

#### **Transnet Freight Rail**

an Operating Division of **TRANSNET SOC LTD** 

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#### REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL [RFP] [SERVICES]

# FOR THE PROVISION OF CYBER SECURITY ASSESSMENT AND REMEDIATION RECOMMENDATIONS OF OPERATIONAL TECHNOLOGY AND UNDERLYING INFRASTRUCTURE FOR A PERIOD OF SIX(6) MONTHS

RFP NUMBER HOAC-HO-36953

ISSUE DATE: 15 November 2021

CLOSING DATE: 23 November 2021

CLOSING TIME: 10:00 AM

BID VALIDITY PERIOD: 180 Business Days from closing date (7 June 2022)

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**SECTION 1: SBD1 FORM** 

#### PART A

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QUESTIONNAIRE TO BID	DING FOREIGN SUP	PLIERS		
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DOES THE ENTITY HAVE	A BRANCH IN THE R	SA?		☐ YES ☐ NO
DOES THE ENTITY HAVE	A PERMANENT ESTA	ABLISHMENT IN THE	ERSA?	☐ YES ☐ NO
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#### **SECTION 2: NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

#### 1 INVITATION TO BID

Responses to this RFP [hereinafter referred to as a **Bid** or a **Proposal**] are requested from persons, companies, close corporations or enterprises [hereinafter referred to as an **entity**, **Respondent** or **Bidder**].

DESCRIPTION	RFP FOR THE PROVISION OF CYBER SECURITY ASSESSMENT AND REMEDIATION RECOMMENDATIONS OF OPERATIONAL TECHNOLOGY AND UNDERLYING INFRASTRUCTURE
TENDER ADVERT	All Transnet tenders are advertised on the National Treasury's e-Tender Publication Portal and the Transnet website. Should one of these media (i.e. National Treasury's e-Tender Publication Portal or Transnet website) not be available, bidders are advised to check on the other media for advertised tenders.
RFP DOWNLOADING	This RFP may be downloaded directly from National Treasury's e-Tender Publication Portal at <a href="https://www.etenders.gov.za">www.etenders.gov.za</a> free of charge.
	To download RFP and Annexures:
	Click on "Tender Opportunities";
	Select "Advertised Tenders";
	In the "Department" box, select Transnet SOC Ltd.
	Once the tender has been located in the list, click on the 'Tender documents" tab and process to download all uploaded documents.
	The RFP may also be downloaded from the Transnet website at <a href="https://www.transnet.net">www.transnet.net</a> free of charge. To access the Transnet eTender portal, please click <a href="https://www.transnet.net">here.</a> .
	To download RFP and Annexures,
	Scroll towards the bottom right hand side of the page,
	On the blue window click on 'Transnet SOC Ltd' or Select Operating Division.
COMMUNICATION	Any addenda to the RFP or clarifications will be published on the e-tender portal and Transnet website. Bidders are required to check the e-tender portal or Transnet website prior to finalising their bid submissions for any changes or clarifications to the RFP.
	Transnet will not be held liable if Bidders do not receive the latest information regarding this RFP with the possible consequence of either being disadvantaged or disqualified as a result thereof.
ISSUE AND COLLECTION DATE DEADLINE	Bidders are to note that the RFP documents will be available for download from 15 November 2021 between 09:00 am and 04:00 pm from 15 November 2021 until 22 November 2021
BRIEFING SESSION	Non-compulsory briefing session will take place on the 17 November 2021 via Microsoft teams. Refer to Section 2, paragraph 2
CLOSING DATE	10:00 pm on Thursday 23 November 2021
	Bidders must ensure that bids are delivered timeously to the correct address.
	As a general rule, if a bid is late or delivered to the incorrect address, it will not be accepted for consideration.
BID OPENING	A public opening <b>will not</b> be held for this bid, however Respondents will be provided with a copy of the opening register indicating the names of the Respondents, upon request.

VALIDITY PERIOD	7 June 2022
	Bidders are to note that they may be requested to extend the validity period of their bid, at the same terms and conditions, if the internal evaluation process has not been finalised within the validity period. However, once the adjudication body has approved the process and award of the business to the successful bidder(s), the validity of the successful bidder(s)' bid will be deemed to remain valid until a final contract has been concluded.
	With regard to the validity period of next highest ranked bidders, please refer to Section 2, paragraph 11.12

Any additional information or clarification will be published on the e-Tender portal and Transnet website, if necessary.

#### 2 FORMAL BRIEFING

A non-compulsory RFP briefing will be conducted at via Microsoft Teams on the **17 November 2021**, at 12pm for a period of  $\pm$  1 hours. The briefing session will start punctually, and information will not be repeated for the benefit of Respondents connecting late. Respondents are required to confirm their participation by sending an email with their contact details to the following email address: Lerato. Morailane@transnet.net on or before Tuesday 16 November 2021 to be connected.

- 2.1 A Certificate of Attendance in the form set out in Section 10 hereto must be completed and submitted with your Proposal as proof of attendance is required for a **compulsory** site meeting and/or RFP briefing.
- 2.2 Despite the briefing session being non-compulsory, Transnet nevertheless encourages all Respondents to attend. Transnet will not be held responsible if any Respondent who did not attend the **non-compulsory** session subsequently feels disadvantaged as a result thereof.
- 2.3 Respondents are encouraged to have a copy of the RFP to virtual RFP briefing.

#### 3 PROPOSAL SUBMISSION

Proposals must be addressed on the cover as follows:

The Secretariate, Transnet Freight Rail Acquisition Council

RFP No: HOAC-HO-36953

Description: PROVISION OF CYBER SECURITY ASSESSMENT AND REMEDIATION

RECOMMENDATIONS OF OPERATIONAL TECHNOLOGY AND

UNDERLYING INFRASTRUCTURE

Closing date and time: 23 November 2021 at 10:00am
Closing address: TRANSNET FRIEGHT RAIL

INYANDA HOUSE 1 21 WELLINGTON ROAD

PARKTOWN 2001

#### 4 RFP INSTRUCTIONS

4.1 The measurements of the "tender slot" are 400mm wide x 100mm high. Bid responses which are larger than the dimensions mentioned must be split into two or more files and clearly marked. **Transnet will not be held responsible if bid documents do not comply with the mentioned dimensions and Respondent's experience difficulty in submitting their bids as a result.** 

- 4.2 It should also be noted that the above tender box is located at the main entrance of Inyanda House 1, 21 Wellington Road, Parktown, Johannesburg and is accessible to the public 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
- 4.3 Proposals must be submitted in duplicate hard copies [1 original and 1 copy] and must be bound.
- 4.4 Sign one set of original documents [sign, stamp and date the bottom of each page]. This set will serve as the legal and binding copy. A duplicate set of documents is also required. This second set must be a copy of the original signed Proposal.
- 4.5 Both sets of documents are to be submitted to the address specified, and Respondents must ensure that the original and copies (where applicable) are identical in all respects.
- 4.6 All returnable documents tabled in the Proposal Form [Section 5] must be returned with proposals.
- 4.7 Unless otherwise expressly stated, all Proposals furnished pursuant to this RFP shall be deemed to be offers. Any exceptions to this statement must be clearly and specifically indicated.
- 4.8 Any additional conditions must be embodied in an accompanying letter. Subject only to clause 15 [Alterations made by the Respondent to Bid Prices] of the General Bid Conditions, paragraph 13 below (Legal Review) and Section 6 of the RFP, alterations, additions or deletions must not be made by the Respondent to the actual RFP documents.

#### 5 JOINT VENTURES OR CONSORTIUMS

Respondents who would wish to respond to this RFP as a Joint Venture [JV] or consortium with B-BBEE entities, must state their intention to do so in their RFP submission. Such Respondents must also submit a signed JV or consortium agreement between the parties clearly stating the percentage [%] split of business and the associated responsibilities of each party. If at the time of the bid submission such a JV or consortium agreement has not been concluded, the partners must submit confirmation in writing of their intention to enter into a JV or consortium agreement should they be awarded business by Transnet through this RFP process. This written confirmation must clearly indicate the percentage [%] split of business and the responsibilities of each party. In such cases, award of business will only take place once a signed copy of a JV or consortium agreement is submitted to Transnet.

Respondents are to note that for the purpose of Evaluation, a JV will be evaluated based on one consolidated B-BBEE score card as per the B-BBEE Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2017 preference point scoring.

#### **6** COMMUNICATION

6.1 For specific queries relating to this RFP, an RFP Clarification Request Form should be submitted to **Chantyle Eckhardt** before **12:00 pm on 18 November 2021**, substantially in the form set out in

- Section 8 hereto. In the interest of fairness and transparency, Transnet's response to such a query will be published on the e-tender portal and Transnet website.
- 6.2 After the closing date of the RFP, a Respondent may only communicate with the Prudence Nkabinde (Secretariate), at telephone number011 584 0821 email <a href="mailto:Prudence.Nkabinde@transnet.net">Prudence.Nkabinde@transnet.net</a> on any matter relating to its RFP Proposal.
- 6.3 Respondents are to note that changes to its submission will not be considered after the closing date.
- 6.4 It is prohibited for Respondents to attempt, either directly or indirectly, to canvass any officer or employee of Transnet in respect of this RFP between the closing date and the date of the award of the business.
- 6.5 Respondents found to be in collusion with one another will be automatically disqualified and restricted from doing business with organs of state for a specified period.

#### **7 CONFIDENTIALITY**

All information related to this RFP is to be treated with strict confidence. In this regard Respondents are required to certify that they have acquainted themselves with the Non-Disclosure Agreement. All information related to a subsequent contract, both during and after completion thereof, will be treated with strict confidence. Should the need however arise to divulge any information related to this RFP or the subsequent contract, written approval must be obtained from Transnet.

#### 8 COMPLIANCE

The successful Respondent [hereinafter referred to as the **Service provider** shall be in full and complete compliance with any and all applicable laws and regulations.

#### 9 EMPLOYMENT EQUITY ACT

Respondents must comply with the requirements of the Employment Equity Act 55 of 1998 applicable to it including (but not limited to) Section 53 of the Employment Equity Act.

#### 10 DISCLAIMERS

Respondents are hereby advised that Transnet is not committed to any course of action as a result of its issuance of this RFP and/or its receipt of Proposals. In particular, please note that Transnet reserves the right to:

- 10.1 modify the RFP's Services and request Respondents to re-bid on any such changes;
- 10.2 reject any Proposal which does not conform to instructions and specifications which are detailed herein;
- 10.3 disqualify Proposals submitted after the stated submission deadline [closing date];
- 10.4 award a contract in connection with this Proposal at any time after the RFP's closing date;
- 10.5 award a contract for only a portion of the proposed Services which are reflected in the scope of this RFP;
- 10.6 cancel the bid process;
- 10.7 validate any information submitted by Respondents in response to this bid. This would include, but is not limited to, requesting the Respondents to provide supporting evidence. By submitting a bid, Respondents hereby irrevocably grant the necessary consent to Transnet to do so;
- 10.8 request audited financial statements or other documentation for the purposes of a due diligence exercise;

- 10.9 not accept any changes or purported changes by the Respondent to the bid rates after the closing date and/or after the award of the business, unless the contract specifically provided for it;
- 10.10 to cancel the contract and/request that National Treasury place the Respondent on its Database of Restricted Suppliers for a period not exceeding 10 years, on the basis that a contract was awarded on the strength of incorrect information furnished by the Respondent or on any other basis recognised in law;
- 10.11 to award the business to the next ranked bidder, provided that he/she is still prepared to provide the required Services at the quoted price, should the preferred bidder fail to sign or commence with the contract within a reasonable period after being requested to do so. Under such circumstances, the validity of the bids of the next ranked bidder(s) will be deemed to remain valid, irrespective of whether the next ranked bidder(s) were issued with a Letter of Regret. Bidders may therefore be requested to advise whether they would still be prepared to provide the required Services at their quoted price, even after they have been issued with a Letter of Regret.

Note that Transnet will not reimburse any Respondent for any preparatory costs or other work performed in connection with its Proposal, whether or not the Respondent is awarded a contract.

#### 11 LEGAL REVIEW

A Proposal submitted by a Respondent will be subjected to review and acceptance or rejection of its proposed contractual terms and conditions by Transnet's Legal Counsel, prior to consideration for an award of business. A material deviation from the Standard terms or conditions could result in disqualification.

#### 12 SECURITY CLEARANCE

Acceptance of this bid could be subject to the condition that the Successful Respondent, its personnel providing the Services and its subcontractor(s) must obtain security clearance from the appropriate authorities to the level of **CONFIDENTIAL/ SECRET/TOP SECRET**. Obtaining the required clearance is the responsibility of the Successful Respondent. Acceptance of the bid is also subject to the condition that the Successful Respondent will implement all such security measures as the safe performance of the contract may require.

#### 13 NATIONAL TREASURY'S CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE

Respondents are required to self-register on National Treasury's Central Supplier Database (CSD) which has been established to centrally administer supplier information for all organs of state and facilitate the verification of certain key supplier information. Respondents must register on the CSD prior to submitting their bids. Business may not be awarded to a Respondent who has failed to register on the CSD. Only foreign suppliers with no local registered entity need not register on the CSD.

For this purpose, the attached SBD 1 form must be completed and submitted as a mandatory returnable document by the closing date and time of the bid.

#### 14 TAX COMPLIANCE

Respondents must be compliant when submitting a proposal to Transnet and remain compliant for the entire contract term with all applicable tax legislation, including but not limited to the Income Tax Act, 1962 (Act No. 58 of 1962) and Value Added Tax Act, 1991 (Act No. 89 of 1991).

It is a condition of this bid that the tax matters of the successful Respondents be in order, or that satisfactory arrangements have been made with South African Revenue Service (SARS) to meet the Respondents tax obligations.

The Tax Compliance status requirements are also applicable to foreign Respondents/ individuals who wish to submit bids.

Where Consortia / Joint Ventures / Sub-contractors are involved, each party must be registered on the Central Supplier Database and their tax compliance status will be verified through the Central Supplier Database.



#### **SECTION 3: BACKGROUND, OVERVIEW AND SCOPE OF REQUIREMENTS**

#### 1 BACKGROUND

Transnet's Cyber Security assessment and controls extends to only Enterprise Systems. Transnet Freight Rail has an aspiration to integrate the Enterprise Systems with the Operational Technology (OT) ecosystems. There exists a need to ensure that the OT ecosystems are fully protected against Cyber threats propagating from the Enterprise environment and beyond.

#### 2 EXECUTIVE OVERVIEW

Transnet Freight Rail is currently reviewing Cyber Security posture of the Operational Technology (OT) installed on rolling stock and infrastructure. The aim of this process is to provide a comprehensive review of the OT ecosystems resilience to Cyber Security Threats and well as to obtain a compressive and technology agnostic report with detailed remedial actions recommendations.

TFR has for several years introduced several OT across its network. This OT ecosystem is deployed to improve: Reliability, Availability, Maintainability, Operability, Safety, and overall efficiency within TFR operations. The OT ecosystem deployed within TFR are installed on board rolling stock and on the wayside infrastructure.

OT ecosystems are traditionally designed to operate as closed systems and are thus isolated from threats propagating from the IT ecosystem. However, the convergence of the OT and IT ecosystem, which has been necessitated by the constant need to aggregate collected data and to derive insights from this data, has exposed OT ecosystem to threats and attacks usually emanating from, but not limited to, the IT ecosystem.

#### 3 SCOPE OF REQUIREMENTS

- 3.1 A Specialist Service Provider who will be required to conduct the following services:
  - a) Cyber security compromise and impact assessment of the recent cyber-attack incident within the Operational Technology (OT) ecosystem and the underlying infrastructure;
  - b) Threat Hunting to establish the cyber security posture, level of vulnerability, active threats and exposure to cyber threats within OT ecosystem and the underlying infrastructure;
  - An assessment of the risk exposure introduced by convergence of Information Technology (IT) and OT ecosystem;
  - d) Penetration tests to assess the effectiveness of existing security controls, and
  - e) To make recommendations and implementation of the corrective measures and security controls; then
  - f) To develop a cyber security capability roadmap (technology/OEM agnostic) required to improve the security posture to ensure safe, secure, reliable, and resilient OT ecosystem in line with TFR's zero trust principle.
- 1.2 TFR's enterprise, Tele-communication and mission critical network infrastructure cyber security assessment to be conducted, including but not limited to static malware signatures, Indicators of compromise, behavioural analysis, and threat intelligence as part of compromise assessment activity.

#### 4 MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS

This section outlines the mandatory requirements that the Bidder(s) is expected to deliver on:

- 4.1 Cyber security compromise and impact assessment of the recent cyber-attack incident within the Operational Technology (OT) ecosystem and underlying infrastructure
  - a) Assessment of current processes:
    - The purpose of this requirement is to determine the adequacy of the Transnet's current processes in the identification of OT ecosystem security threats and vulnerabilities, response to cyber security incidents and management involvement in the identification and incident response processes.
    - ii. During this phase, the service provider will be required to remediate all active vulnerabilities and threats identified in the environment.
    - iii. Activities to be carried out will be guided by the recommendations made by the service provider in the compromise and impact assessment.
- 4.2 Threat hunting to establish the cyber security posture, level of vulnerability, active threats and exposure to cyber threats within OT ecosystem;
  - a) The purpose is to test the following components of the OT ecosystem and underlying infrastructure from the internal network:
    - i. Operating systems
    - ii. Databases
  - b) Findings report to describe all the issues in ecosystems with remedial actions to resolve the issues. The report should contain the elements including but not limited to the following:
    - i. Information security patches
    - ii. Database and Operating systems
    - iii. Network settings
    - iv. Systems Security
    - v. Security policies review
    - vi. Remote access
    - vii. Current Cyber Security threats that could exploit the OT ecosystem
    - viii. Hostname
    - ix. IP Address
    - x. MAC Address
    - xi. Corridor, Depot, Yard, Corporate office Location
    - xii. List of checks done
    - xiii. List of security issues identified
    - xiv. Description of security issues
    - xv. Risk rating or severity
    - xvi. Category of Risk: Critical / High / Medium / Low
    - xvii. Methodology/Test cases used in assessment
    - xviii. Illustration of the test cases
    - xix. Applicable screenshots
    - xx. Analysis of vulnerabilities and issues of concern
    - xxi. Likely impact on business

- xxii. Recommendations for corrective action
- 4.3 An assessment of the risk exposure introduced by convergence of Information Technology (IT) and OT ecosystem.
- 4.4 Penetration tests to assess the effectiveness of existing security controls is for the service provider to try and connect to the OT ecosystem internal network and exploit systems in a controlled manner. Findings and testing during this phase must include but must not be limited to the following:
  - i. Current Cyber Security threats that could exploit the Transnet OT ecosystem.
  - ii. Emerging Cyber Security threats that could exploit the Transnet OT ecosystem.
  - iii. Exploitation of found vulnerabilities that are exploitable.
  - iv. Suggestions for mitigation.
  - v. Report and recommendations as well implementation of the security controls to prevent reoccurrence of a similar cyber-attack.
- 4.5 To make recommendations and implementation of the corrective measures and security controls; then
  - c) Deliverables
    - i. Threat and Vulnerability Assessment report
    - ii. Threat and Vulnerability severity ratings and detailed remediation recommendations
    - iii. Implementation of remedial actions on active threats and vulnerabilities
- 4.6 To develop a cyber security capability roadmap (technology/OEM agnostic) required to improve the security posture to ensure safe, secure, reliable, and resilient OT ecosystem in line with TFR's zero trust principle.

#### **5 FUNCTIONAL REQUIREMENTS**

- The service provider should provide the high-level plan/methodology that is going to be used to perform the scope of work and clearly demonstrate on how the deliveries will be achieved. The phases involved in typical security assessment project are:
  - Planning and Preparation
  - Assessment
  - Reporting
  - Recommendation and Remediation
  - Capability roadmap

#### **6 PERFORMANCE REQUIRMENTS**

- 6.1 Detailed documentation of tools used, and methodology employed to conduct the assessments must be provided, taking into consideration that:
  - Bidder(s) are required to provide Hardware/Software Infrastructure along with applicable licenses under this project and the same will be deployed in the environment, provision to be made for both on premise and/or cloud for compromise assessment.
  - Further, the hardware and software infrastructure installed in the environment for purposes
    of executing on this project by the successful bidder(s) should be removed by the Bidder
    from TFR's environment upon completion of the assessment and all the deliverables /
    artefacts submitted as per TFR's requirement.
  - The technology/tools/equipment utilised to conduct the compromise assessment deployable
    on premise and/or cloud where applicable by the bidder at centralized location and the rollout as per project scope should cover all of TFR's ecosystem. The bidder must ensure at all

- times that there is no adverse impact on business or infrastructure of Transnet Freight Rail, due to the compromise assessment and its related activities.
- Bidder(s) should factor the requirements and implementation taking into account different geographical locations (such as Corridors, Depots, Yards and Corporate Offices) of TFR.
- Bidder(s) must ensure compliance to the technical specifications and activities / specifications as part of the project's scope.
- 6.2 Cyber Security Health Certifications
  - Bidder to provide a cyber security health certification clearly stating OT -IIoT Technologies, Tools, Systems, Machines, devices which are clean and systems which are not clean and to be remediated.
- 6.3 Post Remediation Check
  - Once the report is shared with TFR during remedial action, the compromise assessment will be done again.
  - Post Remediation Check Reports to be submitted to TFR.

#### 7 OTHER REQUIREMENTS

- 7.1 Successful the Bidder(s) will be required to consent to being vetted or produce security clearance certificate.
- 7.2 The Bidder(s) will be required to sign a Non-Disclosure agreement with Transnet Freight Rail.
- 7.3 The Bidder(s) will be required to sign the Security Assessment Agreement.
- 7.4 The Bidder(s) must ensure that they do not scan outside IP Address and are limited to the IP addresses and domains specifically assigned for the security assessment.
- 7.5 The Bidder(s) will, with the assistance of the Transnet OT ecosystem teams, clearly define the boundaries of the assessment to avoid any conflict and/or confidentiality issues.
- 7.6 It is a mandatory requirement that the Bidder(s) are required to have professional Indemnity Insurance.

  The Contracting entity must provide any one of the following documents:
  - Copy of a current "Professional Indemnity Insurance" policy; with a minimum cover of R5 million per incident;
  - Bidding Company shall be required to sign Non-Disclosure for confidential on the OT-IT Ecosystem of TFR
  - Bidding Company need to be POPIA compliant, demonstrable through POPIA Policy or Internationally recognised Information Privacy Regulation Compliant.
  - A quotation and/or letter of intent from an insurance broker will not be accepted as a valid submission of professional indemnity.
- 7.7 The Bidder(s) is required to provide company experience in conducting similar projects OT Industrial IOT:
  - 7.7.1.1. Service provider must have an OEM Advanced Specialization as follows:
    - Threat Protection or Hunting
    - Identity and Access Management
    - Information Protection and Governance
    - Clearly define the limits of liability for the assessment team, in case of an incident caused by negligence or malpractice. E.g. most assessment teams limit the liability up to the cost of the security service being performed.

- 7.7.1.2. Service provider must have a related experience within OT-IIOT or similar project in order to be considered.
- 7.7.1.3. Service provider is required to provide proof that they have successfully facilitated or performed OT-IIOT or similar project and that the project has been successfully executed.
  - Minimum 3 verifiable reference letters, proving that such projects were executed, or that the company has been providing similar services.
- 7.8 The Bidder(s) are required to provide team members certification of competence cyber security
  - 7.8.1.1. Technical Lead certification requirements:
    - EC Council Certified Ethical Hacker
    - CompTIA Certified Advanced Security Practitioner
       Cloud (Solution) Architecture Certificate (from any OEM)
  - 7.8.1.2. The Technical Project Owner should have at least two of the following certificates:
    - · Certified Information Security Manager; and/or
    - Certified Information Systems Auditor; and/or
    - Certified Data Protection Solutions Engineer; and/or
    - An industry Risk Management certificate; and/or
    - Certified Information System Security Professional (CISSP)
  - 7.8.1.3. The service provider is required to attach CVs and certificates for the team members on the technical proposal.
- 7.9 The Supplier shall be given access to Transnet OT estate to allow them to conduct a full Cyber Security assessment, it is there mandatory that:
  - 7.8.1.4. The Supplier shall take all reasonable steps to protect the confidentiality, availability and integrity of Transnet OT estate, including but not limited to implementing appropriate security policies and practices, consistent with the most current version of ISO/IEC 17799.
  - 7.8.1.5. Upon written request, the Supplier shall provide to Transnet a copy of their information security policy, standards, operating procedures and related documentation.
  - 7.8.1.6. The Supplier notify Transnet within 1 working day, if an employee, contractor or agent of the Supplier, who has access to Transnet OT estate, user information and related information assets:
    - Leaves the employment or hire of the Supplier. If the termination happens under unfriendly circumstances, the Supplier shall notify Transnet within 1 hour.
    - No longer requires access to Transnet OT estate and related information assets.
  - 7.8.1.7. The Supplier shall change all relevant passwords within 1 working day, if an employee, contractor or agent of the Supplier, who has access to Transnet OT estate and related information assets:
    - Leaves the employment or hire of the Supplier. If the termination happens under unfriendly circumstances, the Supplier shall change passwords within 1 hour.
    - No longer requires access to Transnet OT estate and related information assets.
- 7.10 A breach of security includes, but is not limited to, a loss or theft of information assets, in this regard, it is required that:

- 7.10.1.1. The Supplier shall notify Transnet immediately upon a confirmed, or suspected, breach of security of Transnet OT estate and related information assets. The notification shall be sent to the Project Manager.
- 7.10.1.2. The Supplier shall provide all required assistance to Transnet in investigating a breach of security. This should be guided by the Information Security Incident Response Plan agreed with Transnet.
- 7.10.1.3. The Supplier shall ensure that all the Supplier's information assets with access to of Transnet OT estate and related information assets:
  - are free of viruses and other malicious software;
  - have an anti-virus tool installed, enabled and configured to use the latest signature files provided by the anti-virus vendor.
- 7.10.1.4. The Supplier shall ensure that all employees, contractors or agents who require access to Transnet OT estate and related information assets sign a Non-Disclosure Agreement prior to being given access.
- 7.10.1.5. The Supplier shall ensure that all employees with access to Transnet OT estate and related information assets are provided training on the relevant security policies and procedures prior to being given access and are provided refresher training every year subsequently.
- 7.10.1.6. Upon written request, the Supplier shall allow Transnet to audit the Supplier's facilities, networks, computer systems and procedures for compliance with the Supplier's and other agreed Information Security policies and standards. Transnet may utilise a third party to conduct the audit. Audits may include, but not be limited to, the use of automated tools and penetration tests. Transnet shall request audits as and when necessary, but no more than four times in any 12-month period. A minimum of 48 hours' notice shall be given prior to an audit.
- 7.10.1.7. If the above clauses are breached:
  - Transnet reserves the right to terminate this contract, etc.
  - The Supplier shall be liable to pay penalties to Transnet.

\*Refer to Annexure A, B, D, E the Technical Compliance Sheet that will be used to evaluate Section 3 Paragraph 4, 5,6 and 7.

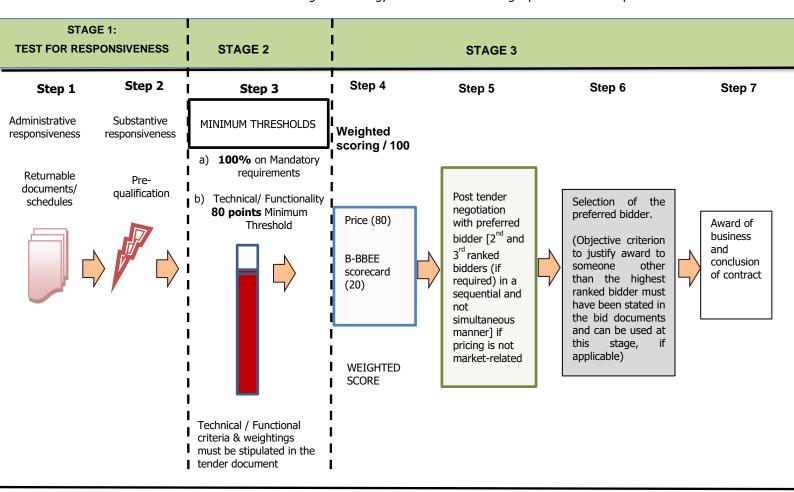
	Annexures
<b>Technical -</b> Compliance to Mandatory	Annexure A
Requirements	Mandatory Requirement
<b>Technical</b> - Compliance to Technical Functionality	Annexure B- Technical Requirement,
	Annexure C- Performance Requirement,
	Annexure D- Other Requirement

#### 8 GENERAL SERVICE PROVIDER OBLIGATIONS

- 8.1 The Service provider(s) shall be fully responsible to Transnet for the acts and omissions of persons directly or indirectly employed by them.
- 8.2 The Service provider(s) must comply with the requirements stated in this RFP.

#### 9 EVALUATION METHODOLOGY

Transnet will utilise the following methodology and criteria in selecting a preferred Service provider:



NB: Evaluation of the various stages will normally take place in a sequential manner. However, in order to expedite the process, Transnet reserves the right to conduct the different stages of the evaluation process in parallel. In such instances the evaluation of bidders at any given stage must not be interpreted to mean that bidders have necessarily passed any previous stage(s).

#### 9.3 STEP ONE: Test for Administrative Responsiveness

The test for administrative responsiveness will include the following:

	Administrative responsiveness check	RFP Reference
•	Whether the Bid has been lodged on time	Section 1 paragraph 3
•	Whether all Returnable Documents and/or schedules [where applicable] were completed and returned by the closing date and time	Section 5
•	Verify the validity of all returnable documents	Section 5
•	Verify if the Bid document has been duly signed by the authorised respondent	All sections

The test for administrative responsiveness [Step One] must be passed for a Respondent's Proposal to progress to Step Two for further pre-qualification

#### 9.4 STEP TWO: Test for Substantive Responsiveness to RFP

The test for substantive responsiveness to this RFP will include the following:

	Check for substantive responsiveness	RFP Reference
•	Whether any general pre-qualification criteria set by Transnet, have been met	All sections including: Section 2 paragraphs 2.2, 6, 10.2, General Bid Conditions clause 20
•	Whether the Bid contains a priced offer as prescribed in the pricing and delivery schedule	Section 4
•	Whether the Bid materially complies with the scope and/or specification given	All Sections
•	Entity's financial stability      Gearing Ratio     Capacity/ Liquidity     Profitability     ROE     ROA     Interest Cover     Cash Flow	Section 4 paragraph 9

The test for substantive responsiveness [Step Two] must be passed for a Respondent's proposal to progress to Step Three for further evaluation

### 9.5 STEP THREE: Full Compliance to Mandatory Requirements 100 points and Minimum Threshold of 80 points for Technical Criteria

The test for the Technical and Functional threshold will include the following:

Table 1: Test for Compliance to Mandatory Requirements 100\* failure to meet requirement is a disqualification.

Technical Evaluation Criteria	Points Weightings	RFP Reference
Compliance to Mandatory Requirements	100	Annexure A
Total Weighting:	100	
Minimum qualifying score required:	100	

#### **Scoring Guidelines**

Mandatory Clause	SCORE
Evidence/ Response	1
No evidence/ No response	0

Table 2: Test for Degree of Compliance to Technical Functionality 80 points failure to meet the minimum threshold of 80 points will result in disqualification

Technical Functionality Evaluation Criteria	Points Weightings	RFP Reference
Compliance to Technical requirements	60	Annexure B

Technical Functionality Evaluation Criteria	Points Weightings	RFP Reference
Compliance to Performance requirement	20	Annexure C
Compliance to Other requirements	20	Annexure D
Total Weighting:	100	
Minimum qualifying score required:	80	

**Scoring Guidelines** 

Compliance to Technical requirements	SCORE
Full compliance with sufficient evidence and proof for all clauses:  • Completed compliance sheet,  • Evidence with referral(s),  • Detailed supporting documentation of solution proposal and/or previous experience in OT systems such as, SCADA, PLC, Embedded OS, Real time OS, UDP/TCP IP etc	5
Full compliance without all detailed supporting documentation of solution proposal and/or previous experience for all clauses	4
Partial compliance with detailed supporting documentation of solution proposal and/or previous experience	3
Deviation from specification Proposed solution does not comply with delivery of all objectives and sub-clauses listed in the Technical Requirements compliance sheet	2
Non-compliant or no proof of compliance provided	1

Compliance to performance requirements	SCORE
Full compliance with sufficient evidence and proof:  - Completed compliance sheet,  - Evidence with referral,  - Detailed supporting documentation of solution proposal and/or previous experience in OT systems such as, SCADA, PLC, Embedded OS, Real time OS, UDP/TCP IP etc	5
Full compliance without all detailed supporting documentation of solution proposal and/or previous experience for all clauses	4
Partial compliance with detailed supporting documentation of solution proposal and/or previous experience	3
Deviation from specification Proposed solution does not comply with delivery of all objectives and sub-clauses listed in the Technical Requirements compliance sheet	2
Non-compliant or no proof of compliance provided	1
Compliance to other requirements	SCORE
Full compliance with sufficient evidence and proof:  - Completed compliance sheet,  - Evidence with referral,  - Detailed supporting documentation of solution proposal and/or previous experience in OT systems such as, SCADA, PLC, Embedded OS, Real time OS, UDP/TCP IP etc	5
Full compliance without all detailed supporting documentation of solution proposal and/or previous experience for all clauses	4
Partial compliance with detailed supporting documentation of solution proposal and/or previous experience	3
Deviation from specification Proposed solution does not comply with delivery of all objectives and sub-clauses listed in the Technical Requirements compliance sheet	2

Technical Functionality Evaluation Criteria	Points Weightings	RFP Reference
Non-compliant or no proof of compliance provided		

Respondents must complete and submit <u>Annexure A,B,C AND D</u> which include a Technical Compliance Sheet. A Respondent's compliance with the minimum functionality/technical threshold will be measured by their responses to Annexure A, inclusive of comprehensive responses to all Mandatory requirements.

Respondents are to note that Transnet will round off final technical scores to the nearest 2 (two) decimal places for the purposes of determining whether the technical threshold has been met.

The minimum threshold for technical/functionality [Step Three] must be met or exceeded for a Respondent's Proposal to progress to Step Four for final evaluation

#### 9.6 STEP FOUR: Evaluation and Final Weighted Scoring

a) **Price Criteria** [Weighted score 80 points]:

Evaluation Criteria	RFP Reference
Commercial offer	Section 4

Transnet will utilise the following formula in its evaluation of Price:

$$PS = 80 \left( 1 - \frac{Pt - Pmin}{Pmin} \right)$$

Where:

Ps = Score for the Bid under consideration Pt = Price of Bid under consideration Pmin = Price of lowest acceptable Bid

#### b) **Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment criteria** [Weighted score 20 points]

- B-BBEE current scorecard / B-BBEE Preference Points Claims Form
- Preference points will be awarded to a bidder for attaining the B-BBEE status level of contribution in accordance with the table indicated in Section 4.1 of the B-BBEE Preference Points Claim Form.

#### 9.7 SUMMARY: Applicable Thresholds and Final Evaluated Weightings

Thresholds	Minimum Threshold
<b>Technical -</b> Compliance to Mandatory Requirements	100
<b>Technical</b> - Compliance to Technical Functionality	80

Evaluation Criteria	Final Weighted Scores
Price	80
B-BBEE - Scorecard	20
TOTAL SCORE:	100

#### 9.8 **STEP FIVE: Post Tender Negotiations (if applicable)**

- Respondents are to note that Transnet may not award a contract if the price offered is not market-related. In this regard, Transnet reserves the right to engage in PTN with the view to achieving a market-related price or to cancel the tender. Negotiations will be done in a sequential manner i.e.:
  - first negotiate with the highest ranked bidder or cancel the bid, should such negotiations fail,
  - o negotiate with the 2nd and 3rd ranked bidders (if required) in a sequential manner.
- In the event of any Respondent being notified of such short-listed/preferred bidder status, his/her bid, as well as any subsequent negotiated best and final offers (BAFO), will automatically be deemed to remain valid during the negotiation period and until the ultimate award of business.
- Should Transnet conduct post tender negotiations, Respondents will be requested to provide their best and final offers to Transnet based on such negotiations. Where a market related price has been achieved through negotiation, the contract will be awarded to the successful Respondent(s).

#### 9.9 STEP SIX: Objective Criteria (not applicable)

Transnet reserves the right to award the business to the highest scoring bidder/s unless objective criteria justify the award to another bidder. The objective criteria Transnet may apply in this bid process include:

- Geographical location;
- all Risks identified during a risk assessment exercise/probity check (which may be conducted by an authorised third party) that would be done to assess all risks, including but not limited to:
  - the financial stability of the bidder based on key ratio analysis, which would include, but not be limited to Efficiency, Profitability, Financial Risk, Liquidity, Acid Test, and Solvency;
  - a due diligence to assess functional capability and capacity. This could include a site visit;

- A commercial relationship with a Domestic Prominent Influential Person (DPIP) or Foreign Prominent Public Official (FPPO) or an entity of which such person or official is the beneficial owner; and
- Reputational and Brand risks

#### 9.10 STEP SEVEN: Award of business and conclusion of contract

- Immediately after approval to award the contract has been received, the successful or preferred bidder(s) will be informed of the acceptance of his/their Bid by way of a Letter of Award. Thereafter the final contract will be concluded with the successful Respondent(s).
- A final contract will be concluded and entered into with the successful Bidder at the acceptance of a letter of award by the Respondent.

#### **SECTION 4: PRICING AND DELIVERY SCHEDULE**

Respondents are required to complete the table below:

Pricing to be provided per service or per unit as per unit count estimates provided below.

No	No of Resources	No. of Touchpoints/ Deliverables /Devices/ Unit Cost	Unit Cost	Total (excl. VAT) [ZAR]
1	Impact Assessment			
	Per device or Deliverable	20 000 devices		
2	Threat Hunting	32 unique		
	Per unique system or Deliverable	systems		
3	Convergence Risk Exposure Assessment	7 converging		
	Per network or Deliverable	networks		
4	Penetration Assessment	32 unique		
	Per unique system or Deliverable	systems		
5	Recommendations	Complete		
	Per Deliverable	report		
6	Implementation of Controls  Per device or Deliverable	20 000 devices		
7	Develop a cyber security capability roadmap	Complete		
	Per Deliverable	report		
		TOTAL PRICE	E, exclusive of VAT:	
		VAT :	15% (if applicable)	
			Disbursement	
		Uncond	litional Discount(s)	
	Total :	Inclusive of VAT	(where applicable)	

Respondents are to note that Transnet will round off final pricing scores to the nearest 2 (two) decimal places.

#### **Notes to Pricing:**

- a) Respondents are to note that if the price offered by the highest scoring bidder is not market-related, Transnet may not award the contract to that Respondent. Transnet may-
  - (i) negotiate a market-related price with the Respondent scoring the highest points or cancel the RFP;

Respondent's Signature Date & Company	Stamr

- (ii) if that Respondent does not agree to a market-related price, negotiate a market-related price with the Respondent scoring the second highest points or cancel the RFP;
- (iii) if the Respondent scoring the second highest points does not agree to a market-related price, negotiate a market-related price with the Respondent scoring the third highest points or cancel the RFP.

If a market-related price is not agreed with the Respondent scoring the third highest points, Transnet must cancel the RFP.

- b) Prices must be quoted in South African Rand inclusive of VAT.
- c) Any disbursement not specifically priced for will not be considered/accepted by Transnet.
- d) To facilitate like-for-like comparison bidders must submit pricing strictly in accordance with this pricing schedule and not utilise a different format. Deviation from this pricing schedule could result in a bid being declared non-responsive.
- e) Where applicable Rates proposed must be aligned with the Guide on Hourly Fee Rates for Consultants" by the Department of Public Service and Administration (DPSA);
- f) Quantities given are estimates only. Any orders resulting from this RFP will be on an "as and when required" basis.
- h) Please note that should you have offered a discounted price(s), Transnet will only consider such price discount(s) in the final evaluation stage if offered on an unconditional basis.
- i) Where a Respondent's price(s) includes imported content, the rate of exchange to be used must be the currency's rate published by the South African Reserve Bank on the date of the advertisement of the bid:
  Currency rate of exchange utilised: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_
- j) Manufacturing and delivery lead time calculated from date of receipt of purchase order: \_\_\_\_\_ weeks.
- k) Respondents, if awarded the contract, are required to indicate that their prices quoted would be kept firm and fixed for the contract duration. [Not to be confused with bid validity period Section 2, clause 1]

#### 1. DISCLOSURE OF CONTRACT INFORMATION

#### **PRICES TENDERED**

Respondents are to note that, on award of business, Transnet is required to publish the tendered prices and preferences claimed of the successful and unsuccessful Respondents *inter alia* on the National Treasury e-Tender Publication Portal, (<a href="www.etenders.gov.za">www.etenders.gov.za</a>), as required per National Treasury Instruction Note 01 of 2015/2016.

#### JOHANNESBURG STOCK EXCHANGE DEBT LISTING REQUIREMENTS

Transnet may also be required to disclose information relating to the subsequent contract i.e. the name of the company, Services provided by the company, the value and duration of the contract, etc. in compliance with the Johannesburg Stock Exchange (JSE) Debt Listing Requirements.

## DOMESTIC PROMINENT INFLUENTIAL PERSONS (DPIP) OR FOREIGN PROMINENT PUBLIC OFFICIALS (FPPO)

Transnet is free to procure the services of any person within or outside the Republic of South Africa in accordance with applicable legislation. Transnet shall not conduct or conclude business transactions, with any Respondents without having:

- Considered relevant governance protocols;
- Determined the DPIP or FPPO status of that counterparty; and
- Conducted a risk assessment and due diligence to assess the potential risks that may be posed by the business relationship.

As per the Transnet Domestic Prominent Influential Persons (DPIP) and Foreign Prominent Public Officials (FPPO) and Related Individuals Policy available on Transnet website <a href="https://www.transnet.net/search/pages/results.aspx?k=FPIDP#k=DPIP">https://www.transnet.net/search/pages/results.aspx?k=FPIDP#k=DPIP</a>, Respondents are required to disclose any commercial relationship with a DPIP or FPPO (as defined in the Policy) by completing the following section:

The below form contains personal information as defined in the Protection of Personal Information Act, 2013 (the "Act"). By completing the form, the signatory consents to the processing of her/his personal information in accordance with the requirements of the Act. Consent cannot unreasonably be withheld. Is the Respondent (Complete with a "Yes" or "No") A DPIP/FPPO Closely Related Closely to a DPIP/FPPO Associated to a **DPIP/FPPO** List all known business interests, in which a DPIP/FPPO may have a direct/indirect interest or significant participation or involvement. **Shareholding** Name Role the Registration **Status** No **Entity Entity** applicable % Number (Mark the **Business Business** option with an X) (Nature of **Active Non-Active** interest/ Participation) 1 2 3

Respondents declaring a commercial relationship with a DPIP or FPPO are to note that Transnet is required to annually publish on its website a list of all business contracts entered into with DPIP or FPPO. This list will include successful Respondents, if applicable.

#### 2. NATIONAL RAILWAY SAFETY REGULATOR ACT

In compliance with the National Railway Safety Regulator Act, 16 of 2002, the successful Respondent [**the Supplier**] shall abide by prescribed TFR safety regulations and protocols. Furthermore, solutions recommended shall not compromise the inherent safety of Operational Technology devices that the supplier shall interact with.

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#### 3. SERVICE LEVELS

- 3.1 An experienced national account representative(s) is required to work with Transnet's procurement department. [No sales representatives are needed for individual department or locations]. Additionally, there shall be a minimal number of people, fully informed and accountable for this agreement.
- 3.2 Transnet will have weekly reviews with the Service provider's account representative on an on-going basis.
- 3.3 Transnet reserves the right to request that any member of the Service provider's team involved on the Transnet account be replaced if deemed not to be adding value for Transnet.
- 3.4 The Service provider guarantees that it will achieve a 95% [ninety-five per cent] service level on the following measures:
  - a) Random checks on compliance with quality/quantity/specifications
  - b) On-time delivery as per project plan

If the Service provider does not achieve this level as an average over the agreed project plan, Transnet will receive a 1.5% [one and a half per cent] rebate.

3.5 Failure of the Service provider to comply with stated service level requirements will give Transnet the right to cancel the contract in whole, without penalty to Transnet, giving 30 [thirty] calendar days' Inotice to the Service provider of its intention to do so.

Ac	Acceptance of Service Levels:				
	YES			NO	
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#### **RISK**

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Respondent's Signature

Date & Company Stamp

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NAME:			
DESIGNATION:			

#### **SECTION 5: PROPOSAL FORM AND LIST OF RETURNABLE DOCUMENTS**

I/We										
[name	of	entity,	company,	close	corporation	or	partnership]	of	[full	address]
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I/We further agree that if, after I/we have been notified of the acceptance of my/our Proposal, I/we fail to enter into a formal contract if called upon to do so, or fail to commence the provision of Services within 2 [two] weeks thereafter, Transnet may, without prejudice to any other legal remedy which it may have, recover from me/us any expense to which it may have been put in calling for Proposals afresh and/or having to accept any less favourable Proposal.

Furthermore, I/we agree to a penalty clause/s which will allow Transnet to invoke a penalty against us for non-compliance with material terms of this RFP including the delayed delivery of the Services due to non-performance by ourselves, failure to meet Technical obligations, etc.

I/we agree that non-compliance with any of the material terms of this RFP, including those mentioned above, will constitute a material breach of contract and provide Transnet with cause for cancellation.

#### **ADDRESS FOR NOTICES**

The law of the Republic of South Africa shall govern any contract created by the acceptance of this RFP. The *domicilium citandi et executandi* shall be a place in the Republic of South Africa to be specified by the Respondent hereunder, at which all legal documents may be served on the Respondent who shall agree to submit to the jurisdiction of the courts of the Republic of South Africa. Foreign Respondents shall, therefore, state hereunder the name of their authorised representative in the Republic of South Africa who has the power of attorney to sign any contract which may have to be entered into in the event of their Proposal being accepted and to act on their behalf in all matters relating to such contract.

Respondent to indicate the details of its domicilium citandi et executandi hereunder: Name of Entity: Facsimile: \_\_ Address: **NOTIFICATION OF AWARD OF RFP** As soon as possible after approval to award the contract(s), the successful Respondent [the Service provider] will be informed of the acceptance of its Proposal. Unsuccessful Respondents will be advised in writing of the name of the successful Service provider and the reason as to why their Proposals have been unsuccessful, for example, in the category of price, delivery period, quality, B-BBEE status or for any other reason. **VALIDITY PERIOD** Transnet requires a validity period of 180 Business Days [from closing date] against this RFP, excluding the first day and including the last day. NAME(S) AND ADDRESS / ADDRESSES OF DIRECTOR(S) OR MEMBER(S) The Respondent must disclose hereunder the full name(s) and address(s) of the director(s) or members of the company or close corporation [C.C.] on whose behalf the RFP is submitted. (i) Registration number of company / C.C. (ii) Registered name of company / C.C.

Full name(s) of director/member(s) Address/Addresses

(iii)

ID Number(s)


#### **RETURNABLE DOCUMENTS**

Returnable Documents means all the documents, Sections and Annexures, as listed in the tables below. There are three types of returnable documents as indicated below and Respondents are urged to ensure that these documents are returned with their bids based on the consequences of non-submission as indicated below:

Mandatory Returnable Documents	Failure to provide all these Mandatory Returnable Documents at the Closing Date and time of this RFP <u>will</u> result in a Respondent's disqualification.
Returnable Documents Used for Scoring	Failure to provide all Returnable Documents used for purposes of scoring a bid, by the closing date and time of this bid will not result in a Respondent's disqualification. However, Bidders will receive an automatic score of zero for the applicable evaluation criterion.
Essential Returnable Documents	Failure to provide essential Returnable Documents <u>will</u> result in Transnet affording Respondents a further opportunity to submit by a set deadline. Should a Respondent thereafter fail to submit the requested documents, this may result in a Respondent's disqualification.

All Returnable Sections, as indicated in the header and footer of the relevant pages, must be signed, stamped and dated by the Respondent.

#### a) Mandatory Returnable Documents

Respondents are required to submit with their bid submissions the following **Mandatory Returnable Documents,** and also to confirm submission of these documents by so indicating [Yes or No] in the tables below:

MANDATORY RETURNABLE DOCUMENTS	SUBMITTED [Yes/No]
Section 1: SBD1 Form	
SECTION 4 : Pricing and Delivery Schedule	
ANNEXURE A: Technical Compliance Sheet MANDATORY REQUIREMENT	
ANNEXURE B: Technical Compliance Sheet TECHNICAL REQUIREMENT	
ANNEXURE C : Technical Compliance Sheet PERFOMANCE REQUIREMENT	
ANNEXURE D : Technical Compliance Sheet OTHER REQUIREMENT	
Comprehensive description of solution	
Project plan (with Work Breakdown Structure, Resources, Milestone dates, Schedule etc)	

#### b) Returnable Documents Used for Scoring

In addition to the requirements of section (a) above, Respondents are further required to submit with their Proposals the following **Returnable Documents Used for Scoring** and also to confirm submission of these documents by so indicating [Yes or No] in the table below:

RETURNABLE DOCUMENTS USED FOR SCORING	SUBMITTED [Yes or No]
Valid proof of Respondent's compliance to B-BBEE requirements stipulated in Section 9	
of this RFP	

#### c) Essential Returnable Documents:

Over and the above the requirements of section (a) and (b) mentioned above, Respondents are further required to submit with their Proposals the following **Essential Returnable Documents** and also to confirm submission of these documents by so indicating [Yes or No] in the table below:

ESSENTIAL RETURNABLE DOCUMENTS & SCHEDULES	SUBMITTED [Yes or No]
In the case of Joint Ventures, a copy of the Joint Venture Agreement or written confirmation of the intention to enter into a Joint Venture Agreement	
Latest Financial Statements signed by your Accounting Officer or latest Audited Financial Statements plus 2 previous years	
SECTION 5 : Proposal Form and List of Returnable documents	
SECTION 6 : Certificate Of Acquaintance with RFP, Terms & Conditions & Applicable Documents	
SECTION 7: RFP Declaration and Breach of Law Form	
SECTION 9 : B-BBEE Preference Claim Form	
SECTION 10: Certificate of attendance of non-compulsory RFP briefing	
SECTION 11 : SBD 9 - Certificate Of Independent Bid Determination	
SECTION 12: Protection of Personal Information	

#### **CONTINUED VALIDITY OF RETURNABLE DOCUMENTS**

The successful Respondent will be required to ensure the validity of all returnable documents, including but not limited to its valid proof of B-BBEE status, for the duration of any contract emanating from this RFP. Should the Respondent be awarded the contract [**the Agreement**] and fail to present Transnet with such renewals as and when they become due, Transnet shall be entitled, in addition to any other rights and remedies that it may have in terms of the eventual Agreement, to terminate such Agreement immediately without any liability and without prejudice to any claims which Transnet may have for damages against the Respondent.

SIGNED at	on this	day of	20
SIGNATURE OF WITNESSES		ADDRESS OF WITNESSES	
1 Name			

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SIGNATURE OF RESPONDENT'S AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIV	/E:
NAME:	
DESIGNATION:	

## SECTION 6: CERTIFICATE OF ACQUAINTANCE WITH RFP, MASTER AGREEMENT & APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS

By signing this certificate the Respondent is deemed to acknowledge that he/she has made himself/herself thoroughly familiar with, and agrees with all the conditions governing this RFP. This includes those terms and conditions contained in any printed form stated to form part hereof, including but not limited to the documents stated below. As such, Transnet SOC Ltd will recognise no claim for relief based on an allegation that the Respondent overlooked any such term or condition or failed properly to take it into account for the purpose of calculating tendered prices or any other purpose:

1	Transnet's General Bid Conditions
2	Master Agreement and SLA attached
3	Transnet's Supplier Integrity Pact
4	Non-disclosure Agreement

**Note:** Should a Respondent be successful and awarded the bid, they will be required to complete a Supplier Declaration Form for registration as a vendor onto the Transnet vendor master database.

Should the Bidder find any terms or conditions stipulated in any of the relevant documents quoted in the RFP unacceptable, it should indicate which conditions are unacceptable and offer alternatives by written submission on its company letterhead, attached to its submitted Bid. Any such submission shall be subject to review by Transnet's Legal Counsel who shall determine whether the proposed alternative(s) are acceptable or otherwise, as the case may be. A material deviation from any term or condition may result in disqualification.

Bidders accept that an obligation rests on them to clarify any uncertainties regarding any bid to which they intend to respond on, before submitting the bid. The Bidder agrees that he/she will have no claim or cause of action based on an allegation that any aspect of this RFP was unclear but in respect of which he/she failed to obtain clarity.

The bidder understands that his/her Bid will be disqualified if the Certificate of Acquaintance with RFP documents included in the RFP as a returnable document, is found not to be true and complete in every respect.

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NAME:			
DESIGNATION:			

Respondent's Signature

Date & Company Stamp

#### **SECTION 7: RFP DECLARATION AND BREACH OF LAW FORM**

	We do hereby certify that:
l.	Transnet has supplied and we have received appropriate responses to any/all questions [as applicable] were submitted by ourselves for RFP Clarification purposes;
2.	We have received all information we deemed necessary for the completion of this Request for Proposal [R
3.	We have been provided with sufficient access to the existing Transnet facilities/sites and any and all relevant to the Services as well as Transnet information and Employees, and have had sufficient in which to conduct and perform a thorough due diligence of Transnet's operations and busing requirements and assets used by Transnet. Transnet will therefore not consider or permit any pre-or procedure to contract verification or any related adjustment to pricing, service levels or any other provisions/conditions based on any incorrect assumptions made by the Respondent in arriving at his Bid Price.
1.	At no stage have we received additional information relating to the subject matter of this RFP from Transources, other than information formally received from the designated Transnet contact(s) as nominated the RFP documents;
5.	We are satisfied, insofar as our entity is concerned, that the processes and procedures adopted by Trar in issuing this RFP and the requirements requested from Bidders in responding to this RFP have conducted in a fair and transparent manner;
5.	We have complied with all obligations of the Bidder/Supplier as indicated in the Transnet Supplier Intervals which includes but are not limited to ensuring that we take all measures necessary to prevent copractices, unfairness and illegal activities in order to secure or in furtherance to secure a contract Transnet;
7.	We declare that a family, business and/or social relationship <b>exists / does not exist</b> [delete as application between an owner / member / director / partner / shareholder of our entity and an employee or board memory of the Transnet Group including any person who may be involved in the evaluation and/or adjudication of Bid;
3.	We declare that an owner / member / director / partner / shareholder of our entity <b>is / is not</b> [deletapplicable] an employee or board member of Transnet;
Э.	In addition, we declare that an owner / member / director / partner / shareholder/employee of our entity / has not been [delete as applicable] a former employee or board member of Transnet in the past 10 years they were hot involved in the bid preparation or had access to the information related to this and
١0.	If such a relationship as indicated in paragraph 7, 8 and/or 9 exists, the Respondent is to complete following section:

[Failure to furnish complete and accurate information in this regard will lead to the disqualification of response and may preclude a Respondent from doing future business with Transnet. Informatic provided in the declarations may be used by Transnet and/or its affiliates to verify the correctness of the information provided]  11. We declare, to the extent that we are aware or become aware of any relationship between ourselves an Transnet [other than any existing and appropriate business relationship with Transnet] which could unfair advantage our entity in the forthcoming adjudication process, we shall notify Transnet immediately in writing of such circumstances.  DECLARATION OF INTEREST REGARDING PERSONS EMPLOYED BY THE STATE (SBD4)  12. Any legal person, including persons employed by the state <sup>1</sup> , or persons having a kinship with persons employed by the state, including a blood relationship, may make an offer or offers in terms of this invitation to be (includes a price quotation, advertised competitive bid, limited bid or proposal). In view of possible allegation of favouritism, should the resulting bid, or part thereof, be awarded to persons employed by the state, or persons connected with or related to them, it is required that the bidder or his/her authorised representative declare his/her position in relation to the evaluating/adjudicating authority where—  1 the legal person on whose behalf the bidding document is signed, has a relationship with persons/a person who are/is involved in the evaluation and or adjudication of the bid(s), or where it is known that such relationship exists between the person or persons for or on whose behalf the declarant acts and person who are involved with the evaluation and or adjudication of the bid.  13. In order to give effect to the above, the following questionnaire must be completed an submitted with the bid:  13.1. Full Name of bidder or his or her representative:  13.2. Identity Number:  13.3. Position occupied in the Company (director, trustee, shareholder <sup>2</sup> ):		FULL NAME OF OWNER/MEMBER/DIRECTOR/ PARTNER/SHAREHOLDER/EMPLOYEE:	ADDRESS:
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Respondent's Signature

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> "Shareh business and exercises control over the enterprise.

13.4.

	13.5. Tax Reference Number:	
	13.6. VAT Registration Number:	
13.7.	Are you or any person connected with the bidder presently employed by the state?	YES / NO
13.7.1	If so, furnish the following particulars:	
	Name of person / director / trustee / shareholder/ member:	
	Name of state institution at which you or the person connected to the bidder is employed :	
	Position occupied in the state institution:	
	Any other particulars:	
13.8.	If you are presently employed by the state, did you obtain the appropriate authority to undertake remunerative work outside employment in the public sector?	YES / NO
13.8.1	If yes, did you attached proof of such authority to the bid document? (Note: Failure to submit proof of such authority, where applicable, may result in the disqualification of the bid.	YES / NO
13.8.2	If no, furnish reasons for non-submission of such proof:	
13.9.	Did you or your spouse, or any of the company's directors / trustees / shareholders / members or their spouses conduct business with the state in the previous twelve months?	YES / NO
13.9.1	. If so, furnish particulars:	
13.10.	Do you, or any person connected with the bidder, have any relationship (family, friend, other) with a person employed by the state and who may be involved with the evaluation and or adjudication of this bid?	YES / NO
13.10.	1. If so, furnish particulars:	
13.11.	Are you, or any person connected with the bidder, aware of any relationship (family, friend, other) between any other bidder and any person employed by the state who may be involved with the evaluation and or adjudication of this bid?	YES / NO
13.11.	1. If so, furnish particulars:	
13.12.	Do you or any of the directors / trustees / shareholders / members of the company have any interest in any other related companies whether or not they are bidding for this contract?	YES / NO
13.12.	1. If so, furnish particulars:	

Company Registration Number:

The names of all directors / trustees / shareholders / members, their individual identity numbers, tax reference numbers and, if applicable, employee / persal numbers must be indicated in paragraph 14 below.

# 14. Full details of directors / trustees / members / shareholders.

Full Name	Identity Number	Personal Tax Reference Number	State Employee Number / Persal Number

	REACH OF LAW						
15.	We further hereby certi	,	_		•		
	partners) <i>have/have not</i>						
	serious breach of law, incl	_		•			
	law, tribunal or other adr						
	excludes relatively minor of		nours, e.	g. traffic offences.	This includes the imposition	n of an	
	administrative fine or pen	-					
	Where found guilty of suc	Where found guilty of such a serious breach, please disclose:					
	NATURE OF BREACH:						
	DATE OF BREACH:						
	Furthermore, I/we acknowledge that Transnet SOC Ltd reserves the right to exclude any Respondent from						
	the bidding process, shou	ld that person or entity	have b	een found guilty of	a serious breach of law, to	ribunal	
	or regulatory obligation.						
	SIGNED at	on	this	day of	20		
For an	d on behalf of	AS WITN	ESS:				
duly au	uthorised hereto						
Name:		Name:					
Positio	n:	Position:					
Signati	ure:	Signature	:				
Date:		Registrati	on No of	Company/CC			
Place:		Registrati	on Name	of Company/CC			

Respondent's Signature	Date & Company Stan

# **SECTION 8: RFP CLARIFICATION REQUEST FORM**

RFP No: HOAC-H	O-36953			
RFP deadline for questions / RFP Clarifications: Before 12:00 pm on 18 November 2021				
TO:	Transnet SOC Ltd			
ATTENTION:	Chantyle Eckhardt			
EMAIL	Chantyle.Eckhardt@transnet.net			
DATE:				
FROM:				
RFP Clarification N	lo [to be inserted by Transnet]			
	REQUEST FOR RFP CLARIFICATION			
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Respondent's Signature

### **SECTION 9: B-BBEE PREFERENCE POINTS CLAIM FORM**

This preference form must form part of all bids invited. It contains general information and serves as a claim for preference points for Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment [**B-BBEE**] Status Level of Contribution.

Transnet will award preference points to companies who provide valid proof of their B-BBEE status using either the latest version of the generic Codes of Good Practice or Sector Specific Codes (if applicable).

NB: BEFORE COMPLETING THIS FORM, BIDDERS MUST STUDY THE GENERAL CONDITIONS, DEFINITIONS AND DIRECTIVES APPLICABLE IN RESPECT OF B-BBEE, AS PRESCRIBED IN THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS, 2017.

#### 1. GENERAL CONDITIONS

- 1.1 The following preference point systems are applicable to all bids:
  - the 80/20 system for requirements with a Rand value of up to R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included); and
- 1.2 The value of this bid is estimated to exceed R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included) and therefore the 80/20 preference point system shall be applicable. Despite the stipulated preference point system, Transnet shall use the lowest acceptable bid to determine the applicable preference point system in a situation where all received acceptable bids are received outside the stated preference point system.
- 1.3 Preference points for this bid shall be awarded for:
  - (a) Price; and
  - (b) B-BBEE Status Level of Contribution.
- 1.4 The maximum points for this bid are allocated as follows:

	POINTS
PRICE	80
B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL OF CONTRIBUTION	20
Total points for Price and B-BBEE must not exceed	100

- Failure on the part of a bidder to submit proof of B-BBEE status level of contributor together with the bid will be interpreted to mean that preference points for B-BBEE status level of contribution are not claimed.
- 1.6 The purchaser reserves the right to require of a bidder, either before a bid is adjudicated or at any time subsequently, to substantiate any claim in regard to preferences, in any manner required by the purchaser.

# 2. **DEFINITIONS**

- (a) "all applicable taxes" includes value-added tax, pay as you earn, income tax, unemployment insurance fund contributions and skills development levies;
- (b) **"B-BBEE"** means broad-based black economic empowerment as defined in section 1 of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act;
- (c) "B-BBEE status level of contributor" means the B-BBEE status received by a measured entity based on its overall performance using the relevant scorecard contained in the Codes of Good Practice on Black Economic Empowerment, issued in terms of section 9(1) of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act;
- (d) **"bid"** means a written offer in a prescribed or stipulated form in response to an invitation by an organ of state for the provision of services, works or goods, through price quotations, advertised competitive bidding processes or proposals;

- (e) "Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act" means the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act, 2003 (Act No. 53 of 2003);
- (f) **"EME"** means an Exempted Micro Enterprise as defines by Codes of Good Practice under section 9 (1) of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act, 2003 (Act No. 53 of 2003);
- (g) **"functionality"** means the ability of a bidder to provide goods or services in accordance with specification as set out in the bid documents
- (h) "Price" includes all applicable taxes less all unconditional discounts.
- (i) "Proof of B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor"
  - i) the B-BBBEE status level certificate issued by an authorised body or person;
  - ii) a sworn affidavit as prescribed by the B-BBEE Codes of Good Practice; or
  - iii) any other requirement prescribed in terms of the B-BBEE Act.
- (j) "QSE" means a Qualifying Small Enterprise as defines by Codes of Good Practice under section 9 (1) of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act, 2003 (Act No. 53 of 2003);
- (k) "rand value" means the total estimated value of a contract in South African currency, calculated at the time of bid invitations, and includes all applicable taxes and excise duties.

### 3. POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE

# 3.1 THE 80/20 PREFERENCE POINT SYSTEMS

A maximum of 80 points is allocated for price on the following basis:

80/20

$$Ps = 80 \left( 1 - \frac{Pt - P\min}{P\min} \right)$$

Where

Ps = Points scored for comparative price of bid under consideration

Pt = Comparative price of bid under consideration

Pmin = Comparative price of lowest acceptable bid

# 4. POINTS AWARDED FOR B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL OF CONTRIBUTION

4.1 In terms of Regulation 6 (2) and 7 (2) of the Preferential Procurement Regulations, preference points must be awarded to a bidder for attaining the B-BBEE status level of contribution in accordance with the table below:

B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor	Number of points (80/20 system)
1	20
2	18
3	14
4	12
5	8
6	6
7	4
8	2
Non-compliant contributor	0

4.2 The table below indicates the required proof of B-BBEE status depending on the category of enterprises:

Enterprise	B-BBEE Certificate & Sworn Affidavit	
Large	Certificate issued by SANAS accredited verification agency	
QSE	Certificate issued by SANAS accredited verification agency Sworn Affidavit signed by the authorised QSE representative and attested by a Commissioner of Oaths confirming annual turnover and black ownership (only black- owned QSEs - 51% to 100% Black owned)  [Sworn affidavits must substantially comply with the format that can be obtained on	
EME <sup>3</sup>	the DTI's website at <a href="https://www.dti.gov.za/economic empowerment/bee codes.jsp.">www.dti.gov.za/economic empowerment/bee codes.jsp.</a> ]  Sworn Affidavit signed by the authorised EME representative and attested by a Commissioner of Oaths confirming annual turnover and black ownership  Certificate issued by CIPC (formerly CIPRO) confirming annual turnover and black ownership  Certificate issued by SANAS accredited verification agency only if the EME is being measured on the OSE scorecard	

- 4.3 A trust, consortium or joint venture (including unincorporated consortia and joint ventures) must submit a consolidated B-BBEE Status Level verification certificate for every separate bid.
- 4.4 Tertiary Institutions and Public Entities will be required to submit their B-BBEE status level certificates in terms of the specialized scorecard contained in the B-BBEE Codes of Good Practice.
- A person will not be awarded points for B-BBEE status level if it is indicated in the bid documents that such a bidder intends sub-contracting more than 25% of the value of the contract to any other enterprise that does not qualify for at least the points that such a bidder qualifies for, unless the intended sub-contractor is an EME that has the capability and ability to execute the sub-contract.
- 4.6 A person awarded a contract may not sub-contract more than 25% of the value of the contract to any other enterprise that does not have an equal or higher B-BBEE status level than the person concerned, unless the contract is sub-contracted to an EME that has the capability and ability to execute the sub-contract.
- 4.7 Bidders are to note that the rules pertaining to B-BBEE verification and other B-BBEE requirements may be changed from time to time by regulatory bodies such as National Treasury or the DTI. It is the Bidder's responsibility to ensure that his/her bid complies fully with all B-BBEE requirements at the time of the submission of the bid.

# 5. BID DECLARATION

5.1 Bidders who claim points in respect of B-BBEE Status Level of Contribution must complete the following:

# 6. B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL OF CONTRIBUTION CLAIMED IN TERMS OF PARAGRAPHS 1.4 AND 6.1

6.1 B-BBEE Status Level of Contribution: . = .......(maximum of 20 points)

(Points claimed in respect of paragraph 6.1 must be in accordance with the table reflected in paragraph 4.1 and must be substantiated by relevant proof of B-BBEE status level of contributor.

# 7. SUB-CONTRACTING

7.1 Will any portion of the contract be sub-contracted?

(Tick applicable box)

YES	NO	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> In terms of the Implementation Guide: Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2017, Version 2, paragraph 11.11 provides that in the Transport Sector, EMEs can provide a letter from accounting officer or get verified and be issued with a B-BBEE certificate by SANAS accredited professional or agency as the Transport Sector Code has not been aligned to the generic Codes. EMEs in the Transport Sector are not allowed to provide a sworn affidavit as the generic codes are not applicable to them.

7.1.1	If yes, indicate:		
	What percentage of the contract will be subcontracted	0/2	
	ii) The name of the sub-contractor		
	iii) The B-BBEE status level of the sub-contractor		
	iv) Whether the sub-contractor is an EME or QSE.		
	(Tick applicable box)		
	YES NO		
	v) Specify, by ticking the appropriate box, if subcontracting with an enter	erprise in tern	ns of Preferential
	Procurement Regulations,2017:		
	Designated Group: An EME or QSE which is at last 51% owned by:	EME √	QSE √
	Black people		
	Black people who are youth		
	Black people who are women		
	Black people with disabilities  Black people living in rural or underdeveloped areas or townships		
	Cooperative owned by black people		
	Black people who are military veterans		
	OR		
	Any EME		
	Any QSE		
8.	DECLARATION WITH REGARD TO COMPANY/FIRM		
8.1	Name of company/firm:		
8.2	VAT registration number:		
8.3	Company registration number:		
8.4	TYPE OF COMPANY/ FIRM		
	□ Partnership/Joint Venture / Consortium		
	<ul> <li>One person business/sole propriety</li> </ul>		
	□ Close corporation		
	□ Company		
	(Pty) Limited		
	[TICK APPLICABLE BOX]		
8.5	DESCRIBE PRINCIPAL BUSINESS ACTIVITIES		
8.6	COMPANY CLASSIFICATION		
	□ Manufacturer		
	□ Supplier		
	□ Professional Service provider		
	Other Service providers, e.g. transporter, etc.		
	[TICK APPLICABLE BOX]		
8.7	Total number of years the company/firm has been in business:		
8.8	I/we, the undersigned, who is / are duly authorised to do so on behalf of the	e company/firr	n, certify that the
	points claimed, based on the B-BBE status level of contribution indicated in foregoing certificate, qualifies the company/ firm for the preference(s) show	paragraphs 1	.4 and 6.1 of the

- i) The information furnished is true and correct;
- ii) The preference points claimed are in accordance with the General Conditions as indicated in paragraph 1 of this form;
- iii) In the event of a contract being awarded as a result of points claimed as shown in paragraph 1.4 and 6.1, the contractor may be required to furnish documentary proof to the satisfaction of the purchaser that the claims are correct;
- iV) If a bidder submitted false information regarding its B-BBEE status level of contributor, local production and content, or any other matter required in terms of the Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2017 which will affect or has affected the evaluation of a bid, or where a bidder has failed to declare any subcontracting arrangements or any of the conditions of contract have not been fulfilled, the purchaser may, in addition to any other remedy it may have
  - (a) disqualify the person from the bidding process;
  - (b) recover costs, losses or damages it has incurred or suffered as a result of that person's conduct;
  - (c) cancel the contract and claim any damages which it has suffered as a result of having to make less favourable arrangements due to such cancellation;
  - if the successful bidder subcontracted a portion of the bid to another person without disclosing it, Transnet reserves the right to penalise the bidder up to 10 percent of the value of the contract;
  - (e) recommend that the bidder or contractor, its shareholders and directors, or only the shareholders and directors who acted on a fraudulent basis, be restricted by the National Treasury from obtaining business from any organ of state for a period not exceeding 10 years, after the audi alteram partem (hear the other side) rule has been applied; and
  - (f) forward the matter for criminal prosecution.

WITNESSES	
1	SIGNATURE(S) OF BIDDERS(S)
2	DATE:
	ADDRESS

# SECTION 10: CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDANCE OF NON-COMPULSORY RFP BRIEFING

It is hereby certified that –		
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2		
Representative(s) of		P on
20	roposed Services to Se remained in terms of this in	
TRANSNET'S REPRESENTATIVE	RESPONDENT'S REPRESENTATIVE	
DATE	DATE	
	EMAIL	

# NOTE:

This certificate of attendance must be filled in duplicate, one copy to be kept by Transnet and the other copy to be kept by the bidder.

### **SECTION 11: SBD 9- CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT BID DETERMINATION**

- 1. Section 4(1)(b)(iii) of the Competition Act No. 89 of 1998, as amended, prohibits an agreement between, or concerted practice by, firms, or a decision by an association of firms, if it is between parties in a horizontal relationship and if it involves collusive bidding (or bid rigging). Collusive bidding is a per se prohibition meaning that it cannot be justified under any grounds. Bid rigging (or collusive bidding) occurs when businesses, that would otherwise be expected to compete, secretly conspire to raise prices or lower the quality of goods and / or services for purchasers who wish to acquire goods and / or services through a bidding process. Bid rigging is, therefore, an agreement between competitors not to compete.
- 2. Transnet will take all reasonable steps to prevent abuse of the supply chain management system and to:
  - disregard the bid of any bidder if that bidder, or any of its directors have abused the institution's supply chain management system and or committed fraud or any other improper conduct in relation to such system.
  - b. cancel a contract awarded to a supplier of goods and services if the supplier committed any corrupt or fraudulent act during the bidding process or the execution of that contract.
- 3. This SBD serves as a certificate of declaration that would be used by institutions to ensure that, when bids are considered, reasonable steps are taken to prevent any form of bid-rigging.
- 4. In order to give effect to the above, the following certificate of Bid Determination (SBD 9) must be completed and submitted with the bid:

#### CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT BID DETERMINATION

I, the undersigned, in submitting the accompanying bid:	
(Bid Number and Description)	
in response to the invitation for the bid made by:	
(Name of Institution)	
do hereby make the following statements that I certify to be true and complete in ex	ery respect:
I certify, on behalf of:	that:
(Name of Bidder)	

- 1. I have read and I understand the contents of this Certificate;
- 2. I understand that the accompanying bid will be disqualified if this Certificate is found not to be true and complete in every respect;
- 3. I am authorized by the bidder to sign this Certificate, and to submit the accompanying bid, on behalf of the bidder;
- 4. Each person whose signature appears on the accompanying bid has been authorized by the bidder to determine the terms of, and to sign the bid, on behalf of the bidder;
- 5. For the purposes of this Certificate and the accompanying bid, I understand that the word "competitor" shall include any individual or organization, other than the bidder, whether or not affiliated with the bidder, who:
  - a. has been requested to submit a bid in response to this bid invitation;
  - b. could potentially submit a bid in response to this bid invitation, based on their qualifications, abilities or experience; and
  - c. provides the same goods and services as the bidder and/or is in the same line of business as the bidder
- 6. The bidder has arrived at the accompanying bid independently from, and without consultation, communication, agreement or arrangement with any competitor. However communication between partners in a joint venture or consortium<sup>4</sup> will not be construed as collusive bidding.
- 7. In particular, without limiting the generality of paragraphs 6 above, there has been no consultation, communication, agreement or arrangement with any competitor regarding:
  - a. prices;

b. geographical area where product or service will be rendered (market allocation)

c. methods, factors or formulas used to calculate prices;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Joint venture or Consortium means an association of persons for the purpose of combining their expertise, property, capital, efforts, skill and knowledge in an activity for the execution of a contract.

- d. the intention or decision to submit or not to submit, a bid;
- e. the submission of a bid which does not meet the specifications and conditions of the bid; or
- f. bidding with the intention not to win the bid.
- 8. In addition, there have been no consultations, communications, agreements or arrangements with any competitor regarding the quality, quantity, specifications and conditions or delivery particulars of the products or services to which this bid invitation relates.
- 9. The terms of the accompanying bid have not been, and will not be, disclosed by the bidder, directly or indirectly, to any competitor, prior to the date and time of the official bid opening or of the awarding of the contract.
- 10. I am aware that, in addition and without prejudice to any other remedy provided to combat any restrictive practices related to bids and contracts, bids that are suspicious will be reported to the Competition Commission for investigation and possible imposition of administrative penalties in terms of section 59 of the Competition Act No 89 of 1998 and or may be reported to the National Prosecuting Authority (NPA) for criminal investigation and or may be restricted from conducting business with the public sector for a period not exceeding ten (10) years in terms of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act No 12 of 2004 or any other applicable legislation.

Signature	Date
Position	Name of Bidder

### **SECTION 12: PROTECTION OF PERSONAL INFORMATION**

- 1. The following terms shall bear the same meaning as contemplated in Section 1 of the Protection of Person information act, No.4 of 2013.("POPIA"):
  - consent; data subject; electronic communication; information officer; operator; person; personal information; processing; record; Regulator; responsible party; special information; as well as any terms derived from these terms.
- 2. Transnet will process all information by the Respondent in terms of the requirements contemplated in Section 4(1) of the POPIA:
  - Accountability; Processing limitation; Purpose specification; Further processing limitation; Information quality; Openness; Security safeguards and Data subject participation.
- 3. The Parties acknowledge and agree that, in relation to personal information that will be processed pursuant to this RFP, the Responsible party is "Transnet" and the Data subject is the "Respondent". Transnet will process personal information only with the knowledge and authorisation of the Respondent and will treat personal information which comes to its knowledge as confidential and will not disclose it, unless so required by law or subject to the exceptions contained in the POPIA.
- 4. Transnet reserves all the rights afforded to it by the POPIA in the processing of any of its information as contained in this RFP and the Respondent is required to comply with all prescripts as detailed in the POPIA relating to all information concerning Transnet.
- 5. In responding to this bid, Transnet acknowledges that it will obtain and have access to personal information of the Respondent. Transnet agrees that it shall only process the information disclosed by Respondent in their response to this bid for the purpose of evaluating and subsequent award of business and in accordance with any applicable law.
- 6. Transnet further agrees that in submitting any information or documentation requested in this RFP, the Respondent is consenting to the further processing of their personal information for the purpose of, but not limited to, risk assessment, assurances, contract award, contract management, auditing, legal opinions/litigations, investigations (if applicable), document storage for the legislatively required period, destruction, de-identification and publishing of personal information by Transnet and/or its authorised appointed third parties.
- 7. Furthermore, Transnet will not otherwise modify, amend or alter any personal data submitted by the Respondent or disclose or permit the disclosure of any personal data to any third party without the prior written consent from the Respondent. Similarly, Transnet requires the Respondent to process any personal information disclosed by Transnet in the bidding process in the same manner.
- 8. Transnet shall, at all times, ensure compliance with any applicable laws put in place and maintain sufficient measures, policies and systems to manage and secure against all forms of risks to any information that may be shared or accessed pursuant to this RFP (physically, through a computer or any other form of electronic communication).
- 9. Transnet shall notify the Respondent in writing of any unauthorised access to information, cybercrimes or suspected cybercrimes, in its knowledge and report such crimes or suspected crimes to the relevant authorities in accordance with applicable laws, after becoming aware of such crimes or suspected crime. The Respondent must

Respondent's Signature	Date & Company Stamp

take all necessary remedial steps to mitigate the extent of the loss or compromise of personal information and to restore the integrity of the affected personal information as quickly as is possible.

- 10. The Respondent may, in writing, request Transnet to confirm and/or make available any personal information in its possession in relation to the Respondent and if such personal information has been accessed by third parties and the identity thereof in terms of the POPIA. The Respondent may further request that Transnet correct (excluding critical/mandatory or evaluation information), delete, destroy, withdraw consent or object to the processing of any personal information relating to the Respondent in Transnet's possession in terms of the provision of the POPIA and utilizing Form 2 of the POPIA Regulations.
- 11. In submitting any information or documentation requested in this RFP, the Respondent is hereby consenting to the processing of their personal information for the purpose of this RFP and further confirming that they are aware of their rights in terms of Section 5 of POPIA

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- 12. Further, the Respondent declares that they have obtained all consents pertaining to other data subject's personal information included in its submission and thereby indemnifying Transnet against any civil or criminal action, administrative fines or other penalty or loss that may arise as a result of the processing of any personal information that the Respondent submitted.
- 13. The Respondent declares that the personal information submitted for the purpose of this RFP is complete, accurate, not misleading, is up to date and may be updated where applicable.

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Signature of Respondent's author	rised renresentative:

Should a Respondent have any complaints or objections to processing of its personal information, by Transnet, the Respondent can submit a complaint to the Information Regulator on <a href="https://www.justice.gov.za/inforeg/">https://www.justice.gov.za/inforeg/</a>, click on contact us, click on complaints.IR@justice.gov.za

Respondent's Signature