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Question and addendums arising from NRF/SAAO/ SAEO/45/2020-21

1. We would like to confirm if providing reference letters is mandatory since it is not mentioned in the document. The functionality evaluation mentions a list of references with detailed information.

Answer: Reference letters were incorrectly referred to at the site briefing. The template mentioned is not contained in the document but according to the requirements (pg28/33) three written references of work completed within 60 months.

Scoring will be done as per Functionality Evaluation 2.1

- 2. Wrt the concrete floor grinding (item 9 of bill no 2) do we quote on a 4 stage or 7 stage finish? **Answer:** The terminology Stage 4, stage 7 is not known to us nor to any suppliers we have spoken to. The desired finish is a semi-polished "Level 3" finish which has a medium sheen between satin and highly polished.
- 3. We have received a query from our aluminium window and door supplier, he is asking that the vertical sliding windows specifies double glazed glass he states that it would be to heavy for the window and can use 4mm TSG glass, please could you confirm this.

Answer: The glazing must be priced as is since this is an XA requirement. Later detailed discussions with the window manufacturer may suggest altering the window design or operation, but the glazing won't be altered.

4. Are the tree removal part of the build and if so which ones - the girth?

Answer: Yes, it is part of the build and the girth exceeds 200 mm but not exceeding 500 mm girth as per the BOQ.

5. Electrical sum - Allowance or BoQ?

Answer: The provisional sum has been removed from the BoQ – bidders to price the electrical bills of quantities.

6. Which version of JBCC will be used?

Answer: The Principal Building Agreement Edition 6.2 Code 2101, May 2018 as detailed in the Preliminaries (labelled as Annexure B).

7. We kindly request for clarity on the Bill of quantities, if there is a BOQ that is part of the invitation to Bid or it is only the Excel BOQ that we will have to fill in and submit as a printed copy and an electronic copy? **Answer:** We will make a PDF and Excel version available.

8. Are there Engineers drawings available?

Answer: the following list must be referred to and are to be acknowledged.

AV266-S-01-A Foundation layout 20180115.pdf

AV266-S-02-A Ground floor layout 20180115.pdf

AV266-S-03-A Roof layout 20180115.pdfAV266-S-03-A Roof layout 20180115.pdf

AV266-S-04-A Sections 20180115.pdf

9. Public Liability insurance of 12mill, should we have a current policy in this value or will you accept a quotation from our broker? We currently have 10mill insurance and will need to update the policy if you want proof of insurance at this value

Answer: A quote would be acceptable but before work can start the required documents will have to be produced to the site agent.

10. We saw the site as a fully secured site, do we still need to allow for our own security on site? **Answer:** Contractor must provide secure on site storage for materials, plant and equipment as necessary but is not responsible for the overall security of the site.

11. Confirmation of tender submission

- ∘ 1 x hard copy
- o 1 x soft copy, ie electronic

Two envelope submission, therefore the electronic submission will also be 2 USB, one for technical and one for price?

– Memory Stick, CD or similar media can be used, or email to <u>bids@saao.ac.za</u>. All electronic submissions must have a password to access the data. The password must then be made available after the closing time but no longer than 24 hours later. These can be emailed to the address above.

Only one digital media needs to be used and pricing data must be explicitly marked as such in the file name so that it is not circulated to bid evaluation members.

12. Tender validity reads as 150 days, calendar or working days?

Answer: Calendar days

13. The drawings mentioned fencing will be done by others, are we to price for this or is this direct for the client.

Answer: The "toad fencing" does not need to be included for pricing. Other encampment fencing is for the contractors expense.

14. What is the envisaged "start date"

Answer: The current start date would be envisaged at around 1 April 2021 but this can change due to project requirements and evaluation.

- 15. How should we anticipate staff access at main gates? Do we need to allow for access cards? **Answer:** Staff access will be granted to all staff members of the successful bidder. A list of current staff will need to be handed in with the site agent. Final details will be discussed once the contract is awarded.
- 16. Is there a P&G section to form part of BOQ? Also any contract data?

Answer: The removal of the trees is to be priced and the details are in the BoQ.

17. Is there any allowance made for fire signage, fire extinguishers and fire hose reels? There is a fire drawing

Answer: No, the fire requirements are not part of the build and should be excluded.

18. What is the specification of the garage door and the drawing and the BOQ differs **Answer:** As per BOQ. 19. Do the drawings need to be submitted back as part of the tender Answer: No they do not. They will form part of the agreement and specification but they do not need to be printed and returned. The Engineer drawings in paragraph 8 of this document, along with the following documents all need to be downloaded and completed: **Pricing Schedule.doc** (to replace pages 15 &16 of original document) **Provional Sums Change.pdf** (to replace page 32 of original BoQ) ANNEXURE B (SAAO PRELIMINARIES) (PDF or XLSX) The SAAO or its agents do not accept any responsibility for errors induced in the calculations in any spreadsheet. The documents must be downloaded from the bottom of the webpage: https://www.saao.ac.za/2021/01/04/saeon office/ under Addendums As representative of (company name): I confirm that I acknowledge the contents of this document and have satisfied myself that all the relevant additional documents have been read and understood, along with their relevance to this bid. I further

acknowledge that all the requirements listed in this document are to be read in conjunction with the original bid documents where they supplement information or where they supersede information. All the

requirements contained within this document will form part of the agreement with the employer.

Signature: ____