

INVITATION TO BID



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Department:
Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs
PROVINCE OF KWAZULU-NATAL

DESCRIPTION: PANEL OF SERVICE PROVIDERS TO PROVIDE FORENSIC INVESTIGATION SERVICES

Bid No. : ZNT 2022/2017 LG

COMPANY NAME : _____

Type of Bidder (Tick One Box)

One-person Business/Sole Trader	
Close corporation	
PTY (Ltd)	
Private Company	
Partnership	
Consortium/Joint Venture	
Co-operative	

Participation Capacity (Tick One Box)

Prime Contractor	
Supplier/Sub-Contractor	

RETURN OF PROPOSAL

Proposal must be deposited in the **Bid box** situated at **Department of Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs, Lift Area, 13th floor, North Tower, Natalia Building. 13 SEPTEMBER 2017**

A compulsory Site Inspection will take place on 23 AUGUST 2017 at 13:00 am at 330 LANGALIBALELE STREET, NATALIA BUILDING, 12TH FLOOR BOARDROOM, NORTH TOWER, PIETERMARITZBURG.

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PART A INVITATION TO BID

YOU ARE HEREBY INVITED TO BID FOR REQUIREMENTS OF THE (NAME OF DEPARTMENT/ PUBLIC ENTITY)					
BID NUMBER:	ZNT 2022/2017 LG	CLOSING DATE:	13 SEPTEMBER 2017	CLOSING TIME:	11:00
DESCRIPTION	PANEL OF SERVICE PROVIDERS TO PROVIDE FORENSIC INVESTIGATION SERVICES				
THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER WILL BE REQUIRED TO FILL IN AND SIGN A WRITTEN CONTRACT FORM (SBD7).					
BID RESPONSE DOCUMENTS MAY BE DEPOSITED IN THE BID BOX SITUATED AT (STREET ADDRESS)					
DEPARTMENT OF CO-OPERATIVE GOVERNANCE AND TRADITIONAL AFFAIRS					
330 LANGALIBALELE STREET					
NATALIA BUILDING					
13TH FLOOR, LIFT AREA, NORTH TOWER					
SUPPLIER INFORMATION					
NAME OF BIDDER					
POSTAL ADDRESS					
STREET ADDRESS					
TELEPHONE NUMBER	CODE		NUMBER		
CELLPHONE NUMBER					
FACSIMILE NUMBER	CODE		NUMBER		
E-MAIL ADDRESS					
VAT REGISTRATION NUMBER					
		TCS PIN:		OR	CSD No:
B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE [TICK APPLICABLE BOX]	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes			B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL SWORN AFFIDAVIT	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
	<input type="checkbox"/> No				<input type="checkbox"/> No
IF YES, WHO WAS THE CERTIFICATE ISSUED BY?					
AN ACCOUNTING OFFICER AS CONTEMPLATED IN THE CLOSE CORPORATION ACT (CCA) AND NAME THE APPLICABLE IN THE TICK BOX	<input type="checkbox"/>	AN ACCOUNTING OFFICER AS CONTEMPLATED IN THE CLOSE CORPORATION ACT (CCA)			
	<input type="checkbox"/>	A VERIFICATION AGENCY ACCREDITED BY THE SOUTH AFRICAN ACCREDITATION SYSTEM (SANAS)			
	<input type="checkbox"/>	A REGISTERED AUDITOR			
		NAME:			
[A B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE/SWORN AFFIDAVIT(FOR EMEs& QSEs) MUST BE SUBMITTED IN ORDER TO QUALIFY FOR PREFERENCE POINTS FOR B-BBEE]					
ARE YOU THE ACCREDITED REPRESENTATIVE IN SOUTH AFRICA FOR THE GOODS /SERVICES /WORKS OFFERED?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	ARE YOU A FOREIGN BASED SUPPLIER FOR THE GOODS /SERVICES /WORKS OFFERED?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
	[IF YES ENCLOSE PROOF]			[IF YES ANSWER PART B:3 BELOW]	
SIGNATURE OF BIDDER		DATE		
CAPACITY UNDER WHICH THIS BID IS SIGNED (Attach proof of authority to sign this bid; e.g. resolution of directors, etc.)					
TOTAL NUMBER OF ITEMS OFFERED			TOTAL BID PRICE (ALL INCLUSIVE)		
BIDDING PROCEDURE ENQUIRIES MAY BE DIRECTED TO:			TECHNICAL INFORMATION MAY BE DIRECTED TO:		
DEPARTMENT/ PUBLIC ENTITY			CONTACT PERSON		
CONTACT PERSON			TELEPHONE NUMBER		
TELEPHONE NUMBER			FACSIMILE NUMBER		
FACSIMILE NUMBER			E-MAIL ADDRESS		
E-MAIL ADDRESS					

PART B TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR BIDDING

1. BID SUBMISSION:								
<p>1.1. BIDS MUST BE DELIVERED BY THE STIPULATED TIME TO THE CORRECT ADDRESS. LATE BIDS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED FOR CONSIDERATION.</p> <p>1.2. ALL BIDS MUST BE SUBMITTED ON THE OFFICIAL FORMS PROVIDED–(NOT TO BE RE-TYPED) OR ONLINE</p> <p>1.3. BIDDERS MUST REGISTER ON THE CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE (CSD) TO UPLOAD MANDATORY INFORMATION NAMELY: (BUSINESS REGISTRATION/ DIRECTORSHIP/ MEMBERSHIP/IDENTITY NUMBERS; TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS; AND BANKING INFORMATION FOR VERIFICATION PURPOSES). B-BBEE CERTIFICATE OR SWORN AFFIDAVIT FOR B-BBEE MUST BE SUBMITTED TO BIDDING INSTITUTION.</p> <p>1.4. WHERE A BIDDER IS NOT REGISTERED ON THE CSD, MANDATORY INFORMATION NAMELY: (BUSINESS REGISTRATION/ DIRECTORSHIP/ MEMBERSHIP/IDENTITY NUMBERS; TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS MAY NOT BE SUBMITTED WITH THE BID DOCUMENTATION. B-BBEE CERTIFICATE OR SWORN AFFIDAVIT FOR B-BBEE MUST BE SUBMITTED TO BIDDING INSTITUTION.</p> <p>1.5. THIS BID IS SUBJECT TO THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT POLICY FRAMEWORK ACT 2000 AND THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS, 2017, THE GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT (GCC) AND, IF APPLICABLE, ANY OTHER LEGISLATION OR SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT.</p>								
2. TAX COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS								
<p>2.1 BIDDERS MUST ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THEIR TAX OBLIGATIONS.</p> <p>2.2 BIDDERS ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT THEIR UNIQUE PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (PIN) ISSUED BY SARS TO ENABLE THE ORGAN OF STATE TO VIEW THE TAXPAYER'S PROFILE AND TAX STATUS.</p> <p>2.3 APPLICATION FOR TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS (TCS) OR PIN MAY ALSO BE MADE VIA E-FILING. IN ORDER TO USE THIS PROVISION, TAXPAYERS WILL NEED TO REGISTER WITH SARS AS E-FILERS THROUGH THE WEBSITE WWW.SARS.GOV.ZA.</p> <p>2.4 BIDDERS MAY ALSO SUBMIT A PRINTED TCS TOGETHER WITH THE BID.</p> <p>2.5 IN BIDS WHERE CONSORTIA / JOINT VENTURES / SUB-CONTRACTORS ARE INVOLVED, EACH PARTY MUST SUBMIT A SEPARATE PROOF OF TCS / PIN / CSD NUMBER.</p> <p>2.6 WHERE NO TCS IS AVAILABLE BUT THE BIDDER IS REGISTERED ON THE CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE (CSD), A CSD NUMBER MUST BE PROVIDED.</p>								
3. QUESTIONNAIRE TO BIDDING FOREIGN SUPPLIERS								
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NB: FAILURE TO PROVIDE ANY OF THE ABOVE PARTICULARS MAY RENDER THE BID INVALID.

SECTION C (SBD 3)**SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS AND NOTICES TO BIDDERS REGARDING THE COMPLETION OF BIDDING FORMS**

PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS BID IS SUBJECT TO TREASURY REGULATIONS 16A ISSUED IN TERMS OF THE PUBLIC FINANCE MANAGEMENT ACT, 1991, THE KWAZULU-NATAL SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT POLICY FRAMEWORK AND THE GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT.

1. Unless inconsistent with or expressly indicated otherwise by the context, the singular shall include the plural and visa versa and with words importing the masculine gender shall include the feminine and the neuter.
2. Under no circumstances whatsoever may the bid forms be retyped or redrafted. Photocopies of the original bid documentation may be used, but an original signature must appear on such photocopies.
3. The bidder is advised to check the number of pages and to satisfy himself that none are missing or duplicated.
4. Bids submitted must be complete in all respects.
5. Bids shall be lodged at the address indicated not later than the closing time specified for their receipt, and in accordance with the directives in the bid documents.
6. Each bid shall be addressed in accordance with the directives in the bid documents and shall be lodged in a separate sealed envelope, with the name and address of the bidder, the bid number and closing date indicated on the envelope. The envelope shall not contain documents relating to any bid other than that shown on the envelope. If this provision is not complied with, such bids may be rejected as being invalid.
7. All bids received in sealed envelopes with the relevant bid numbers on the envelopes are kept unopened in safe custody until the closing time of the bids. Where, however, a bid is received open, it shall be sealed. If it is received without a bid number on the envelope, it shall be opened, the bid number ascertained, the envelope sealed and the bid number written on the envelope.
8. A specific box is provided for the receipt of bids, and no bid found in any other box or elsewhere subsequent to the closing date and time of bid will be considered.
9. No bid sent through the post will be considered if it is received after the closing date and time stipulated in the bid documentation, and proof of posting will not be accepted as proof of delivery.
10. No bid submitted by telefax, telegraphic or other electronic means will be considered.
11. Bidding documents must not be included in packages containing samples. Such bids may be rejected as being invalid.
12. Any alteration made by the bidder must be initialed.
13. Use of correcting fluid is prohibited
14. Bids will be opened in public as soon as practicable after the closing time of bid.
15. Where practical, prices are made public at the time of opening bids.
16. If it is desired to make more than one offer against any individual item, such offers should be given on a photocopy of the page in question. Clear indication thereof must be stated on the schedules attached.

ANY ENQUIRIES REGARDING THE BIDDING PROCEDURE MAY BE DIRECTED TO:

Department: Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs

Contact Person: Ms Lindiwe Madlala

Tel: 033 395 2174

Fax: 086 642 8873/ 033 342 8830

Email: lindiwe.madlala@kzncogta.gov.za

ANY ENQUIRIES REGARDING SPECIFICATION INFORMATION MAY BE DIRECTED TO:

Contact Person: Mr Muzi Ngwane

Unit: Municipal Forensics

Tel: **033 355 6324**

Fax:

Cel: **082 486 0642**

Email: sheetal.govender@kzncogta.gov.za

FOR VIEWING PURPOSE ONLY

SECTION E (SBD 4)
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 an advertised competitive bid, a limited bid, a proposal or written price quotation). In view of possible allegations of favouritism, should the resulting bid, or part thereof, be awarded to persons employed by the state, or to persons connected with or related to them, it is required that the bidder or his/her authorised representative declare his/her position in relation to the evaluating/adjudicating authority where-

- the bidder is employed by the state; and/or
- the legal person on whose behalf the bidding document is signed, has a relationship with persons/a person who are/is involved in the evaluation and or adjudication of the bid(s), or where it is known that such a relationship exists between the person or persons for or on whose behalf the declarant acts and persons who are involved with the evaluation and or adjudication of the bid.

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

2.1 Full Name of bidder or his or her representative:

2.2 Identity Number:.....

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

2.4 Registration number of company, enterprise, close corporation, partnership agreement or trust:

2.5 Tax Reference Number:

2.6 VAT Registration Number:

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

¹"State" means –

- (a) any national or provincial department, national or provincial public entity or constitutional institution within the meaning of the Public Finance Management Act, 1991 (Act No. 1 of 1991);
- (b) any municipality or municipal entity;
- (c) provincial legislature;
- (d) national Assembly or the national Council of provinces; or
- (e) Parliament.

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

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

2.7.1 If so, furnish the following particulars:

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

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

Position occupied in the state institution:

Any other particulars:

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

2.7.2.1 If yes, did you attach proof of such authority to the bid document? **YES** **NO**
(Note: Failure to submit proof of such authority, where applicable, may result in the disqualification of the bid.

2.7.2.2 If no, furnish reasons for non-submission of such proof:
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2.8 Did you or your spouse, or any of the company's directors / 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:
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2.9 Do 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? **YES** **NO**

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

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

2.11.1 If so, furnish particulars:
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SECTION F

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

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

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

1. GENERAL CONDITIONS

1.1 The following preference point systems are applicable to all bids:

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

1.2

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

1.3 Points for this bid shall be awarded for:

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

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

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

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

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

2. DEFINITIONS

- (a) **“B-BBEE”** means broad-based black economic empowerment as defined in section 1 of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act;
- (b) **“B-BBEE status level of contributor”** means the B-BBEE status of an entity in terms of a code of good practice on black economic empowerment, issued in terms of section 9(1) of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act;
- (c) **“bid”** means a written offer in a prescribed or stipulated form in response to an invitation by

an organ of state for the provision of goods or services, through price quotations, advertised competitive bidding processes or proposals;

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

3. POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE

3.1 THE 80/20 PREFERENCE POINT SYSTEMS

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

80/20

$$P_s = 80 \left(1 - \frac{P_t - P_{\min}}{P_{\min}} \right)$$

Where

- P_s = Points scored for price of bid under consideration
- P_t = Price of bid under consideration
- P_{min} = Price of lowest acceptable bid

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

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

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

5. BID DECLARATION

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

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

6.1 B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor: . =(maximum of 10 or 20 points)
 (Points claimed in respect of paragraph 7.1 must be in accordance with the table reflected in paragraph 4.1 and must be substantiated by relevant proof of B-BBEE status level of contributor.

7. SUB-CONTRACTING

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

(Tick applicable box)

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

- i) What percentage of the contract will be subcontracted.....%
- ii) The name of the sub-contractor.....
- iii) The B-BBEE status level of the sub-contractor.....
- iv) Whether the sub-contractor is an EME or QSE

(Tick applicable box)

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

Designated Group: An EME or QSE which is at least 51% owned by:	EME √	QSE √
Black people		
Black people who are youth		
Black people who are women		
Black people with disabilities		
Black people living in rural or underdeveloped areas or townships		
Cooperative owned by black people		
Black people who are military veterans		
OR		
Any EME		
Any QSE		

8. DECLARATION WITH REGARD TO COMPANY/FIRM

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

8.2 VAT registration number:.....

8.3 Company registration number:.....

8.4 TYPE OF COMPANY/ FIRM

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

8.5 DESCRIBE PRINCIPAL BUSINESS ACTIVITIES

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.....
.....

8.6 COMPANY CLASSIFICATION

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

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

8.8 I/we, the undersigned, who is / are duly authorised to do so on behalf of the company/firm, certify that the points claimed, based on the B-BBE status level of contributor indicated in paragraphs 1.4 and 6.1 of the foregoing certificate, qualifies the company/ firm for the preference(s) shown and I / we acknowledge that:

- i) The information furnished is true and correct;
- ii) The preference points claimed are in accordance with the General Conditions as indicated in paragraph 1 of this form;
- iii) In the event of a contract being awarded as a result of points claimed as shown in paragraphs 1.4 and 6.1, the contractor may be required to furnish documentary proof to the satisfaction of the purchaser that the claims are correct;
- iv) If the B-BBEE status level of contributor has been claimed or obtained on a fraudulent basis or any of the conditions of contract have not been fulfilled, the purchaser may, in addition to any other remedy it may have –
 - (a) disqualify the person from the bidding process;
 - (b) recover costs, losses or damages it has incurred or suffered as a result of that person’s conduct;
 - (c) cancel the contract and claim any damages which it has suffered as a

result of having to make less favourable arrangements due to such cancellation;

- (d) recommend that the bidder or contractor, its shareholders and directors, or only the shareholders and directors who acted on a fraudulent basis, be restricted by the National Treasury from obtaining business from any organ of state for a period not exceeding 10 years, after the *audi alteram partem* (hear the other side) rule has been applied; and
- (e) forward the matter for criminal prosecution.

<p>WITNESSES</p> <p>1.</p> <p>2.</p>
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<p>.....</p> <p>SIGNATURE(S) OF BIDDERS(S)</p> <p>DATE:</p> <p>ADDRESS</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p>
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SECTION G
CONDITIONS OF BID

1. I/We hereby bid to supply all or any of the supplies and/or to render all or any of the services described in the attached documents to the KwaZulu-Natal Provincial Administration (hereinafter called the "Province") on the terms and conditions and be in accordance with the specifications stipulated in the bid documents (and which shall be taken as part of and be incorporated into this bid) at the prices and on the terms regarding time for delivery and/or execution inserted therein.
2. I/we agree that:
 - (a) the offer herein shall remain binding upon me and open for acceptance by the Province during the validity period indicated and calculated from the closing time of the bid;
 - (b) this bid and its acceptance shall be subject to Treasury Regulations 16A issued in terms of the Public Finance Management Act, 1991, the KwaZulu-Natal Supply Chain Management Policy Framework, the Provincial Treasury issued Practice Notes, and the KwaZulu-Natal General Conditions of Contract, with which I/we am fully acquainted;
 - (c) if I/we withdraw my bid within the period for which I/we have agreed that the bid shall remain open for acceptance, or fail to fulfil the contract when called upon to do so, the Province may, without prejudice to its other rights, agree to the withdrawal of my bid or cancel the contract that may have been entered into between me and the Province. I/we will then pay to the Province any additional expenses incurred by the Province having either to accept any less favourable bid or, if fresh bids have to be invited, the additional expenditure incurred by the invitation of fresh bids and by the subsequent acceptance of any less favourable bid. The Province shall have the right to recover such additional expenditure by set-off against monies which may be due to me under this or any other bid or contract or against any guarantee or deposit that may have been furnished by me or on my behalf for the due fulfilment of this or any other bid or contract and pending the ascertainment of the amount of such additional expenditure to retain such monies, guarantee or deposit as security for any loss the Province may sustain by reason of my default;
 - (d) if my bid is accepted, the acceptance may be communicated to me by registered post, and that the South African Post Office Limited shall be treated as delivery agent to me;
 - (e) the law of the Republic of South Africa shall govern the contract created by the acceptance of my bid and I choose *domicilium citandi et executandi* in the Republic at (full physical address)
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3. I/we furthermore confirm that I/we have satisfied myself as to the correctness and validity of my bid: that the price(s), rate(s) and preference bid cover all of the work/item(s) and my obligations under a resulting contract, and I accept that any mistakes regarding the price(s) and calculations will be at my risk.
4. I/we hereby accept full responsibility for the proper execution and fulfilment of all obligations and conditions devolving on me under this agreement, as the Principal(s) liable for the due fulfilment of this contract.
5. I/we agree that any action arising from this contract may in all respects be instituted against me and I/we hereby undertake to satisfy fully any sentence or judgement which may be pronounced against me as a result of such action.
5. I/we confirm that I/we have declared all and any interest that I or any persons related to my business has with regard to this bid or any related bids by completion of the Declaration of Interest Section.

**SECTION H
PRICING PAGE – FIRM PRICES
(SERVICES)**

N.B.: This form must be completed in detail, signed by the Bidder and bear the signature of a witness. Failure to comply with these requirements may result in the bid being disregarded.

CLOSING DATE AND TIME: 13/09/2017 @ 11:00 VALIDITY PERIOD: 120 DAYS

BID NO: ZNT 2022/2017 LG	PERIOD : 36 MONTHS
Item description: PANEL OF SERVICE PROVIDERS TO PROVIDE FORENSIC INVESTIGATION SERVICES	NAME AND ADDRESS OF BIDDER(FIRM) TEL:..... FAX:.....
DOES OFFER COMPLY WITH THE SPECIFICATION? <i>If not, furnish details of deviation in space provided for "Remarks"</i>	YES / NO <i>(Delete which is not applicable)</i>
TOTAL BID PRICE ** (ALL APPLICABLE TAXES INCLUDED)	R
BID PRICE IN WORDS ** (ALL APPLICABLE TAXES INCLUDED)
REMARKS (If any): (Signature of Bidder) DATE: (Signature of Witness) DATE:.....

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

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

**SECTION I (SBD 7)
AUTHORITY TO SIGN A BID**

A. COMPANIES

If a Bidder is a company, a certified copy of the resolution by the board of directors, personally signed by the chairperson of the board, authorizing the person who signs this bid to do so, as well as to sign any contract resulting from this bid and any other documents and correspondence in connection with this bid and/or contract on behalf of the company must be submitted with this bid, that is before the closing time and date of the bid

AUTHORITY BY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

By resolution passed by the Board of Directors on 20.....,Mr/Mrswhose signature appears below) has been duly authorized to sign all documents in connection with this bid on behalf of (Name of Company).....

IN HIS/HER CAPACITY AS:

SIGNED ON BEHALF OF COMPANY:
(PRINT NAME)

SIGNATURE OF SIGNATORY: **DATE:**

WITNESSES: 1

2

B. SOLE PROPRIETOR (ONE - PERSON BUSINESS)

I, the undersigned..... hereby confirm that I am the sole owner of the business trading as

SIGNATURE.....

DATE.....

C. PARTNERSHIP

The following particulars in respect of every partner must be furnished and signed by every partner:

Full name of partner	Residential address	Signature
.....
.....

Mr/Ms....., whose signature appears below, has been authorized to sign all documents in connection with this bid on behalf of (Name of cooperative)

SIGNED ON BEHALF OF CO-OPERATIVE:.....
(PRINT NAME)

IN HIS/HER CAPACITY AS: **DATE:**.....

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE/SIGNATORY:

WITNESSES: 1 **WITNESS:- 2**

F. CONSORTIUM

If a bidder is a consortium, a certified copy of the resolution/agreement passed/reached signed by the duly authorized representatives of concerned enterprises, authorizing the representatives who sign this bid to do so, as well as to sign any contract resulting from this bid and any other documents and correspondence in connection with this bid and/or contract on behalf of the consortium must be submitted with this bid, before the closing time and date of the bid.

AUTHORITY TO SIGN ON BEHALF OF THE CONSORTIUM

By resolution/agreement passed/reached by the consortium on 20

Mr/Mrs.....(whose signature appear below) have been duly authorised to sign all documents in connection with this bid on behalf of:

(Name of Consortium).....

SIGNED ON BEHALF OF CLOSE CORPORATION:
(PRINT NAME)

IN HIS/HER CAPACITY AS **DATE:**

SIGNATURE OF SIGNATORY:

WITNESSES: 1 **WITNESS: - 2**

G. JOINT VENTURE

If a bidder is a joint venture, a certified copy of the resolution/agreement passed/reached signed by the duly authorized representatives of the enterprises, authorizing the representatives who sign this bid to do so, as well as to sign any contract resulting from this bid and any other documents and correspondence in connection with this bid

and/or contract on behalf of the joint venture must be submitted with this bid, before the closing time and date of the bid.

AUTHORITY TO SIGN ON BEHALF OF THE JOINT VENTURE

By resolution/agreement passed/reached by the joint venture partners on.....20.....

Mr/Mrs.....,Mr/Mrs.....

Mr/Mrs.....and Mr/Mrs.....

(whose signatures appear below) have been duly authorized to sign all documents in connection with this bid on behalf of:(Name of Joint Venture).....

IN HIS/HER CAPACITY AS:

SIGNED ON BEHALF OF (COMPANY NAME):
(PRINT NAME)

SIGNATURE:..... **DATE:**

IN HIS/HER CAPACITY AS:.....

SIGNED ON BEHALF OF (COMPANY NAME):
(PRINT NAME)

SIGNATURE :..... **DATE:**

IN HIS/HER CAPACITY AS:.....

SIGNED ON BEHALF OF (COMPANY NAME):
(PRINT NAME)

SIGNATURE :..... **DATE:**

IN HIS/HER CAPACITY AS:.....

SIGNED ON BEHALF OF (COMPANY NAME):
(PRINT NAME)

SIGNATURE :..... **DATE:**

IN HIS/HER CAPACITY AS:.....

SECTION J (SBD 8)

DECLARATION OF BIDDER’S PAST SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

1 This Standard Bidding Document must form part of all bids invited.

- 2 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-
- 4 Abused the institution's supply chain management system; committed fraud or any other improper conduct in relation to such system; or failed to perform on any previous contract.
- 5 In order to give effect to the above, the following questionnaire must be completed and submitted with the bid.

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

CERTIFICATION

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

CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION FURNISHED ON THIS DECLARATION FORM IS TRUE AND CORRECT.

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

.....
Signature

.....
Date

.....
Position

.....
Name of Bidder

**SECTION K (SBD 9)
CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT BID DETERMINATION**

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

- 2 Section 4 (1) (b) (iii) of the Competition Act No. 89 of 1991, as amended, prohibits an agreement between, or concerted practice by, firms, or a decision by an association of firms, if it is between parties in a horizontal relationship and if it involves collusive bidding (or bid rigging).² Collusive bidding is a *pe se* prohibition meaning that it cannot be justified under any grounds.
- 3 Treasury Regulation 16A9 prescribes that accounting officers and accounting authorities must take all reasonable steps to prevent abuse of the supply chain management system and authorizes accounting officers and accounting authorities to:
 - a. disregard the bid of any bidder if that bidder, or any of its directors have abused the institution's supply chain management system and or committed fraud or any other improper conduct in relation to such system.
 - b. cancel a contract awarded to a supplier of goods and services if the supplier committed any corrupt or fraudulent act during the bidding process or the execution of that contract.
- 4 This SBD serves as a certificate of declaration that would be used by institutions to ensure that, when bids are considered, reasonable steps are taken to prevent any form of bid-rigging.
- 5 In order to give effect to the above, the attached Certificate of Bid Determination (SBD 9) must be completed and submitted with the bid:

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

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

I, the undersigned, in submitting the accompanying bid:

(Bid Number and Description)

in response to the invitation for the bid made by:

(Name of Institution)

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

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

4. I have read and I understand the contents of this Certificate;
5. I understand that the accompanying bid will be disqualified if this Certificate is found not to be true and complete in every respect;
6. I am authorized by the bidder to sign this Certificate, and to submit the accompanying bid, on behalf of the bidder;
7. 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;
8. 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

9. 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.
10. 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.
11. 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.
12. 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.
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 1991 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

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.

SECTION L SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

SECTION 1: DEFINITION OF TERMS

1.1 SERVICE

The consultancy services to be rendered by professional service providers must be

rendered in terms of this contract.

1.2 CONTRACTOR

The person or persons, partnership, close corporation, firm or company, whose bid for this service was accepted.

1.3 AGREEMENT

This comprises the agreement signed by parties, the conditions of bid, the bid and the specifications.

1.4 AGREEMENT PERIOD

The period during which the service is to be rendered and originally determined in the agreement, or as amended, extended or renewed in accordance with stipulations of the agreement.

1.5 PARTIES

The parties to this contract are The Head of Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs in the KwaZulu-Natal Provincial Administration and Contractor.

1.8 DEPARTMENT

KwaZulu-Natal department of Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs.

1.9 CURTAILMENT OF SERVICE

The Department reserves the right to withdraw from the service any part/s of the contract as a whole, with one month's written notification to the contractor. In a case such as this, the contract sum will be adjusted *pro rata* from the date of withdrawal.

SECTION 2: IMPORTANT INFORMATION TO NOTE

2.1 This bid is invited and will be awarded and administered in terms of the following:-

- 2.1 KwaZulu-Natal Supply Chain Management Policy Framework,
- 2.2 Section 217 of the Constitution,
- 2.3 The PFMA and its Regulations in general,
- 2.4 The Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act,
- 2.5 National Treasury guidelines, and
- 2.6 Provincial Treasury's Supply Chain Management Practice Notes and guidelines

2.2 REQUIRED COMPULSORY INFORMATION

2.2.1 The bidder shall ensure that all the required information is furnished; viz:-

- 2.2.1 Declaration of interest (SECTION E)
- 2.2.2 Tax Compliance Status Requirements,
- 2.2.3 Compulsory Briefing Session (SECTION M)
- 2.2.4 Authority to sign a bid (SECTION I),
- 2.2.5 Conditions of Bid (SECTION G)
- 2.2.6 Tax Compliance Status.
- 2.2.7 Each party to a Consortium/Group of sub-contractors must obtain separate Tax Clearance Certificate(s) and also be registered on the Suppliers Database.

- 2.2.8 A valid certified copy of B-BBEE Status Level Verification Certificate/ Letter from Sworn Affidavit must be submitted with the proposal.

NOTE: Failure to submit the required information may invalidate the entire proposal.

SECTION 3: SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

3.1 ACCEPTANCE OF BID

- 3.1.1 This bid has been invited, and will be adjudicated in terms of the KwaZulu-Natal Supply Chain Management Policy Framework and the KwaZulu-Natal Provincial Treasury's Practice Notes. Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs' Bid Adjudication Committee is under no obligation to accept the lowest or any bid.
- 3.1.2 The financial standing of bidders and their ability to manufacture or to supply goods or render services may be examined before their bids are considered for acceptance.

3.2 APPEALS

- 3.2.1 Entities aggrieved by a decision of a departmental Bid Adjudication Committee or a delegate of an accounting officer, may appeal to the Bid Appeals Tribunal in the prescribed manner by the Supply Chain Management Policy Framework

3.3 AMENDMENT OF CONTRACT

- 3.3.1 Any amendment to or renunciation of the provisions of the contract shall at all times be done in writing and shall be signed by both parties subject to the Legal Services screening the amendment before it is signed.

3.4 CHANGE OF ADDRESS

- 3.4.1 Bidders must advise the Department should their address (*domicilium citandi et executandi*) details change from the time of bidding to the expiry of the contract.

3.5 COMMUNICATION

- 3.5.1 All correspondence with regard to this bid must be addressed or hand delivered to the:

The Head SCM Unit,
Department Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs,
Private Bag X9078,
Pietermaritzburg
3200

ENQUIRIES: **Ms Lindiwe Madlala TEL.: 033-395 2174**

3.6 COMPLETENESS OF BID

- 3.6.1 Bids will only be considered if correctly completed and accompanied by all relevant certificates and other necessary applicable information.

3.7 COMPLETION OF SPECIFICATION

- 3.7.1 Where specifications are designed in such a way that responses would be required from bidders, these forms must be completed and submitted as part of the bid document.

3.8 CONDITIONS OF BID

- 3.8.1 The successful Contractor must be in a position to assume duty on the date stipulated in the letter of acceptance.
- 3.8.2 No bid received by telegram, telex, or facsimile will be considered.
- 3.8.3 It shall be noted that the Department is under no obligation to accept the lowest or anybid.

3.8.4 The offer shall be made strictly according to the specification. No alternative offers will be considered.

3.8.5 Bidders must provide the following particulars about themselves as part of the bid:

3.8.5.1 Where they have their Headquarters

3.8.5.2 Where they have their Regional Office.

3.8.5.3 Name, address and telephone number of bankers together with their bank account number.

3.8.5.4 The names, identity numbers and street addresses of all partners in cases where persons, a partnership, or a firm consists of a partnership.

3.9 In cases where a person or persons, a partnership, close corporation, firm or company enters business for the very first time, the following particulars shall be provided:

3.9.1 By whom, or with whose assistance, was the business plan drafted?

3.9.2 By whom, or with whose assistance, were the bid prices calculated?

3.9.3 Whose advice is relied on?

3.9.4 Who will provide financial support?

3.10 A list of references must accompany this bid. Particulars shall be submitted regarding similar agreements completed successfully or of projects which the bidder is engaged in.

3.11 CONFIDENTIALITY

The contractor's staff that comes into contact with the Department's confidential information and documents may be required to sign confidentiality agreements so as to protect the Department's information.

3.12 CONTRACT PERIOD

3.12.1 The contract period shall remain in force for a period of 06 months from date of signing of official contracts.

3.12.2 The Department of Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs reserves the right to terminate the contract with any contractor should the contractor fail to fulfil his/her contractual obligations in terms of the contract.

3.13 DETAILS OF CURRENT CONTRACTS HELD BY THE BIDDER

3.13.1 The bidder must furnish the following details of all current contracts:

(i) Date of commencement of contract/s;

(ii) Expiry date/s;

(iii) Value per contract; and

(iv) Contract details. That is, with whom held, phone number and address/s of the company.

3.14 EQUAL BIDS

3.14.1 In the event that two or more bids have equal total points, the successful bid will be the one scoring the highest number of preference points for specified goals. Should two or more bids be equal in all respects, the Adjudication shall be decided by the drawing of lots.

3.15 EXECUTION CAPACITY

3.15.1 The bidder will be required to provide an efficient and effective service. Therefore, the bidder is required to submit proof that he/she has the required capacity to execute the contract tendered for successfully. The bidder must supply references or state his/her experience as a company to undertake the contract. References of past experience of owners/employees of new entities must accompany the bid document.

3.16 EXTENSION OF CONTRACT

3.16.1 An extension of contract may be considered. It is the normal policy that contracts are not extended. However, circumstances may arise whereby a contract cannot be renewed in time. If this is found to be the case, the right is reserved to approach existing contractor(s) to extend the contract for such period agreed to.

3.17 GENERAL EVALUATION CRITERIA

The Bid Evaluation Committee will assess offers and adhere to the following basic guidelines when evaluating.

- a. Whether all the required information called for in the bid document has been submitted by the bidder.
- b. Has the bidder supplied references or stated his/her experience as a Company to undertake the contract. References of past experience must accompany the bid document.
- c. The financial standing of the bidder and ability to render a service may be examined before an award of bid take place.
- d. Preferences will be taken into consideration by the Department in terms of the B-BBEE Scorecard.
- e. Documented reports received from an institution/s pertaining to past bad performance by a company who is tendering, may be taken into consideration.
- f. Did the bidder attend the site inspection?
- g. Will the bidder be in a position to successfully execute the contract?
- h. The 80/20 Point System will apply in the evaluation of this bid.

3.18 IRREGULARITIES

2.18.1 Companies are encouraged to advise the Department timeously of any possible irregularities which might come to their notice in connection with this or other contracts.

3.19 JOINT VENTURES

- 3.19.1 In terms of the Supply Chain Management Policy Framework, a consortium or joint venture may, based on the percentage of the contract value managed or executed by respective members.
- 3.19.2 Should this bid be submitted by a joint venture, a certified copy of the joint venture agreement **must** accompany the bid document before the closing date and time of bid. The joint venture agreement must clearly specify the percentage of the contract to be undertaken by each company participating therein.
- 3.19.3 A trust, consortium or joint-venture must obtain and submit **a consolidated B-BBEE Status Level Verification Certificate**. The non-submission of a consolidated B-BBEE Certificate by a company will result in preference points not being allocated to such company. Failure to submit the joint venture Agreement will result in preference points not being allocated to all companies participating in the joint venture.

3.20 LATE BIDS

- 3.20.1 Bids are late if they are received at the address indicated in the bid documents after the closing date and time.
- 3.20.2 A late bid shall not be considered and, where practicable, shall be returned unopened to the Bidder, accompanied by an explanation.

3.21 NOTIFICATION OF ADJUDICATION OF BIDDER & ADVERTISING OF RESULTS

3.21.1 Notification of the Adjudication of bid shall be in writing by a duly authorized official of Co-operative Governance and Tradition Affairs' Supply Chain Management unit.

3.22 PRO RATA DECREASE OF COMPENSATION

3.22.1 Should the services not be rendered to the satisfaction of the Department and unsatisfactory items/ aspects/ events have already, in writing, been brought to the attention of the Contractor, the Department reserves the right in terms of paragraph **3.27** hereunder, to retain payment to the Contractor for as long as the unsatisfactory service continues.

3.23 CENTRAL SUPPLIERS DATABASE

2.23.1 A bidder submitting an offer must be registered on the Central Suppliers Database. A bidder who has submitted an offer and is not registered on the Central Suppliers Database will not be considered.

3.23.2 Each party to a Joint Venture/Consortium must be registered on the Central Suppliers Database at the time of submitting the bid.

3.24 SUBMISSIONS AND COMPLETION OF SBD 6.1

3.24.1 Bidders are to complete SBD 6.1 document where applicable. Failure by the bidder to submit a valid B-BBEE status level verification certificate will result in the bidder not being considered for preference points allocation. If the information required is not applicable to the business, clearly insert the symbols "N/A" in the appropriate space. If the space provided is left blank, it will be regarded as information that is still outstanding and the SBD 6.1 will not be processed further.

3.25 TERMINATION OF SERVICES

3.25.1 Should the Contractor fail to meet the conditions of this contract, or continue rendering unsatisfactory service, the Employer reserves the right to terminate the contract, after written notification has been served on the Contractor, with retention of the right to recover from the Contractor any losses which the Employer may suffer/ incur as a result of the failure, without prejudicing any other rights it may have.

3.26 TAX CLEARANCE CERTIFICATE

3.26.1 The original Tax Clearance Certificate must be submitted with the bid before the closing date and time of the bid. Failure to submit a valid Tax Clearance Certificate will invalidate your bid unless a valid, as at the closing date of this bid, original Tax Clearance Certificate is already in the possession of the Departments Supply Chain Management Unit. In this regard, a clear reference must be provided e.g. bid number.

3.26.2 Each party to a Joint Venture/Consortium must submit an original valid Tax Clearance Certificate together with the bid before the closing date and time of bid.

3.27 UNSATISFACTORY PERFORMANCE

3.27.1 Unsatisfactory performance occurs when performance is not in accordance with the contract conditions.

(i) Before any action is taken, the Department shall warn the contractor by registered/certified mail that action will be taken in accordance with the contract conditions unless the contractor complies with the contract conditions and delivers satisfactory supplies or services within a specified reasonable time (7 days minimum). If the contractor does not perform satisfactorily despite the warning the Department will:

(a) take action in terms of its delegated powers

(b) make a recommendation for cancellation of the contract concerned.

3.28 VALIDITY PERIOD AND EXTENSION THEREOF

3.28.1 The validity (binding) period for the bid must be **120** days from close of bid. However, circumstances may arise whereby this Department may request the bidders to extend the validity (binding) period. Should this occur, the Department will request bidders to extend the validity (binding) period under the same terms and conditions as originally tendered for by bidders. This request will be done before the expiry of the original validity (binding) period.

3.29 VAT

2.29.1 Bid prices must be inclusive of VAT.

2.29.2 A tax invoice shall be in the currency of the Republic of South Africa and shall contain the following particulars:

- (a) The name, address and registration number of the supplier;
- (b) the name and address of the recipient;
- (c) an individual serialized number and the date upon which the tax invoice is issued;
- (d) a description of the goods or services supplied;
- (e) the quantity or volume of the goods or services supplied;
- (f) either :–
 - (i) the value of the supply, the amount of tax charged and the consideration for the supply; **or**
 - (ii) where the amount of tax charged is calculated by applying the tax fraction to the consideration, the consideration for the supply and either the amount of the tax charged, or a statement that it includes a charge in respect of the tax and the rate at which the tax was charged.

3.30 REGISTERED ADDRESS

The Department provides the following:

Street address as it's *domicillium citandi et executandi* in respect of any lawsuit which might result from or bears relevance to this contract, as well as for purposes of notice to :

The Head SCM Unit, KwaZulu-Natal Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs

14 th floor, South Tower, Natalia Building. 330 Langalibalele Street PIETERMARITZBURG 3200	Private Bag X9078, PIETERMARITZBURG 3200
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SECTION M

OFFICIAL BRIEFING SESSION/SITE INSPECTION CERTIFICATE

Site/building/institution involved: **330 LANGALIBALELE STREET, 12TH FLOOR BOARDROOM, NATALIA BUILDING, NORTH TOWER PIETERMARITZBURG**

Bid No: **ZNT 2022/2017 LG**

Service: **PANEL OF SERVICE PROVIDERS TO PROVIDE FORENSIC INVESTIGATION SERVICES**

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT (NAME):

ON BEHALF OF:

ATTENDED THE BRIEFING SESSION ON: **23 August 2017 at 10:00am at 330 LANGALIBALELE STREET, 12TH FLOOR BOARDROOM, NATALIA BUILDING, NORTH TOWER PIETERMARITZBURG**

AND IS THEREFORE FAMILIAR WITH THE CIRCUMSTANCES AND THE SCOPE OF THE SERVICE TO BE RENDERED.

.....
SIGNATURE OF BIDDER OR AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE
(PRINT NAME)

DATE:

.....
SIGNATURE OF DEPARTMENTAL REPRESENTATIVE
(PRINT NAME)

.....
DEPARTMENTAL STAMP:
(COMPULSORY)

DATE:

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

ZNT2022/2017LG

APPOINTMENT OF A PANEL OF SERVICE PROVIDERS TO PROVIDE FORENSIC INVESTIGATION SERVICES

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TERMS OF REFERENCE

COMPILATION OF AN APPROVED LIST OF SERVICE PROVIDERS FOR RENDERING FORENSIC INVESTIGATION SERVICES IN KWAZULU NATAL

1. OBJECTIVE

The objective of the expression of interest is for the Department of Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs to compile a comprehensive list of suitable service providers who can be called upon by

the department, as and when required, to conduct forensic investigations at selected municipalities and the Department in KwaZulu-Natal (KZN).

2. BACKGROUND

As legislated, the Minister of Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs has the mandate, in terms of Section 106 of the Municipal Systems Act No 32 of 2000 and in terms of section 85 of the PFMA, to designate a person or persons to conduct an investigation at any municipality within the Province of KZN and the Department where she believes that maladministration, fraud, corruption or any other serious malpractice has occurred or is occurring.

The Department is required to have mechanisms available to carry out its responsibilities in this regard, which is complemented by constitutional provisions requiring the Department to monitor the financial affairs of municipalities in the Province and of that of the Department.

The Department has identified the need to streamline procedures in order to act swiftly in following up allegations of fraud, corruption and maladministration. Allegations are received by the Department from various sources such as the Office of the Auditor-General, the National Anti-corruption hotline, the press, local ratepayer associations, Councillors, municipal officials or members of the public.

The Departments previous Panel of Forensic Investigators (ZNT1684) has expired and the Department deems it necessary to establish a new panel from which the Department can make appointments swiftly.

In this regard, procurement processes are put in place to achieve not only the best value for money but also to ensure, through the preferential awarding of contracts to persons disadvantaged by unfair discrimination, that the quality, coverage and development impact of the service to be provided is also not compromised. In undertaking forensic investigations, the Department is bound by tariffs charged for audits as undertaken, on behalf of the Auditor-General as amended from time to time. These costs are applicable to appointments made from this panel. The department has a duty to ensure that those service providers listed on the panel meet certain minimum requirements in as far as employment equity and affirmative action is concerned, in addition to the track record, proven reputation in the market and individual competencies of particular firms to be listed.

Appointments from this panel, of forensic investigators once established, will be made in a fair and equitable manner. Any decision that is made to appoint a particular service provider will be approved by the accounting officer and as designated by the MEC. The Department will also take into account the need to promote and empower small and emerging enterprises.

3. PRINCIPLES FOR FORENSIC INVESTIGATORS.

The need for the establishment of a panel of service providers with expertise in the field of forensic investigations is based on the following principles:

- (a) to promote greater responsiveness by the department in the investigation process;
- (b) to address the increase in the number of investigations as a result of the implementation of the municipal fraud hotline and the National Anti-corruption hotline;
- (c) To maintain confidentiality relating to the nature and magnitude of allegation/s received, individual service providers would be selected from the panel with a competitive quote process;

- (d) to ensure investigations are undertaken without delays, which are sometimes associated with normal procurement processes; and
- (e) to ensure fairness in the distribution of work only to experts in the field of forensic investigations.

Forensic Investigators shall only be appointed from the approved panel. All deliverables in terms of a specific forensic investigation shall be defined and monitored by the Department.

4. THE PROCESS OF FORENSIC INVESTIGATIONS.

When the MEC deems it necessary to undertake a Forensic Investigation at a municipality in KZN and sufficient predication exists to warrant such action, a suitable resource from the panel shall be identified and appointed to undertake the investigation.

Before accepting an engagement, the Forensic Investigator would be required to report any conflict of interest that could impair his/her professional judgement or objectivity on a specific matter or in a specific municipality. The Department will prepare an agreement and include such in a letter of appointment.

The Forensic Investigator should review the assignment thoroughly. Planning consists of establishing specific objectives, determining the various steps to be taken, and defining the work in order to control the execution of the assignment with reference to the time and cost constraints and the information and other resources available.

The facts and circumstances of each forensic investigation engagement are unique and should be carefully reviewed to develop a suitable action plan that sets out the objectives of the assignment and the methods to be used to address them. Given the nature of forensic investigation assignments, an inductive approach to planning is usually adopted. This means that the planning is done on a continuous basis to accommodate changes in the circumstances of an assignment as new facts are brought

to light through the work of the forensic investigator. Persons executing the assignment should therefore be continuously informed of any new facts that emerge and of changes in the nature and execution of the work.

The forensic investigator should gather the information and evidence required to substantiate his or her conclusion, such as analyses, interview notes, written statements, clues and supporting documents. In order to assess the adequacy and appropriateness of the evidence, the forensic investigator should understand all legal requirements and processes required to substantiate such evidence and should consider its quality and quantity as well as the chain of causation of evidence.

The forensic investigator should document and provide evidence of work done. The documentation usually includes working papers explaining the methods used, the analyses, basic facts, data collected, assumptions adopted, conclusion formed, and the evidence gathered in support of the conclusion.

The forensic investigator's report should adequately explain and support the conclusions expressed therein.

When expressing a conclusion, the report should be worded clearly and concisely and it should be understandable, well organised; consistent and the findings should be explicit.

When expressing a conclusion, the report of the investigation and forensic investigator should:

- describe the facts relating to the purpose of the assignment;
- describe the mandate;

- provide the information needed to understand the subject matter and environment specific to the assignment;
- specify the nature and scope of the work performed and the evidence gathered;
- set out the facts and where relevant, assumptions;
- describe the approaches taken and methods applied;
- explain the important factors considered in forming the conclusion; where relevant, present charts, schedules, and other useful information;
- communicate the results of the work and the forensic investigator's findings and/or opinion on the issues submitted;
- state date of the report;
- specify the restrictions on the use of the report and the limitations of the conclusion; and
- include recommendations pertaining to civil recovery, disciplinary or criminal actions and follow up procedures that may be required.

The forensic investigator shall hold an official file/s for each forensic investigation. The forensic investigator shall place on this file, all information and evidence required to substantiate the conclusion reached. In terms of the confidentiality the documents on the file should not be discussed or made available to any other parties without the Departments prior written approval. This file shall be the property of the Department.

5. PROJECT MANAGEMENT

Each forensic investigation shall include the following phases:

5.1 ENGAGEMENT

Service providers are required to be registered on the Central Supplier Database (CSD). If successful, the forensic investigator is expected to sign an appointment letter with the Department of Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs. An investigation report is expected within three months of commencement of the project.

5.2 PLANNING PHASE

During the planning phase a general strategy and a detailed approach should be developed regarding the expected nature, timing and extent of the investigation. The extent of planning will vary according to the magnitude of the allegation/s and the risks involved, the planning should focus the efforts of the team and should cover all aspects of the assignment.

5.3 EXECUTION PHASE

During the execution phase, appropriate audit and investigative procedures should be developed, documented and executed to ensure that the objectives of the forensic investigation are achieved timeously in accordance with the time allowed to complete the assignment. All objectives of the forensic investigation shall also be executed within the limitation of the budget.

Adequate, complete, relevant, appropriate and reasonable evidence should be obtained to substantiate findings and conclusions and should be comprehensively documented in working papers and working paper files.

The "Best Evidence Rule" should be applied to ensure that evidence obtained is admissible in any legal proceedings including that as required by a court of law.

All documents should be filed in the aforementioned "office file".

5.4 REPORTING PHASE

During the reporting phase, the forensic investigator communicates the results of his/her work in writing to the Department. It should also be ensured that the report complies with the following minimum requirements.

- The factual correctness of the report and the interpretation of the facts must be cleared at the most appropriate level and proof of clarification must be filed on the official file. The latter should indicate why this level was regarded as the "most appropriate".
- It must be logical, clear, concise, complete, objective, timely, logically sequenced and structured, readable and accurate.
- It must contain specific and properly substantiated facts.
- It must contain clear and precise English language and terminology to obviate misunderstanding, ambiguity and perceptions being created.
- Correct typing, spelling, and use of English language are vital.
- Terms and phrases must be used consistently. General abbreviations must be avoided as far as possible.
- Graphs, charts and tabulations must be suitable and relevant and must only be used to visually illustrate and explain written information.
- Contents must be relevant to the scope and nature of the investigation.
- The report should identify possible areas for improvement in the internal control environment, which may serve as a guide for the avoidance of a recurrence of any irregularity that has occurred.
- The report must include specific recommendations pertaining to civil recovery, disciplinary or criminal action.
- The report should specify that the conclusion is based on the information available as at the date of the report and could change if new information were to invalidate the information obtained or the assumptions adopted up to that date.

6. CONTRACT PERIOD

The established panel shall remain in place for a period of three years from date of approval of such panel by the Department.

7. THRESHOLD FOR QUALIFICATION TO PANEL OF FORENSIC AUDITORS

The following threshold requirements **must** be met, failing which the bid will be disqualified.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENT	YES/ NO	COMMENTS/PROOF TO BE PROVIDED
Membership of the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners. (ACFE)		Certified copy of membership certificate. Insert proof.
A readily available Business Intelligence Service (BIS) capability including the ability to do comprehensive background checks on juristic and natural persons.		Written proof of registration to conduct deed searches and company registration searches Insert proof.
Level 1 BEE certificate		Sanas or Irba accredited certificate. Insert proof.

- (1) The following threshold requirements apply. Service provider who achieves a scoring of less than 70% points will be disqualified and will not be included in the approved panel of service providers.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENT	ALLOCATION FOR EVALUATION	COMMENTS/PROOF TO BE PROVIDED
A cyber and computer forensic capability and / or immediate access to a forensic laboratory dedicated to electronic evidence recovery and computer related investigations.	25 points	Written confirmation from other National/Provincial Government Departments/ Municipalities and other clients. Insert proof.
Provision of services/immediate access to services relating to handwriting analysis, polygraph examinations and voice stress analysis examinations.	25 points	Written confirmation from other National/Provincial Government Departments/Municipalities and from other clients. Insert proof.
A minimum of 5 years' experience in the forensic auditing/fraud investigation field	Less than 1 year = 1 point 1-3 years = 5 points More than 5 years = 10 points	Will be calculated from the date the company was registered. Insert proof.

<p>A minimum of 5 cases pertaining to criminal procedure/laws of evidence in terms of the Criminal Procedures Act No. 51 of 1977 and including providing expert testimony and witness in court related matters</p>	<p>1-4 Cases= 5 points More than 5 cases = 10 points</p>	<p>Written confirmation from other Provincial/national Government Departments/ Municipalities/ other clients and reference to legal case files in this regard. Insert proof.</p>
<p>A minimum of 5 cases pertaining to formal civil recovery procedures/issuing of summons against implicated parties in terms of common law and through procedures set out in the Criminal Procedures Act No. 51 of 1977. This includes relevant experience in obtaining anti-dissipation orders to freeze assets pending outcome of civil action.</p>	<p>1-4 Cases= 5 points More than 5 cases = 10 points</p>	<p>Written confirmation from other Provincial/National Government Departments/ Municipalities/ other clients. Insert proof.</p>
<p>A minimum of 3 cases pertaining to disciplinary procedures/conducting of hearings at local government level including appointments as Presiding Officer/Prosecutor in this regard and also providing expert testimony and witness at such proceedings</p>	<p>1-4 Cases= 5 points More than 5 cases = 10 points</p>	<p>Written confirmation from National/Provincial Government and Municipal clients. Insert proof.</p>
<p>Ability and commitment to provide training and skills transfer to clients related to practical knowledge of specific offences via fraud and corruption and special investigative tools in this regard.</p>	<p>Yes = 10 points No = 0 points</p>	<p>Written confirmation from other National/Provincial Government Departments/ Municipalities. Insert proof.</p>

Please note that being placed on the panel will not necessarily mean that a consultant is guaranteed to obtain assignments in this regard from the Department. The Department will decide who should be appointed and when this will take place in respect of an investigation at a municipality or the Department. All candidates appointed to the panel shall be officially informed in writing.

8. SUBMISSION OF EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

The expression of interest must be delivered to the address indicated thereon, on or before the time and date stipulated, in accordance with the advertised stipulations.

Late expressions of interest will not be considered.

Expressions of interest must be submitted in sealed envelopes and only one expression of interest may be submitted per envelope, which must be endorsed with the expression of interest name and reference number as well as the closing date and time and with the name and address of the individual/company reflected on the front side of the envelope and the name and address of the Department on the reverse side of the envelope.

EOIs are to be deposited in the bid box, located at:

13TH FLOOR, LIFT AREA

NORTH TOWER

NATALIA BUILDING

330 LANGALIBALELE STREET

PIETERMARITZBURG

9. QUERIES

Should you have any queries please contact:

Name : Mrs S. Govender

Unit : Municipal Forensics

Tel : (033) 3556234

Email : SHEETAL.Govender@kzncogta.gov.za

APPENDIX 1

DETAILS FOR COMPLETION OF AN ENVELOPE FOR A BID/QUOTATION

Section 1 paragraph 6 of this bid/quotation document indicates the requirements for addressing of an envelope when a bid/quotation is submitted to the Department. Kindly ensure the envelope is addressed correctly because if it is not properly addressed the bid/quotation may be rejected as being invalid and returned to the respective bidder. The correct manner in which it is to be addressed is detailed below:

EXAMPLE FORMAT

FRONT SIDE OF ENVELOPE

Name and address of bidder: XYZ Consultants,
PO Box 1234,
Durban
4000

Bid/Quotation Number: ZNT 2022/2017 LG

Description:

330 LANGALIBALELE STREET, 12TH FLOOR BOARDROOM, NATALIA BUILDING, NORTH TOWER PIETERMARITZBURG

Closing date: 13 SEPTEMBER 2017

Closing time: 11:00

REVERSE SIDE OF ENVELOPE

Department's details and address:

The Head: Supply Chain Management
Department of Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs
13th Floor, North Tower
Natalia Building
330 Langalibalele Street
Pietermaritzburg
3201

RETURNABLE DOCUMENTS

BIDDERS ARE REQUIRED TO ATTACH THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENT TOGETHER WITH THEIR PROPOSAL ON THE CLOSING DATE OF THE BID:

CERTIFIED COPY OF B-BBEE STATUS VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE
VALID ORIGINAL TAX CLEARANCE CERTIFICATE / STATUS PIN VALID FOR 12 MONTHS
COMPANY PROFILE
PROOF OF REGISTRATION WITH CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE (CSD)
CERTIFIED COPIES OF DIRECTORS OF THE COMPANY
CERTIFIED COPY OF CIPRO REGISTRATION

GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT1

THE NATIONAL TREASURY
Republic of South Africa



GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT:
GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT
July 2010

NOTES

The purpose of this document is to:

- (i) Draw special attention to certain general conditions applicable to government bids, contracts and orders; and
- (ii) To ensure that clients be familiar with regard to the rights and obligations of all parties involved in doing business with government.

In this document words in the singular also mean in the plural and vice versa and words in the masculine also mean in the feminine and neuter.

1. The General Conditions of Contract will form part of all bid documents and may not be amended.
2. Special Conditions of Contract (SCC) relevant to a specific bid, should be compiled separately for every bid (if applicable) and will supplement the General Conditions of Contract. Whenever there is a conflict, the provisions in the SCC shall prevail.

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