# MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF MBABANE

#### TERMS OF REFERENCE

FEASIBILITY STUDY ON DISTRIBUTING ELECTRICITY AND WATER WITHIN MBABANE

## **Introduction**

The Municipal Council of Mbabane would like to explore alternatives of increasing its revenue base in order to minimise its heavy reliance on rates and in this regard it will be carrying out a feasibility study on the possibility of distributing electricity and water within the city.

### **Objective**

The objective of this study is to determine the cost / benefit and technical feasibility of the Municipal Council of Mbabane to distribute electricity and water within the city.

The stakeholders' views will enable informed planning by Council to ensure that when it finally participates in the provision of all or one of these services, it is aware of any challenges it may encounter and has adequate mitigating strategies to deal with them.

## **The Assignment**

- i. Design appropriate survey instruments and investigate the feasibility of Council distributing electricity and water within Mbabane
- ii. Investigate what legislative, financial, human and material limitations could impede feasibility.
- iii. Provide a detailed costing and estimated benefits of undertaking the exercise.
- iv. Identify and consult relevant stakeholders including all those mentioned.
- v. Make appropriate and implementable recommendations to the Municipality.
- vi. Include any other pertinent relevant issues that could impact feasibility study.
- vii. Present the findings in a clear and precise report and workshop it.

#### **Output**

1) The Consultant must present all his / her findings and recommendations in a clear and concise manner. This will be in a standard report, detailing methodology

used, treatment of the data collected and findings. The significance of the data analysis must be tested using appropriate statistical tools. The presentation of the survey findings must be in simple language and easy to understand (where possible should include pictorial presentation). The report must also include the executive summary.

- 2) The Consultant is expected to present the draft report to Council's Executive Management for their comments before the final report is completed.
- 3) The Consultant must submit four (4) copies of the Draft and Final Reports. An electronic copy of the final report must accompany the hard copy reports.
- 4) The assignment up to the draft report phase, must take no longer than five (5) weeks. Thereafter, it must not take more than three (3) weeks from the Executive Management presentation.
- 5) Twenty percent (20%) of the payment shall be made upon satisfactory presentation of the draft report to Executive Management; forty (40%) upon presentation of the final draft report and the remaining forty percent (40%) shall be paid upon presentation and acceptance of the final report by the office of the Chief Executive.

Proposals must be sealed and directed to:

The Chief Executive Officer 'Proposal for a Feasibility Study for Distributing Electricity and Water within Mbabane' 2014

Municipal Council of Mbabane Corner of Gwamile and Mahlokohla Street P O Box 1 Mbabane

All proposals expressing interest must be received by Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2014 at 12.00 Noon.