

## In the Public Contracts Review Board



### Re: Objection: 020-0498/19 Tender for the Supply of 3.5ml Serum Tubes with Serum Separator and Clot Activator

Reply of the Central Procurement and Supplies Unit (CPSU)

By a letter dated 29<sup>th</sup> November 2019, Krypton Chemists Ltd, hereinafter referred to as the objectors, submitted an objection following a letter dated 19<sup>th</sup> November 2019 issued by CPSU whereby their offer was deemed technically non-compliant.

The objectors contend that their offer was fully compliant and that their offer was the cheapest offer which satisfied the technical criteria.

#### Submissions

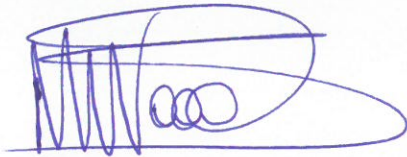
- 1) By means of a rejection letter dated the 19<sup>th</sup> November 2019, the objectors were informed that the tender in caption had been awarded to a different bidder.
- 2) The Rejection Letter contained the following reason for rejection;

*"The Declaration of Conformity contains a list of 12 harmonised standards for which only 1 certificate out of 12 has been attached. The remaining 11 certificates were requested twice (18/07.2019 and 21/08/2019) and supplier failed to provide the certificates necessary for complete evaluation. Since the evaluation of the offered product could not be completed due to the lack of certification, offer is not recommended."*

- 3) Following the objection in caption lodged before the Public Contracts Review Board, an internal review was carried out within the Contracting Authority in order to determine reasons for such rejection.

- 4) Subsequent to the said review, the Contracting Authority feels that it would be in the best interests of Public Procurement that a fresh evaluation is carried out.

In view of the above CPSU request the Board to authorise that a fresh evaluation of the objector's offer is to be carried out.

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**Dr Marco Woods**