

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) RFP SCM 137/2022 - 2023

APPOINTMENT OF A SERVICE PROVIDER TO REVIEW THE DEPARTMENTAL UNAUDITED ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

CLOSING DATE: 31 MARCH 2023

TIME: 11:00

QUOTATION TO BE VALID FOR 90 DAYS
QUOTATIONS TO BE SUBMITTED ON COMPANY LETTERHEAD.
FOR THE DPE TO SUPPORT / PROMOTE/ DEVELOP LOCAL SUPPLIERS, THE SERVICE PROVIDERS MUST HAVE A FOOTPRINT IN GAUTENG (ATTACH PROOF)

1. BACKGROUND

The Department of Public Enterprises is the shareholder representative for Government with oversight responsibility over seven State Owned Companies (SOC) that operate in core sectors of the economy such as mining, defence, energy, logistics, aviation and forestry.

The SOCs in the DPE portfolio are namely: Eskom, Transnet, Denel, South African Airways (SAA), South African Forestry Company Limited (SAFCOL), Alexkor and SA Express.

These SOCs play a key role in enabling economic growth, creating jobs and promoting the industrialization and the transformation of the economy. The Department is the primary interface between Government and the SOCs concerned and, in addition to oversight, provides input to the formulation of policy, legislation and regulation.

2. OUR VISION

To create an enabling environment in which SOCs add real economic value by focusing on operational excellence, commercial viability, and fiscal prudence. This will drive developmental objectives, industrialization, job creation and skills development.

3. OUR MISSION

To provide clear strategic direction and oversight to the Department's SOCs, seeking to ensure that:

- They are financially sustainable, adequately funded and operationally robust.
- Their operating models keep pace with global development and innovation.
- They provide reliable, high-quality and cost-effective services and infrastructure to industry and our citizens.
- They secure investment and funding for strategic industrial development;
 and they align with national developmental objectives.

4. SCOPE OF WORK

Department of Public Enterprise (DPE) hereby requests assistance with quotations for the procurement of a service provider to review the Departmental unaudited 2022/23 Annual Financial Statements.

- I. The service provider is expected to perform a detailed Review of the 2022/2023 Unaudited Annual Financial Statements consisting of:
 - a. Statement of financial position (a balance sheet).
 - b. Statement of financial performance (an income statement)
 - c. A cash flow statement.
 - d. An appropriation statements.
 - e. A statement of changes in equity.
 - f. Notes to the appropriation statement and annual financial statement and
 - g. Such other Statements as may be determined by National Treasury.
- II. Evaluate if the Annual Financial Statements are prepared on the Modified Cash basis in accordance with the formats prescribed by the National Treasury.
- III. Evaluate the means of figures and a descriptive report, explain any other matters and information material to the affairs of the department and
- IV. In addition, the service provider should also consider findings raised by AGSA in 2021/2022 financial year.

4.1. Deliverables

Review of Unaudited Annual Financial Statements in line with the International Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing (Standards) and Modified Cash Standard:

- a. Engagement programme or project plan.
- b. Documentation of work done on the working papers.
- c. Reviewed and signed-off working papers.
- d. Documenting and communicating of audit findings with DPE Management.
- e. Draft and final report.

- f. Completion of an allocated engagement within the agreed timeframe; and
- g. Complete and submit engagement file within agreed timeframe before payment is made.

4.2. Specification

Detailed specification as per the pricing schedule attached as Annexure A.

4.3. Mandatory Requirements

- a. For the DPE to support / promote/ develop local suppliers, The Service Providers must have a footprint in Gauteng (Attach Proof)
- b. Organizational experience and capability.
- c. Detailed approach, methodology and process to be adopted in the project.
- d. Project leader must demonstrate requisite knowledge of the Public Sector (Department) AFS review with at least 5 years' experience.

5. PROJECT MANAGEMENT

The Internal Audit unit within the DPE will take responsibility for the management of the project and the service provider.

6. DURATION AND TIMELIMES

The estimated budgeted time for this review is a maximum of three (3) weeks/120 hours.

The service provider is required to submit a quotation with regards to the above scope and in line with the estimated budgeted hours.

7. EVALUATION CRITERIA

7.1. Phase 1: Mandatory Evaluation

Bidders who comply with all mandatory requirements will qualify to Phase 2 where Price and B-BBEE will be considered and those who failed will be disqualified.

Table1- Mandatory Requirements

Criteria	Comply	Not	Comments
		comply	
The Service Provider must have footprint			
in Gauteng (Attach Proof).			
Organizational experience and			
capability.			
AFS review work done in the past 3			
years and submit three (3) relevant,			
contactable signed client references or			
testimonial letters from clients of Public			
Sector (Department).			
Detailed approach, methodology and			
process to be adopted in the project			
i.e., Project Plan to be linked to the			
deliverables and outputs.			
Capacity and experience of the			
Project Lead			
Project leader must demonstrate			
requisite knowledge of the Public			
Sector (Department) AFS review			
with at least 5 years' experience.			
Project lead must be a member of			
relevant Professional Body			
must have a Post graduate			
qualification in Auditing or			
Accounting (Attach CV and			
copies of Qualifications).			

7.2. Phase2: Price and B-BBEE

Table 2- Price and B-BBEE

CRITERIA	SUB-CRITERIA	WEIGHTING/ POINTS
Price	Detailed budget breakdown	80
B-BBEE (Status Level Verification Certificate)	B-BBEE Level Contributor	20
TOTAL		100

8. INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

8.1. Terms and Conditions

DPE reserves, under exceptional circumstances, the rights to extend the closing date. All proposals and all subsequent information received from bidders will not be returned.

The adjudication process does not represent a commitment on the part of the DPE to proceed further with that proposal or of any other bidder.

8.2. Changes to this RFQ/RFP document

DPE reserves the right to make changes on this RFQ/ RFP Document. All changes will be communicated to those bidders that have responded to the RFQ/ RFP. No reliance shall be placed on other information or comment from any other person.

8.3. Confidentiality

Any information relating to the submissions, through the process or otherwise shall be treated in strict confidence.

8.3.1. Other matters

a. DPE reserves the right not to enter any relationship and no correspondence pertaining to submissions will be entered into.

- b. If DPE does not accept any proposal, it will declare this RFQ/ RFP call process closed and may then elect to:
- i. Proceed on a completely different basis; and
- ii. to appoint any respondent in the event it deems proposals not appropriate.
- 8.3.2. DPE will not accept any responsibility for costs incurred by bidders in preparing and submitting proposals.
- 8.3.3. DPE reserves the right to engage in processes to validate all claims made in the proposal.
- 8.3.4. DPE reserves the right to cancel the award if it is determined that the supplier/service provider recommended for award, has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent activities in competing for the contract in question. For the purposes of this RFQ/ RFP, "fraudulent practice" means a misrepresentation of facts in order to influence a selection process or the execution of a contract to the detriment of the accounting officer/authority and includes collusive practices among bidders/contractors (prior to or after submission of proposals) designed to establish prices at artificial, non-competitive levels and to deprive the accounting officer/authority of the benefits of free and open competition.

9. PAYMENT STRUCTURE

- 9.1. DPE undertakes to pay in full within thirty (30) days, all valid claims for work done to its satisfaction upon presentation of a substantiated claim/invoice.
- 9.2. Payments will only be made based on the work completed (milestones/ deliverables) as per the project implementation plan to be agreed at the inception of the project.
- 9.3. DPE reserves the right to negotiate price with the preferred bidder.

10. GENERAL

Below are compulsory requirements for this service:

- 10.1. It is important to note that the successful bidder will work under the supervision of a DPE representative, abide by DPE's Code of Conduct, and other organizational guidelines.
- 10.2. Kindly submit the following document:
 - a. Valid B-BBEE Level of contribution or Sworn Affidavit Certificate
 - b. Proof that tax matters with SARS are in order (SARS Pin Number/ Tax Clearance Certificate)
 - c. National Treasury Central Supplier Database Report (CSD)
 - d. Completed and signed SBD forms
 - e. Please complete attached ANNEXURE A in full and provide quotation/ proposal in your company letterhead

11. CONTACT DETAILS FOR INFORMATION

11.1. Further information regarding supply chain matters can be sent via email to: quotations@dpe.gov.za or at tel 012 431-1030

12. SUBMISSIONS OF PROPOSALS

- 12.1. Proposals should be submitted on or before **31 March 2023** by no later than **11:00** to the following email address: **quotations@dpe.gov.za**
- 12.2. The selection of the qualifying bid/quotations will be at Department of Public Enterprise's sole discretion. Department of Public Enterprise does not bind itself to accept any bid/quotations and reserves the right not to appoint the bidder.

ANNEXURE A

PRICING SCHEDULE

Note:

- 1 Bidder must complete the pricing as per the table below and submit on a company letterhead.
- 2 RFQ to be strictly sourced from the service provider with footprints in Gauteng province.
- 3 All pricing will be according to the Scope of work.

The following pricing schedule needs to be completed in line with the required deliverables (where applicable) and return a part of the tender submission.

Service	Service / Each Description	Hours	Rate	Total
line				
1.	AFS review (Engagement) Planning			
2.	AFS review (Engagement) Execution			
3.	AFS review (Engagement) Reporting			
4.	Director			
5.	Project leader			
6	Other team members			
7	Disbursements			
	TOTAL EXCLUDING VAT			
	VAT			
	TOTAL INCLUSIVE VAT			

PLEASE QUOTE EXACTLY AS PER THE SPECIFICATION. FAILURE WILL LEAD TO THE DISQUALIFICATION OF THE QUOTATION.

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 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.

Full Name	Identity Number	Name of institution	State

2.2 Do you, or any person connected with the bidder, have a relationship

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.

with any person who is employed by the procuring institution? YES/NO

2.2.1	If so, furnish particulars:			
2.3	members / partners or any person	directors / trustees / shareholders / on having a controlling interest in the many other related enterprise whether or act? YES/NO		
2.3.1	,			
3	DECLARATION			
	I, the	undersigned, in		
	(name)submitting the accompanying to statements that I certify to be true	oid, do hereby make the following		
3.1 3.2	I have read and I understand the contents of this disclosure; 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 accommittee without consultation, communication any competitor. However, comm	mpanying bid independently from, and tion, agreement or arrangement with unication between partners in a joint		
3.4	venture or consortium2 will not be construed as collusive bidding. 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			
3.4	disclosed by the bidder, directly o	bid have not been, and will not be, r indirectly, to any competitor, prior to bid opening or of the awarding of the		
3.5		ns, communications, agreements or er with any official of the procuring		

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.

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.

Signature	Date
Position	Name of bidder