

TRANSNET PORT TERMINALS

TENDER NUMBER: TPT/2026/07/0003/114562/RFP

DESCRIPTION OF THE WORKS: REFURBISHMENT OF SUBSTATIONS AT THE PORT OF CAPE TOWN, CONTAINER TERMINAL OF TRANSNET SOC LTD (REG.NO.1990/000900/30) OPERATING AS TRANSNET PORT TERMINALS, (HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS “TPT”) FOR A PERIOD OF TWENTY-FOUR (24) MONTHS

CLARIFICATION QUESTIONS		
	Clarification	TPT's Response
1	We require clarification regarding the Screenshot of Supplier Development Information Required section of the questionnaire. Could you please confirm the following: Are the questions in this section intended to relate specifically to our organization's relationship with Transnet, or should they reflect our organization's participation in supplier and enterprise development initiatives in general, regardless of the customer or sponsoring organisation? Where supporting information is required, what is the applicable reporting period? For example, should the information reflect our organization's current status, the current financial year, the duration of our contract with Transnet, or another specified reporting period?	Please note that the information required here is in relation to your relationship with Transnet. You need to complete all the sections and leave out the SUPPLIER DEVELOPMENT PLAN and DEVELOPMENT PLAN DOCUMENT. No supporting documents are required for this section.
2	1. 1250kVA Transformers – Are these ONAN units or Dry Type units 2. Specification for ONAN Units TCPELE014TRANSFORMER 3. Railroad SLD refers to Dry Type Transformers? 4. Refrigeration substation SLD refers to Dry Type Transformers? 5. Container Admin substation SLD refers to Dry Type Transformers? 6. Coaster Bert Substation SLD refers to Dry Type Transformers? 7. Are these x 2 Transformersper substation - supply new? 8. ONAN specification TCPELE014TRANSFORMER refers to DETC with tap range “The tap range shall be ±2.5% and ±5% of the nominal voltages. 9. Annexure 1 as per TCPELE014TRANSFORMER specification calls for an Auto Tap Switch. – Client to advise Brand of Tap changer and Tapping range should ONAN units be required	All transformers are ONAN and existing. The scope regarding transformers is clear, refurbish and change the oil. Bidders to price for a typical refurbishment/service, supply, and change the oil. This is also clear in the pricing schedule. The LV SLDs are only to inform the requirement for the switchgear. Disregard the TRF details in the LV SLD, this information is not required anyway for the purpose of the LV switchgear design/pricing. Bidders are not supplying new Transformers.

3 3ph 1 core 400mm2 400V XLPE SWA Cu ECC Cable. Single core 400V XLPE SWA Cu We are experiencing quite a lot of technical difficulties where the BOQ/Specs not giving us sufficient clarity for our Suppliers to quote on. The information is not always creditable or like the above not correct. (there is no 3 phase single core and there is no ECC (XLPE SWA Cu) cable) we can quote you on Single core 400V XLPE SWA Cu cable It also doesn't assist us when we request clarification and the feedback is no clarification needed. If we do ask for clarification it means there is a discrepancy between documentation (BOQ/Spec/Drawings) and we really need a clarified answer. Further to that we really need professional drafted designs (I e.g. noticed a hand-drafted SLD which are not in line with specs etc.) Is it perhaps possible to have contact with a Technical Engineer who knows the project. For now, there are major uncertainties and design short comings that may lead to overpricing. I will really appreciate it if you can try to extend this tender with at least 2 weeks and submit relevant drawings/specs and reply on clarification questions.	1. Query: 3ph 1 core 400mm2 400V XLPE SWA Cu ECC Cable. Response: See addendum 3. The 3ph description has been removed in the BOQ item. Please refer to addendum 3 and the revised BOQ which has been uploaded on the Transnet e-tenders portal. 2. Query: The information is not always creditable or like the above not correct. (there is no 3 phase single core and there is no ECC (XLPE SWA Cu) cable) we can quote you on Single core 400V XLPE SWA Cu cable. Response: Bidders to quote on a 1c 400V XLPE SWA Cu and can use the SWA as ECC as per the requirement for a design supply and installation item for earthing. The inclusion of the ECC in the description should be read as an indication for the need to use the SWA as ECC or provide a supplementary or separate ECC as per the output of the design, supply, and installation of the earthing system. The correctness of the use of the SWA as an ECC will be the output of the contractor's design and a possible need to supplement or provide a separate ECC entirely rests with the contractor and a provision for this inclusion shall be part of the earthing system. For further clarity on the application for this item, bidders to read item 1 of A4 in conjunction with item 2 of A4. This shall close the communication of the design intent from the employer regarding the reticulation of the LV side of the TRFs. 3. Query: I will really appreciate it if you can try to extend this tender with at least 2 weeks and submit relevant drawings/specs and reply on clarification questions. Response: Please refer to addendum 3 on the e-tenders portal regarding the time extension . Regarding the drawings and difficulty experienced with the provided information, please send a specific request pointing directly to the area of concern. Bidder's to also note that the AutoCAD/PDF drawings were provided with the RFP, the free hand drawings are provided as supplementary condition assessment information as per the communication of the tender clarification meeting.
4 Can we please get clarity on the following: In addition to Addendum 2 additional sketch drawings. 1. Bidders to note that PDF drawings that were issued with the RFP are primary information that must be considered as WI: These drawings that was provided does not have any dimensions to them, hence the reason we are requesting a better quality of the hand sketch drawings. 2. Bidders must refer to the Scanned freehand layouts for a clear version of the drawings included in the condition assessment: Not all of the hand sketch drawings were scanned and provided. Clarification: 1. Can you please provide information regarding the hand sketched drawings, there is a Carrier substation drawing but no Carrier substation in the BOQ? Only cross reference the drawings you need for pricing the BOQ. 2. Since the BOQ was amended is there going to be an extension of time?	1. The scanned drawings are better quality of the version that was included in the condition assessment report. The PDF drawings that were provided with the RFP are to scale. In addition, the employer cannot capture all dimensions, bidders had an opportunity to take deemed necessary dimensions on site. The information provided by the employer should be enough for capable bidders to provide responses. 2. Point directly to which scan you are referring to. Clarification: 1. Note, there are other substations as well in the overall network diagram, but you are only to cross reference what is applicable to the scope. The carrier workshop substation is part of the scope but only to be referenced concerning the power systems modelling and simulations study. 2. Please refer to Addendum 3 on the Transnet e-Tenders portal on the tender closing date extension.

5	With reference to T2.2-06: Evaluation Schedule - Previous Experience, please clarify the following: Since each category is allocated points separately 1. Electrical MV and LV infrastructure works 2. Earthing and lightning protection, and power systems modelling and simulation 3. Automatic fire smoke detection and suppression system, HVAC • Must we submit 5 experience per category, meaning 15 in total? And must each of the 15 be over 25m or Only the MV/LV category or Combination of all 3? • And will a completed JV project be accepted?	To get maximum points per category, bidders need to submit 5 references. A single reference can cover all or parts of the categories and points will be allocated for the respective works as per the reference, e.g. an applicable reference that covers categories 1 and 2 above will earn points for both categories. Bidders can provide as much references as they want, for maximum points per category the employer requires 5 references. The employer cannot dictate the number of references the bidder needs to provide; bidders need to provide the response inline with the requirement of the functionality returnable. All references must be above the stated value to and projects done within the stipulated years to be considered. This was explained clearly at the briefing session. Completed JV projects will be considered. Meaning a reference provided by either parties of the JV or by the JV as a whole will be considered.
6	I have 2 issue that I would like to address with you and clarification is of utmost importance. 1. I have hear the closing date of this tender has been extended until 13 August 2026, is this true as we have not received any official extension. 2. The first RFP received with same reference consisted of 294 pages, we requested more details such as drawings and datasheets for the various LV and Mv switchboards which we never received , yesterday we received a document called Specifications and Drawings which we have never seen before which has 313 pages and contains the information we need to prepare a proper quotation. The main issue we have is we need more time we need an extension of the submittal date to at least 27 August 2026. Please can you investigate the possibility of our request and give us your response.	Please be advised that all addenda are uploaded on the Transnet e-Tenders Portal and on National Treasury. The responsibility lies with the bidders to check the portals for any addenda that may be issued. Therefore, I kindly advise that you check the e-tenders portal regularly to ensure that you are kept up to date with any issued addenda and documents. The RFP document, technical specifications and drawings were all issued out to the market on the 8th of July 2026 and the tender closing date has been further extended to the 20th August 2026. Kindly note that no further extensions will be done by TPT.
7	T2.2-31 - Vendor Registration Form We require clarification regarding the Screenshot of Supplier Development Information Required section of the questionnaire: Could you please confirm the following: Are the questions in this section intended to relate specifically to Lesedi's relationship with Transnet, or should they reflect Lesedi's participation in supplier and enterprise development initiatives in general, regardless of the customer or sponsoring organisation? Where supporting information is required, what is the applicable reporting period? For example, should the information reflect Lesedi's current status, the current financial year, the duration of our contract with Transnet, or another specified reporting period?	Please note that the information required here is in relation to your relationship with Transnet. You need to complete all the sections and leave out the SUPPLIER DEVELOPMENT PLAN and DEVELOPMENT PLAN DOCUMENT. No supporting documents are required for this section.
8	BOQ A4 item 1: Supply and install of new 3ph 1 core 400mm² 400V XLPE SWA Cu ECC Cable Please clarify: The suppliers cannot quote on this cable as you don't get a LV single core SWA cable with ECC. You do get LV single core SWA cable but not with ECC as the armouring is Aluminium and the Aluminium is used for earthing. You do get ECC in 3core and 4 core SWA as the some of the strands of the SWA is copper to provide the ECC	Response: Bidders to quote on a 1c 400V XLPE SWA Cu and can use the SWA as ECC as per the requirement for a design supply and installation item for earthing. The inclusion of the ECC in the description should be read as an indication for the need to use the SWA as ECC or provide a supplementary or separate ECC as per the output of the design, supply, and installation of the earthing system. The correctness of the use of the SWA as an ECC will be the output of the contractor's design and a possible need to supplement or provide a separate ECC entirely rests with the contractor and a provision for this inclusion shall be part of the earthing system. For further clarity on the application for this item, bidders to read item 1 of A4 in conjunction with item 2 of A4. This shall close the communication of the design intent from the employer regarding the reticulation of the LV side of the TRFs. See addendum 3.

9	The type of enclosure for AMV12 type Air Insulated Switchgear is Aluzinc with doors and side/rear covers: powder coated steel. AMV12 brochure is attached for your persula, please advise if this will be acceptable by Transnet	Bidders to comply fully with the minimum requirements of the employer's specification.
10	Clarification on HVAC: The specification does not provide suficient information regarding the HVAC requirements. Could you please clarify the following: 1. Do the trasnformers require air conditioning? If so, what is the allowable temperature range? 2. Are there any rooms that require air conditioning and/or pressurization? 3. What temperature and humidity levels are required for the various equipment rooms? This information is required to ensure that the HVAC system is correctly designed and priced.	Response 1. For transformer rooms, only pressurisation is required. No cooling. This is a design supply and install item, contractors are expected to inform the temperature requirements with the consideration of the housed plant. 2. Pressurisation and cooling required in switchgear room/s. 3. This is a design supply and install item, contractors are expected to inform the temperature and humidity requirements based on applicable codes and practice, with the consideration of the housed plant.
11	Cable Termination Clarification Request: Based on the cable sizes specified in the BOQ, we have identified a potential compatibility issue between the cables and the specified plug-in terminations. 1. The 70 mm² cable has an insulation diameter of approximately 18.5 mm, which falls below the minimum application range of 21 mm for a Size 2 plug-in termination. What is the size of the cable for the 630A MV plug type terminations? 2. The 150 mm² cable has an insulation diameter of approximately 23.5 mm, which falls below the minimum application range of 26 mm for a Size 3 plug-in termination. What is the size of the cable for the 1250A MV plug type terminations? This is to rRaychem specifications and as the supplier states this will not work. We would also like to point out that if the 70mm² cable is going to be used on the SIZE 2 plugin termination it would be out of this application range. The insulation diameter of the cable is 18,5 mm and the minimum application range for the SIZE2 is 21mm. The same apply for the 150mm² cable's insulation diameter is 23,5mm and the minimum application range for the SIZE 3 plugin termination is 26mm.	1. There are no compatibility issues regarding the cable sizes and the terminations as per the requirements of the RFP. The employer will not be selecting termination sizes or suppliers for bidders. The information on cable sizes feeding respective panels is clear in the RFP.

12	1. Query: To achieve 80 points, the minimum qualification required is a B Tech or equivalent at NQF Level 7. Accordingly, degrees such as BEng and BSc (which are also classified at NQF Level 8) should fall within this scoring band. To achieve 100 points, the minimum qualification required is a Master's degree, Doctorate, or higher (NQF Level 9–10). Kindly confirm whether my interpretation is correct, specifically that BEng and BSc qualifications are recognized within the 80-point category. Additionally, could you please clarify if there are any circumstances under which a BSc or BEng degrees would not be awarded the full points applicable to their respective category? Which is 100 Points.	Your interpretation is correct. Minimum requirement for 80 points is a Btech. Beng and BSc exceeds the minimum requirements but would still earn you 7 points if submitted, alone, for education. Note, the education category is not only limited to the prescribed NQF qualification, relevant training certificates e.g. short courses, registrations e.g. GCC, PMP, and related qualifications, etc. Such education will be considered in the evaluation and in this context can earn bidders a higher score, of 100, with a Btech, BEng or BSc submitted with additional forms of education and training. Therefore, it doesn't necessarily mean that a Btech, BEng, or BSc qualifications will earn bidders 80 points without a consideration of the entire education portfolio submitted, but 80 points will be a guaranteed minimum score if a bidder submits a BTech qualification because that is the requirement for 80 points in the education category. Bidders are encouraged to submit as much education and training portfolio per CV as possible because not only NQF is looked at for scoring, but NQF requirements are prescribed as minimum criteria for respective points.
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