



REQUEST FOR QUOTATION (RFQ)

RFQ NO. 097-25/26

BID DESCRIPTION

PROVISION OF INDEPENDENT EXTERNAL QUALITY ASSURANCE REVIEW (IEQAR) IN LINE WITH THE 2024 GLOBAL INTERNAL AUDIT STANDARDS (GIAS)

CLOSING DATE

23 JANUARY 2026 AT 11H00AM

NO EMAILED SUBMISSION WILL BE ACCEPTED

BIDDER TO COMPLETE

COMPANY NAME	
CSD NUMBER	

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SECTION A

TENDERING INVITATION, CONDITIONS OF TENDER AND SPECIFICATION

YOU ARE HEREBY INVITED TO BID FOR REQUIREMENTS OF AMATOLA WATER-AMANZI					
BID NUMBER:	RFQ NO. 097-25/26	CLOSING DATE:	23 JANUARY 2026	CLOSING TIME:	11:00am
DESCRIPTION	PROVISION OF INDEPENDENT EXTERNAL QUALITY ASSURANCE REVIEW (IEQAR) IN LINE WITH THE 2024 GLOBAL INTERNAL AUDIT STANDARDS (GIAS)				
BID RESPONSE DOCUMENTS MAY BE DEPOSITED IN THE BID BOX SITUATED AT (STREET ADDRESS)					
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Reception area of Amatola House					
6 Lancaster Road					
Vincent					
East London					
BIDDING PROCEDURE ENQUIRIES MAY BE DIRECTED TO			TECHNICAL ENQUIRIES MAY BE DIRECTED TO:		
CONTACT PERSON	Motheba Makhatha		CONTACT PERSON	Axolile Kopman	
TELEPHONE NUMBER	043 707 3790		TELEPHONE NUMBER	043 707 3700	
FACSIMILE NUMBER	n/a		FACSIMILE NUMBER	n/a	
E-MAIL ADDRESS	mmakhatha@amatolawater.co.za		E-MAIL ADDRESS	akopman@amatolawater.co.za	
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					
SUPPLIER COMPLIANCE STATUS	TAX COMPLIANCE SYSTEM PIN:		OR	CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE No:	MAAA
ARE YOU THE ACCREDITED REPRESENTATIVE IN SOUTH AFRICA FOR THE GOODS /SERVICES OFFERED?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No [IF YES ENCLOSE PROOF]		ARE YOU A FOREIGN BASED SUPPLIER FOR THE GOODS /SERVICES OFFERED?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No [IF YES, ANSWER THE QUESTIONNAIRE BELOW]
QUESTIONNAIRE TO BIDDING FOREIGN SUPPLIERS					
IS THE ENTITY A RESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA (RSA)?				<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	
DOES THE ENTITY HAVE A BRANCH IN THE RSA?				<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	
DOES THE ENTITY HAVE A PERMANENT ESTABLISHMENT IN THE RSA?				<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	
DOES THE ENTITY HAVE ANY SOURCE OF INCOME IN THE RSA?				<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	
IS THE ENTITY LIABLE IN THE RSA FOR ANY FORM OF TAXATION?				<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> 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 BELOW.					

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 IN THE MANNER PRESCRIBED IN THE BID DOCUMENT.**
- 1.3. THIS BID IS SUBJECT TO THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT POLICY FRAMEWORK ACT, 2000 AND THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS, THE GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT (GCC) AND, IF APPLICABLE, ANY OTHER SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT.
- 1.4. **THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER WILL BE REQUIRED TO FILL IN AND SIGN A WRITTEN CONTRACT FORM (SBD7).**

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 VERIFY THE TAXPAYER'S PROFILE AND TAX STATUS.
- 2.3 APPLICATION FOR TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS (TCS) PIN MAY BE MADE VIA E-FILING THROUGH THE SARS WEBSITE WWW.SARS.GOV.ZA.
- 2.4 BIDDERS MAY ALSO SUBMIT A PRINTED TCS CERTIFICATE TOGETHER WITH THE BID.
- 2.5 IN BIDS WHERE CONSORTIA / JOINT VENTURES / SUB-CONTRACTORS ARE INVOLVED; EACH PARTY MUST SUBMIT A SEPARATE TCS CERTIFICATE / PIN / CSD NUMBER.
- 2.6 WHERE NO TCS PIN IS AVAILABLE BUT THE BIDDER IS REGISTERED ON THE CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE (CSD), A CSD NUMBER MUST BE PROVIDED.
- 2.7 NO BIDS WILL BE CONSIDERED FROM PERSONS IN THE SERVICE OF THE STATE, COMPANIES WITH DIRECTORS WHO ARE PERSONS IN THE SERVICE OF THE STATE, OR CLOSE CORPORATIONS WITH MEMBERS PERSONS IN THE SERVICE OF THE STATE."

3. TOTAL BID PRICE:

ITEM	REQUIRED GOODS & SERVICES	TOTAL AMOUNT INCL VAT (Amount in figures) R	TOTAL AMOUNT INCL. VAT (Amount in words) R
	PROVISION OF INDEPENDENT EXTERNAL QUALITY ASSURANCE REVIEW (IEQAR) IN LINE WITH THE 2024 GLOBAL INTERNAL AUDIT STANDARDS (GIAS)	(Carried from SBD3.1)	(Carried from SBD3.1)

NB: FAILURE TO PROVIDE ANY OF THE ABOVE PARTICULARS MAY RENDER THE BID INVALID.

SIGNATURE OF BIDDER:

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CAPACITY UNDER WHICH THIS BID IS SIGNED:

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(Proof of authority must be submitted e.g. company resolution)

DATE

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TENDER CONDITIONS

1. DEFINITIONS

The word "Bidder/Tenderer" in these conditions shall mean and include any firm of Contractors, Suppliers, Service Providers or any company or body incorporated or unincorporated.

1. BID PUBLICATION

RFQ document will be available from **16 JANUARY 2026** on the Amatola Water website at www.amatolawater.co.za.

2. BID SUBMISSION

The original completed bid documents must be submitted in a sealed envelope endorsed with the RFQ Number and Bid Description as detailed in the Tender Data. The sealed envelope must be deposited in the RFQ Box, located in the reception area of Amatola House, 6 Lancaster Road, Vincent, East London, not later than the time and date specified on the cover page and SBD 1 of this bid.

3. RFQ Evaluation Criteria

This bid will be evaluated in Three (3) phases:

Phase One: Mandatory Requirements

Phase Two: Capability requirements

Phase Three: Bidders passing all stages above will thereafter be evaluated on PPPFA and Specific Goals.

Phase One: Mandatory Requirements

- Bidders' proposals must meet the following minimum requirements, and the required supporting documents must be submitted with the completed quotation document, non-erasable ink, no tippex or correctional fluid used, at the closing date and time. Failure to comply will automatically eliminate the bid for further consideration.
- Bids must be submitted in its original format and bids which are late will not be accepted.
- SBD1: INVITATION TO BID – must be completed and signed.
- FORM A: AUTHORITY TO SIGN - must be fully completed and signed or letter of resolution.
- SBD4: BIDDERS DISCLOSURE - must be completed and signed.
- **SBD4 must be dully completed and signed.** Does the bidder or any of its directors/trustees /shareholders/members/partners have any interest in any other related enterprise whether or not they are bidding for this contract, such interest must be disclosed on question 2.3.1 of SBD 4.
- **Bidders must ensure 2.3 of SBD 4 (Bidders Disclosure) is duly completed, in all aspects.**
- If the Bid Sum (amount in words) as per the SBD.1 differs from the SBD 3.1, it will automatically invalidate the offer submitted.

Phase two: Capability requirements

No	Criteria	Compliant/ non- compliant	Attached
1.	<p>COMPANY EXPERIENCE:</p> <p>The service provider must provide Amatola Water with proof of two (2) successfully completed projects in the Internal Audit Quality Assessments or Review in the public sector industry. (Attach FORM B.1, B.2: CONFIRMATION OF REFERENCE TO AMATOLA WATER - for similar projects previously completed by the bidding company, Form must be completed and stamped. No letters will be accepted only attached forms considered.)</p> <p>Minimum 3 years proven experience in the Internal Audit Quality Assessments or Review in the public sector industry.</p>		Signed and completed Form B1 and B2
2.	<p>KEY PERSONNEL:</p> <p>2.1 Team Leader:</p> <p>Qualified professional with a bachelor's degree NQF 7 qualification in Accounting/Auditing. Minimum of 5 years Internal audit and External Quality Assessment review experience in the Public Sector.</p> <p>CIA Designation and IIA SA Recognised Quality Assurance Reviewer</p> <p>The team leader of the Quality Assurance team must submit valid proof of qualification as an active Certified Internal Auditor (CIA).</p> <p>2.2 Team members to have a minimum bachelor's degree (NQF level 7) in Accounting/Auditing. 2 - 3 years' experience in Internal audit Quality Assessment or review in the public sector.</p> <p>All team members must be registered with Institute of Internal Auditors of South Africa and be in good standing.</p>		<p>Detailed CV (must clearly indicate their role, relevant project work experience (project description, details, and extent of works, role, duration, etc.) and qualifications required. All certificates provided must be certified</p> <p>A valid copy of the team's registration (Membership Certificate, showing an expiry date) with Institute of Internal Auditors of South Africa. (Certified copy)</p>

3.	METHODOLOGY: A detailed proposal outlining the approach, methodology, and project plan.	Detailed methodology/implementation plan.
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Phase Three: EVALUATION ON PPPFA AND SPECIFIC GOALS

**THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT POLICY FRAMEWORK ACT WILL BE APPLIED
AND THE 80/20 PREFERENCE POINTS SYSTEM WILL BE APPLICABLE**

POINTS FOR PRICE	80 POINTS
SPECIFIC GOALS	20 POINTS
TOTAL POINTS	100 POINTS

OTHER CONDITIONS OF THE BID (Non- eliminating)

- The bidders must be registered on Central Supplier Database (CSD) prior the award.
- Bidders tax matters must be in order prior award.
- SBD 6.1 must be completed and signed to claim points for specific goals. Failure to complete SBD 6.1 will lead in non-awarding of points for specific goals (attach certified ID document)
- CIPC CK document
- JOINT VENTURE AGREEMENT (If Applicable).
- BBBEE Certificate

The lowest or any bid will not necessarily be accepted, and your bid may be accepted in part or as a whole.

- The bid document must be completed in all respects in non-erasable ink.
- Bids must be submitted on original bid documents.
- No tippex or correctional fluid must be used.
- Bid documents must be submitted in sealed envelope marked – **PROVISION OF INDEPENDENT EXTERNAL QUALITY ASSURANCE REVIEW (IEQAR) IN LINE WITH THE 2024 GLOBAL INTERNAL AUDIT STANDARDS (GIAS)**
- Failure to submit your bid in a sealed envelope will render your bid non-responsive.

4. PERIOD OF VALIDITY FOR BIDS AND WITHDRAWAL OF BID AFTER CLOSING DATE

All Bids must remain valid for a period of 120 (one hundred and twenty) days from the closing date as stipulated in the Bid document.

5. AUTHORITY TO SIGN BID DOCUMENTS

In the case of a Bid being submitted on behalf of a company, close corporation or partnership, evidence must be submitted to the Amatola Water at the time of submission of the Bid that the Bid has been signed by persons properly authorised thereto by resolution of the directors or under the articles of the entity.

Form A must be completed. Failure to complete Form A will invalidate your bid.

6. JOINT VENTURE REQUIREMENTS

DEFINITION:- “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.

Should a group of companies/firms and/or interested parties wish to enter a joint venture / consortium agreement the following minimum requirements must be met: -

- a. A properly signed copy of the joint venture/consortium agreement must be attached.
- b. Each member of the joint venture/consortium's taxes must be in order.
- c. After the award of a contract to a joint venture/consortium, the successful joint venture group or consortium must provide a combined joint venture/consortium Tax Clearance Certificate.
- d. After the award of a contract to a joint venture/consortium, the successful joint venture group or consortium must provide the details of the joint venture / consortium banking details.

THE JOINT VENTURE/CONSORTIUM AGREEMENT MUST CONTAIN THE FOLLOWING: -

- a. Who the managing member will be.
- b. Who the signatory of authority will be.
- c. How the joint venture/consortium share of profit will be split.
- d. The bank account details where payments will be deposited into.
- e. The agreement must be signed by all parties.
- f. The agreement must be certified by a Commissioner of Oaths.
- g. The postal and physical address where all correspondence will be sent to

7. CONDITIONS OF TENDER

- I. Submission of this proposal signifies the applicant's acceptance of the conditions as laid down in this document, unless clearly stated otherwise.
- II. Any expense incurred by the applicant in preparing and submitting this proposal will be for the applicant's account.
- III. Amatola Water reserves the right not to accept any proposal and cancel the bid as and when the need arises.
- IV. Amatola Water reserves the right to negotiate offers/rates to be market related as and when the need arises.
- V. The contractor must provide references on Form B that the company has undertaken projects of a similar nature.
- VI. Alterations or additions to the RQF document are not allowed, except to comply with instructions issued by the employer, or necessary to correct an error/s made by the tenderer. Bidder shall initial or sign in such alterations. (Failure to comply with this requirement will result to submitted proposal being Disqualified)
- VII. Amatola Water reserves the right to increase or decrease the contract period or any part thereof if the project work on the contract is cancelled or work has come to an end. This will be communicated to the contractor in advance when and for how long the contract will be stopped/cancelled/ceases.

Additional Bid/RFQ Condition

Bid/ RFQ documents must be submitted intact, and no portion of the document may be detached, loose submissions will be rejected, and the bidder will be disqualified.

Pricing Guidelines

- Prices must be per item description in the pricing schedule.
- Only firm prices will be accepted, non-Firm prices (including prices subject to rates of exchanged variations) will not be considered.

BID SPECIFICATION

TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THE PROVISION OF INDEPENDENT EXTERNAL QUALITY ASSURANCE REVIEW (IEQAR) IN LINE WITH THE 2024 GLOBAL INTERNAL AUDIT STANDARDS (GIAS) FOR SIX (6) WEEKS STARTING IN MAY 2026

Amatola Water invites quotations from suitably qualified and experienced service providers for the Provision of Independent External Quality Assurance Review (IEQAR) in line with the 2024 Global Internal Audit Standards (GIAS)

BACKGROUND

Amatola Water is an Eastern Cape based state-owned water services utility (water board), established in 1997, in terms of the Water Services Act. Its prime function is to provide bulk water and sanitation services to water sector institutions, water service authorities and other customers as provided for in the South African water services legislation.

SCOPE OF WORK

1. PURPOSE OF THE PROJECT AND OVERALL OBJECTIVES

The purpose of this request is to invite suitable bidders who are qualified and experienced to perform an Independent External Quality Assurance Review (IEQAR) in alignment to the Quality Assessment Standard of the Institute of Internal Auditors. The service provider will be required to conduct the assessment, write a report with findings and recommendations at the end of the assessment. This exercise will provide assurance that Amatola Water Internal Audit conforms to the Global Internal Audit Standards (GIAS) and assist in improving its processes. **The total budgeted hours for this assignment is 120 hours.**

2. CONTEXT

Amatola Water currently operates as a co-sourced internal audit function. The internal audit function is currently capacitated by the Internal Audit Manager, Internal Audit Specialist, Independent Contractor, and two Internal Audit Interns. A panel of co-sourced Service Providers has also been appointed to assist with the provision of Internal Audit Services to the utility for a period of five years.

Amatola Water Internal Audit Function requires the services of a professional firm to perform an External Quality Assessment Review (EQAR) as required by the Global Internal Audit Standards (GIAS).

The Full External Quality Assurance of the Amatola Water's Internal Audit function as required in terms of the Global Internal Audit Standards; Standard 8.4; *"The chief audit executive must develop a plan for an external quality assessment and discuss the plan with the board. The external assessment must be performed at least once every five years by a qualified, independent assessor or assessment team. The requirement for an external quality assessment may also be met through a self-assessment with independent validation. When selecting the independent assessor or assessment team, the chief audit executive must ensure at least one person holds an active Certified Internal Auditor designation."*

The last assessment for EQAR expired in 2023, hence Amatola Water is required and due to conduct assessment in compliance with the Global Internal Audit Standards.

3. PROJECT OBJECTIVES AND DELIVERABLES

The Quality Assurance review will cover all activities of the Internal Audit Function, including but not limited to:

- 3.1. The appointed service provider shall conduct the quality assessment in accordance with the new Quality Assessment Manual of the Institute of Internal Auditors.
- 3.2. Alignment with the organisation's strategic objectives and risk management framework.
- 3.3. Adequacy of the audit methodology, policies, and procedures.
- 3.4. Resource management (skills, structure, training, and independence).
- 3.5. Performance monitoring and continuous improvement practices.
- 3.6. Stakeholder satisfaction and perception of audit value.
- 3.7. The review shall include a report with recommendations on the evaluation of the internal audit activity's conformance with the Global Internal Audit Standards. The Quality Assessment Review will assist Amatola Water's Internal Audit function to accomplish its objectives by bringing a systematic, disciplined approach to evaluate and improve the effectiveness of risk management, controls, and governance processes. Amatola Water's Internal Audit function will also implement recommendations from the review process where possible.
- 3.8. Working Paper File - Review of a sample of Manual Audit Working Paper to evaluate compliance to the Global Internal Audit Standards.
- 3.9. The appointed serviced provider must have the capacity, functional skill and experience to provide the services required to assist the Amatola Water's IAS to accomplish its objectives by bringing a systematic, disciplined approach to evaluate and improve the effectiveness of risk management, controls, and governance processes.

4. OBJECTIVES

- 4.1 To assess the conformance with the implementation of the new Global Internal Audit Standards including the existence of a quality assurance process and the provision of assurance and advisory services.
- 4.2 To assess the efficiency and effectiveness of the internal audit activity considering:
- Its Charter,
 - The expectations of the Audit & Risk Committee, Executive Management and the CAE. and;
 - It's current needs, exposures to performing at less than an effective level, and the future direction and goals of Amatola Water.
- 4.3 Determine the perception of internal auditing through interviews and surveys with executive management and internal audit customers. To provide insights into the Amatola's Water Internal Audit Activity level of satisfaction with internal auditing's services, along with appropriate suggested changes.
- 4.4 Examine internal auditing techniques and methodology for testing systems of control.
- 4.5 Identify ways to enhance policies and practices, as well as coordination with external auditors.
- 4.6 To identify areas of strength and opportunities for improvement.
- 4.7 Provide reasonable assurance as to whether the internal audit activity complies with the IIA's Global Internal Audit Standards.
- 4.8 The external QA team should objectively consider the expectations of the Audit & Risk, Executive Management, and the Chief Audit Executive; and the policies and procedures of Amatola Water and the Internal Audit function. To ensure freedom from bias in the QA, there should not be any relationship, either directly or indirectly, between the organisation and the external QA team that is, or appears to be, a conflict of interest. Such relationships could significantly negate the benefits of the QA.

Firms currently listed on the Amatola Water Internal Auditors panel are ineligible to submit proposals for this RFQ, as participation would create a potential impairment to independence and objectivity.

a) QUERIES AND CLARIFICATION

Prospective applicants must only send queries concerning the bid through email. Technical queries should be directed to akopman@amatolawater.co.za. Procurement queries must be directed to mmakhatha@amatola.co.za. Queries received will be responded to within 24 hours of receiving them.

SECTION B

RETURNABLE DOCUMENTS

THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS MUST BE COMPLETED IN FULL AND SUBMITTED WITH THIS BID:

SBD 1: INVITATION TO BID

SBD 4: BIDDERS DISCLOSURE

SBD 6.1: PREFERENCE POINTS CLAIM FORM IN TERMS OF THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS 2022

THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH THIS BID:

FORM A: AUTHORITY TO SIGN

JOINT VENTURE AGREEMENT (IF APPLICABLE)

FORM A: AUTHORITY TO SIGN DOCUMENTS

The person listed below are duly authorised/ delegated to sign all documents in connection with the tender offer and any contract resulting from it on our behalf by virtue of the Articles of Association/Resolution of the Board of Directors. All fields to be completed.

Details of authorised/ delegated person

NAME

SIGNATURE

DATE

WITNESSES:

1.

NAME

SIGNATURE

DATE

2.

NAME

SIGNATURE

DATE

FORM B: SCHEDULE OF PREVIOUS RELATED CONTRACTS SATISFACTORILY CARRIED OUT BY THE TENDERER

Suppliers should very briefly describe their experience in this regard by completing the schedule below by providing details of at **least Two (2) comparable contract** within the last 5 years relating to the **PROVISION OF INDEPENDENT EXTERNAL QUALITY ASSURANCE REVIEW**. Please note that Form B.1 and B.2 must be completed by your previous client in substantiating the list of reference provided below and must be submitted as part of this document, failure to do so will lead to disqualification. Please note that references may be verified.

Comparable supply contracts of the entity within the last 5 years	Short Description	Contract Value (incl. VAT)	Dates (Commencement; Completion)	Client and contactable reference (include phone no.& email addresses)

SIGNED ON BEHALF OF TENDERER:

FORM B.1: CONFIRMATION OF REFERENCES TO AMATOLA WATER

NAME OF BIDDING COMPANY:	
PREVIOUS CLIENT/EMPLOYER NAME:	
TENDER/BID NUMBER OF COMPLETED CONTRACT/PROJECT	
DESCRIPTION OF CONTRACT/ PROJECT COMPLETED	
VALUE OF WORK COMPLETED	
DURATION AND DATE COMPLETED:	

The above-mentioned Bidding Company is in the process of submitting a Bid/RFQ to Amatola Water as per detailed Specification to Confirm that the Bidder had completed Similar or Relevant Contract with your Company within the past 5 years. If your company had prior exposure with the Bidding Company, as part of the evaluation process for this bid, Amatola Water requires your company to confirm goods/services supplied by the above Bidding Company as per below questionnaire.

1. Were the goods/ services supplied according to the required quality as per the description/specification and were delivered on time?	Select applicable rating <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent, <input type="checkbox"/> Good, <input type="checkbox"/> Satisfactory, <input type="checkbox"/> Poor
2. Kindly, indicate their overall performance on the project.	Select applicable rating <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent, <input type="checkbox"/> Good, <input type="checkbox"/> Satisfactory, <input type="checkbox"/> Poor

Full Name of Authorised Signatory

Contact Number Email address.....

Signature..... Date.....

*CLIENT (EMPLOYER) STAMP HERE

*Incomplete and/or unsigned form will not be accepted and Amatola Water reserves the right to contact any Client Company listed as a reference. No handwriting is acceptable on the stamp area. No letters will be accepted only this form is considered.

FORM B.2: CONFIRMATION OF REFERENCES TO AMATOLA WATER

NAME OF BIDDING COMPANY:	
PREVIOUS CLIENT/EMPLOYER NAME:	
TENDER/BID NUMBER OF COMPLETED CONTRACT/PROJECT	
DESCRIPTION OF CONTRACT/ PROJECT COMPLETED	
VALUE OF WORK COMPLETED	
DURATION AND DATE COMPLETED:	

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<p>3. Were the goods/ services supplied according to the required quality as per the description/specification and were delivered on time?</p>	<p>Select applicable rating</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Excellent,</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Good,</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Satisfactory,</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Poor</p>
<p>4. Kindly, indicate their overall performance on the project.</p>	<p>Select applicable rating</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Excellent,</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Good,</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Satisfactory,</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Poor</p>

Full Name of Authorised Signatory

Contact Number Email address.....

Signature..... Date.....

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BIDDER'S DISCLOSURE

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 interest 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.

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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SBD 4

- 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:

.....
.....

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 consortium¹ 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 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.

¹ 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.

SBD 4

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 Date

.....
Position Name of bidder

PREFERENCE POINTS CLAIM FORM IN TERMS OF THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS 2022

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, TENDERERS MUST STUDY THE GENERAL CONDITIONS, DEFINITIONS AND DIRECTIVES APPLICABLE IN RESPECT OF THE TENDER AND PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS, 2022

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

- b) The applicable preference point system for this tender is the **80/20** preference point system.
- c) 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	80
SPECIFIC GOALS	20
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 or 90 points is allocated for price on the following basis:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbf{80/20} & \mathbf{or} & \mathbf{90/10} \\ \hline Ps = 80 \left(1 - \frac{Pt - P_{min}}{P_{min}} \right) & \text{or} & Ps = 90 \left(1 - \frac{Pt - P_{min}}{P_{min}} \right) \end{array}$$

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 or 90 points is allocated for price on the following basis:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbf{80/20} & \mathbf{or} & \mathbf{90/10} \\ \hline Ps = 80 \left(1 + \frac{Pt - P_{max}}{P_{max}} \right) & \text{or} & Ps = 90 \left(1 + \frac{Pt - P_{max}}{P_{max}} \right) \end{array}$$

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 organs of state: Where either the 90/10 or 80/20 preference point system is applicable, corresponding points must also be indicated as such.

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	Number of points allocated (80/20 system) (To be completed by the organ of state)	Number of points claimed (80/20 system) (To be completed by the tenderer)
HDI (51% or more black ownership)	8	
Black women (51% or more women ownership)	4	
Black youth (51% or more youth ownership)	4	
People with disability (20% or more disabled people ownership)	4	

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 favourable 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.'

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SIGNATURE(S) OF TENDERER(S)

SURNAME AND NAME:

DATE:

ADDRESS:

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SECTION C:

PRICING INSTRUCTIONS, PRICING SCHEDULE AND CONTRACT

PRICE INSTRUCTIONS AND ESCALATION

The following pricing schedules must be completed in full:

SBD 3.1: Pricing Schedule: Firm prices

SBD 3.2: Pricing Schedule: Non- firm prices (NOT APPLICABLE)

NB: If there are any unconditional discount offers, kindly attach a schedule that will indicate where those discounts are applied from.

Failure to fully complete the pricing instructions will invalidate your bid. All line items should be completed.

No claim in respect of any price escalation will be considered by the Amatola Water unless it is specifically stated in the Pricing Schedule that the Bid is subject to price escalation.

When escalation is claimed for during the contract period, proof of such escalation must be furnished and the calculation itself must be submitted to corroborate such proof. Escalation will only be calculated on the official index figures supplied by the Department of Statistics or the Price Controller, which ever may be applicable.

All orders placed will be based on the current Bid prices. It is the responsibility of the Bidder to inform Amatola Water of any escalation prior to implementation of the escalated price. Failure to do so will negate any such claims.

VALUE ADDED TAX

In calculating the cost of the supply and delivery of services and / or material, the supplier will issue a "Tax Invoice" for all services rendered and / or materials supplied, which will reflect the exclusive cost of such services, goods or materials with the relevant Value Added Tax being added to the total.

VAT must be included in the Bid price but must be shown separately.

Non-VAT vendors must not include VAT in their bid price.

PRICING SCHEDULE – FIRM PRICES (PURCHASES)

NOTE: PRICE ADJUSTMENTS WILL BE ALLOWED AT THE PERIODS AND TIMES SPECIFIED IN THE BIDDING DOCUMENTS.

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

Name of Bidder.....Bid number...**097-25/26**

Closing Time ...**11:00am** Closing date: ...**23 JANUARY 2026**

OFFER TO BE VALID FOR 120 DAYS FROM THE CLOSING DATE OF BID.

PROVISION OF INDEPENDENT EXTERNAL QUALITY ASSURANCE REVIEW (IEQAR) IN LINE WITH THE 2024 GLOBAL INTERNAL AUDIT STANDARDS (GIAS)

Item	Quantity	Description	Unit price	Amount
1	1	PROVISION OF INDEPENDENT EXTERNAL QUALITY ASSURANCE REVIEW (IEQAR) IN LINE WITH THE 2024 GLOBAL INTERNAL AUDIT STANDARDS (GIAS) As per the specification, scope of work and deliverables in pages 10-12.		
	TOTAL EXCLUDING VAT			
	VAT			
	TOTAL INCLUDING VAT			

Total Rates must be transferred to SBD 1, failure to do so will lead to the bid/RFQ being disqualified

Required by:

- At:
- Brand and model
- Country of origin
- Does the offer comply with the specification(s)?
- If not to specification, indicate deviation(s)
- Period required for delivery
- Delivery: Nagoon Dam Store

Amatola Water

.....N/A.....

.....N/A.....

***YES/NO**

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.....***Firm/not firm**

PRICE ADJUSTMENTS (NOT APPLICABLE)

A NON-FIRM PRICES SUBJECT TO ESCALATION

1. IN CASES OF PERIOD CONTRACTS, NON-FIRM PRICES WILL BE ADJUSTED (LOADED) WITH THE ASSESSED CONTRACT PRICE ADJUSTMENTS IMPLICIT IN NON-FIRM PRICES WHEN CALCULATING THE COMPARATIVE PRICES

IN THIS CATEGORY PRICE ESCALATIONS WILL ONLY BE CONSIDERED IN TERMS OF THE FOLLOWING FORMULA:

$$Pa = (1 - V)Pt \left(D1 \frac{R1t}{R1o} + D2 \frac{R2t}{R2o} + D3 \frac{R3t}{R3o} + D4 \frac{R4t}{R4o} \right) + VPt$$

Where:

Pa	=	The new escalated price to be calculated.
(1-V) Pt	=	85% of the original bid price. Note that Pt must always be the original bid price and not an escalated price.
D1, D2..	=	Each factor of the bid price eg. labour, transport, clothing, footwear, etc. The total of the various factors D1, D2...etc. must add up to 100%.
R1t, R2t.....	=	Index figure obtained from new index (depends on the number of factors used).
R1o, R2o	=	Index figure at time of bidding.
VPt	=	15% of the original bid price. This portion of the bid price remains firm i.e. it is not subject to any price escalations.

3. The following index/indices must be used to calculate your bid price:

Index..... Dated.....	Index..... Dated.....	Index..... Dated.....
Index..... Dated.....	Index..... Dated.....	Index..... Dated.....

2. FURNISH A BREAKDOWN OF YOUR PRICE IN TERMS OF ABOVE-MENTIONED FORMULA. THE TOTAL OF THE VARIOUS FACTORS MUST ADD UP TO 100%.

FACTOR (D1, D2 etc. e.g. Labour, transport etc.)	PERCENTAGE OF BID PRICE

B PRICES SUBJECT TO RATE OF EXCHANGE VARIATIONS

1. Please furnish full particulars of your financial institution, state the currencies used in the conversion of the prices of the items to South African currency, which portion of the price is subject to rate of exchange variations and the amounts remitted abroad.

PARTICULARS OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTION	ITEM NO	PRICE	CURRENCY	RATE	PORTION OF PRICE SUBJECT TO ROE	AMOUNT IN FOREIGN CURRENCY REMITTED ABROAD
				ZAR=		
				ZAR=		
				ZAR=		
				ZAR=		
				ZAR=		
				ZAR=		

2. Adjustments for rate of exchange variations during the contract period will be calculated by using the average monthly exchange rates as issued by your commercial bank for the periods indicated hereunder: (Proof from bank required)

AVERAGE MONTHLY EXCHANGE RATES FOR THE PERIOD:	DATE DOCUMENTATION MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THIS OFFICE	DATE FROM WHICH NEW CALCULATED PRICES WILL BECOME EFFECTIVE	DATE UNTIL WHICH NEW CALCULATED PRICE WILL BE EFFECTIVE

CONTRACT FORM - PURCHASE OF GOODS/WORKS

THIS FORM MUST BE FILLED IN DUPLICATE BY BOTH THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER (PART 1) AND THE PURCHASER (PART 2). BOTH FORMS MUST BE SIGNED IN THE ORIGINAL SO THAT THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER AND THE PURCHASER WOULD BE IN POSSESSION OF ORIGINALLY SIGNED CONTRACTS FOR THEIR RESPECTIVE RECORDS.

PART 1 (TO BE FILLED IN BY THE BIDDER)

- I hereby undertake to supply all or any of the goods and/or works described in the attached bidding documents to ((AMATOLA WATER)
 1. in accordance with the requirements and specifications stipulated in bid number at the price/s quoted. My offer/s remain binding upon me and open for acceptance by the purchaser during the validity period indicated and calculated from the closing time of bid.
- 2. The following documents shall be deemed to form and be read and construed as part of this agreement:
 - (i) Bidding documents, viz
 - Invitation to bid;
 - Proof of tax compliance status;
 - Pricing schedule(s);
 - Technical Specification(s);
 - Preference claim form for Preferential Procurement in terms of the Preferential Procurement Regulations;
 - Bidder's Disclosure form;
 - Special Conditions of Contract;
 - (ii) General Conditions of Contract; and
 - (iii) Other (specify)
- 3. I confirm that I have satisfied myself as to the correctness and validity of my bid; that the price(s) and rate(s) quoted cover all the goods and/or works specified in the bidding documents; that the price(s) and rate(s) cover all my obligations and I accept that any mistakes regarding price(s) and rate(s) and calculations will be at my own risk.
- 4. I accept full responsibility for the proper execution and fulfilment of all obligations and conditions devolving on me under this agreement as the principal liable for the due fulfillment of this contract.
- 5. I declare that I have no participation in any collusive practices with any bidder or any other person regarding this or any other bid.
- 6. I confirm that I am duly authorised to sign this contract.

NAME (PRINT)

CAPACITY

SIGNATURE

NAME OF FIRM

DATE

WITNESSES

1

2.

DATE:.....

GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

The form of Contract to be utilized is the General Conditions of Contract issued by National Treasury.