

OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL MANAGER

Date 15 November 2022

NOTICE UNSOLICITED BID

Notice is hereby given in terms of Section 113 of the Municipal Finance Management Act, 2003, Reg. 37 (3) of the Municipal Supply Chain Management Regulations, 2005 and Section 21A of the Municipal Systems Act, 2000, that Masilonyana Local Municipality decides to consider an unsolicited bid received from SGRIDF (Pty) Ltd T/A Smart Grid Future for Implementation, Operations & Maintenance of Municipal Smart Grid System including an Energy System Incorporating Utility, Municipal and Accountholder Energy Intra-Trading, Allocation, Recording, Reconciliation and Integration of Renewable Energy Generation into the Municipal Energy Supply Mix.

Reasons as to why the bid should not be open to other competitors

- The product and service offered is a unique innovative concept;
- The proposed service provider, SGRIDF (Pty) Ltd T/A Smart Grid Future, of the intra-trading, allocation, recording and reconciliation services in Masilonyana and has exclusive patent rights on the MyPowerGrid smart trading system.
- A full list of clients currently in contract with SGRIDF (Pty) Ltd T/A Smart Grid Future indicates that they are unique and a sole provider of the service.

An explanation of the potential benefits for the municipality

- There are no capital or maintenance cost for the Municipality;
- Power generating plants within Masilonyana Local Municipality will be constructed on a ring-fenced and off-balance sheet funding basis, which can generate electricity to the municipal grid and enable its account holders to become energypreneurs;
- SGRIDF (Pty) Ltd T/A Smart Grid Future will create job opportunities for local enterprise as contractors to construct some of the utilities to be used as method of power/electricity creation on a day-to-day basis;
- The municipality will receive an income on a monthly basis from SGRIDF (Pty) Ltd T/A Smart Grid Future;
- SGRIDF (Pty) Ltd T/A Smart Grid Future will enable the municipality to trade energy, and allocate the energy on its grid and earn a margin thereon, thereby realising a saving on energy charges and to protect the community from load shedding.

Queries in respect of the above can be directed to Mr. S Serutla at the Masilonyana Local Municipality, 47 Le Roux Street, Theunissen, or e-mail sserutla@masilonyana.co.za. The relevant documentation which supports the above may be perused by interested citizens at the municipal offices, 47 Le Roux Street, Theunissen, between the hours of 7:30 and 16:00. Please note that certain proprietary information may be regarded as confidential.

Written comments may be provided to the Municipal Manager at 47 Le Roux Street, PO Box 8, Theunissen 9410, by 14 December 2022.

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