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KZN PROVINCIAL TREASURY

TO: **ACCOUNTING OFFICERS**

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HEADS OF SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT

KZN STANDARD BIDDING DOCUMENT AMENDMENT: SPECIAL INSTRUCTION TO **BIDDERS**

The KZN Standard Bidding Document in respect of the special instruction and notices to bidders regarding the completion of bidding forms has been amended. The revised document requires bidders to initial each and every page of the bid document and such has been incorporated as the last paragraph which is number 17.

The amendment has been triggered by the number of appeals received by the Bid Appeals Tribunal (BAT) wherein some Departments would require bidders to initial each and every page of the bid document. The members of the BAT have recommended that a uniform practice in this regard is desirable.

To this end, Accounting Officers are required utilize the revised document when inviting bids to ensure that uniformity exist in the bidding process.

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SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS AND NOTICES TO BIDDERS REGARDING THE COMPLETION OF FORMS

PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS QUOTATION IS SUBJECT TO TREASURY REGULATIONS 16A ISSUED IN TERMS OF THE PUBLIC FINANCE MANAGEMENT ACT, 1999, THE KWAZULU-NATAL SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT POLICY FRAMEWORK AND THE GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT.

- Unless inconsistent with or expressly indicated otherwise by the context, the singular shall 1. include the plural and visa versa and with words importing the masculine gender shall include the feminine and the neuter.
- Under no circumstances whatsoever may the quotation/bid forms be retyped or redrafted. 2. Photocopies of the original bid documentation may be used, but an original signature must appear on such photocopies.
- The bidder is advised to check the number of pages and to satisfy himself that none are missing 3. or duplicated. 4.
- Quotation submitted must be complete in all respects.
- Quotation shall be lodged at the address indicated not later than the closing time specified for 5. their receipt, and in accordance with the directives in the quotation documents.
- Each quotation shall be addressed in accordance with the directives in the quotation documents 6. and shall be lodged in a separate sealed envelope, with the name and address of the bidder, the quotation number and closing date indicated on the envelope. The envelope shall not contain documents relating to any quotation other than that shown on the envelope. If this provision is not complied with, such quotations/bids may be rejected as being invalid. 7.
- All quotations received in sealed envelopes with the relevant quotation numbers on the envelopes are kept unopened in safe custody until the closing time of the quotation/bids. Where, however, a quotation is received open, it shall be sealed. If it is received without a quotation/bid number on the envelope, it shall be opened, the quotation number ascertained, the envelope sealed and the quotation number written on the envelope.
- A specific box is provided for the receipt of quotations, and no quotation found in any other box 8. or elsewhere subsequent to the closing date and time of quotation will be considered. 9.
- No quotation/bid sent through the post will be considered if it is received after the closing date and time stipulated in the quotation documentation, and proof of posting will not be accepted as proof of delivery.
- No quotation submitted by telefax, telegraphic or other electronic means will be considered. 10.
- Quotation documents must not be included in packages containing samples. Such quotations 11. may be rejected as being invalid.
- Any alteration made by the bidder must be initialed. 12
- 13. Use of correcting fluid is prohibited
- Quotation will be opened in public as soon as practicable after the closing time of quotation. 14. 15.
- Where practical, prices are made public at the time of opening quotations.
- If it is desired to make more than one offer against any individual item, such offers should be 16. given on a photocopy of the page in question. Clear indication thereof must be stated on the schedules attached.
- The bidder must initial each and every page of the bid document 17.