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### **SUBMISSION**

TO: CHAIRPERSON - RBAC

SUBJECT:

REQUEST FOR THE CANCELLATION OF BID NO: ZNB01374/00000/00/IXO/INF/22/T: CONSTRUCTION OF NEW GRAVEL ROAD, ASSOCIATED DRAINAGE AND ANCILLARY WORKS ON L3640 BETWEEN KM0.00 TO KM1.500 FROM BHALA TO CABAZI IN UMZIMKHULU, PIETERMARITZBURG REGION

### 1. PURPOSE

To seek for the approval to cancel Bid No: ZNB01374/00000/00/IXO/INF/22/T: Construction of new gravel road, associated drainage and ancillary works on L3640 between km 0.00 to km 1.500 from Bhala to Cabazi in Umzumkhulu, Pietermaritzburg Region in line with delegation 5.23 of the Financial Delegations as approved by the Accounting Officer on 23 June 2023.

### 2. BACKGROUND

ZNB01374/00000/00/IXO/INF/22/T: Construction of new gravel road, associated drainage and ancillary works on L3640 between km 0.00 to km 1.500 from Bhala to Cabazi in Umzumkhulu, Pietermaritzburg Region was advertised on the 29 August 2023 with a closing date of the 28 September 2023. After closing of the bid, the following material error was discovered in the bid invitation document which was published:

- T5: Tender notice and invitation stipulated the duration of the project is four (04) months instead of six (06) months as per BOQ. Refer to draft bid document attached for ease of reference.
- T5 and T10: Functionality criteria for experience of key persons, company past
  performance in similar specialised projects, as stated in the Tender Data, are eligible to be
  considered for further evaluation whereas the project functionality criteria were not
  stipulated when it was advertised. Refer to draft bid document attached for ease of
  reference.

### 3. MOTIVATION

In view of the above background, the bid document contains a serious material error. The material error in the bid document may result to unnecessary irregular expenditure should the bid not cancelled at this stage. Evaluating this project unrectified may also result to bidders disputing the process through appeals.

## 4. IMPLICATIONS

4.1 Legal Implications

Should the bid not be cancelled, the Department may be challenged legally by bidders.

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4.2 Time Implications

Time delay in the cancellation of bid, will result prolonged service delivery and unnecessary

strikes from the community.

4.3 <u>Financial Implications</u>

Appeals and Court orders are inevitable.

4.4 <u>Social Implications</u>

Should the bid not be cancelled and readvertised immediately, service delivery will be

compromised.

# 5. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

5.1 It is recommended that:

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ASSISTANT DIRECTOR: ADMIN SUPPPORT

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RECOMMENDED / NOT RECOMMENDED

MR R.A ZONDO

ACTING DEPUTY DIRECTOR: CC IXOPO

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