

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)

RFQ NUMBER	RFP CO 326/05/2024
DATE ISSUED	09 May 2024
PROJECT NAME	Supply, Installation and Commissioning of a scalable 8kVA Inverter System.
CLOSING DATE AND TIME	22 May 2024 @ 15:00
NAME OF PROPOSER/BIDDER	
CSD SUPPLIER NUMBER (MA NUMBER)	
TELEPHONE NUMBER	
FAX NUMBER	
EMAIL ADDRESS	
PHYSICAL ADDRESS	
B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL OF CONTRIBUTION	
FULL NAME OF BIDDER OR HIS OR HER REPRESENTATIVE	
IDENTITY NUMBER	
POSITION OCCUPIED IN THE COMPANY (DIRECTOR, TRUSTEE, SHAREHOLDER)	
COMPANY REGISTRATION NUMBER	
TAX REFERENCE NUMBER	
VAT REGISTRATION NUMBER	
QUOTE PRICE (INCL VAT)	
SIGNATURE	

Full details of directors / trustees / members / shareholders.

Full Name	Identity Number	Personal Tax Reference Number	State Employee Number / Persal Number

A. BIDDER'S DISCLOSURE (SBD 4)

1. PURPOSE OF THE FORM

Any person (natural or juristic) may make an offer or offers in terms of this invitation to bid. In line with the principles of transparency, accountability, impartiality, and ethics as enshrined in the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa and further expressed in various pieces of legislation, it is required for the bidder to make this declaration in respect of the details required hereunder.

Where a person/s are listed in the Register for Tender Defaulters and / or the List of Restricted Suppliers, that person will automatically be disqualified from the bid process.

2. Bidder's declaration

2.1 Is the bidder, or any of its directors / trustees / shareholders / members / partners or any person having a controlling interest¹ in the enterprise, employed by the state?

YES/NO

2.1.1 If so, furnish particulars of the names, individual identity numbers, and, if applicable, state employee numbers of sole proprietor/ directors / trustees / shareholders / members/ partners or any person having a controlling interest in the enterprise, in table below.

¹ the power, by one person or a group of persons holding the majority of the equity of an enterprise, alternatively, the person/s having the deciding vote or power to influence or to direct the course and decisions of the enterprise.

Full Name	Identity Number	Name of State institution

2.2 Do you, or any person connected with the bidder, have a relationship with any person who is employed by the procuring institution? **YES/NO**

2.2.1 If so, furnish particulars:

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2.3 Does the bidder or any of its directors / trustees / shareholders / members / partners or any person having a controlling interest in the enterprise have any interest in any other related enterprise whether or not they are bidding for this contract?

YES/NO

2.3.1 If so, furnish particulars:

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3 DECLARATION

I, the undersigned, (name)..... in submitting the accompanying bid, do hereby make the following statements that I certify to be true and complete in every respect:

3.1 I have read and I understand the contents of this disclosure;

3.2 I understand that the accompanying bid will be disqualified if this disclosure is found not to be true and complete in every respect;

3.3 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 consortium² will not be construed as collusive bidding.

3.4 In addition, there have been no consultations, communications, agreements or arrangements with any competitor regarding the quality, quantity, specifications, prices, including methods, factors or formulas used to calculate prices, market allocation, the intention or decision to submit or not to submit the bid, bidding with the intention not to win the bid and conditions or delivery particulars of the products or services to which this bid invitation relates.

3.4 The terms of the accompanying bid have not been, and will not be, disclosed by the

² 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.

bidder, directly or indirectly, to any competitor, prior to the date and time of the official bid opening or of the awarding of the contract.

- 3.5 There have been no consultations, communications, agreements or arrangements made by the bidder with any official of the procuring institution in relation to this procurement process prior to and during the bidding process except to provide clarification on the bid submitted where so required by the institution; and the bidder was not involved in the drafting of the specifications or terms of reference for this bid.
- 3.6 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.

I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION FURNISHED IN PARAGRAPHS 1, 2 and 3 ABOVE IS CORRECT.

I ACCEPT THAT THE STATE MAY REJECT THE BID OR ACT AGAINST ME IN TERMS OF PARAGRAPH 6 OF PFMA SCM INSTRUCTION 03 OF 2021/22 ON PREVENTING AND COMBATING ABUSE IN THE SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT SYSTEM SHOULD THIS DECLARATION PROVE TO BE FALSE.

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Signature

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Date

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Position

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Name of bidder

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR SUPPLY, INSTALLATION, AND COMMISSIONING OF A SCALABLE 8KVA INVERTER SYSTEM.

1. BACKGROUND TO SANSAS

The South African National Space Agency (SANSAS) has a mandate, as outlined in the South African National Space Agency Act, 2008 (Act No 36 of 2008), to co-ordinate and integrate national space science and technology programmes and conduct long-term planning and implementation of space-related activities in South Africa, for the benefit of the citizens of South Africa

2. SCOPE OF WORK (TERMS OF REFERENCE)

The Houwteq facility (GPS coordinates: -33.50877, 19.54124) is situated just past Grabouw in the Western Cape. The facility requires supply, installation and commissioning of a scalable 8kVA inverter system.

The successful bidder will be responsible for:

- Supply and installation of a scalable 8kVA inverter system.
- Commission and provide CoC with final inspection.
- Provide maintenance and support for a period of 3 years on the solution after commissioning.

General Specifications

- Design a scalable 8KVA inverter system with at least 200Ah battery capacity. It must be scalable design where, depending on available budget, only one inverter with 200Ah battery capacity will be installed. The system must be scalable such that additional inverter units and batteries can be added in parallel to the system to provide redundancy and / or longer availability.
- Inverter system to be on City of Cape Town approved inverter list (<https://www.cityenergy.org.za/cape-town-approved-inverter-list/> or newer).
- The design must include a dedicated distribution board, relevant fuses, cabling, etc.
- The battery system should be able to connect multiple units in parallel, e.g. the 200Ah battery solution can be split into 2 x 100Ah units.
- Both single and three-phase 220V electricity available.
- Installation to be done by a qualified electrician. CoC to be issued on final inspection.
- Output of the inverter system to be hardwired to the server cabinets.

Notes:

- A detailed quote to be provided by the bidder.
- Warranty and maintenance to be included for a period of 3 years, billed annually.

B. EVALUATION CRITERIA

SANSAS promotes the concept of "best value" in the award of contracts, as opposed to merely looking for the cheapest price, which does not necessarily provide the best value. Best value incorporates the expertise, experience and technical proposal of the organisation and

individuals who will be providing the service and the organisational capacity supporting the project team.

SANSAS is committed to achieving Government's transformation objectives in terms of the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act.

The value of this bid is estimated not to exceed R1 million (all applicable taxes included) and therefore the **80/20** system shall be applicable.

The procedure for the evaluation of responsive tenders is **price, functionality (quality) and preference** method. The evaluation of the bids will be conducted in the following two stages:

- Firstly, the assessment of quality will be done in terms of the evaluation criteria (Table 3) and the minimum threshold of 70 points explained below. A bid will be disqualified if it fails to meet the minimum threshold for functionality as per the bid invitation
- Thereafter, only the qualifying bids are evaluated in terms of the 80/20 preference points systems, where the 80 points will be used for price and the 20 points will be awarded to a bidder for attaining the B-BBEE status level of contributor in accordance with the Table below

1. Preference

(ORIGINAL/CERTIFIED B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE/SWORN AFFIDAVIT MUST BE SUBMITTED IN ORDER TO QUALIFY FOR PREFERENCE POINTS FOR B-BBEE)

Calculation of points for B-BBEE status level contributor

Points will be awarded to a bidder for attaining the B-BBEE status level of contributor in accordance with the Table1 below

Table 1: B-BBEE level and points

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

2. Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible for the functionality, price and preferencing evaluation, the bidder must submit the following as per table 2 below.

If there is “**No**” on the Table 2 below, the bidder who didn't submit the required document (s) with their bid will be requested in writing to submit them within three (3) working days for inclusion in the Bid Evaluation Committee item, if a bidder fails to submit on the 3rd working day, the relevant bid will be rejected.

Table 2: Eligibility Criteria

Criteria	Attached (Yes/No)	Comments
CSD Registration Summary Report with a compliant tax status		
Service provider to be within the radius of 130 km from Grabouw Western Cape. (Attached proof of business address).		

3. Quality/Functionality:

Scores will be tabulated to 100 points. Respondents must score **70 points** and over to be assessed on their financial offer and preference score.

The allocation of points for the evaluation of quality/functionality is set out in Table3 below:

Table 3: Quality/Functionality Criteria

Criteria	Maximum Points
Technical Proposal / Approach	50
Bidder's experience (Company) and contactable references	20
SLA	15
Warranties	15
Total evaluation points for quality	100

Evaluation criteria 1: Technical Proposal / Approach

Description: The proposal should articulate what the bidder is offering for the price tendered in the pricing schedule. This should include a company profile, project methodology (timelines, etc) and a detailed list (design) of equipment that will be used for the installation..

The scoring of the service proposal will be as follows:

Criteria	Maximum Points
Non Responsive (Score = 0)	Bidder has not provided a proposal
Poor (Score = 20)	<p>The proposed approach proposal is generic and not tailored to address the specific project objectives and requirements. The proposed approach does not adequately deal with the critical characteristics of the projects.</p> <p>All key activities are included in the activity schedule, but are not detailed. There are minor inconsistencies between timing, projects deliverables and the plan or approach or detailed required specifications.</p>
Satisfactory (Score = 40)	<p>The proposed approach is specifically tailored to address all scope of work objectives and requirements; and is sufficiently flexible to accommodate changes that may occur during execution.</p> <p>The proposed approach is good; all important activities are indicated in the proposed approach and their sequencing is appropriate and consistent with project objectives and requirements.</p> <p>There is a fair degree of detail that facilitates understanding of the proposed scope of work.</p>
Good (Score = 50)	<p>Besides meeting the "satisfactory" rating, the important proposed approach issues are approached in an innovative and efficient way, indicating that the service provider has outstanding knowledge of the deliverables and meets the specifications 100%.</p> <p>The proposed approach details ways to improve the project outcomes and the quality of the outputs. The proposed approach has included value-added services that is relevant to the project.</p> <p>The sequencing and timing of activities are very well defined, indicating that the bidder has optimized the use of resources and the work plan permits flexibility to accommodate contingencies and risks.</p>

Evaluation criteria 2: Bidder's experience (Company) and contactable references

Description: The supplier must clearly indicate the bidder's experience (Company) by submitting a list of contactable client references for projects completed of similar nature. SANSAS will be contacting references as part of the due diligence procedure for tenders.

The scoring of this criterion will be evaluated as follows:

Criteria	Maximum Points
Non Responsive (Score = 0)	The bidder has no contactable references
Poor (Score = 5)	The bidder has provided 3 or less contactable references
Satisfactory (Score = 10)	The bidder has provided 4-5 contactable references.
Good (Score = 20)	The bidder has more than five (5) contactable references The sequencing and timing of activities are very well defined, indicating that the bidder has optimized the use of resources and the work plan permits flexibility to accommodate contingencies and risks.

Company	Project value	Contact Number	Year of installation
1.			
2.			
3.			
4.			
5.			
6.			
7.			

Bidder's year's experience	_____ Years
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Evaluation criteria 3: Service Level Agreement

This criteria evaluates typical response times for emergency events.
The scoring of this criterion will be evaluated as follows:

Criteria	Maximum Points
Non Responsive (Score = 0)	No information was supplied in proposal
Poor (Score = 5)	Bidder only able to provide emergency response (technician onsite) time in more than one day.

Satisfactory (Score = 10)	Bidder can guarantee emergency response (technician onsite) times between 2-24 hours.
Good (Score = 15)	Bidder can guarantee emergency response (technician onsite) times in less than two (2) hours.

Evaluation criteria 4: Warranties

This criteria evaluates the available hardware and installation warranties provided by the bidder.

The scoring of this criterion will be evaluated as follows:

	Available hardware and installation warranties
Non Responsive (Score 0)	No information supplied in proposal
Poor (score 5)	Bidder can only provide less than 3 years warranty on the hardware and installation.
Good (score 15)	Bidder can provide 3 years or more warranty on the hardware and installation.

C. PRICING SCHEDULE

Pricing Instructions

1. The Bidder must price all items;
2. Rates are to include all costs with no unspecified cost to allow for a fair evaluation.
3. Payment will be made based on the deliverables (proven progress) for the services rendered/goods received.
4. Payment will only be made on the basis of invoices provided.
5. Offer to be valid for 30 days from the bid closing date.

The service provider to provide SANSAS with a detailed quotation.

D. SPECIAL CONDITIONS

- a) Quotations to be returned to Boitumelo Maredi: bmaredi@sansa.org.za
- b) Contract will not be awarded unless the supplier is registered on the Central Supplier Database. A supplier registration summary with a compliance tax status must be submitted with the proposal. Potential suppliers should contact SANSAS should they require assistance in registering on the CSD)
- c) This RFP is part of the Supplier Development Programme (SDP). The recommended bidder will be required to sign a SDP agreement for shorter payment periods for EMEs.
- d) The offices of SANSAS are situated at the following address:

**Enterprise Building
Mark Shuttleworth Street
Innovation Hub
Pretoria 0087**

E. TIMELINES

The successful service provider must be in the position to provide the service within 1 week after the purchase order has been issued by SANSA.

F. SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION AND MINIMUM CRITERIA

In order to demonstrate their capacity and score points with respect to the criteria, bidders should provide the following supporting documentation.

- a. A method statement of how the bidder proposes to implement the project.
- b. B-BBEE status level verification certificate/Sworn affidavit must be submitted in order to qualify for preference points for B-BBEE);
- c. 3 References including organisation name, contact person and contact numbers;
- d. Quotation must reflect a cost breakdown, where applicable, prices quoted must be inclusive of VAT
- e. All pages of quotation must be signed by the authorised person
- f. SANSA has the right to withdraw any quotation at any time within the validity of the quotation.
- g. SANSA reserves the right to invite suppliers/companies to present their bid proposals for final decision

G. DECLARATION

The undersigned, who warrants that he / she is duly authorized to do so on behalf of the enterprise:

- i) confirms that neither the name of the enterprise or the name of any partner, manager, director or other person, who wholly or partly exercises, or may exercise, control over the enterprise appears on the Register of Tender Defaulters established in terms of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act of 2004;
- ii) confirms that no partner, member, director or other person, who wholly or partly exercises, or may exercise, control over the enterprise appears, has within the last five years been convicted of fraud or corruption;
- iii) confirms that I / we are not associated, linked or involved with any other tendering entities submitting tender offers and have no other relationship with any of the bidders or those responsible for compiling the scope of work that could cause or be interpreted as a conflict of interest;
- iv) confirms that the contents of this questionnaire/forms (SBD 4) are within my personal knowledge and are to the best of my belief both true and correct
- v) accept that, in addition to cancellation of a contract, action may be taken against me should the Declaration prove to be false.
- vi) confirms that the bidder has read the General Conditions of Contract (GCC) and agree with the conditions. The GCC can be found on SANSA website (<http://www.treasury.gov.za/divisions/ocpo/sc/generalconditions/>)

Signed

Date

Name

Position

Enterprise
name

BID CONDITIONS

1. Disqualification

Please note that if a bid document is not filled in correctly or completely, or complied with the specification, or is delivered/sent after the bid closing date and time, or the supplier is not registered on the CSD or supplier has a non-compliant tax status, then unfortunately that bidder will be disqualified. Please return this document with the supporting documents.

2. Bid Document Submission

Emailed tender documents will be accepted. However, the onus is on the bidder to ensure that complete email documents have been received by the SANSA by the due date and time.

Please note that any alterations to the tender document other than filling in the bidder's details and tender price will automatically disqualify the bidder.

COMPLIANCE WITH PROTECTION OF PERSONAL INFORMATION ACT, 2013 (ACT NO. 4 OF 2013) ("POPIA")

1. The Constitution guarantees citizens the right to privacy, including the right not to have the privacy of their communications infringed.
2. POPIA aims to promote the protection of privacy through the application of its guiding principles for the processing of personal information in a context-sensitive manner.

Committed to your Privacy

3. SANSA fully comprehends that your personal and company information is valuable to you; your privacy is just important to SANSA. SANSA commits to safeguarding and lawfully processing your personal information.

Purpose for Processing your Personal Information

4. SANSA collects, holds, uses and discloses your personal information mainly to provide you with access to its services. SANSA will only process your personal information for a purpose you would reasonably expect, including:

- Complying with any legal and regulatory requirements such as contract agreements, etc.
- Confirming, verifying and updating your details.
- Invoicing or paying you to ensure payment and tax compliance.

5. SANSA may collect your personal information which may include your first name and last name, company name and its registration number, identity numbers, email address, physical or postal address, other contact information, banking details, etc.

Consent to Disclose and Share your Personal Information

6. SANSAS may need to share your personal information, with third parties, to provide advice, and/or services. Where SANSAS shares your personal information, it will take all reasonable precautions to ensure that the third party will treat your personal information with the same level of protection as required by SANSAS.

Request and Access to your Personal Information

7. Should you require further information on this or have any concerns about how your personal information is processed or used; you can contact SANSAS's Information Officer: Mr Humbulani Mudau on

https://www.sansa.org.za/wp-content/uploads/2022/06/PAIA_POPIA_Manual_final.pdf.

(PLEASE NOTE: This email address is restricted to POPI and PAIA-related enquiries, not general enquiries about bids and tenders. Enquiries about bids and tenders should be sent to scm@sansa.org.za).

8. You can request access to the personal information SANSAS has on you at any time. If you think that SANSAS has outdated information, you may request to update or correct it. You can also opt-out and request the removal of your personal information at any time. If there are any lawful reasons for requiring SANSAS to retain any information, SANSAS will advise so.

9. PLEASE TAKE NOTE that your personal information is securely hosted on infrastructure / system managed by SANSAS. SANSAS assures you that your information will not be shared for any marketing or promotional purposes without your consent.

10. SANSAS will continue to manage, monitor, refine and develop policies, processes and systems. This will ensure that SANSAS takes every practical and reasonable step(s) to ensure data protection, is in line with POPIA.