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Description/ Scope of Work	Zero Trust Network Access Services
Duration of the Project	5 years

Section 1: Specific Goals

A maximum of 10/20 points may be awarded to a tenderer for the specific goal specified for the tender. The points scored for the specific goal must be added to the points scored for price and the total must be rounded off to the nearest two decimal places. Subject to section 2(1)(f) of the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act, the contract must be awarded to the tenderer scoring the highest points.

B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor	Number of points (90/10 system)	Number of points (80/20 system)
1	10	20
2	9	18
3	6	14
4	5	12
5	4	8
6	3	6
7	2	4
8	1	2
Non-compliant contributor	0	0

NB: The following documents are required to claim preference points,

- Valid B-BBEE certificate issued by a SANAS accredited verification agency / sworn affidavit / CIPS affidavit.

Tenderer failing to provide documentation for the allocation of preference points will not be disqualified, but'

- May only score point out of 90/80 for price
- Scores 0 points out of 10/20 for specific goals

Section 2: Objective criteria

The inclusion of objective criteria is not mandatory but a condition for contract award. If the tenderer does not meet objective criteria; it may lead to the second-ranked tenderer being recommended for award.

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National Industrial Participation Programme:

Eskom will implement the NIPP requirement, which determines that the contractor/supplier must contact the Department of Trade, Industry and Competition (dtic) to arrange for support and development of local businesses. Eskom is required to inform the tenderers of this requirement. NIPP will only be applicable for contracts with an FGN component or content of USD 5 million or more.

The following narrative must be captured in all tenders that have import/foreign content equal to or in excess of USD 5 million:

“NIPP is a programme that seeks to leverage economic benefits and support the development of South African industry by effectively utilising the instrument of government procurement. The NIPP programme is mandatory for all government and parastatal purchases or lease contracts (goods and services) with an imported content equal to or exceeding USD 5 million.

“The programme targets South African and foreign industries, enterprises, and suppliers of goods and services to government/parastatals, where the imported content of such goods and services equals to or exceeds USD 5 million. The first customer of NIPP is the South African industry that benefits through the NIPP business plans, which, when implemented, generate new or additional business activities through one or more of the following: investment, export opportunities, job creation, increased local sales, SMME and BEE promotion, R&D, and technology transfer.

“Companies with an NIPP obligation must sign this obligation agreement with the Department of Trade, Industry and Competition (dtic) before the contract with Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd, as a purchasing entity, is signed. The obligation agreement governs the relationship between the dtic and the supplier. It defines the NIPP obligation value(s), requirements to fulfil the NIPP obligation, performance milestones, performance monitoring processes, and the NIPP credit allocation criteria.

“All tenders with an import content that is equal to or exceeds the threshold of USD 5 million compels the winning bidder to negotiate and enter into a NIPP obligation agreement with the dtic before signing the contract with Eskom.”.

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Section 3: SDL&I Objectives in line with Reconstruction and Development Programme (RDP) Goals

Tenderers who complete and submit the objectives as required, but who do not meet Eskom's targets, will not be disqualified. SDL&I objectives do not form part of scoring but commitments will form part of contractual obligations

1. Transformation – BBBEE Improvement or Retention Plan:

Transformation remains an area of focus, where Eskom continuously strives to align itself with national transformation imperatives to unlock growth, drive industrialization, create employment and contribute to skills development.

Eskom encourages its suppliers to constantly strive to improve their B-BBEE rating. Whereas Tenderer/s will be allocated points in terms of a preference point system based on specific goals, Eskom also requests that tenderer/s submits their B-BBEE improvement or retention plan within 30 days of signing the contract.

Tenderer/s are therefore requested to indicate the extent to which they will maintain (only if the respondent is a Level 1) or may improve/maintain their B-BBEE status over the contract period if their B-BBEE status is level 2 or 3. Tenderer/s with a B-BBEE status level 4 at the time of contract award, shall migrate and achieve as a non-negotiable a milestone of B-BBEE Level 3 by the end of the first year of the contract and thereafter improve their B-BBEE status level or migrate by one level higher.

Tenderer/s with a B-BBEE recognition status of Level 5 to Level 8 or non-compliant at the time of contract award, shall migrate and achieve as a non-negotiable a milestone of Level 4 by the end of the first year of the contract and thereafter improve at least one B-BBEE Level higher of each year from the second year of the contract.

Tenderer/s are requested to submit their B-BBEE Improvement Plan as an essential document within 30 days of signing the contract and to submit the following documents as a condition for contract award:

- Proof of ownership / shareholding (preferably CIPC documentation) inclusive of shareholding breakdown
- Certified ID copies of shareholder(s)
- Proof of Disability (where applicable)

NB: A valid B-BBEE certificate or Sworn Affidavit is a condition for contract award, if your company's annual Total Revenue is R10 Million or less you qualify as an Exempted Micro Enterprise therefore you can submit Sworn Affidavit. If your annual Total Revenue is R50 Million or less, you qualify as Qualifying Small Enterprise and must comply with all of the elements of QSE score card relevant to

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your sector unless an entity is at least 51% Black owned you are required to obtain a Sworn affidavit. If your Annual Total Revenue is above R50m you need to submit a Valid B-BBEE certificate

2. Local Procurement Content

“Local Procurement Content” refers to value added in South Africa by South African resources. Where a single contract involves a combination of local and imported goods and/or services, the tender response must be separated into its components as per the Price Schedule included with the tender documents. Local procurement content is total spending minus the imported component.

Tenderers are required to submit their proposals in the table below.

Local Procurement Content	Eskom target	Tenderer Proposal
	20%	

3. Procurement spend on entities with a minimum 51% black ownership.

Tenderers are encouraged to procure/spend on designated groups on the following paid invoices for both:

- the indirect expenses (e.g. overheads) on goods and services supplied to the contractor/supplier by designated groups; and
- direct spend on goods and services supplied by the subcontractors for the execution of the scope of work.

Activities, as a proportion of the local procurement content, which may be subcontracted to designated black owned enterprises must be submitted in a table below.

Procurement from Designated Group	Eskom Target	Tenderer Proposal
Black Owned	5.0%	
Black Women Owned	3.0%	
Black Youth Owned	2.0%	
Black Persons with Disability	1.0%	

4. Jobs. Tenderers are required to submit proposals for the type and number of jobs that will be created and retained in South Africa as a direct result of being awarded a contract.

Type of Jobs to be created	Number of Jobs to be created

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Type of Jobs to be retained	Number of Jobs to be retained

5. Skills development

Tenderers are required to submit proposals in a table below for developing the skills of unemployed candidates in the country. Skills development is intended to address Eskom's core, scarce and critical skills and the Mict SETA scarce and critical skills. These skills are also included in a 2020 list of occupations in high demand as stipulated in the Government Gazette 43937. Candidates shall be from all provinces in the country, and their composition shall be representative of the population demographics of South Africa

Skill type / Occupation	Eskom target	Proposed Number of Candidates
Secure Access Service Edge (SASE)certification	10	
Zero Trust Network Access (ZTNA) certification	15	
Security Service Edge (SSE) certification	10	
Certified Cloud Security Professional (CCSP) certification	15	

The process of developing these skills shall involve the participation by tenderers directly and through their supply network. In certain cases, the SETA's accredited training providers can be approached to participate in developing critical and scarce skills.

Note: Tenderers are required to take full responsibility for the total cost of developing the requisite skills, and Eskom shall not make any financial contribution towards the fulfilment of this obligation. Tenderers also are advised to approach their relevant SETAs to access grants, subsidies and incentives as well as South African Revenue Services for tax rebates that are earmarked for skills development initiatives.

Section 4: SDL&I Penalty and Performance Security

Eskom will apply a penalty of 5.0% of the invoice amount for failure to meet SDL&I obligations.

For the duration of the contract, Eskom will retain 5.0% of every invoice (excluding VAT) as security for the fulfilment of all SDL&I Obligations. The retained amounts shall only be released to the Contractor upon:

- Eskom receives the SDL&I progress report/s from the contractor.
- Fulfilment of all SDL&I obligations by the contractor.
- Submission of an approved compliance report by SDL&I Department.

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Section 5: Reporting and Monitoring

- The suppliers shall on a quarterly basis submit a report to Eskom in accordance with Data Collection Template on their compliance with the SDL&I obligations described above.
- Eskom shall review the SDL&I reports submitted by the suppliers within 30 (thirty) days of receipt of the reports and notify the suppliers in writing if their SDL&I obligations have not been met.
- Upon notification by Eskom that the suppliers have not met their SDL&I obligations, the suppliers shall be required to implement corrective measures to meet those SDL&I obligations before the commencement of the following report, failing which Retention clauses shall be invoked.
- Every contract shall be accompanied by the SDL&I Implementation Schedule, which must be completed by the suppliers and returned to SDL&I representative for acceptance 28 days after contract award. This will be used as a reference document for monitoring, measuring and reporting on the supplier's progress in delivering on their stated SDL&I commitments

Section 6: General Information on Validity of Sworn Affidavits

The following must be considered when it comes to validity of Affidavits:

Tenderers submitting B-BBEE Sworn Affidavits must ensure that the affidavits meet the following key pointers to ensure their validity:

- Name/s of deponent as they appear in the identity document and the identity number.
- Designation of the deponent as the **director, owner or member** must be indicated in order to know that person is duly authorised to depose of an affidavit. (**Mark the applicable option**).
- Name of enterprise as per enterprise registration documents issued by the CIPC, where applicable, and enterprise business address.
- Percentage of black ownership, black female ownership and designated group. In the case of specialised enterprises as per Statement 004, the percentage of black beneficiaries must be reflected. (**No blank spaces to be left**).
- Indicate total revenue for the year under review and whether it is based on **audited financial statements** or **management account**. (**Mark the applicable option**).
- Financial year end as per the **enterprise's registration documents**, which was used to determine the total revenue. (**Financial year end to be stipulated by day/month/year**).
- B-BBEE Status level. An enterprise can only have one status level. (**Tick applicable level**)
- Empowering supplier status must be indicated. For QSEs, the deponent must select the basis for the empowering supplier status.
- Date deponent signed and date of Commissioner of Oath must be the same. (**The sworn affidavit must be signed in the presence of the Commissioner of Oath. Furthermore the Commissioner must also sign and stamp**)
- Commissioner of Oath cannot be an employee or ex officio of the enterprise because, a person cannot by law, commission a sworn affidavit in which they have an interest.

Name of tenderer:

Tenderer representative:

Representative signature:

Date:

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