for such item(s) offered, and / or terminate the contract in whole or part, and / or restrict the bidder(s) or contractor(s) from conducting business with the public sector for a period not exceeding ten (10) years and / or claim damages from the bidder(s) or contractor(s) concerned.

Special Conditions of Contract

Section 4.1 – Details required by the Government Procurement General Conditions of contract ("GCC")

GCC Clause	Topic	Details
7.1	Amount of the performance	N/A
	Security	
9.2	Additional Packing	N/A
	Requirements	
10.1	Details of shipping and other	N/A
	documents	
13.1	Additional services	N/A
14.1	Spare Parts	N/A
15.2	Warranty	N/A
15.4	Warranty	N/A

- 2 **Interpretation and Definitions**1.1 In this SCC and the GCC, unless clearly inconsistent with or otherwise indicated by the context, the following words terms and phrases have the following meaning;
 - 1.1.1 "This Agreement" means etc...
- This Request for Proposal (RFP) has been compiled by the NHBRC and it is made available to the Bidders on the following basis. The NHBRC reserves the right to amend, modify or withdraw this RFP or amend, modify or terminate any of the procedures or requirements set out herein at any time (and from time to time), without prior notice and without liability to compensate or reimburse any person.
- 3.6 The NHBRC reserves the right to carry out site inspections or call for supporting documentation in order to confirm any information provided by a Bidder in its RFP Bid.
- 3.7 This RFP is not intended to form the basis of a decision to enter into any transaction involving the NHBRC, and does not constitute an offer or recommendation to enter into such transaction, or an intention to enter into any legal relationship with any person.
- 3.8 A Bid submitted in response to this RFP will constitute a binding offer which will remain binding and irrevocable for a period of sixty (60) days from the date of submission to the NHBRC. The offer constituted by the Bid will be deemed not to have been accepted and no agreement will be deemed to be reached with any Bidder, unless and until a definitive Agreement and other related transaction documents are concluded between the NHBRC and the Preferred Bidder.
- 3.9 The distribution of this RFP outside the Republic of South Africa may be restricted or prohibited by the laws of other countries. Recipients of this RFP are advised to familiarize themselves with and comply with all such restrictions or prohibitions applicable in those jurisdictions, and neither the NHBRC, nor any of their respective directors, officers, employees, agents, representatives or advisors, accepts liability to any person for any damages arising out of or in connection with the breach of any restriction or provision outside the Republic of

- South Africa. Persons contemplating submitting a Bid are advised to obtain legal advice as to the possible consequences thereof in terms of the law of the jurisdictions in which they are located.
- 3.10 Recipients of this RFP document may only distribute it to other parties whom they wish to involve as part of their Bidder consortium in submitting a Bid.
- 3.11 Neither the NHBRC nor any of their respective directors, officers, employees, agents, representatives or advisors will assume any obligation for any costs or expenses incurred by any party in or associated with preparing or submitting a Bid in response to the RFP.
- 3.12 No entity may be involved, whether directly or indirectly, in more than one Bid in response to this RFP. A failure to comply with this requirement may, within the sole discretion of the NHBRC, result in disqualification of the relevant entity.
- 3.13 Any material change in the control and/or composition of any Bidder or any core member of a Bidder after submission of a Bid, shall require the prior written approval of the NHBRC, and any failure to seek such approval from the NHBRC shall result in the NHBRC being entitled, in its sole discretion, to exclude the relevant Bidder from any further participation in the bid process. The NHBRC shall be the sole arbiter as to what constitutes a "material change in the control and/or composition of any Bidder", and as to what constitutes a "core member of a Bidder" for purposes of such approval. Any request for such approval shall be made to the NHBRC's Supply Chain Management in writing and shall provide sufficient reasons and information to allow the NHBRC to make a decision. The NHBRC reserves the right to accept or reject any such request for approval at its sole discretion.
- 3.14 Briefing Session: Should the briefing session be held, the sharing of information and clarifications of issues related to this RFP, as given by the NHBRC during such session will form part of this RFP and responses.
- 3.15 Any requirement set out in this RFP that stipulates the form and/or content of any aspect of a Bid, is stipulated for the sole benefit of the NHBRC, and save as expressly stated to the contrary, may be waived by the NHBRC in its sole discretion at any stage in the RFP process.
- 3.16 The NHBRC and its advisors may rely on a Bid as being accurate and complete in relation to the information and proposals provided therein by the Bidders.
- 3.17 All Bids submitted to NHBRC will become the property of the NHBRC and will as such not be returned to the Bidder. The NHBRC will make all reasonable efforts to maintain proposals in confidence. Proprietary information should be identified as such in each proposal.
- 3.18 If the NHBRC amends this RFP, the amendment will be sent to each Bidder in writing or publicized as the case maybe. No oral amendments by any person will be considered or acknowledged.
- 3.19 RFP shall be considered irregular if they show any omissions, alteration of form, additions, or conditions not called for, or irregularities of any kind. However, the NHBRC reserves the right to waive any irregularities and to make award in the best interest of the company.
- 3.20 The NHBRC reserves the right to accept or reject in part or whole any bid submitted, and to waive any technicalities for the best interest of the company.

- 3.21 RFP's shall be rejected, among other reasons, for any of the following specific reasons:
 - 3.21.6 RFP's received after the closing date and time as specified.
 - 3.21.7 Unbalanced value of any items.
 - 3.21.8 If the original Tax Clearance Certificate is not submitted
 - 3.21.9 RFP documents not initialed on every page, and
 - 3.21.10 RFP containing irregularities.
 - 3.22 Potential service provider(s)s shall be disqualified and their RFP's not considered, among other reasons, for any of the following specific reasons:
 - 3.22.6 Suspected collusion among bidders.
 - 3.22.7 The service provider(s) being in arrears on any existing contract or having defaulted on previous contracts.
 - 1.18.3. Any uncompleted work that in the judgment of the company shall prevent or hinder the prompt completion of additional work, if awarded.
 - 1.18.4. The service provider having proven conviction/s on any Competition Commission enquiry or having been subjected to such investigation.
- 3.23 This document is released for the sole purpose of responding to this RFP and must be considered confidential. In addition, the use, reproduction or disclosure of the requirements, specifications or other material in this RFP is strictly prohibited.

3.24 Exclusion of Bids

- 3.24.6 Bidders that may be viewed by the NHBRC to have priced their bids unreasonably above or below the NHBRC estimates and budget, may be requested to demonstrate how they envisage delivering at such cost and/or price.
- 3.24.7 If the NHBRC is not satisfied with the motivation so provided, such bidders/ bids will be excluded from further evaluation and thereby not considered for appointment to provide the service.
- 3.25 The NHBRC reserves the right to require that any bidder provide a formal presentation of its Bid at a date and time to be determined by the NHBRC. The NHBRC shall provide all instructions and clarification regarding the purpose and scope of the demonstration. All expenses must be borne by the bidder.
- 3.26 All costs associated with the preparation and submission of the Bid are the responsibility of the Bidders. The costs shall not be chargeable to the NHBRC by successful or unsuccessful Bidder.
- 3.27 All Bids must be formulated and submitted in accordance with the requirements of this RFP.

4 Recordal

4.1. The SCC is NHBRC's standard terms and conditions of contract and constitutes part of this, Agreement between the NHBRC and the Service Provider, or in lieu of a Contract Form, constitutes part of the Purchase Order issued by the NHBRC to the Supplier (whichever is applicable).

4.2. The details and requirements of the Goods to be provided to the NHBRC are contained in the Specification and any additions or amendments thereto furnished to the Supplier during the procurement process. It is recorded that the Supplier has accepted these provisions.

5 Duration

- This agreement shall come into effect on the Effective Date and, unless terminated in accordance with the provisions of this agreement, shall endure for the term of this agreement Specified in the Specification.

 Calculated from the implementation date.
- 5.2 The supplier acknowledges and agrees that any and all work performed prior to the *Effective Date* and all work performed after the expiry of the term of *this Agreement*, shall be at *the Supplier's* sole risk and *the Supplier* shall be without recourse against *the NHBRC*.

6 Service Providers Responsibilities and Obligations

- 5.1 The service provider must:
- 5.1.1 Ensure that enough back-up cleaning materials are kept onsite in case of sudden shortage
- 5.1.2 Ensure that the official conference rooms of the NHBRC prepared accordingly on a daily prior and between meetings by clearing up and washing up crockery and cutlery
- 5.1.3 Ensure cleaning of the premises must be done in the following order of preferences on a daily basis:
 - a) Toilets and kitchens (four times per day 07:00 am, 11:00 am, 13:30 pm and 15:30 pm)
 - b) Offices, reception area and conference rooms
 - c) Passages
 - d) Lifts and
- 5.1.4 Ensure fumigation of the building will be done over weekends and must be executed under full NHBRC Security supervision.
- 5.1.5 The contractor shall undertake that, at the commencement of the contract, all cleaning staff are deployed in complete uniform.
- 5.1.6 Injury In the event of any of the successful bidder's employees being injured while on duty at NHBRC premises, NHBRC reserves the right to supply any medical attention that may be deemed necessary without prior consent of the successful bidder. NHBRC will under no circumstances and in no way be liable to any claims whatsoever that might stem from such help.
- 5.1.7 Fumigation of the building will be done over weekends and must be executed under full supervision.
- 5.1.8 Treating of rodents (rats, mice and crawling insects) as and when required. The pesticides must be odourless and SABS approved and not harmful to humans.
- 5.1.9 The bidder must submit the procedure of the storage and handling of the Hazardous Chemical substances.