PREFERENCE POINTS CLAIM FORM IN TERMS OF THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS 2017 AND CODES OF GOOD PRACTICE

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 (TENDERERS) MUST STUDY THE BROAD BASED BLACK ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT ACT AND THE CODES OF GOOD PRACTICE

1. DEFINITIONS

1.1 “acceptable tender” means any tender which, in all respects, complies with the specifications and conditions of tender as set out in the tender document.

1.2 “affidavit” is a type of verified statement or showing, or in other words, it contains a verification, meaning it is under oath or penalty of perjury, and this serves as evidence to its veracity and is required for court proceedings.

1.3 “all applicable taxes” includes value-added tax, pay as you earn, income tax, unemployment insurance fund contributions and skills development levies;

1.4 “B-BBEE” means broad-based black economic empowerment as defined in section 1 of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act;

1.5 “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;

1.6 “bid” means a written offer on the official bid documents or invitation of price quotations and “tender” is the act of bidding /tendering; (Therefore in the context of the 2017 regulations “bidder” and “tenderer” have the same meaning

1.7 “Code of Good Practice” means the generic codes or the sector codes as the case may be;

1.8 “consortium or joint venture” means an association of persons for the purpose of combining their expertise, property, capital, efforts, skill and knowledge in an activity for the execution of a contract;

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

1.10 “EME” is an Exempted Micro Enterprise with an annual total revenue of R10 million or less.
1.11 “Firm price” means the price that is only subject to adjustments in accordance with the actual increase or decrease resulting from the change, imposition, or abolition of customs or excise duty and any other duty, levy, or tax, which, in terms of the law or regulation, is binding on the contractor and demonstrably has an influence on the price of any supplies, or the rendering costs of any service, for the execution of the contract;

1.12 “functionality” means the ability of a tenderer to provide goods or services in accordance with specification as set out in the tender documents;

1.13 “Large Enterprise” is any enterprise with an annual total revenue above R50 million;

1.14 “non-firm prices” means all prices other than “firm” prices;

1.15 “person” includes a juristic person;

1.16 “price” includes all applicable taxes less all unconditional discounts;

1.17 “proof of B-BBEE status level contributor” means—

   (a) The B-BBEE status level certificate issued by an authorized body or person;
   (b) A sworn affidavit as prescribed in terms of the B-BBEE Codes of Good Practice; or
   (c) Any other requirement prescribed in terms of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act.

1.18 QSE is a Qualifying Small Enterprise with an annual total revenue between R10 million and R50 million;

1.19 “rand value” means the total estimated value of a contract in Rand, calculated at the time of the tender invitation;

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

1.21 “the Act” means the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act, 2000 (Act No. 5 of 2000);

1.22 “the Regulations” means the Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2017;

1.23 “total revenue” bears the same meaning assigned to this expression in the Codes of Good Practice on Black Economic Empowerment, issued in terms of section 9(1) of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act and promulgated in the Government Gazette on 11 October 2013;

1.24 “trust” means the arrangement through which the property of one person is made over or bequeathed to a trustee to administer such property for the benefit of another person; and
1.25 “trustee” means any person, including the founder of a trust, to whom property is bequeathed in order for such property to be administered for the benefit of another person.

2. GENERAL CONDITIONS

2.1 The following preference point systems are applicable to all bids:
- the 80/20 system for requirements with a Rand value of up to R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included); and
- the 90/10 system for requirements with a Rand value above R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included).

2.2 Preference point system for this bid:
(a) The value of this bid is estimated to exceed/not exceed R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included) and therefore the …………… preference point system shall be applicable; or
(b) Either the 80/20 or 90/10 preference point system will be applicable to this tender (delete whichever is not applicable for this tender).

2.3 Preference points for this bid shall be awarded for:
(a) Price; and
(b) B-BBEE Status Level of Contribution.

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

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<th>Points</th>
<th>PRICE</th>
<th>B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL OF CONTRIBUTOR</th>
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2.5 Failure on the part of a bidder to fill in, sign this form and submit in the circumstances prescribed in the Codes of Good Practice either a B-BBEE Verification Certificate issued by a Verification Agency accredited by the South African Accreditation System (SANAS) or an affidavit confirming annual total revenue and level of black ownership together with the bid or an affidavit issued by Companies Intellectual Property Commission, will be interpreted to mean that preference points for B-BBEE status level of contribution are not claimed.

2.6 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.
3. ADJUDICATION USING A POINT SYSTEM

3.1 Subject to Regulation 11 of the Regulations, the bidder obtaining the highest number of total points will be awarded the contract.

3.2 A tenderer must submit proof of its B-BBEE status level of contributor in order to claim points for B-BBEE.

3.3 A tenderer failing to submit proof of B-BBEE status level of contributor or is a non-compliant contributor to B-BBEE will not be disqualified but will only score:
(a) points out of 80 for price; and
(b) 0 points out of 20 for B-BBEE

3.4 Points scored must be rounded off to the nearest 2 decimal places.

3.5 In the event that two or more bids have scored equal total points, the successful bid must be the one scoring the highest number of preference points for B-BBEE.

3.6 When functionality is part of the evaluation process and two or more bids have scored equal total points including equal preference points for B-BBEE, the successful bid must be the one scoring the highest points for functionality.

3.7 Should two or more bids be equal in all respects; the award shall be decided by the drawing of lots.

4. POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE

4.1 THE 80/20 OR 90/10 PREFERENCE POINT SYSTEM

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

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P_s = \begin{cases} 
80 \left(1 - \frac{Pt - P_{min}}{P_{min}}\right) & \text{for 80/20} \\
90 \left(1 - \frac{Pt - P_{min}}{P_{min}}\right) & \text{for 90/10}
\end{cases}
\]

Where

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P_s = \text{Points scored for price of bid under consideration} \\
Pt = \text{Price of tender under consideration} \\
P_{min} = \text{Price of lowest acceptable tender}
\]
5. **POINTS AWARDED FOR B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL OF CONTRIBUTION**

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

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<th>B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor</th>
<th>Number of points (90/10 system)</th>
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<td>Non-compliant contributor</td>
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5.2 An **EME** must submit a valid, originally certified affidavit confirming annual turnover and level of black ownership or an affidavit issued by Companies Intellectual Property Commission.

5.3 A **QSE that is less than 51% (50% or less) black owned** must be verified in terms of the QSE scorecard issued via Government Gazette and submit a valid, original or a legible certified copy of a B-BBEE Verification Certificate issued by SANAS.

5.4 A **QSE that is at least 51% black owned (51% or higher)** must submit a valid, originally certified affidavit confirming turnover and level of black ownership as well as declare its empowering status or an affidavit issued by Companies Intellectual Property Commission.

5.5 A **large enterprise** must submit a valid, original or originally certified copy of a B-BBEE Verification Certificate issued by a verification agency accredited by SANAS.

5.6 A trust, consortium or joint venture, will qualify for points for their B-BBEE status level as a legal entity, provided that the entity submits their B-BBEE status level certificate.

5.7 A trust, consortium or joint venture (including unincorporated consortia and joint ventures) must submit a consolidated B-BBEE status level verification certificate for every separate tender.

5.8 Tertiary institutions and public entities will be required to submit their B-BBEE status level certificates in terms of the specialized scorecard contained in the B-BBEE Codes of Good Practice.
5.9 A tenderer may not be awarded points for B-BBEE status level of contributor if the bid documents indicate that the tenderer intends sub-contracting more than 25% of the value of the contract to any other person not qualifying for at least the points that such a tenderer qualifies for, unless the intended sub-contractor is an EME that has the capability and ability to execute the sub-contract.

5.10 A tenderer awarded a contract may not sub-contract more than 25% of the value of the contract to any other enterprise that does not have an equal or higher B-BBEE status level of contributor than the person concerned, unless the contract is sub-contracted to an EME that has the capability and ability to execute the sub-contract.

6. BID DECLARATION

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

7. B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL OF CONTRIBUTION CLAIMED IN TERMS OF PARAGRAPH 5

7.1 B-BBEE Status Level of Contribution…… = …………. (maximum of 20 points)

(Points claimed in respect of paragraph 7.1 must be in accordance with the table reflected in paragraph 5.1 and must be substantiated by means of a B-BBEE certificate issued by a Verification Agency accredited by SANAS or an affidavit confirming annual total revenue and level of black ownership in terms of the relevant sector code applicable to the tender.

8. SUB-CONTRACTING

8.1 Will any portion of the contract be sub-contracted? YES / NO (delete which is not applicable)

8.1.1 If yes, indicate:
   (i) what percentage of the contract will be 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? YES / NO (delete which is not applicable)
9. DECLARATION WITH REGARD TO COMPANY/FIRM

9.1 Name of company/ entity: .................................................................

9.2 VAT registration number: ............................................................

9.3 Company Registration number: ....................................................

9.4 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-BBEE status level of contribution indicated in paragraph 7 above, qualifies the company/ firm for the preference(s) shown and I / we acknowledge that:

(a) The Western Cape Government reserves the right to audit the B-BBEE status claim submitted by the bidder.

(b) As set out in Section 130 of the B-BBEE Act as amended, any misrepresentation constitutes a criminal offence. A person commits an offence if that person knowingly:
   (i) misrepresents or attempts to misrepresent the B-BBEE status of an enterprise;
   (ii) provides false information or misrepresents information to a B-BBEE Verification Professional in order to secure a particular B-BBEE status or any benefit associated with compliance to the B-BBEE Act;
   (iii) provides false information or misrepresents information relevant to assessing the B-BBEE status of an enterprise to any organ of state or public entity; or
   (iv) engages in a fronting practice.

(c) If a B-BBEE verification professional or any procurement officer or other official of an organ of state or public entity becomes aware of the commission of, or any attempt to commit any offence referred to in paragraph 9.1 (a) above will be reported to an appropriate law enforcement agency for investigation.

(d) Any person convicted of an offence by a court is liable in the case of contravention of 9.4 (b) to a fine or to imprisonment for a period not exceeding 10 years or to both a fine and such imprisonment or, if the convicted person is not a natural person to a fine not exceeding 10% of its annual turnover.

(e) The purchaser may, if it becomes aware that a bidder may have obtained its B-BBEE status level of contribution on a fraudulent basis, investigate the matter. Should the investigation warrant a restriction be imposed, this will be referred to the National Treasury for investigation, processing and imposing the restriction on the National Treasury’s List of Restricted Suppliers. The bidder or contractor, its shareholders and directors, or only the shareholders and directors who acted on a fraudulent basis, may 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.

(f) The purchaser may, in addition to any other remedy it may have –
   (i) disqualify the person from the bidding process;
   (ii) recover costs, losses or damages it has incurred or suffered as a result of that person’s conduct;
   (iii) 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; and
   (iv) forward the matter for criminal prosecution.

(g) The information furnished is true and correct.

(h) The preference points claimed are in accordance with the General Conditions as indicated in paragraph 2 of this form.