

TRANSNET FREIGHT RAIL

an Operating Division of **TRANSNET SOC LTD**

[hereinafter referred to as **Transnet**]

[Registration No. 1990/000900/30]

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION [RFI]

FOR THE SUPPLY, COMMISSIONING AND SUPPORT FOR AN AUTOMATED PANTOGRAPH EARLY WARNING HOOK - UP DETECTION AND PREVENTION SYSTEM WORKING UNDER 3 kV DC, 25 kV AC and 50 kV AC CONDITIONS.

RFP NUMBER	TFR/2026/06/0200/7404/RFI
ISSUE DATE:	2 OCTOBER 2026
CLOSING DATE:	28 OCTOBER 2026
CLOSING TIME:	10:00 AM
BRIEFING SESSION:	14 OCTOBER 2026
BID VALIDITY PERIOD:	180 DAYS AFTER THE CLOSING

Note to the bidders:

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SUBMISSION TO: Transnet e-tender submission portal – see SBD 1 for details

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SECTION 1: SBD1 FORM

**PART A
INVITATION TO BID**

YOU ARE HEREBY INVITED TO BID FOR REQUIREMENTS OF THE SUPPLY OF ECP END OF TRAIN (EOT) EQUIPMENT FOR TFR COAL LINE A DIVISION TRANSNET SOC LTD							
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BID RESPONSE DOCUMENTS SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS							
(please refer to section 2, paragraph 3 for a detailed process on how to upload submissions): https://transnetetenders.azurewebsites.net							
BIDDING PROCEDURE / TECHNICAL ENQUIRIES MAY BE DIRECTED TO:							
CONTACT PERSON	GLADYS MTAMBO						
TELEPHONE NUMBER	011 584 0597						
FACSIMILE NUMBER							
E-MAIL ADDRESS	Gladys.mtambo@transnet.net						
SUPPLIER INFORMATION							
NAME OF BIDDER							
POSTAL ADDRESS							
STREET ADDRESS							
TELEPHONE NUMBER	CODE		NUMBER				
CELLPHONE NUMBER							
FACSIMILE NUMBER	CODE		NUMBER				
E-MAIL ADDRESS							
VAT REGISTRATION NUMBER							
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.							
	TCP PIN		OR	CSD NO			
SUPPLIER COMPLIANCE STATUS	☐ Yes ☐ No		OR	BBEEE STATUS LEVEL SWORN AFFIDAVIT			
If Yes, Who was the Certificate issued by?							
AN ACCOUNTING OFFICER AS	☐	AN ACCOUNTING OFFICER AS CONTEMPLATED IN THE CLOSE CORPORATION					

Respondent's Signature

Date & Company Stamp

CONTEMPLATED IN THE CLOSE CORPORATION ACT (CCA) AND NAME THE APPLICABLE IN THE TICK BOX	☐	ACT (CCA)	
	☐	A VERIFICATION AGENCY ACCREDITED BY THE SOUTH AFRICAN ACCREDITATION SYSTEM (SANAS)	
	☐	A REGISTERED AUDITOR	
	NAME:		
[A B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE/ SWORN AFFIDAVIT (FOR EMES & QSEs) MUST BE SUBMITTED FOR PURPOSES OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE B-BBEE ACT]			
1 ARE YOU THE ACCREDITED REPRESENTATIVE IN SOUTH AFRICA FOR THE GOODS /SERVICES /WORKS OFFERED?	☐ Yes ☐ No [IF YES ENCLOSE PROOF]	2 ARE YOU A FOREIGN BASED SUPPLIER FOR THE GOODS /SERVICES /WORKS OFFERED?	☐ Yes ☐ No [IF YES, ANSWER QUESTIONNAIRE BELOW]
Signature of the Bidder		Date:	
QUESTIONNAIRE TO BIDDING FOREIGN SUPPLIERS			
IS THE BIDDER A RESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA (RSA)?		☐ YES ☐ NO	
DOES THE BIDDER HAVE A BRANCH IN THE RSA?		☐ YES ☐ NO	
DOES THE BIDDER HAVE A PERMANENT ESTABLISHMENT IN THE RSA?		☐ YES ☐ NO	
DOES THE BIDDER HAVE ANY SOURCE OF INCOME IN THE RSA?		☐ YES ☐ NO	
IF THE ANSWER IS "NO" TO ALL OF THE ABOVE, THEN IT IS NOT A REQUIREMENT TO REGISTER FOR A TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS SYSTEM PIN CODE FROM THE SOUTH AFRICAN REVENUE SERVICE (SARS) AND IF NOT REGISTER AS PER 1.3 BELOW.			

PART B

TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR BIDDING

1. TAX COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS
1.1 BIDDERS MUST ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THEIR TAX OBLIGATIONS.
1.2 BIDDERS ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT THEIR UNIQUE PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (PIN) ISSUED BY SARS TO ENABLE THE ORGAN OF STATE TO VERIFY THE TAXPAYER'S PROFILE AND TAX STATUS.
1.3 APPLICATION FOR TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS (TCS) PIN MAY BE MADE VIA E-FILING THROUGH THE SARS WEBSITE WWW.SARS.GOV.ZA.
1.4 BIDDERS MAY ALSO SUBMIT A PRINTED TCS CERTIFICATE TOGETHER WITH THE BID.
1.5 IN BIDS WHERE UNINCORPORATED CONSORTIA / JOINT VENTURES / SUB-CONTRACTORS ARE INVOLVED, EACH PARTY MUST SUBMIT A SEPARATE TCS CERTIFICATE / PIN / CSD NUMBER.
1.6 WHERE NO TCS IS AVAILABLE BUT THE BIDDER IS REGISTERED ON THE CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE (CSD), A CSD NUMBER MUST BE PROVIDED.
1.7 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. ONLY FOREIGN SUPPLIERS WITH NO LOCAL REGISTERED ENTITY NEED NOT REGISTER ON THE CSD. THE CSD CAN BE ACCESSED AT HTTPS://SECURE.CSD.GOV.ZA/ .

NB: FAILURE TO PROVIDE / OR COMPLY WITH ANY OF THE ABOVE PARTICULARS MAY RENDER THE BID INVALID.

SIGNATURE OF BIDDER:

.....

Respondent's Signature

Date & Company Stamp

CAPACITY UNDER WHICH THIS BID IS SIGNED:

.....

(Proof of authority must be submitted e.g. company resolution)

DATE: _____

Respondent's Signature

Date & Company Stamp

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	RFI FOR THE SUPPLY, COMMISSIONING AND SUPPORT FOR AN AUTOMATED PANTOGRAPH EARLY WARNING HOOK - UP DETECTION AND PREVENTION SYSTEM WORKING UNDER 3 kV DC, 25 kV AC and 50 kV AC CONDITIONS. [the Services]
TENDER ADVERT	All Transnet tenders are advertised on the National Treasury's e-Tender Publication Portal and the Transnet website only. If you receive tender adverts for Transnet in any other platform other than the ones mentioned, it is your duty to verify the authenticity, accuracy, latest updates and reliability of the information with the platforms mentioned. Should both 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 tender
RFP DOWNLOADING	This RFP may be downloaded directly from National Treasury's e-Tender Publication Portal at www.etenders.gov.za 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 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 Portal at https://transnetetenders.azurewebsites.net (
COMMUNICATION	Transnet will publish the outcome of this RFP on the National Treasury e-tender portal and Transnet website with 10 days after the award has been finalised. All unsuccessful bidders have a right to request for reasons for their bid not being successful. This requested must be directed to the contact person stated in the SBD 1 form 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.
BRIEFING SESSION	Yes, Non-compulsory Bidders are required to confirm their attendance and to send their contact details including the number of representatives (where applicable) to the following address: gladys.mtambo@transnet.net This is to ensure that Transnet may make the necessary arrangements for the briefing session. Refer to paragraph 2 for details.

CLOSING DATE	28 OCTOBER 2026 Bidders must ensure that bids are uploaded timeously onto the system. Generally, if a bid is late, it will not be accepted for consideration. Respondents are to submit bid documents by uploading them onto the Transnet system against each tender selected. A Bidder can upload 30mb per upload and multiple uploads are permitted. Bidders should ensure that electronic bid submissions are submitted at least a day before the closing date and bidders should not wait for the last hour before the deadline to submit. This is to enable them to timeously address issues which they may encounter due to internet speed, bandwidth or the size of the number of uploads being submitted. Transnet will not be held liable for any challenges experienced by bidders as a result of their own technical challenges.
VALIDITY PERIOD	180 DAYS AFTER THE CLOSING DATE 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. Should a bidder fail to respond to a request for extension of the validity period before it expires, that bidder will be excluded from tender process. With regard to the validity period of next highest ranked bidders, please refer to Section 2, paragraph 10.12

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

2 FORMAL BRIEFING

A non-compulsory RFI briefing session will be conducted via Microsoft Teams on **14 October 2026** at 10h00am – 12:00pm for a period of ± 2hours. The briefing session will start punctually, and information will not be repeated for the benefit of Respondents joining late.

3 PROPOSAL SUBMISSION

Transnet has implemented a new electronic tender submission system, the e-Tender Submission Portal, in line with the overall Transnet digitalization strategy where suppliers can view advertised tenders, register their information, log their intent to respond to bids and upload their bid proposals/responses on to the system.

a) The Transnet e-Tender Submission Portal can be accessed as follows:

- a) Log on to the Transnet eTenders management platform website/ Portal (transnetetenders.azurewebsites.net)
- b) Click on "ADVERTISED TENDERS" to view advertised tenders;
- c) Click on "SIGN IN/REGISTER –to register new bidder information and ensure that all mandatory information is completed) OR;
- d) to sign in if already registered;
- e) Toggle (click to switch) the "Log an Intent" button to submit a bid;
- f) Submit bid documents by uploading them into the system against each tender selected.

- g) Respondents are to submit bid documents by uploading them onto the Transnet system against each tender selected. A Bidder can upload 30mb per upload and multiple uploads are permitted.
- h) Bidders should ensure that electronic bid submissions are submitted at least a day before the closing date and bidders should not wait for the last hour before the deadline to submit. This is to enable them to timeously address issues which they may encounter due to internet speed, bandwidth or the size of the number of uploads being submitted. Transnet will not be held liable for any challenges experienced by bidders as a result of their own technical challenges.
- i) No late submissions will be accepted. The bidder guide can be found on the Transnet Portal transnetetenders.azurewebsites.net
- j) Each company must register its own profile using its company details and use the corresponding registered profile to log an intent to bid as well as submitting any bid.
- k) Transnet will not accept a bid or will disqualify a bidder who submits a bid in the Transnet e-tender submission through another bidders'/Company's profile. In other words, each bidder must register the intent to bid and submit its bid through its own profile under the same company name that will eventually bid for the tender. No company shall submit a bid on behalf of another company regardless of the company being a subsidiary or holding company.
- l) In case of a Joint Venture, any of the parties/companies to the Joint Venture may use its registered profile to submit a bid on behalf of the Joint Venture.
- m) A detailed bidder guide can be found on the Transnet Portal transnetetenders.azurewebsites.net

4 RFI INSTRUCTIONS

- 4.1 Please sign documents [sign, stamp and date the bottom of each page] before uploading them on the system. The person or persons signing the submission must be legally authorised by the respondent to do so.
- 4.2 **All returnable documents tabled in the Proposal Form [Section 5] must be returned with proposals.**
- 4.3 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.
- 4.4 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 12 below (Legal Review) and Section 6 of the RFP, alterations, additions or deletions must not be made by the

COMMUNICATION (CLARIFICATIONS AND COMPLAINTS)

- 4.5 For specific clarification relating to this RFI, an RFI Clarification Request Form should be submitted to Gladys.mtambo@transnet.net before **on 20 October 2026**, 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.

4.6 Specific complaints relating to this RFP before or after the closing date should be formally submitted by emailing to groupscmcomplaints@transnet.net. Once the complaint has been submitted, the Transnet SCM Complaints office will acknowledge your complaint and send you a complaint form for completion.

4.7 Respondents are to note that changes to its submission will not be considered after the closing date.

5 CONFIDENTIALITY

All information related to this RFI is to be treated with strict confidence. 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 RFI the written approval to divulge such information must be obtained from Transnet.

6 STATUS OF THIS RFI AND SUBSEQUENT PROCESS

6.1 It is envisaged that a Supplier/Service Provider may be appointed, through a separate RFP process
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6.2 This RFI is not an offer to purchase, and Transnet is under no obligation to accept any proposals in this process and/or the subsequent RFP which may be issued hereafter.

6.3 As this is a Request for Information only, no business will be awarded through this process.

7 DISCLAIMERS

7.1 Respondents are hereby advised that Transnet is not committed to any course of action as a result of its issuance of this RFI and/or its receipt of submissions in response to it. In particular, please note that Transnet reserves the right and at its sole and full discretion to:

- utilise any information provided to it in response to this RFI to draft the scope of requirements for inclusion in an RFP;
- take no further action whatsoever, if it so decides;
- withdraw from this process and the provisions of this project at any time;
- select the RFI and RFP participants based on Transnet's criteria;
- change the dates of adjudication and submission;
- not invite RFI respondents for further participation in the RFP process;
- not bind itself to accept any or all of the RFIs;

- increase or decrease the quantities/scope as indicated in the RFI;
- 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;
- request audited financial statements or other documentation for the purposes of a due diligence exercise;
- not accept any changes or purported changes by the Respondent to the bid rates after the closing date;

7.2 NOTE THAT TRANSNET WILL NOT REIMBURSE ANY RESPONDENT FOR ANY PREPARATORY COSTS OR OTHER WORK PERFORMED IN CONNECTION WITH THIS SUBMISSION.

8 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.

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

9 TAX COMPLIANCE

Respondents to this RFI are required to provide proof that they are compliant 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).

The Tax Compliance status requirements are also applicable to foreign Respondents / individuals who wish to respond to this RFI.

Transnet urges its clients, suppliers and the general public to report any fraud or corruption to

TIP-OFFS ANONYMOUS

TRANSNET URGES ITS CLIENTS, SUPPLIERS AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC TO REPORT ANY FRAUD OR CORRUPTION TO

IF YOU DON'T REPORT IT, YOU SUPPORT IT!



Email: Transnet.Reportit@outlook.com

Toll free: 0800 003 056

SMS:0637867403

Please Call Me number: *120*0637867403

Website: <https://whistleblowersoftware.com/secure/Transnet>

SECTION 3: BACKGROUND, OVERVIEW AND SCOPE OF REQUIREMENTS

1 BACKGROUND

Transnet Freight Rail (TFR) is a Division of Transnet Limited, a state-owned enterprise with the South African government as its sole shareholder.

Transnet Limited, operating and controlling South Africa's major transport infrastructure, is responsible for ensuring that the country's transport industries operate according to world benchmark standards. Transnet Freight Rail forms an integral part of the Southern African economy:

- Transnet moves 17% of the nation's freight annually
- 100% of export Coal
- 100% of export Iron Ore
- 30% of core network carries 95% of freight volumes

As the demand for rail freight transport grows, TFR is finding it difficult to provide a reliable train operation service to its customers due to the high number of pantograph hook-up incidents being experienced on all the corridors. During the last financial year (2024/2025), the North Corridor experienced 102 pantograph hook-up incidents. From these 102 incidents, 29 of these were attributed to Security which usually entails a pantograph hook-up incident due to contact wire theft, vandalised contact wires or attempted theft. The second and third highest contributors to the 102 incidents came from Rolling stock issues (25 Incidents) and Infrastructure issues (17 incidents).

2 EXECUTIVE OVERVIEW

Whereas Transnet is seeking a partner(s) to provide solutions **FOR THE SUPPLY, COMMISSIONING AND SUPPORT FOR AN AUTOMATED PANTOGRAPH EARLY WARNING HOOK - UP DETECTION AND PREVENTION SYSTEM WORKING UNDER 3 kV DC, 25 kV AC and 50 kV AC CONDITIONS**, it also seeks to improve its current processes for providing these Services to its end user community throughout its locations.

The selected Supplier/Service provider(s) must share in the mission and business objectives of Transnet. These mutual goals will be met by meeting contractual requirements and new challenges in an environment of teamwork, joint participation, flexibility, innovation and open communications. In this spirit of partnership, Transnet and its Supplier/Service provider(s) will study the current ways they do business to enhance current practices and support processes and systems. Such a partnership will allow Transnet to reach higher levels of quality, service and profitability.

Specifically, Transnet seeks to benefit from this partnership in the following ways:

- 2.1 Transnet must receive reduced cost of acquisition and improved service benefits resulting from the Supplier/Service provider's economies of scale and streamlined service processes.
- 2.2 Transnet must achieve appropriate availability that meets user needs while reducing costs for both Transnet and the chosen Supplier/Service provider(s).

- 2.3 Transnet must receive proactive improvements from the Supplier/Service provider with respect to supply/provision of Goods/Services and related processes.
- 2.4 Transnet's overall competitive advantage must be strengthened by the chosen Supplier/Service provider's leading-edge technology and service delivery systems.
- 2.5 Transnet end users must be able to rely on the chosen Supplier/Service provider's personnel for service enquiries, recommendations and substitutions.
- 2.6 Transnet must reduce costs by streamlining its acquisition of Goods/Services, including managed service processes on a Group basis.

3 SCOPE OF REQUIREMENTS

Tenders are invited in respect of the attached Specification and evaluation criteria (See the attached Annexure A and B).

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Respondents are also encouraged to include any other relevant information that they deem necessary and might have not been included explicitly in this request. Submissions are not limited to the criteria listed on the Annexures.

4 GREEN ECONOMY / CARBON FOOTPRINT

Transnet wishes to have an understanding of your company's position with regard to environmental commitments, including key environmental characteristics such as waste disposal, recycling and energy conservation. *Please submit details of your entity's policies in this regard.*

5 GENERAL SUPPLIER PROVIDER OBLIGATIONS

- 5.1 The Supplier shall be fully responsible to Transnet for the acts and omissions of persons directly or indirectly employed by them.
- 5.2 The Supplier must comply with the requirements stated in this RFI.

6 CONFIDENTIALITY AND COMPLIANCE

This RFI and information contained herein or provided for purposes thereof, remain the property of Transnet and may not be reproduced, sold or otherwise disposed of. All recipients of this document (whether a RFI is submitted or not) shall treat the details of this document as strictly private and confidential.

Information disclosed in this RFI is given in good faith and only for the purposes of providing sufficient information to the Respondent to enable submission of a well-informed and realistic RFI.

7 UNDERTAKINGS BY RESPONDENT

It will be accepted that the Respondent, on submitting the RFI response, has read, understood and accepted all the terms and conditions of the document. The submission of an RFI by any Respondent shall presume complete acceptance of the terms and conditions of the document. All qualifications and or exceptions should be noted in the RFI Response document.

8 COSTS TO RESPOND TO THE RFI

8.1 All Respondents wishing to submit a RFI response must be in possession of this document, the RFI. Transnet will not be responsible for or pay any expense or losses which may be incurred by any Respondent in the preparation and submission of the RFI and the costs of the RFI at all stages of the RFI process. Costs, if any, will be for each Respondent's own account.

8.2 Transnet reserves the right to invite certain Respondents to present or otherwise demonstrate their proposed solution as per their RFI, at the Respondent's own cost.

9 AUTHORITY OF SIGNATORY

9.1 If the RFI Respondent is a company, a certified copy of the resolution of the Board of Directors (i.e. personally signed by the Chairman or Secretary of the Board) authorising the person who signs this RFI to do so and any other documents and correspondence in connection with this RFI and/or agreement on behalf of the company, must be submitted with their RFI.

9.2 If the RFI Respondent is a partnership, a certified copy of the resolution of the partners (personally signed by all the partners) authorising the person who signs this RFI to do so and any other documents and correspondence in connection with this RFI and/or agreement on behalf of the partnership, must be submitted with this RFI.

9.3 If the RFI Respondent constitutes a "one-man business", certified proof must be submitted that the person signing this RFI and any other documents and correspondence in connection with this RFI and/or agreement is the sole owner of the one-man business.

Failure to comply with this clause may result in rejection of the RFI response.

10 UNDERTAKING BY TRANSNET

In responding to this RFI, Transnet encourages all RFI Respondents to put their best effort into the construction and development of the proposal.

SECTION 4: PRICING AND DELIVERY SCHEDULE

Potential bidders are requested to submit a brochure, where possible.

11 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Respondents are also encouraged to include any other relevant information that they deem necessary and might have not been included explicitly in this request. Submissions are not limited to the criteria.

12 FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS FOR FUTURE AWARD OF BUSINESS

In the event of a RFP following this RFI process, it will be a condition precedent prior to the award of business in terms of that RFP that the successful Respondent demonstrates its ability to fund Transnet's requirements.

13 EVALUATION

There will be no evaluations, at this stage. However, respondents are highly advised to adhere to the request details as detailed in the request documentation (Annexure A and B).

SECTION 5: PROPOSAL FORM AND LIST OF RETURNABLE DOCUMENTS**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	<i>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.</i>
Returnable Documents Used for Scoring	<i>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.</i>
Essential Returnable Documents	<i>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.</i>

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]
N/A	

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:

<u>RETURNABLE DOCUMENTS USED FOR SCORING</u>	SUBMITTED [Yes or No]
• N/A	

c) Essential Returnable Documents:

, Respondents are further required to submit the following **Essential Returnable Documents** with their RFP and to confirm submission of these documents by so indicating [Yes or No] in the table below:

CONTINUED VALIDITY OF RETURNABLE DOCUMENTS

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 1: SBD1 Form	
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	
CSD Registration report	

The successful Respondent will be required to ensure the validity of all returnable documents, 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 _____

2 _____

Name _____

SIGNATURE OF RESPONDENT'S AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE: _____

NAME: _____

DESIGNATION: _____

Respondent's Signature

Date & Company Stamp

**SECTION 6: RFQ DECLARATION CERTIFICATE OF ACQUAINTANCE & BREACH OF LAW FORM
WITH RFP**

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
5	Specifications and drawings attached to this RFP

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.

Respondent's Signature

Date & Company Stamp

SECTION 7: RFP DECLARATION AND BREACH OF LAW FORM

We hereby certify that:

1. Transnet has supplied and we have received appropriate responses to any/all questions [as applicable] which were submitted by ourselves for RFI Clarification purposes;
2. We have received all information we deemed necessary for the completion of this Request for Information **[RFI]**;
3. We have been provided with sufficient access to the existing Transnet facilities/sites and any and all relevant information relevant to the Goods/Services as well as Transnet information and Employees, and have had sufficient time in which to conduct and perform a thorough due diligence of Transnet's operations and business requirements and assets used by Transnet. Transnet will therefore not consider or permit any pre- or post-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.
4. At no stage have we received additional information relating to the subject matter of this RFI from Transnet sources, other than information formally received from the designated Transnet contact(s) as nominated in the RFI documents;
5. We are satisfied, insofar as our entity is concerned, that the processes and procedures adopted by Transnet in issuing this RFI and the requirements requested from Bidders in responding to this RFI have been conducted in a fair and transparent manner;
6. We have complied with all obligations of the Bidder/Supplier as indicated in the Transnet Supplier Integrity which includes but are not limited to ensuring that we take all measures necessary to prevent corrupt practices, unfairness and illegal activities in order to secure or in furtherance to secure a contract with Transnet;
7. we declare that an owner / member / director / partner / shareholder/employee of our entity **has / has not been** [delete as applicable] a former employee or board member of Transnet in the past 10 years. I further declare that if they were a former employee or board member of Transnet in the past 10 years that they **were/were not** involved in the bid preparation or had access to the information related to this RFP; and
8. If such a relationship as indicated in paragraph 7, exists, the Respondent is to complete the following section:

FULL NAME OF OWNER/MEMBER/DIRECTOR/
PARTNER/SHAREHOLDER/EMPLOYEE:

ADDRESS:

Indicate nature of relationship with Transnet:

[Failure to furnish complete and accurate information in this regard will lead to the disqualification of a response and may preclude a Respondent from doing future business with Transnet. Information

provided in the declarations may be used by Transnet and/or its affiliates to verify the correctness of the information provided]

- 9 We declare, to the extent that we are aware or become aware of any relationship between ourselves and Transnet [other than any existing and appropriate business relationship with Transnet] which could unfairly advantage our entity in the forthcoming adjudication process, we shall notify Transnet immediately in writing of such circumstances.

BIDDER'S DISCLOSURE (SBD4)

10 PURPOSE OF THE FORM

Any person (natural or juristic) responding to this RFI must do so inline with the principles of transparency, accountability, impartiality, and ethics as enshrined in the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa and further expressed in various pieces of legislation, it is required for the respondent to make this declaration in respect of the details required hereunder.

11 Bidder's declaration

- 11.1 Is the bidder, or any of its directors / trustees / shareholders / members / partners or any person having a controlling interest¹ in the enterprise, employed by the state?

YES/NO

- 11.2 If so, furnish particulars of the names, individual identity numbers, and, if applicable, state employee numbers of sole proprietor/ directors / trustees / shareholders / members/ partners or any person having a controlling interest in the enterprise, in table below.

Full Name	Identity Number	Name of State institution

¹ the power, by one person or a group of persons holding the majority of the equity of an enterprise, alternatively, the person/s having the deciding vote or power to influence or to direct the course and decisions of the enterprise.

11.3 Do you, or any person connected with the bidder, have a relationship with any person who is employed by the procuring institution?

YES/NO

11.3.2 If so, furnish particulars:

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11.4 Does the bidder or any of its directors / trustees / shareholders / members / partners or any person having a controlling interest in the enterprise have any interest in any other related enterprise whether or not they are bidding for this contract?

YES/NO

11.4.1 If so, furnish particulars:

.....
.....

12 **DECLARATION**

I, the undersigned, (name)..... in submitting the accompanying bid, do hereby make the following statements that I certify to be true and complete in every respect:

12.1 I have read and I understand the contents of this disclosure;

12.2 I understand that the accompanying bid will be disqualified if this disclosure is found not to be true and complete in every respect;

12.3 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 consortium² will not be construed as collusive bidding.

12.4 In addition, there have been no consultations, communications, agreements or arrangements with any competitor regarding the quality, quantity, specifications, prices, including methods, factors or formulas used to calculate prices, market allocation, the intention or decision to submit or not to submit the bid, bidding with the intention not to win the bid and conditions or delivery particulars of the products or services to which this bid invitation relates.

12.5 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.

12.6 There have been no consultations, communications, agreements or arrangements made by the bidder with any official of the procuring institution in relation to this procurement process prior to and during

² 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.

the bidding process except to provide clarification on the bid submitted where so required by the institution; and the bidder was not involved in the drafting of the specifications or terms of reference for this bid.

12.7 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.

I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION FURNISHED IN PARAGRAPHS 12, 13 and 14 ABOVE IS CORRECT.

I ACCEPT THAT THE STATE MAY REJECT THE BID OR ACT AGAINST ME IN TERMS OF PARAGRAPH 6 OF PFMA SCM INSTRUCTION 03 OF 2021/22 ON PREVENTING AND COMBATING ABUSE IN THE SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT SYSTEM SHOULD THIS DECLARATION PROVE TO BE FALSE.

BREACH OF LAW

We further hereby certify that *I/we* (the bidding entity and/or any of its directors, members or partners) ***have/have not been*** [delete as applicable] found guilty during the preceding 5 [five] years of a serious breach of law, including but not limited to a breach of the Competition Act, 89 of 1998, by a court of law, tribunal or other administrative body. The type of breach that the Respondent is required to disclose excludes relatively minor offences or misdemeanours, e.g. traffic offences. This includes the imposition of an administrative fine or penalty.

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, should that person or entity have been found guilty of a serious breach of law, tribunal or regulatory obligation.

SIGNED at _____ on this _____ day of _____ 20____

For and on behalf of _____ duly authorised hereto	AS WITNESS:
Name:	Name:

Position:	Position:
Signature:	Signature:
Date:	Registration No of Company/CC
Place:	Registration Name of Company/CC

Respondent's Signature

Date & Company Stamp

SECTION 9 : SPECIFIC GOALS 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 specific goals Contribution. Transnet will award preference points to companies who provide valid proof of evidence of as per the table below.

NB: BEFORE COMPLETING THIS FORM, BIDDERS MUST STUDY THE GENERAL CONDITIONS, DEFINITIONS AND DIRECTIVES APPLICABLE IN RESPECT OF SPECIFIC GOALS, AS PRESCRIBED IN THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT POLICY FRAMEWORK ACT, 2000.

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 **not 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.

Selected Specific Goal	Indicate Yes or No Attach supporting evidence (Information required is only for data collection and not for scoring purposes)
Indicate your B-BBEE LEVEL	
Confirm if your entity has at least 30% Black Women Ownership	
Confirm if your entity entity has at least 51% Black Ownership	
Confirm if your entity has at least 51% Black Youth Ownership	
Confirm if your entity has Black Disabled ownership	
Indicate in which region/province your entity is based	
Indicate if your entity is non-Compliant	

Note:***This is for data collection and not for scoring purposes*****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) **"Ownership"** means 51% black ownership
- (e) **"bid"** means a written offer in a prescribed or stipulated form in response to an invitation by an organ of state for the supply/provision of services, works or goods, through price quotations, advertised competitive bidding processes or proposals;
- (f) **"Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act"** means the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act, 2003 (Act No. 53 of 2003);
- (g) **"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);
- (h) **"functionality"** means the ability of a bidder to provide goods or services in accordance with specification as set out in the bid documents
- (i) **"Price"** includes all applicable taxes less all unconditional discounts.
- (j) **"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.
- (k) **"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);
- (l) **"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.
- (m) **"Specific goals"** means targeted advancement areas or categories of persons or groups either previously disadvantaged or falling within the scope of the Reconstruction and Development Programme identified by Transnet to be given preference in allocation of procurement contracts in line with section 2(1) of the PPPFA.

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

$$P_s = 80 \left(1 - \frac{P_t - P_{\min}}{P_{\min}} \right)$$

Where

P_s = Points scored for comparative price of bid under consideration

P_t = Comparative price of bid under consideration

$P_{\min}$ = Comparative price of lowest acceptable bid

In terms of Transnet Preferential Procurement Policy (TPPP) and Procurement Manuals, the following preference points must be awarded to a bidder who provides the relevant required evidence for claiming points

Note:

- ***This is for data collection and not for scoring purposes***
- ***We have attached a Sworn Affidavit template for ease of reference for entities that do not have updated sworn affidavits***
- ***Only complete one that that is applicable to your entity either EME or QSE not both***

Selected Specific Goal	Indicate Yes or No Attach supporting evidence (Information required is only for data collection and not for scoring purposes)
Indicate your B-BBEE LEVEL	
Confirm if your entity has at least 30% Black Women Ownership	
Confirm if your entity entity has at least 51% Black Ownership	
Confirm if your entity has at least 51% Black Youth Ownership	
Confirm if your entity has Black Disabled ownership	
Indicate in which region/province your entity is based	
Indicate if your entity is non-Compliant	

Confirmation of B-BBEE Credentials	
B-BBEE	B-BBEE Certificate / Sworn- Affidavit / B-BBEE CIPC Certificate (in case of JV, a consolidated scorecard will be accepted) as per DTIC guideline
At least 30% Black Women Owned Entities	B-BBEE Certificate / Sworn- Affidavit / B-BBEE CIPC Certificate (in case of JV, a consolidated scorecard will be accepted) as per DTIC guideline
At least 50% Black Youth Owned Entities	Certified copy of ID Documents of the Owners (Not older than 3 months) and B-BBEE Certificate / Sworn- Affidavit / B-BBEE CIPC Certificate (in case of JV, a consolidated

	scorecard will be accepted) as per DTIC guideline
Entities Owned by People with Disability (PWD)	Certified copy of ID Documents of the Owners / Doctor's note and /or EEA1 form confirming the disability
Entities/Black People living in rural areas	Entity 's Municipal/ESKOM bill or letter from Induna/chief confirming residential address not older than 3 months.
South African Enterprises	CIPC Certificate and CSD report (To prove that the company is still in operation)
Entities that are 51% Black Owned	B-BBEE Certificate / Sworn- Affidavit / B-BBEE CIPC Certificate (in case of JV, a consolidated scorecard will be accepted) as per DTIC guideline

3.2 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 the DTI's website at www.dti.gov.za/economic_empowerment/bee_codes.jsp .]
EME³	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 QSE scorecard

3.3 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.

3.4 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.

3.5 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. BID DECLARATION

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

5. B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL OF CONTRIBUTION CLAIMED

5.1 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.

6. SUB-CONTRACTING

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

(***Tick applicable box***)

YES		NO	
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6.1.1 If yes, indicate:

- i) What percentage of the contract will be subcontracted.....%
- 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	
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- v) Specify, by ticking the appropriate box, if subcontracting with any of the following enterprises:

: 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		

7. **DECLARATION WITH REGARD TO COMPANY/FIRM**

Name of company/firm:.....

VAT registration number:.....

Company registration number:.....

TYPE OF COMPANY/ FIRM

- ☐ Partnership/Joint Venture / Consortium
- ☐ One person business/sole propriety
- ☐ Close corporation
- ☐ Company
- ☐ (Pty) Limited

[TICK APPLICABLE BOX]

DESCRIBE PRINCIPAL BUSINESS ACTIVITIES

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COMPANY CLASSIFICATION

- ☐ Manufacturer
- ☐ Supplier
- ☐ Professional Supplier
- ☐ Other Suppliers, e.g. transporter, etc.

[*TICK APPLICABLE BOX*]

Total number of years the company/firm has been in business:.....

I/we, the undersigned, who is / are duly authorised to do so on behalf of the company/firm, certify that the points claimed, based on the B-BBE status level of contribution of the foregoing certificate, qualifies the company/ firm for the preference(s) shown and I / we acknowledge that:

- 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; If a bidder submitted false information regarding its B-BBEE status level of contributor or any other matter required in terms of the Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2022 which will affect or has affected the evaluation of a bid 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;
 - (d) 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. 2.	 SIGNATURE(S) OF BIDDERS(S) DATE: ADDRESS.....
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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 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

Respondents are required to provide consent below:

YES		NO	
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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.

Signature of Respondent's authorised representative: _____

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 <https://www.justice.gov.za/infoereg/>, click on contact us, click on complaints.IR@justice.gov.za