RFP NO. UMDM IPP/09/2026

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FROM INDEPENDENT POWER PRODUCERS TO SUPPLY RENEWABLE ENERGY

SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS DEADLINE
Closing Date: 21 October 2026
Time: 12h00
Venue: uMgungundlovu Economic Development Offices
UMEDA House, UMEDA Show Grounds
1 Howick Road
Wembley
Pietermaritzburg

Name of Organisation	
Physical Address	Street Address
	Suburb
	City
	Province
	Postal Code
Contact Person	
Telephone No.	
Fax No.	
E-Mail Address	
Tender Price	N/A
CSD Registration No.	

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uMGUNGUNDLOVU ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

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ADVERT DATE: 21 SEPTEMBER 2026
RFP NO. UMDM IPP/09/2026

The uMgungundlovu Economic Development Agency seeks Requests for Proposal **from Independent Power Producers to supply energy to the entity/on behalf of the entity for a period of 25 years, as a continuation of the District Energy Security Programme to identify and pre-qualify suitably experienced Independent Power Producers (IPPs) capable of supplying renewable energy to participating municipalities within and outside the uMgungundlovu District.**

This RFP does not constitute an award of a Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) or a commitment to procure energy. Successful bidders will be:

1. Evaluated and pre-qualified through this competitive process;
2. Entered into UMEDA's database of approved renewable-energy suppliers;
3. Introduced to participating municipalities requiring electricity supply;
4. Subject to further commercial negotiations with the identified municipality; and
5. Required to enter into a separate Power Purchase Agreement directly with the relevant municipality.

Contracting Structure

The contractual relationship shall be structured as follows:

- UMEDA acts as programme facilitator, coordinator and technical support agency.
- The Municipality shall be the energy offtake and purchaser.
- The IPP shall be the generator and seller of electricity.
- Eskom and/or the applicable network service provider shall provide transmission, distribution and wheeling services where applicable.
- As a condition of participation in the District Energy Security Programme, the IPP shall make available to UMEDA a development participation allocation of up to 3% of the net energy generated and delivered under the PPA, subject to the final commercial agreement between the parties

Proposal documents can be downloaded from the agency's website at www.umeda.co.za or on the e-tenders portal on https://www.etenders.gov.za. Any queries can be directed to Mr. James Martin via email James.Martin@umeda.co.za Written queries are to be sent in two weeks before the tender closing date for a timely written response.

Tender documents must be properly bound and placed in the tender box situated at the ground floor of the uMgungundlovu Economic Development Agency Offices, UMEDA Show Grounds, 1 Howick Road, Wembley, Pietermaritzburg, no later than **12h00 on 21 October 2026** in a sealed envelope which is clearly marked with the Tender Number and Tender Description. Late, faxed, or emailed bids will under no circumstances be considered.

Proposals will be tested for responsiveness on the submission of the following documentation:

1. Proof of registration on the Central Supplier Database (CSD)
2. Valid Tax Compliance Status PIN
3. Company registration documents and originally certified ID copies of director/s
4. Detailed proposal clearly outlining the proposed energy generation type (solar, wind, etc.; Location of the energy production and amount of energy to be supplied.)

A bidder/s that scores less than 60 points out of 100 in respect of functionality will be regarded as submitting a non-responsive bid and will be disqualified. Thereafter the 90/10 Preference Points system will be applicable, with 90 points for price and 10 points for Specific Goals as prescribed in terms of the Preferential Procurement Regulations 2022.

Criterion	Evidence required	Points
Relevant IPP projects underway or undertaken	Project list + reference letters	20
Technical team	Competent project team, qualifications, experience and technical disciplines	15
Financial capacity	Ability to finance development, construction and operation	15
Operations and maintenance capability	bidders to explain how they will respond to generation interruptions and prolonged plant outages	20
Grid/wheeling	Evidence of similar projects	20
Land/site control and development readiness	bidder must demonstrate that it has a legally credible right to use the proposed project site and that the site is sufficiently advanced for development	10
Total		**100**

The 90/10 preference point system in terms of the agency's SCM Policy will be applicable as follows:

	POINTS
PRICE	90

SPECIFIC GOALS (10 Points)	
- Race – More than 50% Black Owned (HDP)	5
- Locality – Office based in uMgungundlovu District	5
Total points for Price and Specific Goals	**100**

Tenderers shall take note of the following Tender Conditions:

- uMgungundlovu Economic Development Agency's procurement policy will apply,
- uMgungundlovu Economic Development Agency does not bind itself to accept the lowest tender or any other tender and reserves the right to accept the whole or part of the tender,
- Tenders submitted are to be valid for a period of 90 days from the closing date for submissions of tenders

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Mr. M.D. Newton
Chief Executive Officer
uMgungundlovu Economic Development Agency

INVITATION TO BID – MBD 1

PART A

YOU ARE HEREBY INVITED TO BID FOR REQUIREMENTS OF THE UMGUNGUNDLOVU DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY					
BID NUMBER:	UMDM IPP09/2026	CLOSING DATE:	21 OCTOBER 2026	CLOSING TIME:	12h00
DESCRIPTION	REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FROM INDEPENDENT POWER PRODUCERS TO SUPPLY RENEWABLE ENERGY				
THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER WILL BE REQUIRED TO FILL IN AND SIGN A WRITTEN CONTRACT FORM (MBD7).					

BID RESPONSE DOCUMENTS MAY BE DEPOSITED IN THE BID BOX SITUATED AT RECEPTION: UMEDA HOUSE, UMEDA SHOW GROUNDS, 1 HOWICK ROAD, WEMBLEY, PIETERMARITZBURG 3201

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				
TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS	TCS PIN:		**OR** CSD No:	
B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE [TICK APPLICABLE BOX]	☐ Yes ☐ No		B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL SWORN AFFIDAVIT	☐ Yes ☐ No
[A B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE/ SWORN AFFIDAVIT (FOR EMES & QSEs) MUST BE SUBMITTED IN ORDER TO QUALIFY FOR PREFERENCE POINTS FOR B-BBEE]				
ARE YOU THE ACCREDITED REPRESENTATIVE IN SOUTH AFRICA FOR THE GOODS /SERVICES /WORKS OFFERED?	Yes ☐ No ☐ [IF YES ENCLOSE PROOF]		ARE YOU A FOREIGN BASED SUPPLIER FOR THE GOODS /SERVICES /WORKS OFFERED?	☐ Yes ☐ No [IF YES, ANSWER PART B:3]
TOTAL NUMBER OF ITEMS OFFERED			TOTAL BID PRICE	**R**
SIGNATURE OF BIDDER	……		DATE	
CAPACITY UNDER WHICH THIS BID IS SIGNED				

BIDDING PROCEDURE ENQUIRIES MAY BE DIRECTED TO:		TECHNICAL INFORMATION MAY BE DIRECTED TO:	
DEPARTMENT	FINANCE (SCM)	DEPARTMENT	PROJECTS
CONTACT PERSON	MS. LETHIWE ZONDI	CONTACT PERSON	MR. JAMES MARTIN
TELEPHONE NUMBER	(033) 342 3396	TELEPHONE NUMBER	(033) 342 3396
E-MAIL ADDRESS	Lethiwe.Zondi@umeda.co.za	E-MAIL ADDRESS	James.Martin@umeda.co.za

PART B
TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR BIDDING

1. BID SUBMISSION:
1.1. BIDS MUST BE DELIVERED BY THE STIPULATED TIME TO THE CORRECT ADDRESS. LATE BIDS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED FOR CONSIDERATION.
1.2. ALL BIDS MUST BE SUBMITTED ON THE OFFICIAL FORMS PROVIDED– (NOT TO BE RE-TYPED) OR ONLINE
1.3. THIS BID IS SUBJECT TO THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT POLICY FRAMEWORK ACT AND THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS, 2022, THE GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT (GCC) AND, IF APPLICABLE, ANY OTHER SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT.
2. TAX COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS
2.1 BIDDERS MUST ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THEIR TAX OBLIGATIONS.
2.2 BIDDERS ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT THEIR UNIQUE PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (PIN) ISSUED BY SARS TO ENABLE THE ORGAN OF STATE TO VIEW THE TAXPAYER'S PROFILE AND TAX STATUS.
2.3 APPLICATION FOR THE TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS (TCS) CERTIFICATE 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.
2.4 FOREIGN SUPPLIERS MUST COMPLETE THE PRE-AWARD QUESTIONNAIRE IN PART B:3.
2.5 BIDDERS MAY ALSO SUBMIT A PRINTED TCS CERTIFICATE TOGETHER WITH THE BID.
2.6 IN BIDS WHERE CONSORTIA / JOINT VENTURES / SUB-CONTRACTORS ARE INVOLVED; EACH PARTY MUST SUBMIT A SEPARATE TCS CERTIFICATE / PIN / CSD NUMBER.
2.7 WHERE NO TCS IS AVAILABLE BUT THE BIDDER IS REGISTERED ON THE CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE (CSD), A CSD NUMBER MUST BE PROVIDED.
3. QUESTIONNAIRE TO BIDDING FOREIGN SUPPLIERS
3.1. IS THE ENTITY A RESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA (RSA)? ☐ YES ☐ NO
3.2. DOES THE ENTITY HAVE A BRANCH IN THE RSA? ☐ YES ☐ NO
3.3. DOES THE ENTITY HAVE A PERMANENT ESTABLISHMENT IN THE RSA? ☐ YES ☐ NO
3.4. DOES THE ENTITY HAVE ANY SOURCE OF INCOME IN THE RSA? ☐ YES ☐ NO
3.5. IS THE ENTITY LIABLE IN THE RSA FOR ANY FORM OF TAXATION? ☐ YES ☐ NO
IF THE ANSWER IS "NO" TO ALL OF THE ABOVE, THEN IT IS NOT A REQUIREMENT TO REGISTER FOR A TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS SYSTEM PIN CODE FROM THE SOUTH AFRICAN REVENUE SERVICE (SARS) AND IF NOT REGISTER AS PER 2.3 ABOVE.

NB: FAILURE TO PROVIDE ANY OF THE ABOVE PARTICULARS MAY RENDER THE BID INVALID.
NO BIDS WILL BE CONSIDERED FROM PERSONS IN THE SERVICE OF THE STATE.

SIGNATURE OF BIDDER: ……

CAPACITY UNDER WHICH THIS BID IS SIGNED: ……

DATE: ……

DECLARATION OF INTEREST – MBD 4

1. No bid will be accepted from persons in the service of the state*.

2. Any person, having a kinship with persons in the service of the state, including a blood relationship, may make any offer or offers in terms if this invitation to bid. In view of possible allegations of favoritism, should the resulting bid, or part thereof be awarded to persons connected with or related to persons in service of the state, it is required that the bidder or their authorised representative declare their position in relation to the evaluating/adjudicating authority and/or take an oath declaring his/her interest.

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

3.1	**Full Name of Bidder/ Representative**	
3.2	**Identity Number**	
3.3	**Position Held in Company E.g. Director**	
3.4	**Company Registration Number**	
3.5	**Tax Reference Number**	
3.6	**VAT Registration Number**	

3.7	The names of all directors / trustees / shareholders members, their individual identity numbers and state employee numbers must be indicated in paragraph 4 below.		
3.8	Are you presently in the service of the State?	Yes	No
3.8.1	If so, furnish particulars		
3.9	Have you been in the service of the state for the past twelve months?	Yes	No
3.9.1	If so, furnish particulars		
3.10	Do you have any relationship (family, friend, other) with persons in the service of the state and who may be involved with the evaluation and or adjudication of this bid?	Yes	No
3.10.1	If so, furnish particulars		

3.11	Are you aware of any relationship (family, friend, other) between bidder and any persons in the service of the state who may be involved with the evaluation and or adjudication of this bid?	Yes	No
3.11.1	If so, furnish particulars		
3.12	Are any of the company's director, managers, principal shareholders or stakeholders in service of the state:	Yes	No
3.12.1	If so, furnish particulars		
3.13	Are any spouse, child or parent of the company's director's trustees, managers, principle shareholders or stakeholders in service of the state?	Yes	No
3.13.1	If so, furnish particulars		
3.14	Do you or any of the directors, trustees, managers, principal shareholders, or stakeholders of this company have any interest in any other related companies or business whether or not they are bidding for this contract?	Yes	No
3.14.1	If so, furnish particulars		

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

Full Name	**Identity Number**	**State Employee Number**

***MSCM Regulations: "in the service of the state" means to be –**

(a) A member of –
  (i) any municipal council:
  (ii) any provincial legislature: or
  (iii) the national Assembly or the national Council of provinces:

(b) a member of the board of directors of any municipal entity
(c) an official of any municipality or municipal entity
(d) an employee of any national or provincial department, national or provincial public entity or constitutional institution within the meaning of the Public Finance Management Act 1999 (Act N° 1 of 1999):
(e) a member of the accounting authority of any national or provincial public entity: or
(f) An employee of Parliament or a provincial legislature

5. DECLARATION

I, the undersigned (name)_____,

certify that the information furnished in paragraph 3 is correct.

I accept that the State may act against should this declaration prove to be false.

…… ……
Capacity Signature

…… ……
Name of Bidder Date

PREFERENCE POINTS CLAIM FORM – MBD 6.1

This preference form must form part of all tenders invited. It contains general information and serves as a claim form for preference points for specific goals.

NB: BEFORE COMPLETING THIS FORM, BIDDERS MUST STUDY THE GENERAL CONDITIONS, DEFINITIONS AND DIRECTIVES APPLICABLE IN RESPECT OF THE TENDER AND PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS, 2022.

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1. GENERAL CONDITIONS

1.1 The following preference point systems are applicable to invitations to tender:

- the 80/20 system for requirements with a Rand value of up to R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included); and
- the 90/10 system for requirements with a Rand value above R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included).

1.2 **To be completed by the organ of state**

a) The applicable preference point system for this tender is the 90/10 preference point system.

b) The 90/10 preference point system will be applicable in this tender. The lowest acceptable tender will be used to determine the accurate system once tenders are received.

1.3 Points for this tender (even in the case of a tender for income-generating contracts) shall be awarded for:

(a) Price; and

(b) Specific Goals.

1.4 **To be completed by the organ of state:**

The maximum points for this tender are allocated as follows:

	POINTS
PRICE	90
SPECIFIC GOALS	10
Total points for Price and Specific Goals	**100**

1.5 Failure on the part of a tenderer to submit proof or documentation required in terms of this tender to claim points for specific goals with the tender, will be interpreted to mean that preference points for specific goals are not claimed.

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

2. DEFINITIONS

(a) **"tender"** means a written offer in the form determined by an organ of state in response to an invitation to provide goods or services through price quotations, competitive tendering process or any other method envisaged in legislation;

(b) **"price"** means an amount of money tendered for goods or services, and includes all applicable taxes less all unconditional discounts;

(c) **"rand value"** means the total estimated value of a contract in Rand, calculated at the time of bid invitation, and includes all applicable taxes;

(d) **"tender for income-generating contracts"** means a written offer in the form determined by an organ of state in response to an invitation for the origination of income-generating contracts through any method envisaged in legislation that will result in a legal agreement between the organ of state and a third party that produces revenue for the organ of state, and includes, but is not limited to, leasing and disposal of assets and concession contracts, excluding direct sales and disposal of assets through public auctions; and

(e) **"the Act"** means the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act, 2000 (Act No. 5 of 2000).

3. FORMULAE FOR PROCUREMENT OF GOODS AND SERVICES

3.1. POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE

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

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

80/20

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

Where

Ps = Points scored for price of tender under consideration

Pt = Price of tender under consideration

Pmin = Price of lowest acceptable tender

3.2. FORMULAE FOR DISPOSAL OR LEASING OF STATE ASSETS AND INCOME GENERATING PROCUREMENT

3.2.1. POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE

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

80/20

$$Ps = 80\left(1 + \frac{Pt - P\,max}{P\,max}\right)$$

Where

Ps = Points scored for price of tender under consideration

Pt = Price of tender under consideration

Pmax = Price of highest acceptable tender

4. POINTS AWARDED FOR SPECIFIC GOALS

4.1 In terms of Regulation 4(2); 5(2); 6(2) and 7(2) of the Preferential Procurement Regulations, preference points must be awarded for specific goals stated in the tender. For the purposes of this tender the tenderer will be allocated points based on the goals stated in table 1 below as may be supported by proof/ documentation stated in the conditions of this tender:

4.2 In cases where organs of state intend to use Regulation 3(2) of the Regulations, which states that, if it is unclear whether the 80/20 or 90/10 preference point system applies, an organ of state must, in the tender documents, stipulate in the case of—

(a) an invitation for tender for income-generating contracts, that either the 80/20 or 90/10 preference point system will apply and that the highest acceptable tender will be used to determine the applicable preference point system; or

(b) any other invitation for tender, that either the 80/20 or 90/10 preference point system will apply and that the lowest acceptable tender will be used to determine the applicable preference point system, then the organ of state must indicate the points allocated for specific goals for both the 90/10 and 80/20 preference point system.

Table 1: Specific goals for the tender and points claimed are indicated per the table below.

***Note to tenderers: The tenderer must indicate how they claim points for each preference point system.*)**

The specific goals allocated points in terms of this tender. **(Points are not cumulative.)**	**Number of points allocated**	**Number of points claimed (90/10 system)** **(To be completed by the tenderer)**
RACE *Proof: CSD/CIPC certificate/Certified ID copy*		
- Race – ≥ 50% Black Owned (HDP)	5	
- Race – < 50% Black Owned (HDP)	3	
LOCALITY *Proof: Municipal account/ Letter from councilor*		
- Office based in uMgungundlovu District	5	
- Office based in KwaZulu-Natal (outside uMDM)	3	
- Office based outside KwaZulu-Natal	2	

DECLARATION WITH REGARD TO COMPANY/FIRM

4.3 Name of company/firm…….

4.4 Company registration number: ……..

4.5 TYPE OF COMPANY/ FIRM

- ☐ Partnership/Joint Venture / Consortium
- ☐ One-person business/sole propriety
- ☐ Close corporation
- ☐ Public Company
- ☐ Personal Liability Company
- ☐ (Pty) Limited
- ☐ Non-Profit Company
- ☐ State Owned Company

[TICK APPLICABLE BOX]

4.6 I, the undersigned, who is duly authorised to do so on behalf of the company/firm, certify that the points claimed, based on the specific goals as advised in the tender, qualifies the company/ firm for the preference(s) shown and I 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 4.2, the contractor may be required to furnish documentary proof to the satisfaction of the organ of state that the claims are correct;

iv) If the specific goals have been claimed or obtained on a fraudulent basis or any of the conditions of contract have not been fulfilled, the organ of state may, in addition to any other remedy it may have –

(a) disqualify the person from the tendering 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 favorable arrangements due to such cancellation.

(d) recommend that the tenderer or contractor, its shareholders and directors, or only the shareholders and directors who acted on a fraudulent basis, be restricted 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, if deemed necessary.

_____

SIGNATURE(S) OF TENDERER(S)

SURNAME AND NAME: _____

DATE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

DECLARATION OF BIDDER'S PAST SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT PRACTICES – MBD 8

1. This Municipal Bidding Document must form part of the bids invited.

2. It serves as a declaration to be used by municipalities and municipal entities in ensuring that when goods and services are being procured, all reasonable steps are taken to combat the abuse of the supply chain management system.

3. The bid of any bidder may be rejected if that bidder or any of its directors have:

   (a) abused the municipality's / municipal entity's supply chain management system or committed an improper conduct in relation to such system;

   (b) been convicted for fraud or corruption during the past five (5) years;

   (c) willfully neglected, reneged on or failed to comply with any government, municipal or other public sector contract during the past five (5) years, or

   (d) been listed in the Register for Tender Defaulters in terms of Section 29 of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act (No. 12 of 2004)

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

Item	Question	Response	
4.1	Is the bidder or any of its directors listed on the National Treasury's database as a company or person 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 National Treasury after the *audi alteram partem* rule was applied)**	**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 Corrupt Activities Act (No. 12 of 2004)? **(To access this Register enter the National Treasury's website** www.treasury.gov.za**, click on the icon "Register for Tender Defaulters" or submit your written request for a hard copy of the Register to facsimile number 012-3265445**	**YES** ☐	**NO** ☐
4.2.1	If so, furnish particulars		
4.3	Was the bidder or any of its directors convicted by a court of law (including a court of law outside the Republic of South Africa) for fraud or corruption during the past five (5) years?	**YES** ☐	**NO** ☐
4.3.1	If so, furnish particulars		

4.4	Does the bidder or any of its directors owe any municipal rates and taxed or municipal charges to the municipality / municipal entity, or to any other municipality / municipal entity that is in arrears for more than three (3) months?	**YES** ☐	**NO** ☐
4.4.1	If so, furnish particulars		
4.5	Was any contract between the bidder and the municipality / municipal entity or any other organ of the State terminated during the past five (5) years on account of failure to perform on or comply with the contract?	**YES** ☐	**NO** ☐
4.5.1	If so, furnish particulars		

C E R T I F I C A T I O N

I, THE UNDERSIGNED (Name) …….

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

I ACCEPT THAT THE STATE MAY ACT AGAINST ME SHOULD THIS DECLARATION PROVE TO BE FALSE.

…… ……

Signature **Date**

…… ……

Position **Name of Bidder**

CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT BID DETERMINATION – MBD 9

1 This Municipal Bidding Document (MBD) must form part of all bids[1] invited.

2 Section 4 (1) (b) (iii) of the Competition Act No. 89 of 1998, as amended, prohibits an agreement between, or concerted practice by, firms, or a decision by an association of firms, if it is between parties in a horizontal relationship and if it involves collusive bidding (or bid rigging).[2] Collusive bidding is a *pe se* prohibition meaning that it cannot be justified under any grounds.

3 Municipal Supply Regulation 38 (1) prescribes that a supply chain management policy must provide measures for the combating of abuse of the supply chain management system, and must enable the accounting officer, among others, to:

a. take all reasonable steps to prevent such abuse;

b. reject the bid of any bidder if that bidder or any of its directors has abused the supply chain management system of the municipality or municipal entity or has committed any improper conduct in relation to such system; and

c. cancel a contract awarded to a person if the person committed any corrupt or fraudulent act during the bidding process or the execution of the contract.

4 This MBD serves as a certificate of declaration that would be used by institutions to ensure that, when bids are considered, reasonable steps are taken to prevent any form of bid-rigging.

5 In order to give effect to the above, the attached Certificate of Bid Determination (MBD 9) must be completed and submitted with the bid:

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

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

CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT BID DETERMINATION

I, the undersigned, in submitting the accompanying bid:

Bid Number and Description	
Municipal Entity	

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

I certify, on behalf of: _____that:

(Name of Bidder)

1. I have read and I understand the contents of this Certificate;
2. I understand that the accompanying bid will be disqualified if this Certificate is found not to be true and complete in every respect;
3. I am authorized by the bidder to sign this Certificate, and to submit the accompanying bid, on behalf of the bidder;
4. Each person whose signature appears on the accompanying bid has been authorized by the bidder to determine the terms of, and to sign, the bid, on behalf of the bidder;
5. For the purposes of this Certificate and the accompanying bid, I understand that the word "competitor" shall include any individual or organization, other than the bidder, whether or not affiliated with the bidder, who:
   (a) has been requested to submit a bid in response to this bid invitation;
   (b) could potentially submit a bid in response to this bid invitation, based on their qualifications, abilities or experience; and
   (c) provides the same goods and services as the bidder and/or is in the same line of business as the bidder
6. The bidder has arrived at the accompanying bid independently from, and without consultation, communication, agreement or arrangement with any competitor. However communication between partners in a joint venture or consortium[3] 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.

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

[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.

PROOF OF GOOD STANDING WITH MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTS

The tenderer is to affix to this page either:

- Proof that they are not in arrears for more than 90 days (30 days if the tender price exceeds R10 Million) with municipal rates and taxes and municipal service charges. The latest municipal account is to be attached; or
- Signed copy of the lease agreement if the tenderer is currently leasing premises and not responsible paying municipal accounts **together with an invoice/statement from the landlord** stating that no levies are in arrears (*only if applicable*).
- In cases where the business resides in an area that does not pay for municipal rates and taxes and municipal service charges, a letter from the Ward Councillor must be submitted.

Note:

1. The tenderer hereby acknowledges that the Agency may reject the tender of the tenderer if any municipal rates and taxes or municipal service charges owed by the bidder or any of its directors/members/partners.
2. It is the responsibility of the service provider to ensure that the statement/proof of municipal good standing being submitted includes proof that the account is not more than 90 days (30 days if the tender price exceeds R10 Million) in arrears.
3. For service providers with more than one office branch, the proof of municipal account provided must reflect that of the nominated branch which will undertake the required works.
4. Failure to affix such documentation as prescribed to this page shall result in this tender not being further considered for the award of the contract.
5. Should this tender be considered for award of the contract, based on proof of submission and should proof of such submission be found to be invalid, erroneous or inaccurate, this tender will no longer be considered for the award of the contract.
6. Statements, letters, and affidavits **must not be older than three months** from the closing date of this tender.

…… ……

Signature Date

…… ……

Position Name of Bidder

AUTHORITY FOR SIGNATORY

The bidder must indicate the enterprise status by signing the appropriate box hereunder.

(i) CLOSE CORPORATION	(ii) COMPANIES	(iii) SOLE PROPRIETOR	(iv) PARTNERSHIP	(v) CO-OPERATIVE	(vi) JOINT VENTURE/ CONSORTIUM	
					Incorporated	
					Unincorporated	

I/We, the undersigned, being the Member(s) of Cooperative/ Sole Owner (Sole Proprietor)/ Close Corporation/ Partners (Partnership)/Company (Representative) or Lead Partner (Joint Venture / Consortium), in the enterprise trading as:

.....

hereby authorise Mr/Mrs/Ms .....

acting in the capacity of .....

whose signature is .....

to sign all documents in connection with this bid and any contract resulting therefrom on behalf of the enterprise

NAME	ADDRESS	SIGNATURE	DATE

(if the space provided is not enough please list all the director in the resolution letter)

Note:

The following document must be attached to this form according to the status of the enterprise, in the form of a resolution authorising signatory to sign all documents in connection with this bid and any contract resulting therefrom on behalf of the enterprise, and **such resolution shall include a specimen signature of the signatory.**

Co-operative:	Resolution letter from the directors
Close Corporation:	Resolution letter from the directors
Company:	Resolution letter from the director/s
Sole Proprietor:	Resolution letter from the director
Partnership:	Resolution letter from the director
Joint Venture / Consortium:	Resolution/agreement passed/reached' signed by the authorised representatives of the enterprises.

Note: Director/s may appoint themselves if they will be the one signing all documents in connection with this bid and any contract resulting therefrom on behalf of the enterprise.

Failure to complete, sign and date this form or failure to provide the certificate(s) in the form of a resolution as described above shall result in the tender being considered non-responsive and rejected.

JOINT VENTURE AGREEMENT

This returnable schedule is to be completed by joint ventures.
We, the undersigned, are submitting this tender offer in joint venture and hereby authorize Mr./Ms. ……., authorised signatory of the company, close corporation or partnership …….. , acting in the capacity of lead partner, to sign all documents in connection with the tender offer and any contract resulting from it on our behalf.

NAME OF FIRM	ADDRESS	DULY AUTHORISED SIGNATORY
Lead Partner		Signature:
		Name:
		Designation:
		Signature:
		Name:
		Designation:
		Signature:
		Name:
		Designation:

Note:
A copy of the Joint Venture Agreement showing clearly the percentage contribution of each partner to the Joint Venture shall be appended to this schedule.

Service providers intending to tender in the form of Joint Ventures/Consortiums must submit the following documentation together with the tender:

- Original and valid tax clearance certificate of all parties of the Joint Venture/Consortium;
- An undertaking duly signed by all parties of the Joint Venture/Consortium indicating their intention to enter into an agreement for the purposes of the contract and;
- A consolidated valid and original or certified copy of their B-BBEE Status level verification certificate obtainable from a verification agency accredited by SANAS or a registered auditor approved by the Independent Regulatory Board of Auditors (IRBA);
- Bank rating of all parties of the Joint Venture/Consortium or the bank rating of the joint venture bank account– if applicable;
- Letter of "Good standing" from the Entity's Financial Institution (Bank) of all parties of the Joint Venture/Consortium– if applicable;
- Proof of good standing with municipal accounts of all parties of the Joint Venture/Consortium;

- Declaration of interest of all parties of the Joint Venture/Consortium;
- Declaration of bidder's past supply chain management practices of all parties of the Joint Venture/Consortium;
- Certificate of independent bid determination of all parties of the Joint Venture/Consortium.

Further to the above, the name of the Joint Venture/Consortium must appear on the relevant pages of the document. Failure to comply with these requirements shall lead to disqualification.

…… ……

Signature Date

…… ……

Position Name of Bidder

The following is a statement of work of a similar projects undertaken, developed, implemented and/or under development within the past 5 years:

EMPLOYER: CONTACT PERSON AND TELEPHONE NUMBER	DESCRIPTION OF WORK	VALUE OF WORK (inclusive of VAT)	COMPLETION DATE/ PROJECT STATUS
(Client)			
(Contact Person)			
(tel.)			
(email)			
(Client)			
(Contact Person)			
(tel.)			
(email)			
(Client)			
(Contact Person)			
(tel.)			
(email)			
(Client)			
(Contact Person)			
(tel.)			
(email)			

Bidders must have specific experience and submit references letters (in a form of written proof/(s) on organization's letterhead including relevant contact person, nature of service, contract amount, commencement date, telephone number, fax number and email addresses) of similar work undertaken.

SIGNATURE: ……. DATE: …….
(of person authorized to sign on behalf of the Tenderer.)

EXPERIENCE OF TENDERER (Cont.)

The following is a statement of work of a similar projects undertaken, developed, implemented and/or under development within the past 5 years:

EMPLOYER: CONTACT PERSON AND TELEPHONE NUMBER	DESCRIPTION OF WORK	VALUE OF WORK (inclusive of VAT)	COMPLETION DATE/ PROJECT STATUS
(Client)			
(Contact Person)			
(tel.)			
(email)			
(Client)			
(Contact Person)			
(tel.)			
(email)			
(Client)			
(Contact Person)			
(tel.)			
(email)			
(Client)			
(Contact Person)			
(tel.)			
(email)			

Bidders must have specific experience and submit references letters (in a form of written proof/(s) on organization's letterhead including relevant contact person, nature of service, contract amount, commencement date, telephone number, fax number and email addresses) of similar work undertaken.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Tender offers will only be accepted if:

1. Tenderer submits a Company registration certificate with certified ID copies of Director/s;

2. A valid Tax Compliance Status Pin Sheet;

3. Detailed proposal clearly outlines the proposed energy generation type (solar, wind, etc.; Location of the energy production and amount of energy to be supplied.);

4. VAT Registration Certificate (if applicable);

5. The tenderer or any of its directors/shareholders is not listed on the Register of Tender Defaulters in terms of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act of 2004 person prohibited from doing business with the public sector;

6. The tenderer has not:
   i. abused the Employer's Supply Chain Management System; or
   ii. failed to perform on any previous contract and has been given a written notice to this effect;

7. The tenderer is registered on the Central Supplier Database;

8. The tenderer is not in arrears for more than 90 days (30 days if the tender price exceeds R10 Million) with municipal rates and taxes and municipal service charges. The latest municipal account is to be attached. The statement must not be older than three months from the closing date of this tender. Alternatively, if the tenderer is currently leasing premises and is not responsible for the payment of municipal services, a copy of the Lease Agreement must be attached;

9. A Joint-Venture Agreement, if applicable, is submitted with tender;

10. Tenderers have demonstrated experience in working with municipalities and/or government entities and must submit details of this in the tables above.

11. The tenderer has not in the past five years entered into litigation with the state nor been declared insolvent.

12. The following schedules are fully completed and signed:

i. Invitation to bid – MBD 1
ii. Declaration of interest – MBD 4
iii. Declaration of bidder's past supply chain management practices – MBD8
iv. Certificate of independent bid determination – MBD 9
v. Proof of good standing with municipal accounts
vi. Authority for signatory
vii. Joint venture agreement (if applicable)

NB: Please note that all copies of qualifications must be certified. Copies of certified documents will not be accepted.

FUNCTIONALITY TEST

Bidders are required to demonstrate the requisite qualifications and experience in the renewable energy sector, and as such CVs are required of specialists within the company team.

Criterion	Evidence required	Scoring	Points	Maximum
Relevant IPP projects underway or undertaken	Project list + reference letters			20
		5 and above qualifying projects	20	
		3 - 4 qualifying projects	15	
		1 - 2 qualifying projects	10	
		0 qualifying projects	0	
Technical team	Competent project team, qualifications, experience and technical disciplines			15
		5 and above CVs and qualifications	15	
		3 - 4 CVs and qualifications	10	
		1 - 2 CVs and qualifications	5	
		0 CVs and qualifications	0	
Financial capacity	Ability to finance development, construction and operation			15
		Strong financial capacity and documented funding commitment/confirmation demonstrating the ability to finance development, construction and operation of the proposed project	15	
		Strong financial position supported by AFS and credible in-principle confirmation from equity/debt funders covering a substantial portion of the required project funding	12	
		Adequate financial position demonstrated through AFS and evidence of a credible funding strategy	8	
		AFS submitted, but financial capacity is weak and no credible funding arrangement is demonstrated	5	
		No audited financial statements or credible evidence of financial capacity/funding	0	
				20

Operations and maintenance capability	bidders to explain how they will respond to generation interruptions and prolonged plant outages	Comprehensive long-term O&M strategy supported by substantial relevant experience	20	
		Experienced O&M team/provider with relevant operational projects	16	
		Adequate O&M structure and relevant experience	12	
		Basic O&M proposal with limited evidence	8	
		No credible O&M arrangements	0	
Grid/wheeling	Demonstration of an understanding or experience in connecting renewable-energy generation facilities to electricity networks and/or implementing electricity wheeling arrangements			20
		Extensive experience on projects comparable to the proposed municipal supply arrangement	10	
		Two or more relevant projects, with current or historical (demonstrated) experience in grid studies, connection and/or wheeling arrangements	8	
		At least one current or completed or substantially advanced grid connection/wheeling project	5	
		Limited experience, with only preliminary involvement in grid connection/wheeling	3	
		No demonstrable grid connection or wheeling experience	0	
Land/site control and development readiness	bidder must demonstrate that it has a the in-principle, legally credible right to use the proposed project site and that the site is sufficiently advanced for developmen			10
		Strong legally enforceable site control with clear evidence that the site is development-ready	10	
		Lease, option, consent or other documented site-control arrangement	8	

		Site identified and preliminary arrangements with landowner demonstrated	6	
		Site identified but no evidence of access/control	2	
		No identifiable site	0	

TECHNICAL PROPOSAL

Bidders are required to demonstrate technical ability by covering the following fields.

- technology;
- installed capacity;
- contracted capacity;
- expected annual generation;
- resource assessment;
- capacity factor;
- degradation;
- availability;
- dispatch profile;
- energy yield;
- battery/storage, if proposed;
- point of connection;
- grid studies;
- grid capacity;
- wheeling route;
- connection requirements;
- metering;
- SCADA;
- forecasting;
- protection systems;
- operational responsibility;
- maintenance arrangements;
- emergency response;
- cybersecurity/data requirements.

CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE REGISTRATION

Name of Tenderer	
Supplier Number	

No awards will be made to a tenderer who is not registered on the Central Supplier Database (CSD).

The establishment of a Central Supplier Database (CSD) will result in one single database to serve as the source of all supplier information for all spheres of government. The purpose of centralising government's supplier databaseis to reduce duplication of effort and cost for both supplier and government while enabling electronic procurement processes.

Registration on the Central Supplier Database can be done online via the website:

https://secure.csd.gov.za/

TERMS OF REFERENCE

This RFP forms part of UMEDA's existing District Energy Security Programme and is intended to establish and/or confirm a transparent and auditable SCM framework for qualifying IPPs.

Bidders who submitted previously may submit updated or enhanced proposals, including proposals and project-development work previously submitted to or developed in conjunction with UMEDA, provided that a complete and responsive proposal is submitted under this RFP.

As such, bidders will be required to :

- Identify suitable property for the establishment of an energy producing facility
- Identify and confirm the source of renewable energy to be provided
- Confirm the amount of energy to be supplied
- Confirm tenure rights to the property for the duration of the supply contract
- Enter into a PPA agreement with the identified, off-take municipality
- Conform to all approvals and legislative requirements (EIA, WULA, Zoning etc)
- Secure the funding / financing for the energy generating facility
- Conform to all energy production and wheeling compliance matters
- Provide continuous backup and support to the Municipalities being supplied with energy throughout the duration of the PPA
- Where funding / finances and resources may allow, and through mutual consent with the off-take municipality, to assist the Municipality with the upgrading of certain electrical infrastructure

SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

This bid is subject to the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act and the Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2022; the General Conditions of Contract (GCC) and the following applicable other Special Conditions of Contract.

1. Process for Municipal Electricity Supply

- Qualifying IPPs through this "Request for Proposal" process, will identify a source of renewable energy that they wish to capitalize upon
- They will, together with UMEDA, identify a suitable Municipality to which the energy may be sold.
- This will be done either internally within the jurisdiction of the municipality or through a wheeling agreement with ESKOM
- They will confirm the availability of finances to establish the proposed renewable energy complex
- UMEDA will then present the IPP to the identified municipality
- The municipality will, at its discretion and through a formal Council process and based upon the parameters of this "Request for Proposals", agree to procure energy from the IPP, through a Power Purchase Agreement, at rates presented by the IPP and agreed to by both parties
- UMEDA will then support the municipality and IPP through the project implementation to the point of supply, including support towards all compliance matters relating to environmental, water use, land use and all energy related regulations

2. Completion of Tender Documents

The original tender document must be completed fully in black ink and signed by the authorised signatory to validate the tender.
Tender documents may not be retyped. Retyped documents will result in the disqualification of the tender.
The complete original tender document must be returned. Missing pages will result in the disqualification of the tender.

No unauthorized alteration of this set of tender documents will be allowed. Any unauthorized alteration will disqualify the tender automatically. Any ambiguity has to be cleared with contact person for the tender before the tender closure.

3. Certified Copies

The tenderer shall, where required in terms of the tender document submit with the proposal, certified copies of all certificates specified. Failure to do so may render the proposal liable to rejection on the grounds of being incomplete. **Copies of certified documents will not be accepted**.

4. Acceptance or Rejection of a Tender

The Agency reserves the right to withdraw any invitation to tender and/or to re-advertise or to reject any tender or to accept a part of it.

5. Completion of Tender Documents

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Tender documents may not be retyped. Retyped documents will result in the disqualification of the tender. The complete original tender document must be returned. Missing pages will result in the disqualification of the tender.

No unauthorized alteration of this set of tender documents will be allowed. Any unauthorized alteration will disqualify the tender automatically. Any ambiguity has to be cleared with contact person for the tender before the tender closure.

6. Cancellation Of Contract

UMEDA reserves the right to cancel the contract in the event of one or more of the following circumstances:

- Serious discrepancy in the provision of the required services by the bidder.
- Breach by the vendors of any of the terms and conditions of the tender.
- Any action by the bidder which is in breach of law or accepted practices in the commercial transactions.
- If the Vendor goes into liquidation voluntarily or otherwise

PRICING SCHEDULE

The IPP is required to confirm the estimated amount of energy they will be able to supply (which may vary per site differential) and price per kilo Watt hour, valid for a period of first 12 months, from date of commencement with an annual escalation percentage.

Further to that bidders are required to identify their tariff methodology / benchmarking, TOU and wheeling assumptions to allow for the Agency to compare tariffs in a structured manner.

Estimated KWH	Price per KWh	Annual Escalation %

Tariff Methodology	
TOU	
Wheeling Assumptions	

GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT 2010

1. DEFINITIONS

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 anything 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 origin 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 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 labor, materials, components and machinery and includes other related value-adding 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.

1.24. "Services" means those functional services ancillaries 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. "Supplier" means the successful bidder who is awarded the contract to maintain and administer the required and specified service(s) to the State.

1.26. "Tort" means in breach of contract.

1.27. "Turnkey" means a procurement process where one service provider assumes total responsibility for all aspects of the project and delivers the full end product / service required by the contract.

1.28. "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. Invitations to bid are usually published in locally distributed news media and on the municipality / municipal entity website.

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 as 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 by a municipality to procure energy from the IPP, , the IPP shall furnish the municipality with the performance security of the amount specified in PPA.

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 inspections tests and analysis, the bidder or contractor's premises shall be open, at all reasonable hours, for inspection by a representative of the purchaser or an organization acting on behalf of the purchaser.

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 goods 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 goods or services referred to in clauses 8.2 and 8.3 do not comply with the contract requirements, irrespective of whether such goods 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 goods 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 goods 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 goods which do comply with the requirements of the contract. Failing such removal the rejected goods shall be returned at the suppliers cost and risk. Should the supplier fail to provide the substitute goods forthwith, the purchaser may, without giving the supplier further opportunity to substitute the rejected goods, purchase such goods 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 22 of GCC.

9. Packing

9.1. 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, and in any subsequent instructions ordered by the purchaser.

10. Delivery

Delivery of the goods shall be made by the supplier in accordance with the documents and terms specified in the contract. The details of shipping and/or other documents to be furnished by the supplier are specified in the SCC.

11. Insurance

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.

12. Transportation

Should a price other than an all-inclusive delivered price be required, this shall be specified.

13. Incidental

13.1. The supplier may be required to provide any or all of the following services, including additional services, if any:

13.1.1. performance or supervision of on-site assembly and/or commissioning of the supplied goods;

13.1.2. furnishing of tools required for assembly and/or maintenance of the supplied goods;

13.1.3. furnishing of a detailed operations and maintenance manual for each appropriate unit of the supplied goods;

13.1.4. 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

13.1.5. training of the purchaser's personnel, at the supplier's plant and/or on-site, 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, 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:

14.1.1. 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;

14.1.2. in the event of termination of production of the spare parts:

14.1.2.1. advance notification to the purchaser of the pending termination, in sufficient time to permit the purchaser to procure needed requirements; and

14.1.2.2. 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 maybe, 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, 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.

16.2. The supplier shall furnish the purchaser with an invoice accompanied by a copy of the delivery note and upon fulfillment 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.

17. Prices

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 or in the purchaser's request for bid validity extension, as the case may be.

18. Variation Orders

In cases where the estimated value of the envisaged changes in purchase does not vary more than 15% of the total value of the original contract, the contractor may be instructed to deliver the goods or render the services as such. In cases of measurable quantities, the contractor may be approached to reduce the unit price and such offers, may be accepted provided that there is no escalation in price.

19. Assignment

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

The supplier shall notify the purchaser in writing of all subcontracts awarded under this contract, if not already

specified in the bid. Such notification, in the original bid or later, shall not relieve the supplier from any liability or obligation under the contract.

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 22 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

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:

23.1.1. 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;

23.1.2. if the Supplier fails to perform any other obligation(s) under the contract; or

23.1.3. 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.

23.4. If a purchaser intends imposing a restriction on a supplier or any 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 supplier as having no objection and proceed with the restriction.

23.5. Any restriction imposed on any person by the purchaser will, at the discretion of the purchaser, 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 purchase 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:

23.6.1. the name and address of the supplier and / or person restricted by the purchaser;

23.6.2. the date of commencement of the restriction

23.6.3. the period of restriction; and

23.6.4. 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.

23.7. 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 of 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 favorable 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 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,

27.5.1. the parties shall continue to perform their respective obligations under the contract unless they otherwise agree; and

27.5.2. the purchaser shall pay the supplier any monies due for goods delivered and / or services rendered according to the prescripts of the contract.

28. Limitation of liability

28.1. Except in cases of criminal negligence or willful misconduct, and in the case of infringement pursuant to Clause 6;

28.1.1. 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

28.1.2. 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

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

The contract shall be interpreted in accordance with South African laws, unless otherwise specified.

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 SARS must have certified that the tax matters of the preferred bidder are in order.

32.4. No contract shall be concluded with any bidder whose municipal rates and taxes and municipal services charges are in arrears.

33. Transfer of contracts

The contractor shall not abandon, transfer, cede, assign or sublet a contract or part thereof without the written permission of the purchaser.

34. Amendment of contracts

No agreement to amend or vary a contract or order or the conditions, stipulations or provisions thereof shall be valid and of any force unless such agreement to amend or vary is entered into in writing and signed by the contracting parties. Any waiver of the requirement that the agreement to amend or vary shall be in writing, shall also be in writing.

35. Prohibition of restrictive practices.

35.1. 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.

35.2. 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 section 59 of the Competition Act No 89 0f 1998.

35.3. 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.