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### **Section 7.0 PREAMBLE TO BILLS OF QUANTITIES**

1. The descriptions of the Bills of Quantities are intended only to assist the Contractor to understand the type and magnitude of the works. The Contractor must take into account all the information provided (Specifications, Bill of Quantities and Drawings) and must include in his pricing all the work necessary for completion of the works even if this work is not fully described in the Bill of Quantities.
2. The works must be completed all in accordance with the Specifications, Bill of Quantities and Drawings. Any discrepancies among the above documents must be notified immediately for instructions before the execution of the works.
3. The Contractor should price all Sums or include in his rates for everything that is mentioned in the Bills of Quantities. The Contractor should price all Sums for all sections which he considers have a value. If any Sums are not priced by the Contractor it shall be deemed that their value has been spread throughout the rates of the other Sums.
4. Unit rates may be used reciprocally in the settlement of accounts unless conflict occurs. The Contractor shall therefore ensure that identical Sums occurring in separate bills are not priced at different rates unless this is his deliberate intention
5. No unauthorized alteration, addition or note entered in these Bills of Quantities shall modify the printed text. No claim for additional payment shall be admitted due to the failure of the Contractor to follow the instructions included in the Bills of Quantities.
6. The Contractor is advised to consider the extent and character of the works, the tender, the conditions which may affect the supply of labour for the work and the local conditions and restrictions which affect the works. If the supply of labour is difficult or becomes difficult then the Contractor shall supply all the necessary labour from other areas and shall include for all the payments costs, expenses, increased wages, food and housing expenses he shall suffer for the supply and maintenance of sufficient and effective labour force on site. No claim whatsoever shall be accepted as a result of the failure of the Contractor to perform the above.
7. The descriptions included in the Bills of Quantities to describe the workmanship and materials necessary for each Sum are not necessarily complete. The Tenderer is referred to the Specifications, Conditions of Contract and other Documents and the Drawings for further information concerning the Works and no claim or variation will be considered on account of his failure to acquaint himself with such information.
8. The Contractor shall satisfy himself as to the meaning of every Sum in the Bills of Quantities. Also, for the rates and prices inserted by him will be deemed to cover all his obligations under the Contract and all matters and things necessary for the proper construction, completion and maintenance of the works

including, but not by any way limited to, all temporary Works, scaffolding required, etc. The unit rates, for each Sum shall include for all materials and labour and for the provision and use of all Plant. Whether mechanical or non- mechanical, required for the expeditious carrying out of the Works in their proper sequence-for shifting, altering and adapting such temporary Work plant as may be required during the progress of the Works and removing a completion and making good any surfaces disturbed. The unit rates shall also include for the cost of the guarantee and bonds required if prices are not inserted against the relevant Sums for the costs of preparing a tender for the work in connection with measurements and the final account; for profit; and for all other establishment charges and on costs of whatever nature. No claim for additional payments will be allowed for any error or misunderstanding by the Contractor in these respects.