

**RFP Number: T44/09/24**

**RFP description: APPOINTMENT OF A SERVICE PROVIDER FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A FEASIBILITY STUDY AND DETAILED BUSINESS CASE FOR AMATOLA WATER BULK SUPPLY AUGEMENTATION PROGRAMME (PHASE 1)**

**Question and Answers Version 1**

No.	Question	Type	Answer
1	Noting your constraints in terms of file size (50MB), can we send our proposal submission documents in separate emails, and/ or on a file sharing app, such as WE Transfer?  Request confirmation on the above	SCM	The submission can be splitted into different emails however all e-mails must come through before the cut off time (11h00 am)
2	There are many specialists involved in a bid like this, would you be able to allow a 10-day extension of time to assemble and develop a proposal from an experienced team.	SCM	New closing date is the 29th October 2024 at 11h00 am.
3	AVAILABLE INFORMATION:  We note that the various studies including technical studies have been already completed. In view of the same, we understand that the scope of the bidder shall be restricted to review of the studies already conducted and no additional study needs to be conducted  Request confirmation on the above	Technical	AW: The understanding is correct, there is an existing Infrastructure Master Plan (Rev 2023) covering the existing AW Operational area including the Nahoon Business Case, standalone studies for Nahoon (i.e. Scoping Report, Feasibility Report, Preliminary Design Report, Detailed Design Report, Environmental Assessment Report and Authorization (expired), Implementation Readiness Study Report, Scope Change Report and Addendum Report to Scope Change, Nahoon Settlement Feasibility Study Report and Nahoon Business Plan (BFI, 2019) which are existing reports available for project. These reports will be available for review to the successful bidder and any gaps identified by the successful bidder in these technical reports will be collated and dealt with by AW as part of a separate project and not as part of this project or the scope of this bid.
4	3.1. Scope of Work:  We understand that the review of technical study is restricted to review of the options presented in the current studies for improving operational viability and does not include detailed re-engineering or re-design. The financial impact of any changes suggested by the bidder shall be by way of block level costing.  Request confirmation on the above	Technical	AW: The understanding is correct, there is an existing Infrastructure Master Plan (Rev 2023) covering the existing AW Operational area including the Nahoon Business Case, standalone studies for Nahoon (i.e. Scoping Report, Feasibility Report, Preliminary Design Report, Detailed Design Report, Environmental Assessment Report and Authorization (expired), Implementation Readiness Study Report, Scope Change Report and Addendum Report to Scope Change, Nahoon Settlement Feasibility Study Report and Nahoon Business Plan (BFI, 2019) which are existing reports available for project. These reports will be available for review to the successful bidder and any gaps identified by the successful bidder in these technical reports will be collated and dealt with by AW as part of a separate project and not as part of this project or the scope of this bid.
5	3.5 General:  We request clarity on the content of the progress report: 2) actual expenditure during the preceding month	Technical	This is the tracking of invoice and costs it is expected that the service provider be appbe to give a brief invoicing schedule and what has already been invoiced and paid. Also what has been paid in previos months.
6	3.3.7 Legal Review  Does IDC follow specific contract templates or standard terms and conditions that will governs the various procurement and contracting activities and will serve as a template for the project.	Technical	It is expected that the Service provider conducts a legal review on Amatola Water Nahoon project ,through assesing documentaion and consultation with Amatola water after this assement and consultation of Amatola Water procurement , legal frameworks etc.. The service provider should be able to advise on the strategy to be followed by Amatola Water for the implementation phase of this project. Therefore it is not IDC templates to be considered but Amatola Water and these will be shared with the appointed service provider.
7	Describes the Returnables  Does a Pre-Bid Agreement suffice as it indicates the intent to work together should the bid be preferred in selection. The parties have previously submitted a Letter of Association (LoA) in similar tenders	Technical	Yes it will be permitted as long its signed by all parties involved.
8	Additional Point for consideration:  Since the project includes various deliverables and presentations (e.g., inception report, draft feasibility study, final feasibility report etc), it is requested to define the key milestone and timelines for each milestone along with payment applicable at each stage	Technical	During bidding The service provider should indicate using their project management skills how they will define milestones , resources, payment applicable etc in executing the project .This will then be fine-tuned with the appointed bidder in the inception meeting to ensure alignment for all parties involved.
9	Would it be possible to review the technical documentation for the bid to assess the extent of work required	Technical	AW: The understanding is correct, there is an existing Infrastructure Master Plan (Rev 2023) covering the existing AW Operational area including the Nahoon Business Case, standalone studies for Nahoon (i.e. Scoping Report, Feasibility Report, Preliminary Design Report, Detailed Design Report, Environmental Assessment Report and Authorization (expired), Implementation Readiness Study Report, Scope Change Report and Addendum Report to Scope Change, Nahoon Settlement Feasibility Study Report and Nahoon Business Plan (BFI, 2019) which are existing reports available for project. These reports will be available for review to the successful bidder and any gaps identified by the successful bidder in these technical reports will be collated and dealt with by AW as part of a separate project and not as part of this project or the scope of this bid.