

TRANSNET PIPELINES

TENDER NUMBER: TPL/2026/02/00219/3957/RFP

DESCRIPTION OF THE SERVICES: FOR THE PROVISION OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR A SPECIALIST CONSULTANT TO DEVELOP AN ENERGY TRANSITION STRATEGY FOR TRANSNET PIPELINES

Item	Tender Section	Bidders request for clarification	Clarification provided by TPL
Clarifications received on 05/05/2026			
1	Scope of Service	Will the services be in Durban in KZN at your offices, is there an expectation that the firm must be based in KZN? Or if you are based, let's say, outside of KZN, like Guteng, you need to factor some travelling time to be able to attend some of the meetings, or maybe some of the meetings will be done virtually.	in the scope of service it is indicated that we're going to have weekly meetings. That's going to be virtual, and we do expect that at least once a month we would have some sort of face-to-face session, So that's how it's structured in the scope of service. It does not matter where the company is based.
2	Scope of Service	In the comprehensive scope of work, there's a requirement that, on the team composition, there needs to be an economist or an analyst. I just want to understand on the analyst side, what kind of a qualification are you looking at there? Are you looking for an engineer, anyone who's got technical experience within the energy space? If maybe you can just clarify on what your expectation is on the analyst.	We are quite clear that the degree must be an economist degree. specialising in energy economics, and we also need the bidder to indicate the number of years in terms of years of experience.
3	Key Person	The key personnel that is required, one can also maybe in the team include someone who has that technical background in terms of Pipeline engineering and so forth.	That is why we're not specific with the key person. We have not mentioned anything around qualifications. We are looking at published articles and years of experience. Because we understand that engineers would be in a position to obviously provide technical analysis that we require.

4	T2.2.-04 Approach Paper returnable schedule	<p>The tender document states that the approach paper should not be longer than 15 pages. So my question is, if it's more than 15 pages, does that warrant a disqualification?</p>	<p>This requirement was removed, refer to Addendum 1.</p>
5	RFP	<p>I wanted to check if South African companies, want to partner with international companies that do not have a presence in South Africa, and probably that's somewhere covered in the RFP. and I haven't caught it yet, but is there the opportunity for an unincorporated joint venture or another way of partnering to bid on this opportunity as a partnership?</p>	<p>Yes, Joint Venture, Consortium and sub-contracting is covered in the RFP.</p>
8	Key Person	<p>Regarding the published article, is there a minimum amount of time you should have published the article or we can publish an article, let's say, today and still qualify for the 30 points regarding the key person?</p>	<p>we have not been explicit in terms of when you should have published it. I think what is important for us is the content that is in the published article, because it's recognized or must be recognized, hence the publication. Obviously, we will we will look at all articles that were published on or before the closing date of the tender.</p>