

# TRANSNET FREIGHT RAIL SAFETY HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL (SHE) SPECIFICATIONS FOR CONTRACTORS

<b>CONTRACT NAME:</b>	UPS Inspection, Support and Repairs Services	
<b>CONTRACT NUMBER:</b>		
<b>CONTRACT SCOPE:</b>	<p>Maintenance of sealed lead acid batteries and Smart UPS VT system used and suitable for standby power supplies to telecommunication equipment.</p> <p>All absolute batteries, links and rectifiers will need to be replaced to provide more life into the unit.</p> <p>Smart UPS unit serviced as an when needed by business, configuration of the UPS system to communicate with remote monitoring on the network Switches and cabinets</p>	
<b>CONTRACT LOCATION:</b>	Pretoria, Bloemfontein, Empangeni, Durban, Port Elizabeth, Cape Town, Germiston, Uitenhage, Kilnerpark, Koedoespoort, Saldana, Kimberly, Nelspruit, Mosselbay, RichardsBay, Salt River, East London	
<b>CONTRACT DURATION:</b>	As and when required basis	
<b>CONTRACT MANAGER:</b>	Madlamini Mokoale	
<b>TFR CONTRACT REPRESENTATIVE / TECHNICAL OFFICER:</b>	Joseph Shessiah	
<b>AGENT:</b>		
<b>SHE SPECIFICATION APPROVAL</b>		
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## 1. Introduction

- 1.1 This Safety, Health and Environmental (SHE) specification is Transnet Freight Rail (TFR) minimum requirements to be met by contractors when performing work for or on behalf of TFR. They set out the requirements to be followed by the Contractor and other contractors so that the health and safety of all person's potentially at risk may receive the same priority as other facets of the project.
- 1.2 The Contractor shall **develop a SHE plan and prepare a SHE file** based on these requirements, risk assessment as well as all the relevant applicable legislation. The contractor shall remain accountable for the quality and execution of his health and safety programme for his employees and sub-contractor employees. This specification in no way releases the contractors from compliance with the relevant legislation.

## 2 Purpose

- 2.1 The purpose of this specification is to ensure that the Contractor provides and maintains, as far as reasonably practicable a safe working environment for all employees and the public whilst performing work for or on behalf of TFR.
- 2.2 This specification form an integral part of the contract, and the Contractor shall forward this specification to all subcontractors at the bidding stage so that they can in turn prepare health and safety plans relating to their operations

## 3 Scope and Application

- 3.1 This specification is applicable to all contractors, suppliers and all activities and processes carried out for or on behalf of Transnet Freight Rail. The Specification defines the strategies to manage Health and Safety and is a compliance document drawn up in terms of the Occupational Health and Safety Act 85 of 1993, Electrical Installation regulation and National Railway Safety Regulator Act (Act no 16 of 2002) requirements as applicable.
- 3.2 This specification shall also apply to any subcontractors as employers in their own right. The Contractor shall furnish the TFR Contract Representative/Technical Officer with full particulars of such subcontractors and shall ensure that they comply with the OHS Act and Regulations and Transnet's safety requirements and procedures.
- 3.3 Every effort has been made to ensure that this specification document is accurate and adequate in all respects. Should it however, contain any errors or omissions they may not be considered as grounds for claims under the contract for additional reimbursement or extension of time, or relieve the Contractor from his responsibilities and accountability in

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respect of the project to which this specification document pertains. Any such inaccuracies, inconsistencies and/or inadequacies must immediately be brought to the attention of the TFR Contract Manager/ Representative/Technical Officer or Client Agent.

#### **4 General**

- 4.1 The Contractor and Transnet Freight Rail are individual employers, each in its own right, with their respective duties and obligations set out in the Occupational Health and Safety Act, Act 85 of 1993 (herein referred as the OHS Act) and applicable Regulations.
- 4.2 The Contractor accepts, in terms of the General Conditions of Contract and in terms of the OHS Act, his obligations as an employer in respect of all persons in his employ, other persons on the premises or the Site or place of work or on the work to be executed by him, and under his control. The Contractor shall, before commencement with the execution of the contract work, comply with the provisions set out in the OHS Act, and shall implement and maintain a SHE Plan approved by Transnet Freight Rail, on the Site and place of work for the duration of the contract.
- 4.3 The Contractor accepts his obligation with complying to the OHS Act and applicable Regulations notwithstanding the omission of some of the provisions of the OHS Act and the Regulations from this document.
- 4.4 Transnet Freight Rail accepts, in terms of the OHS Act, its obligations as an employer of its own employees working on or associated with the site or place of work, and the Contractor and TFR Contract Representative/Technical Officer or his deputy shall at all times, co-operate in respect of the health and safety management of the site, and shall agree on the practical arrangements and procedures to be implemented and maintained during execution of the works
- 4.5 In the event of any discrepancies between any legislation and this specification, the applicable legislation will take precedence.

#### **5. Section 37(2) Agreements**

- 5.1 Transnet Freight Rail and the Contractor shall enter into an agreement in terms of section 37(2) of the Occupational Health and Safety Act to the arrangements and procedures between them to ensure compliance by the Contractor with the provisions of the OHS Act.
- 5.2 The agreement shall be completed and signed by the Contractor mandated representative as soon as possible and returned to the relevant TFR Contract Manager / TFR Contract Representative for his/her signature on behalf of TFR.
- 5.3 The Contractor shall enter into a Section 37(2) Agreement with their respective sub-contractors. Signed copy of such agreement must be kept on the Contractor's SHE file.

#### **6. Definitions**

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- 6.1 In this Specification the definitions as listed in the Occupational Health and Safety Act 85 of 1993 and shall apply, unless the context otherwise indicates: -
- 6.2 **"Competent person"** means a person who—
- a) has in respect of the work or task to be performed the required knowledge, training and experience and, where applicable, qualifications, specific to that work or task: Provided that where appropriate qualifications and training are registered in terms of the provisions of the National Qualification Framework Act, 2000 (Act No.67 of 2000), those qualifications and that training must be regarded as the required qualifications and training; and
  - b) is familiar with the Act and with the applicable regulations made under the Act;
- 6.3 **"Contractor"** means an employer (organisation) or a person who performs ANY work and has entered into a legal binding business agreement contract to supply a product or provide services to Transnet. This applies to the Suppliers, Vendors, Consultants, Service Providers or Contractors. NB: A contractor is an employer in his/her own right (includes Principal Contractor and subcontractor);
- 6.4 **"Contract Manager"** means a TFR employee appointed to liaise with the contractor to ensure that the specifications of the contract are met (with special emphasis on safety, technical specifications, inspection of quality and quantity of work). It includes a Technical Officer, Depot Engineering Manager, Engineering Technician, Maintenance Supervisor's, Facilities/ Contract Manager etc
- 6.5 **"COVID 19"** means Corona Virus Disease of 2019
- 6.6 **"electrical contractor"** means a person who undertakes to perform electrical installation work on behalf of any other person,
- 6.7 **"exposed"** means exposed to lead while at the workplace and "exposure" has a corresponding meaning;
- 6.8 **"Fall protection plan"** means a documented plan, which includes and provides for-
- a) all risks relating to working from a fall risk position, considering the nature of work undertaken;
  - b) the procedures and methods to be applied in order to eliminate the risk of falling; and
  - c) a rescue plan and procedures
- 6.9 **"health and safety (SHE) plan"** means a site, activity or contract specific documented plan in accordance with the client's health and safety specification;
- 6.10 **"lead"** means lead, lead alloys and lead compounds that can be absorbed in any way by any person;

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- 6.11 **"risk assessment"** means a programme to determine any risk associated with any hazard at a work site, in order to identify the steps needed to be taken to remove, reduce or control such hazard
- 6.12 **"Safety, Health and Environmental (SHE) File"** means a file or other record in permanent form, containing the information required to be kept on site in accordance with the OHS Act and applicable Regulations;
- 6.13 **"Health and safety (SHE) plan"** means a site, activity or project specific documented plan in accordance with the client's health and safety specification;
- 6.14 **"TFR"** means Transnet Freight Rail, a division of Transnet SOC Ltd (Registration No. 1990/000900/30), a public company incorporated in accordance with the company laws of the Republic of South Africa
- 6.15 **"TFR Contract Representative"** TFR employee appointed to liaise with the contractor to ensure that the specifications of the contract are met (with special emphasis on safety, technical specifications, inspection of quality and quantity of work). It includes a Technical Officer, Signal, Engineering Manager, Maintenance Supervisor's etc.

## 7. Letter of Good standing

- 7.1 The Contractor shall submit proof of registration and Letter of Good Standing with the compensation fund or with a licensed compensation insurer as contemplated in the Compensation for Occupational Diseases Act, 1993 (Act No. 130 of 1993) for his company and each of his sub-contractors'.
- 7.2 No contractor may do any work for TFR without a valid letter of good standing. The Contractor must ensure that the Letter of Good Standing remains valid for the duration of the contract period.
- 7.3 The letter of good standing must reflect the name of the Contractor and/or Sub-contractor, registration number and, expiry date.

## 8. Management and Supervision

- 8.1 The Contractor and all subcontractors shall submit a SHE organogram outlining the site SHE management structure including the relevant appointments/competent persons or the intended appointments where such appointments have not been made.
- 8.2 The Contractor shall, in accordance with the OHS Act and applicable Regulations, make all the necessary appointments of competent persons in writing. Copies should also be retained on the SHE file.
- 8.3 Subcontractors shall also make the above written appointments and the Contractor shall deliver copies thereof to the TFR Contract Manager/Technical Officer.

## 9. SHE Committee Meetings and SHE Representatives

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- 9.1 When required by legislation the Contractor and subcontractors shall appoint SHE Representative/s in writing after consultation with employees and ensure that they are trained in performing their duties.
- 9.2 SHE Representatives duties shall include inspections of the workplace, taking part in incident investigations, risk assessments, attending SHE Committee meetings etc. Records of monthly inspections of SHE Representatives must be kept on the SHE file.
- 9.3 The number of SHE Representatives appointed shall be in accordance with the requirements of the Occupational health and Safety Act 85 of 1993.
- 9.4 The Contractor must ensure that a project/site SHE Committee meeting is held monthly and minutes of such meeting shall be recorded and records kept on the SHE file. The Contractor representative and appointed SHE representatives shall attend the monthly SHE Committee meeting.
- 9.5 The TFR Contract Representative/Technical Officer or his deputy shall be allowed to attend meetings of the Contractor's health and safety committee as an observer.
- 9.6 Subcontractors appointed by the Contractor shall have their own internal monthly SHE Committee meeting.

## **10. SHE Audits and Contractor Monthly Reports**

- 10.1 The TFR Contract Representative/Technical Officer or his deputy shall ensure that the Contractor's SHE Plan is audited at intervals mutually agreed to between them, but at least once every month to ensure that the SHE Plan is implemented and maintained on site.
- 10.2 TFR Safety Officers / Specialists shall at all reasonable times be allowed access to the work sites, the Contractor site offices and tool-sheds to inspect the Contractor's and its subcontractor's tools, equipment, registers and workplace.
- 10.3 Should any non-compliances or contraventions to the TFR safety requirements, legal requirements, this specification or the Contractor's SHE Plan be identified, such non-compliances or contraventions shall be rectified by the contractor at its cost immediately or within a period specified by the TFR Contract Representative/Technical Officer, his deputy, or TFR Safety Officers / Specialists.
- 10.4 Should the Contractor refuse or fail to rectify such non-compliances or contraventions, TFR may take remedial action at the Contractor's cost as it may deem necessary to ensure safety at the TFR sites at all times.
- 10.5 TFR reserves the right to conduct safety audits without prior warning.
- 10.6 The Contractor on all contracts of more than 1 month shall provide a monthly safety performance report as required by TFR.

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- 10.7 The Monthly safety performance report shall be compiled in terms of Annexure 1 of this specification or in any format that the Contractor has as long as it includes all items listed in Annexure 1.

## **11. Training, Competence and Awareness**

### **11.1 Induction Training**

- 11.1.1 The Contractor shall ensure that all his employees and subcontractors employees undergo a TFR SHE Induction with regard to the general hazards prevalent on the site, rules and regulations, and other related aspects before commencing work. It is the responsibility of the contractor to inform TFR whenever new employees are appointed after the initial induction was conducted.
- 11.1.2 In addition to the TFR SHE induction, it is the responsibility of the Contractor to develop and implement a site specific SHE Induction programme, a job specific induction programme and a general employee SHE awareness programme, to develop awareness amongst employees on the generic SHE issues associated with the scope of work and the specific environmental issues in question.
- 11.1.3 The Contractor shall ensure that all visitors and suppliers to the site undergo and comply with Contractors' site-specific safety induction requirement prior to being allowed access to site. All visitors and suppliers shall sign the attendance register.
- 11.1.4 All visitors and suppliers shall wear the necessary personal protective equipment whilst on site and shall remain in the care of the host who understand the scope of work and associated risks.
- 11.1.5 The Contractor shall maintain comprehensive attendance records of SHE induction training on the SHE file.

### **12.2 Competency / Training**

- 12.2.1 The Contractor must ensure that all his employees are adequately trained to perform the tasks allocated to them and that there is the requisite amount of supervision at all times to maintain safe work practices and standards.
- 12.2.2 The Contractor shall identify training requirements of employees whose work may have a significant impact on their health and safety or that might create a significant impact upon the environment and ensure that these employees will receive appropriate training. A Training matrix shall be used as a mechanism to manage and control the training of employees.
- 12.2.3 The Contractor shall identify all training needs and incorporate the site specific training into the SHE plan.
- 12.2.4 Each Contractor shall be required to ensure that before an employee commences work on the project that the supervisor in control with responsibility for the employee has informed the employee of his scope of authority and any hazards associated with the

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work performed. This will include man-job specifications, the discussion of any standard task procedures or hazardous operational procedures to be performed by the employee

12.2.5 The Contractor is to ensure that the supervisor has satisfied himself that the employee is conversant with all hazards associated with any work to be performed by conducting task observations.

12.2.6 The Contractor must ensure that certificate/s of competence where applicable is/are provided in the SHE File.

### **12.3 Awareness Training**

12.3.1 Awareness training required shall be identified for all employees on the project using the SHE Policy, the SHE Plan, the SHE programmes and procedures.

12.3.2 The Contractor shall have a daily safety talk. This talk shall include subcontractor employees.

12.3.3 The talk must be brief and concise. Subject topics should be applicable to the job at hand, incidents, accidents and up-and-coming work will be discussed along with suggestions and comments. These meetings can be used as a training meeting with the central idea of educating employees.

### **12.4 Information and training**

12.4.1 The contractor shall before any employee is exposed or may be exposed to lead and after consultation with the health and safety committee established for that section of the workplace, ensure that the employee is adequately and comprehensively informed and trained, on both practical aspects and theoretical knowledge, with regard to:

- a. the contents and scope lead Regulations;
- b. the potential sources of exposure;
- c. the potential health risk caused by exposure to lead, including the health risks to employees' families and others, which could result from taking home lead contaminated equipment and clothing;
- d. the measures taken by the contractor to protect an employee against any risk from exposure;
- e. the precautions to be taken by the employee to protect him- or herself against the health risks associated with the exposure, which precautions include the wearing and use of protective clothing and respiratory protective equipment;
- f. the necessity, correct use, maintenance and limitations of protective equipment facilities and engineering control measures provided;
- g. the assessment of exposure, the purpose of air sampling, medical surveillance and the long term benefits of undergoing
- h. the occupational exposure limits and their meaning;
- i. the importance of good housekeeping in the workplace and personal hygiene;

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- j. the safe working procedures regarding the use, handling, processing and storage of any material containing lead, including the correct application of control measures to limit the spread of lead outside the work area, and to limit the exposure of workers inside the work area as far as is reasonably practicable;
- k. the procedures to be followed in the event of spillages or any other similar emergency or situation which could arise by accident;
- l. the procedures for reporting and correcting defects likely to result in the release of airborne lead;
- m. safe waste disposal; and
- n. the procedures for record keeping;

12.4.2 Refresher training shall be given at least every year or at more frequent intervals that may be recommended by the health and safety committee.

12.4.3 Training shall be given more frequently than once a year if -

- a. work methods change;
- b. the type of work carried out, changes significantly; or
- c. the type of equipment used to control exposure, changes.

12.4.4 Training shall be provided by somebody who is competent to provide it and has adequate personal practical experience and theoretical knowledge of all aspects of the work being carried out by the employer.

12.4.5 The contractor shall ensure, as far as is reasonably practicable, that his or her mandatory or any person other than employees who may be affected by lead exposure at the workplace, are given adequate information, instruction and training.

12.4.6 The contractor shall keep a record of any training, both practical and theoretical, that was given to an employee.

12.4.7 The contractor shall give instructions in writing of the procedures to drivers of vehicles carrying lead or lead-containing material that has the potential of causing environmental pollution or bodily absorption.

### **13. Health and Safety Plan (SHE Plan)**

13.1 Potential Contractor submitting tenders shall submit with their tender, a Health and Safety Plan setting out the practical arrangements and procedures to be implemented by him to ensure compliance by him with the OHS Act and Regulations, this SHE specification and particularly in respect of: -

- (a) The provision, as far as is reasonably practical, of a working environment that is safe and without risk to the health of his employees and subcontractors in terms of section 8 of the OHS Act;
- (b) the execution of the contract work in such a manner as to ensure in terms of section 9 of the OHS Act that persons other than those in the Contractor's employment, who may be

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directly affected by the contract work are not thereby exposed to hazards to their health and safety;

- (c) ensuring, as far as is reasonably practical, in terms of section 37 of the OHS Act that no employee or subcontractor of the Contractor does or omits to do any act which would be an offence for the Contractor to do or omit to do.

13.2 The Contractor's Health and Safety Plan shall be based on a risk assessment in respect of the hazards to health and safety of his employees and other persons under his control that are associated with or directly affected by the Contractor's activities in performing the contract work and shall establish precautionary measures as are reasonable and practical in protecting the safety and health of such employees and persons.

13.3 The SHE Plan shall include full particulars in respect of: -

- (a) Safety Management Structure arrangements i.e. Appointments to be done and how;
- (b) SHE Organisation arrangements i.e. SHE Committees, SHE Audits, Findings and Corrective Actions
- (c) Risk Management i.e. Risk Assessment frequencies, methodology
- (d) Education and Training i.e. safety induction, site / job specific training arrangements
- (e) Emergency Planning
- (f) Health and Safety Communication i.e. Toolbox talks, incident recall
- (g) Safe working methods and procedures to be implemented i.e. safe work procedures, task observation
- (h) Fall Protection Plan i.e. documented plan, training/competency, medical surveillance, rescue plan
- (i) Personal protective Equipment and Clothing
- (j) Project Security i.e. site access control and security
- (k) SHE Costs
- (l) Occupational Health i.e. Medical Surveillance, First Aid, Welfare Facilities, Substance Abuse testing, Noise, Vibration, Manual Handling etc
- (m) Environmental management
- (n) Incident Management i.e. reporting and investigation

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- (0) COVID 19 requirements and
- (p) Review plan of the SHE Plan

- 13.5 The Contractor shall submit a final SHE Plan after awarding of the contract which shall be subject to the TFR Contract Representative/Technical Officer's approval and he may, in consultation with the Contractor, order that additional and/or supplementary practical arrangements and procedures be implemented and maintained by the Contractor or that different working methods or safety equipment be used or safety clothes be issued which, in the TFR Contract Representative/Technical Officer's opinion, are necessary to ensure full compliance by the Contractor with his obligations as an employer in terms of the OHS Act and Regulations.
- 13.6 The Contractor shall approve the SHE Plan of the subcontractor and further take reasonable steps to ensure that each subcontractor's SHE Plan is implemented and maintained on the site: Provided that the steps taken, shall include periodic audits at intervals mutually agreed to between them, but at least once every month.
- 13.7 The Contractor shall stop any subcontractor from executing any work, which is not in accordance with the Contractor's, and/or subcontractor's SHE Plan for the site or which poses a threat to the health and safety of persons.
- 13.8 The Contractor shall ensure that a copy of the SHE Plan is available on site for inspection by an inspector, TFR Contract Representative/Technical Officer, agent, subcontractor, employee, registered employee organisation, health and safety representative or any member of the health and safety committee.

#### **14. Hazards Identification and Potential Hazardous Situations**

- 14.1 The Contractor shall ensure a risk assessment is carried out by a competent person, appointed in writing, before commencement of any work and reviewed during the duration of the contract period. The Risk Assessments shall form part of the Health and Safety Plan to be applied on the site and shall include at least the following:
- (a) The identification of the risks and hazards (including ergonomic risks) that persons may be exposed to;
  - (b) The analysis and evaluation of the hazards identified;
  - (c) A documented plan, including safe work procedures to mitigate, reduce or control the; risks identified; and
  - (d) A monitoring and review plan.
- 14.2 Risk assessments shall be conducted by a competent person and such person shall use a documented method to analyse and evaluate identified risk and hazards.

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- 14.3 The Contractor shall consult with the health and safety committee or, if no health and safety committee exists, with a representative group of employees, on the development, monitoring and review of the risk assessment
- 14.4 The risk assessment shall be reviewed when there are changes that affect the design of the structure that may affect the health, safety and environment on site or after an incident.
- 14.5 The Contractor shall ensure that all employees are to be informed, instructed and trained regarding any risks, hazard and related SHE procedures by a competent person as outlined in the risk assessment prior to commencement of work and thereafter at predetermined intervals as outlined in the monitoring plan.
- 14.6 The Contractor shall ensure that all subcontractors are informed regarding any hazard as stipulated in the risk assessment before any work commences, and thereafter at such intervals as may be determined in the risk assessment.
- 14.7 The risk assessment shall be available on site for review. Where a risk assessment is not readily available or not communicated to contractor employees, the activities shall be stopped until such time the contractor complies.
- 14.8 The Contractor and the TFR Contract Representative/Technical Officer shall immediately notify one another of any hazardous or potentially hazardous situations which may arise during performance of the contract or any subcontractor and, in particular, of such hazards as may be caused by the design, execution and/or location and any other aspect pertaining to the contract work.
- 14.9 The Contractor shall be required to analyse his scope of work and define these critical activities. For each activity, a risk assessment shall be required which defines systems and safe work procedures that will be used in order to complete the activity safely.
- 14.10 Copies of all safe work procedures and proof that employees have been trained on those safe work procedures shall be kept on the SHE file.
- 14.11 Preliminary risk and hazard identification shall be conducted by the Contractor prior to work commencement on site. Should the Client's Agent, Project Manager, TFR Contract Representative/Technical Officer or his duly nominated alternative identify hazardous activities performed by the Contractor on the site for which the Contractor has not submitted a risk assessment, the Contractor shall be required to do so before continuing with work.
- 14.12 The contractor shall conduct a COVID-19 risk assessment to give effect to minimum control measure required, taking into consideration the specific circumstances of the workplace and work activities. When conducting such a risk assessment, the contractor shall take into consideration measures required by the COVID-19 Occupational Health and Safety Measures in Workplaces.

## 15. Safety, Health and Environmental (SHE) File

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- 15.1 The Contractor shall prepare a SHE file and submit to TFR Contract Representative for approval prior to commencement of work on site. The file shall include all documentation required as per the OHS Act and applicable regulations. ,
- 15.2 The approval time of the SHE file is at least 5 working days
- 15.3 The Contractor shall ensure that a copy of the both his SHE File as well as any subcontractor's SHE File is kept on site and made available to an inspector of the Department of Labour, the TFR Contract Representative/Technical Officer, or subcontractor upon request.
- 15.4 The Contractor shall hand over a consolidated SHE file to the TFR Contract Representative/Technical Officer upon completion of the Work and shall in addition to documentation mentioned in the OHS Act and applicable Regulations include a record of all drawings, designs, materials used and other similar information concerning the completed structure.

## **16. Occupational Health**

### **16.1 Medical Surveillance Programme**

- 16.1.1 The Contractor shall ensure that all his and subcontractor employees have a valid medical certificate of fitness issued by an Occupational Health Practitioner.
- 16.1.2 Medical certificate of fitness must be available and be kept in the SHE file.

### **16.2 Substance Abuse**

- 16.2.1 All Contractors must comply with the Transnet Substance Abuse Policy and Regulation 2A of the General Safety Regulations of the OHS Act.
- 16.2.2 No Contractor may possess, sell, offer to other person, use, store, manufacture, transport, distribute, or transfer drugs or alcohol during work hours, on or off TFR premises.
- 16.2.3 TFR will not tolerate substance abuse or use which put at risk the health and safety of its employees or threatens its services to our stakeholders. It is on this basis that a contractor employee will be considered unfit for work if:
  - (a) He/she is subjected to alcohol screening and/or alcohol testing and is found to have alcohol in his/her breathe and/or blood;
  - (b) Refuses to undergo substance screening and/or testing;
  - (c) He /she produces a positive confirmatory test for any other substances, measured by sample analysis at a registered pathological laboratory and authorised by a medical practitioner; and/or

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- (d) Through observation by security personnel or TFR Contract Representative, it is evident that the contractor's physical, emotional, mental or behavioural state reflects that they are intoxicated or under the influence.

16.2.4 Any transgression of this policy will constitute a breach of the relevant contract and may result in the termination of services/contract.

16.2.5 Any contractor employee using medication that has a narcotic effect must declare before work to his / her supervisor.

### **16.3 Occupational Hygiene**

16.3.1 The Contractor shall conduct Health Risk Assessments of all the Occupational Hygiene / Environmental stressors (e.g. noise, dust, illumination, HCS, heat & cold stressors, ergonomics, etc.) present in the area where they operate to determine if there is any possible worker exposure. Records of all these assessment should be documented and kept up to date.

16.3.2 The Contractor shall monitor the extent to which their employees are exposed to the occupational hygiene stressors. These assessments shall be conducted by an Approved Inspection Authority as listed on the Department of Labour database. The findings from these assessments should be kept on the SHE file, communicated to all affected parties and be reported to relevant authorities.

### **16.4 Welfare Facilities**

16.4.1 The Contractor must ensure that all workplace facilities meet health, safety and welfare needs of all employees, including disabled persons where applicable.

16.4.2 The Contractor must in addition to Facilities Regulations 2004, provide at or within reasonable access of every site, the following clean, hygienic and maintained facilities:

- (a) shower facilities, at least one shower facility per 15 persons
- (b) at least one sanitary facility for each sex and for every 30 workers
- (c) changing facilities for each sex; and
- (d) sheltered eating areas

16.4.3 The Contractor must provide reasonable and suitable living accommodation for the workers at sites who are far removed from their homes and where adequate transportation between the site and their homes or other suitable living accommodation, is not available.

### **16.5 First Aid requirements**

16.5.1 All Contractors shall ensure that their employees receive prompt first aid treatment in case of injury or emergency. The Contractor must have the necessary equipment and/or facility on site for treatment of injured persons.

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- 16.5.2 Contractor shall ensure that the first aid box / boxes are available and accessible. More first aid boxes shall be provided if the risks, distance between work teams, or the working environment requires it.
- 16.5.3 Taking into account the type of injuries that are likely to occur on site, the nature of activities performed and the number of employees on site, the Contractor shall ensure that the first aid box contain suitable first aid equipment which includes at least the minimum contents as listed on Annexure 1 of General Safety Regulation (GSR).
- 16.5.4 The Contractor must ensure that trained / certificated first-aid personnel are appointed and be available on site at all times. The ratio of first aiders to employees shall be 1:50.

## 16.6 COVID 19 Requirements

- 16.6.1 The contractor shall complete and submit to the TFR Contract Manager a declaration stating that the contractor is permitted to operate in terms of the provisions of the Disaster Management Act 2002 (Act No 57 of 2002) and Regulations, Transnet COVID-19 Guidelines and COVID-19 Occupational Health and Safety Measures in Workplaces, COVID-19 (C19 OHS), 2020 and have prepared a COVID-19 Workplace Readiness Plan and shall operate within the regulated permissions and restrictions of applicable lockdown level.
- 16.6.2 The contractor must ensure that all its employees are trained on the health risks and hazards associated with COVID-19 and what precautionary measures they must follow for the protection of their health, including the proper use and maintenance of PPE. They are prepared and informed regarding updated rules, hygiene and behavioural practices, complete a "return to work interview" with their line manager and sign commitment to maintain social distancing.
- 16.6.3 The contractor shall ensure that every employee reporting for duty is screened to ascertain whether they have any observable symptoms associated with COVID-19 and require such employee to immediately inform the contractor if he/she experiences such symptoms
- 16.6.4 Non-essential physical work that requires close contact between workers should be avoided where it is possible to do so.
- 16.6.5 Where it is practicable, every employee must be issued with own tool for use for the duration of the shift. Tools and equipment in stores should be sanitised before issued and on return to the stores.
- 16.6.6 Washing hands facilities must be provided on site, and where it is not available, employees should be provided with hand sanitisers. Employees should be encouraged to regularly wash their hands.
- 16.6.7 Alcohol testing on site should be managed in such a way that no employee is exposed to the virus and contractors must promote personal hygiene. Breathalyzer equipped with disposable mouthpieces shall be used and shall be cleaned and/or disinfected after every use.

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- 16.6.8 All non-essential visitors to site are not allowed, only suppliers are allowed. Suppliers must be advised in advance of the COVID-19 site screening tests and required COVID-19 PPE requirements for the site.
- 16.6.9 Where site meetings are held, only absolutely necessary meeting participants should attend. Social distancing should be maintained.
- 16.6.10 The contractor shall when transporting his employees to TFR premises comply with the regulations which outlines that 70% of the vehicle capacity can be utilised.
- 16.6.11 The contractor shall inform the TFR Contract Manager when any of its employees working on TFR premises has been diagnosed with COVID-19. The contractor shall investigate the cause and control failure and review its risk assessment to ensure that the necessary controls and PPE requirements are in place.

## **16.7 Personal protective equipment and facilities**

### **16.7.1 The contractor shall**

- a. provide all persons who are exposed to concentrations of airborne lead in excess of half the OEL for lead, with suitable protective clothing with no pockets so as to reduce the possibility of contamination and collection of lead dust;
- b. in the case of tetra-alkyl leads which can be absorbed through the skin, provide the person with suitable lead impermeable protective equipment; and
- c. provide a person with suitable respiratory protective equipment to ensure that the person's exposure is adequately controlled as contemplated in regulation 11.

### **16.7.2 Where respiratory protective equipment is provided, the contractor shall ensure that**

- a. the relevant equipment is capable of keeping the exposure at or below the OEL for the type of lead;
- b. the relevant equipment is correctly selected and properly used;
- c. information, instruction, training and supervision that are necessary with regard to the use of the equipment are known to the persons; and
- d. the equipment is kept in good condition and efficient working order.

### **16.7.3 The contractor shall, as far as is reasonably practicable -**

- a. issue no personal protective equipment which has already been used to a person, unless the relevant protection equipment is properly decontaminated and, where appropriate, sterilised;
- b. provide separate containers or storage facilities for personal protective equipment when not in use; and
- c. ensure that all personal protective equipment not in use is stored only in the place provided.

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16.7.4 The Contractor shall, as far as is reasonably practicable, ensure that all contaminated personal protective equipment is cleaned and handled in accordance with the following procedures -

- a. Where the equipment is cleaned on the premises of the employer or self-employed person, care shall be taken to prevent contamination during handling, transport and cleaning;
- b. where the equipment is sent off the premises to a contractor for cleaning purposes the -
  - i. equipment shall be packed in impermeable containers;
  - ii. containers shall be tightly sealed and have clear indication thereon that the content thereof is contaminated with lead; and
  - iii. relevant contractor shall be fully informed of the requirements of these Regulations and the precautions to be taken for the handling of the lead-contaminated equipment.

16.7.5 The Contractor shall ensure that no person removes dirty or contaminated personal protective equipment from the premises:

- a. Provided that where contaminated personal protective equipment has to be disposed of, it shall be treated as lead waste.

16.7.6 The Contractor shall, where reasonably practicable, provide employees who use personal protective equipment with -

- a. adequate washing facilities which are readily accessible and located in an area where the facilities will not become contaminated, in order to enable the employees to meet a standard of personal hygiene consistent with the adequate control of exposure, and to avoid the spread of lead;
- b. with separate lockers labelled "protective clothing" and "personal clothing" respectively, located in both the "dirty" and "clean" change rooms, and also ensure that the clothing is kept separately in the lockers concerned; and
- c. separate "clean" and "dirty" change rooms if the employer uses or processes lead to the extent that the lead could endanger the health of persons outside the workplace.

16.7.7 The Contractor shall ensure that -

- a. all control equipment and facilities provided are maintained in good working order; and
- b. examinations and tests of engineering control measures are carried out at intervals not exceeding 24 months by an approved inspection authority approved for such examinations and tests or by a person whose ability to do the measurements and tests is verified by such an approved inspection authority.

## 16.8 Vibration

16.8.1 Contractors must put measures to reduce the risks associated with hand–arm vibrations, avoid, whenever possible, the need for vibration equipment.

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- 16.8.2 Contractor shall develop a good maintenance regime for tools and machinery. This may involve ensuring that tools are regularly sharpened, worn components are replaced or engines are regularly tuned and adjusted.
- 16.8.3 The Contractor must introduce a work pattern that reduces the time exposure to vibrations.
- 16.8.4 The Contractor shall issue employees with gloves and warm clothing. There is a debate as to whether anti-vibration gloves are really effective but it is agreed that warm clothing helps with blood circulation which reduces the risk of vibration white finger. Care must be taken so that the tool does not cool the hand of the operator.

## **16.9 Manual Handling**

- 16.9.1 Contractor must reduce risk of injury due to manual handling by using mechanical assistance involving the use of mechanical aids to assist the manual handling operation. Mechanical aids such as hand-powered hydraulic hoists, specially adapted trolleys, hoist for lifting patients and roller conveyors can be used.
- 16.9.2 Contractor shall ensure all employees involved in manual handling are trained in good lifting techniques.

## **16.10 Weather precautions**

- 16.10.1 In the event of adverse weather (high winds, flooding, storm surge, lightning etc) or other conditions, the Contractor must institute precautionary measures to protect employees on site.
- 16.10.2 The Contractor shall take steps to prevent heat stroke, dehydration and exhaustion of employees as a result of exposure to excessive heat on site. Such steps may include employees taking regular breaks, consuming enough water, provision of sun brims for their hard hats and sun screen to protect them against sun burn.
- 16.10.3 The Contractor shall take steps to prevent hypothermia or dangerous overcooling of the body as a result of exposure to cold temperatures.

## **16.11 Duties of persons who may be exposed**

- 16.11.1 Any contractor employees who is or may be exposed to lead in the, workplace, shall obey any lawful instruction given, regarding:
- a. the prevention of lead being released into the environment.
  - b. the wearing and use of personal protective equipment.
  - c. the wearing of monitoring equipment to measure personal exposure to airborne lead.
  - d. reporting for medical surveillance as required.
  - e. the notification of pregnancy to the occupational health practitioner.
  - f. the cleaning up and disposal of materials containing lead.
  - g. housekeeping at the workplace, personal hygiene and good environmental and health practices; and

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h. information and training received.

## 16.12 Fatigue Management and Fit for Duty Processes

- 16.12.1 The Contractor must ensure that it complies to the requirements of RSR 00-4-1.2016 Edition 1, Part 4-1 Human Factors Management-Fatigue Management standard.
- 16.12.2 The Contractor shall document, implement and maintain processes and procedures to identify, assess and mitigate the risks associated with fatigue's contributory factors.
- 16.12.3 The Contractor shall comply with TFR Fatigue Risk Management Plan (FRMP) and Fatigue Risk Management System (FRMS).
- 16.12.4 The Contractor shall collect data and report on their management of fatigue as outlined in Clause 8.3 of Part 4-1 Human Factors Management-Fatigue Management standard.
- 16.12.5 The Contractor shall document and implement fit for duty processes for all its employees.

## 16.13 Work in Confined Space

- 16.13.1 The Contractor shall ensure that a confined space is only entered by an employee or any other person only after the air therein has been tested and evaluated by a person who is competent to pronounce on the safety thereof, and who has certified in writing that the confined space is safe and will remain safe while any person is in the confined space, taking into account the nature and duration of the work to be performed therein.
- 16.13.2 the Contractor shall take steps to ensure that any confined space in which there exist or is likely to exist a hazardous gas, vapour, dust or fumes, or which has or likely to have, an oxygen content of less than 20 percent by volume, is entered by an employee or other person only when:
  - (a) the confined space is purged and ventilated to provide a safe atmosphere therein and measures necessary to maintain a safe atmosphere therein have been taken;
  - (a) the confined space is isolated from all pipes, ducts and other communicating openings by means of effective blanking other than the shutting or locking of a valve or a cock, or, if this is not practicable, only when all valves and cocks which are a potential source of danger have been locked and securely fastened by means of chains and padlocks.
- 16.13.3 The Contractor shall ensure that the provisions of General Safety Regulation 5 are complied with regard to work on confined space
- 16.13.4 The Contractor must take into consideration that a tunnel is defined as a confined space in terms of the General Safety Regulations and must ensure compliance to the above when working in tunnels.

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## 16.14 COVID 19 Requirements

- 16.14.1 The contractor shall complete and submit to the TFR Contract Manager a declaration stating that the contractor is permitted to operate in terms of the provisions of the Disaster Management Act 2002 (Act No 57 of 2002) and Regulations, Transnet COVID-19 Guidelines and COVID-19 Occupational Health and Safety Measures in Workplaces, COVID-19 (C19 OHS), 2020 and have prepared a COVID-19 Workplace Readiness Plan and shall operate within the regulated permissions and restrictions of applicable lockdown level.
- 16.14.2 The contractor must ensure that all its employees are trained on the health risks and hazards associated with COVID-19 and what precautionary measures they must follow for the protection of their health, including the proper use and maintenance of PPE. They are prepared and informed regarding updated rules, hygiene and behavioural practices, complete a "return to work interview" with their line manager and sign commitment to maintain social distancing.
- 16.14.3 The contractor shall ensure that every employee reporting for duty is screened to ascertain whether they have any observable symptoms associated with COVID-19 and require such employee to immediately inform the contractor if he/she experiences such symptoms
- 16.14.4 Non-essential physical work that requires close contact between workers should be avoided where it is possible to do so.
- 16.14.5 Where it is practicable, every employee must be issued with own tool for use for the duration of the shift. Tools and equipment in stores should be sanitised before issued and on return to the stores.
- 16.14.6 Washing hands facilities must be provided on site, and where it is not available, employees should be provided with hand sanitisers. Employees should be encouraged to regularly wash their hands.
- 16.14.7 Alcohol testing on site should be managed in such a way that no employee is exposed to the virus and contractors must promote personal hygiene. Breathalyzer equipped with disposable mouthpieces shall be used and shall be cleaned and/or disinfected after every use.
- 16.14.8 All non-essential visitors to site are not allowed, only suppliers are allowed. Suppliers must be advised in advance of the COVID-19 site screening tests and required COVID-19 PPE requirements for the site.
- 16.14.9 Where site meetings are held, only absolutely necessary meeting participants should attend. Social distancing should be maintained.
- 16.14.10 The contractor shall when transporting his employees to TFR premises comply with the regulations which outlines that 70% of the vehicle capacity can be utilised.

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16.14.11 The contractor shall inform the TFR Contract Manager when any of its employees working on TFR premises has been diagnosed with COVID-19. The contractor shall investigate the cause and control failure and review its risk assessment to ensure that the necessary controls and PPE requirements are in place.

## **17 Incidents/Occurrences**

17.1 All incidents referred to in Regulation 9 of General Administration Regulations of the OHS Act involving the contractor and his subcontractor on TFR premises, shall be reported to the TFR Contract Representative and Department of Labour as prescribed by the OHS Act.

17.2 TFR must be forwarded with a copy of a report of any investigation, formal inquiry conducted in terms of Section 31 and 32 of the Act into any incident involving the contractor, his subcontractor, any person or machinery under his control on TFR premises.

17.3 TFR Contract Representative must be informed of the above incidents/occurrences before the end of shift when the incident/occurrence occurred.

17.4 The Contractor shall make available its employees to attend as witnesses when required so by TFR during an investigation into any incident where TFR believes the said contractor employees were witnesses or may assist in the investigation.

17.5 The contractor shall make available to TFR any documents required to assist in their investigation.

## **18. SHE Cost**

18.1 The Contractor shall ensure that it has made adequate provision for the cost of health and safety measures in the tender offer.

18.2 The Contractor shall ensure that it's subcontractors have made adequate provision for the cost of health and safety measures in the tender offer.

## **19. Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)**

19.1 The contractor shall ensure that all employees are provided with appropriate prescribed Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) free of charge (according to General Safety Regulations (2), suitable for the type of activities that the employees will perform.

19.2 Such PPE shall be approved by credible institution such as SABS, EN, or AN.

19.3 The contractor shall manage the issuing of PPE and ensure that PPE is used at all times. Employees shall be trained in the proper use of PPE.

## **20. Emergency Evacuation Plan and Procedure**

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- 20.1 The Contractor must establish and implement an emergency evacuation plan to ensure that in the event of fire, explosion structural collapse etc. all staff is able to evacuate the area to a demarcated areas for the purpose.
- 20.2 The area so selected must be demarcated and the relevant "Assembly Point" sign displayed where applicable or use TFR nearest assembly point.
- 20.3 An Emergency Evacuation Procedure must be drawn up; all staff members and contractors shall be given awareness training and participate in regular evacuation drills.
- 20.4 The Contractor and its employees shall collaborate and adhere to TFR evacuation drills and requirements.

## **21. Access Control and Security**

- 21.1 The Contractor shall, before commencing any work, obtain from the TFR Contract Representative/Technical Officer a Site Access Certificate executed and signed by him, permitting and limiting access to the designated site or place of work by the Contractor and any subcontractors under his control.
- 21.2 No Site Access Certificate will be granted to the Contractor who fails to comply with TFR minimum SHE requirements, with the SHE File not approved and without the SHE induction been concluded.
- 21.3 The contractor must assess the security risks and implement appropriate measures. All contractors are to strictly adhere to all security requirements on the premises.
- 21.4 The Contractor in collaboration with the TFR representative will ensure that proper access control is in place and functional at all times onto and out of the site. A form of access control will be issued to contractor employees who have been inducted and submitted copies of ID documents or work permits (where required).
- 21.5 Access Permits should be carried by a contract employee at all time when on site. Access Permits shall be produced at the point of entry / gate.
- 21.6 Contractors shall ascertain from TFR Contract Representative/Technical Officer the correct route along with their employees may proceed when coming on or going off shift and direct their employees accordingly.

## **22. Management of Subcontractors**

- 22.1 The Contractor is directly responsible for the actions of his contractors/sub-contractors.
- 22.2 The Contractor will also be responsible for initiating any remedial action (recovery plan) that may be necessary to ensure that the contractor complies with all requirements.
- 22.3 The Contractor shall provide any contractor who is making a bid or appointed to perform work, with the relevant sections of the documented SHE specification, who would in turn provide a SHE plan for approval.

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- 22.4 The Contractor shall carry out inspection/audits on the contractor/subcontractor to ensure that their SHE plan is being implemented and maintained and submit audit report to TFR Representative.
- 22.5 The Contractor shall stop any contractor/subcontractor from executing work which poses a threat to the safety and health of persons or the environment.
- 22.6 The Contractor shall ensure that the sub-contractors appointed have the necessary competencies and resources to perform the work safely.
- 22.7 The Contractor will be required to submit 37(2) mandatory agreement between the Contractor and subcontractor to the TFR Contract Representative

## **23. Environmental Management**

### **23.1 Environmental requirements:**

- 23.1.1 The Contractor shall identify, document and comply with all pertinent Environmental laws and associated Regulations, approvals, licenses and permits which are applicable to the Services and activities undertaken.
- 23.1.2 Before commencement with any of the services to be rendered to TFR, the Contractor shall make available all personnel who will be working on the specified contract to be given environmental induction training. All Contractor employees arriving on the site shall attend such induction.
- 23.1.3 The Contractor shall adhere to all instructions issued by Contract Manager or his /her delegated person in promotion of environmental management and legal compliance.
- 23.1.4 The Contractor shall determine the correct positioning of topsoil stockpiling to avoid massive disturbance and prepare the topsoil for reuse during landscaping.
- 23.1.5 Concrete shall not be mixed directly on the ground or any other permeable surface. Should concrete batching activities occur, these should be located in the designated area on site with low environmental sensitivity levels.
- 23.1.6 All excess concrete shall be removed from site on completion of plastering or concrete pouring and disposed of in an environmentally acceptable manner.
- 23.1.7 The Contractor shall ensure that his or her employees are aware of the procedures to be followed when dealing with spills and leaks, which shall include notifying the relevant authorities and TFR as required in terms of National Environmental Management Act (NEMA), 1998 and National Water Act (NWA), 1998. The Contractor shall ensure that all necessary material and equipment required for use during clean – up/rehabilitation of spills and leaks are available on site at all times. Treatment, remediation and/or rehabilitation of contaminated areas shall be undertaken to the reasonable satisfaction of the TFR Environmental Control Officer or relevant Environmental Specialist.

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- 23.1.8 Contractor shall be solely responsible for the control of dust generated from his or her activities. Excavation, handling and transport of erodable material shall be avoided under aggressive wind conditions or when a visible dust plume is present. If dust damping measures are deemed inadequate, working must cease until the wind speed drops to an acceptable level.
- 23.1.9 No on-site burying or dumping of waste material shall occur. Waste must be collected by a licensed waste transporting contractor and disposed of at a licensed disposal site. Disposal certificate must be made available to TFR on request.
- 23.1.10 Waste bins must be provided in sufficient number and capacity to store solid waste produced on a daily basis. These bins must be kept closed and emptied regularly.
- 23.1.11 The Contractor must notify the Contract Manager immediately of any pollution incident. An incident record system shall be maintained on site for inspection by TFR and relevant authorities.
- 23.1.12 All vehicles and equipment's shall be kept in good working condition. All leaking equipment's shall be repaired immediately or removed from site. All vehicles and equipment shall be maintained and not emit excessive noise.
- 23.1.13 In case of major hydrocarbon spill or leakage as a result of equipment failure, Contract Manager must be made aware of such event and the affected area must be fenced off and be cleaned immediately to the reasonable satisfaction of the TFR Environmental Control Officer to prevent contamination of soil and both surface and groundwater.
- 23.1.14 The Contractor shall ensure that no spillage occurs when toilets are being cleaned or emptied and that the contents are removed from site by a licensed service provider.
- 23.1.15 All disturbed areas must be rehabilitated to the reasonable satisfaction of TFR Environmental Control Officer or Relevant Environmental Specialist.
- 23.1.16 Transportation, handling and storage of all substances classified as hazardous must comply with the provisions of the Hazardous Substances Act, 15 of 1973, relevant Regulations and SANS Codes.
- 23.1.17 Archaeological remains, artificial features and structures older than 60 years are protected by the Natural Heritage Resources Act, 25 of 1999. Should any archaeological artefact be exposed during construction or any contract work, such work must be stopped immediately. The TFR Environmental Control Officer must be called in for inspection and to recommend the way-forward. Under no circumstances may any artefacts be destroyed or removed from site.
- 23.1.18 Office and camp sites shall be established, as far as is practicable, outside the flood plain, above the 1:50 flood level mark within the boundaries of the construction area.
- 23.1.19 No camp or office site shall be located closer than 100 metres from a stream, river, spring, dam or pan.

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23.1.20 The area chosen for these purposes shall be the minimum reasonably required and which will involve the least disturbance to vegetation.

23.1.21. Camps and site offices shall be fenced (where necessary) in consultation with the landowner.

23.1.22 The Project Manager or TFR Contract Manager may, at his or her discretion stop any work, activity or process not in accordance with Environmental laws and associated Regulations, approvals, licenses and permits.

23.1.23 The Contractor shall preserve wild life in terms of the NEMA.

## **23.2 Disposal of lead waste**

23.2.1 The Contractor shall as far as is reasonably practicable -

- a. recycle all lead waste, but not into non-lead production processes.
- b. ensure that all collected lead waste is placed into containers that will prevent the likelihood of exposure during handling;
- c. ensure that all vehicles, re-usable containers and covers which have been in contact with lead waste are cleaned and decontaminated after use, in such a way that such vehicles, containers or covers do not cause a hazard inside or outside the premises concerned;
- d. ensure that all lead waste that can cause exposure to lead, is disposed of only on sites specifically designated for this purpose in terms of the Environment Conservation Act, 1989 (Act No. 73 of 1989) and the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998), and in such a manner that it does not cause a hazard inside or outside the site concerned;
- e. ensure that all persons involved in the collection, transport and disposal of lead waste and who may be exposed to that waste, are provided with suitable personal protective equipment; and

## **24. Operational Safety**

### **24.1 National Railway Safety Regulator Act / Railway Safety**

24.1.1 The Contractor shall ensure that its equipment, machinery and employees when on TFR premises complies fully with all applicable railway safety requirements and/or regulations of the National Safety Regulator Act 16 of 2002 and the relevant SANS Codes of Practice.

24.1.2 The Contractor when engaging subcontractor must review the capability of the proposed contractor to comply with specified railway safety requirements and/or regulations.

24.1.3 Permission for the engagement of a subcontractor by the Principal both initially and during a contract shall be subject to a review by TFR of the capability of the proposed subcontractor to comply with railway safety requirements and user specifications.

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24.1.4 The Contractor and/or his subcontractors must grant TFR access, during the term of the contract, to review any railway safety related activities, including the coordination of such activities across all parts of the organisation.

24.1.4 The Contractor shall ensure that where applicable, such work is performed by person who has the necessary competencies as required in terms of any applicable railway safety standard or code of practice.

24.1.5 The Contractor shall ensure that all his employees are protected from the risk of being hit by moving trains.

## **24.2 Special Permits**

24.2.1 Where special work permits are required before work may be carried out such as for e.g. hot work (welding, cutting etc.), isolation, and occupations, the Contractor shall apply to the TFR Contract Representative/Technical Officer or the relevant authority for such permits to be issued. The Contractor shall strictly comply with the conditions and requirements pertaining to the issue of such work permits.

## **24.3 Vehicle Safety**

With respect to vehicles, vehicles and mobile plants the Contractor must ensure that:

24.3.1 They are of an acceptable design and are maintained in a good working order and are used in accordance with their design and the intention for which they were designed

24.3.2 Are operated by a person who-has received appropriate training, is certified competent and in possession of proof of competency and is authorised in writing to operate such vehicle and mobile plant;

24.3.3 Are operated by a person who has a medical certificate of fitness to operate those vehicle and mobile plant, issued by an occupational health practitioner;

24.3.4 Vehicles used to transport employees have seats firmly secured and adequate for the number of employees to be carried. No employees will be allowed to be transported at the back of LDV's / bakkies unless it is provided with a seat and safety belt and further that the risk assessment has indicated it to be a low risk.

24.3.5 Vehicles are fitted with structures designed to protect the operator from falling material or from being crushed should the vehicle or mobile plant overturn;

24.3.6 Vehicle must be equipped with an acoustic warning device which can be activated by the operator and an automatic acoustic reversing alarm

24.3.7 Vehicles must be inspected by the authorised operator or driver on a daily basis using a relevant checklist prior to use and that the findings of such inspection are recorded in a register kept in the vehicle or mobile plant.

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- 24.3.8 No person rides or is required or permitted to ride on a vehicle or mobile plant otherwise than in a safe place provided thereon for that purpose.
- 24.3.9 All vehicles or mobile plant when not in use, have buckets, booms or similar appendages, fully lowered or blocked, controls in a neutral position, motors stopped, wheels chocked, brakes set and ignition secured.
- 24.3.10 Whenever visibility conditions warrant additional lighting, all mobile plant are equipped with at least two headlights and two taillights when in operation
- 24.3.11 Tools, material and equipment are secured and separated by means of a physical barrier in order to prevent movement when transported in the same compartment with employees.
- 24.3.12 Where applicable, also in collaboration with the TFR representative and other appropriate personnel develop a traffic management plan for the site to ensure the safe movement of all related mobile plant where applicable
- 24.3.13 This plan is to be reviewed at the allocated SHE meeting to ensure its applicability where applicable. Where applicable the Contractor shall appoint traffic officials to manage the manoeuvre of mobile plant and vehicles on the site.
- 24.3.14 Those working or operating on public roads comply with the requirements of the National Road Traffic Act, 1996.
- 24.3.15 The Contractor shall, in order to avoid the spread of lead, take steps, as far as is reasonably practicable, to ensure that -
- a. the lead in storage or distributed is properly identified, classified and handled in accordance with SABS 0228;
  - b. a container or a vehicle in which lead is transported is clearly identified, classified and packed in accordance with SABS 0228 and SABS 0229.

#### **24.4 Housekeeping and general safeguarding on sites**

- 24.4.1 Contractor must ensure that suitable housekeeping is continuously implemented on each site
- 24.4.2 The Contractor must ensure proper storage of materials and equipment and the removal of scrap, waste and debris at appropriate intervals.
- 24.4.3 The Contractor must ensure that materials required for use, are not placed on the site so as to obstruct means of access to and egress from workplaces and passageways
- 24.4.4 The Contractor must ensure that materials which are no longer required for use, do not accumulate on and are removed from the site at appropriate intervals.
- 24.4.5 The Contractor shall ensure that no person

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- a. use compressed air to blow away particles of lead from any surface, or require or permit any other person to use compressed air to blow away particles of lead from any surface; or
- b. smoke, eat, drink or keep food or beverages in an area not specifically designated for it or require or permit any other person to smoke, eat, drink or keep food or beverages in such area.

## **24.5 Hazardous Chemical Substances (HCS)**

- 24.5.1 The Contractor must ensure that all employees exposed to hazardous chemicals are trained on the potential source of exposure, potential risk to health caused by exposure and measures to be taken by the contractor and employees against any risk of exposure.
- 24.5.2 HCS risk assessment to be conducted and where it indicates that any employee may be exposed, the contractor shall ensure that monitoring is carried out in terms of regulation 6 and 7 of the Hazardous Chemical Substances Regulations.
- 24.5.3 Employees exposed to hazardous substances shall be under medical surveillance
- 24.5.4 Where herbicides are used, the contractor shall comply with all relevant legislative requirements pertaining to the use of herbicides and that work is undertaken under the supervision of a person with a valid certificate in Pest Control.

## **24.6 Stacking and Storage**

- 24.6.1 The Contractor shall ensure that a competent person is appointed in writing with the duty of supervising all stacking and storage.
- 24.6.2 Adequate storage areas are provided, demarcated as storage areas and are kept neat and under control.

## **24.7 Fire Precautions and Fire Safety**

- 24.7.1 The Contractor must ensure that all appropriate measures are taken to avoid the risk of fire. The Contractor shall comply to the fire precautions as stipulated in the Environmental Regulations for Workplaces, 1987 and regulation 29 of the Construction Regulations, 2014
- 24.7.2 Sufficient and suitable storage is provided for flammable liquids, solids and gases.
- 24.7.3 Smoking is prohibited and notices in this regard are prominently displayed in all places containing readily combustible or flammable materials
- 24.7.4 In confined spaces and other places in which flammable gases, vapours or dust can cause danger only suitably protected electrical installations and equipment, including portable lights, are used, there are no flames or similar means of ignition and adequate ventilation is provided.

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- 24.7.5 The Contractor shall ensure that the work areas are clear, at all times, of any material, which could fuel a fire and that combustible materials do not accumulate, oily rags, waste and other substances liable to ignite are without delay removed to a safe place.
- 24.7.6 A thorough inspection is made of the work site at the end of any working period to ensure that no material is left at the work site or any situation left in such a manner that a fire or accident could result (all machines to be turned off at main switches, and cylinders to be closed and hoses deflated).
- 24.7.7 Welding, flame cutting and other hot work are done only after appropriate precautions have been taken to reduce the risk of fire.
- 24.7.8 Electric welding, oxy-welding or cutting, or any other fire hazardous equipment is not to be used inside or adjacent to electrical switch room, control room, cable duct, any electrical equipment or cables without the permission of the TFR Contract Representative.
- 24.7.9 Suitable and sufficient fire-extinguishing equipment is placed at strategic locations or as may be recommended by the Fire Chief or local authority concerned and that such equipment is maintained in a good working order.
- 24.7.10 The fire equipment is inspected by a competent person, who has been appointed in writing for that purpose, in the manner indicated by the manufacturer thereof
- 24.7.11 Sufficient number of employees are trained in the use of fire extinguishing equipment and familiarise themselves with locations of fire fighting equipment in the work site.
- 24.7.12 There is an effective evacuation plan providing for all persons to be evacuated speedily without panic, accounted for and a siren is installed and sounded in the event of a fire.
- 24.7.13 Where appropriate, suitable visual signs are provided to clearly indicate the escape routes in the case of a fire and the means of escape is kept clear at all times.
- 24.7.14 The Contractor must ensure that fire fighting equipment are not to be used for any purpose other than their intended use.

## **24.8 Site Establishment and Demarcation of the site**

- 24.8.1 It is important that activities of the contractor(s) are conducted within a limited area to facilitate control and to minimize the impact on the existing natural environment and the surroundings landowners.
- 24.8.2 The Contractor shall demarcate the boundaries of the site in order to restrict activities to the site.
- 24.8.3 The method of demarcation and the location of the demarcated area shall be determined by the Contractor and approved by the TFR Contract Representative prior to any work being undertaken. The Contractor shall ensure that all his plant, labour and materials remain within the boundaries of the site.

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24.8.4 Failure to do so may result in the Contractor being required to fence off the boundaries of the site at his own expense to the satisfaction of the TFR .The contractor is responsible for the safeguarding of his/her own equipment and material while on site.

## **24.9 Fall Protection Plan**

24.9.1 In the event of the risk and hazard identification, as required in terms of clause 14 of this Specification, revealing risks relating to working from an elevated position the contractor shall cause the designation of a competent person, responsible for the preparation of a fall protection plan;

24.9.2 The Contractor shall implement, maintain and monitor the fall protection plan for the duration of the contract. The Contractor shall also take such steps to ensure the continued adherence to the fall protection plan.

24.9.3 The fall protection plan shall include:-

- (a) a risk assessment of all work carried out from an elevated position;
- (b) the procedures and methods to address all the identified risks per location;
- (c) the evaluation of the employees physical and psychological fitness necessary to work at elevated positions;
- (d) the training of employees working from elevated positions;
- (e) rescue plan; and
- (f) the procedure addressing the inspection, testing and maintenance of all fall protection equipment

## **24.10 Signage (Symbolic Safety Signs) on plant and in buildings**

24.10.1The Contractor's employees shall comply with all SHE signage posted at various locations of TFR sites.

24.10.2The Contractor shall after occupation of the site ensure that appropriate SHE signs (Symbolic Safety Signs) are displayed on site

## **24.11 General Machinery, Tools and Equipment**

24.11.1 The Contractor shall ensure that all machinery, tools and equipment are identified, numbered or tagged, listed on an inventory list.

24.11.2 The Contractor shall ensure that all machinery, tools and equipment are safe to be used and is maintained in a good condition.

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24.11.3 The Contractor shall ensure that all machines driven by means of belts, gear wheels, chains and couplings shall be adequately guarded in such a manner that persons cannot gain inadvertent access to the moving parts.

24.11.4 All machinery, tools and equipment to be regularly inspected at least monthly or as required by legislation and risk assessments. Records of such inspections shall be kept on the SHE file.

24.11.5 Where applicable machinery, tools and equipment must have the necessary approved test or calibration documentation.

24.11.6 The Contractor shall ensure that all machinery, tools and equipment are operated by persons who have been trained to operate such machinery, tools or equipment.

## **24.12 Portable Electrical Tools and Explosive Power Tools**

24.12.1 The Contractor shall ensure that use and storage of all explosive power tools and portable electrical tools comply with all applicable legislation.

24.12.2 The Contractor shall ensure that only trained employees are authorised to use portable electrical tools and explosive power tools

24.12.3 The Contractor shall ensure that all portable electrical tools and explosive power tools are kept in a safe working condition.

24.12.4 All portable electrical tools and explosive power tools are inspected monthly by a competent person and daily before use by the operator of such tool. Records of such inspections must be kept in the safety file.

24.12.5 Safety signs and barriers must be erected before explosive power tools are used.

24.12.6 Cartridges and explosive power tools to be stored separately

24.12.7 Register for the issue and return of cartridges be kept in the SHE file.

24.12.8 Users / Operators of electrical power tools and explosive power tools should be issued with suitable protective equipment

## **24.13 Lifting Machine, Lifting Tackle and Suspended Loads**

24.13.1 The Contractor shall ensure that lifting machine and tackle comply with Driven Machinery Regulation 18 and all other applicable legislative requirements and standards.

24.13.2 The Contractor shall ensure that lifting machine operators shall be competent to operate a lifting machine. They must be in possession of a valid permit. The training should have been done according to the Code of Practice by a provider registered by the Department of Labour.

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- 24.13.3 A lock out system should be implemented to ensure that only an operator that is competent can draw lifting machines and fork lifts.
- 24.13.4 The Contractor shall ensure that before using any lifting machines or tackle the operator inspect it. Records of such inspections and examinations shall be kept on the safety file.
- 24.13.5 All lifting machines shall be examined and subjected to a performance test by an accredited person/company at intervals not exceeding 12 months.
- 24.13.6 All lifting tackle should be recorded on a register and should be examined by an accredited person/company at intervals not exceeding 3 months.
- 24.13.7 All hooks shall be fitted with a safety latch/catch.
- 24.13.8 All lifting tackle should be conspicuously and clearly marked with identification particulars and the maximum mass load which it is designed for.
- 24.13.9 No person shall be moved or supported by means of a lifting machine unless such a machine is fitted with a cradle approved by an inspector.
- 24.13.10 Rigging of loads to be done in accordance with acceptable safe work practices
- 24.13.11 Contractors and their employees shall keep out from under suspended loads, including excavators, and between a load and a solid object where they might be crushed if the load should swing or fall. They shall not pass or work under the boom or any crane or excavator.
- 24.13.12 Contractors and their employees shall ensure that crane loads are not carried over the heads of any workmen.
- 24.13.13 The Contractor shall ensure proper supervision in terms of guiding the load including the use of guide ropes to prevent loads from swinging and a trained person to direct lifting operations and checking the lifting tackle and attachments daily.

## **24.15 Hand Tools and Pneumatic Tools**

- 24.15.1 All hand tools (hammers, chisels, spanners, etc) must be recorded on a register and inspected by a competent person on a monthly basis as well as by users prior to use.
- 24.15.2 All pneumatic tools should be numbered, recorded and inspected at least monthly as well as by users prior to use. And the revolutions per minutes measured in accordance with the manufacturer specifications
- 24.15.3 Tools with sharp points in tool boxes must be protected with a cover.
- 24.15.4 All files and similar tools must be fitted with handles.
- 24.15.5 The Contractor must have a policy on private and make shift tools on site.

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- 24.15.6 No pneumatic tool shall be operated by using a compressed gas cylinder. Pneumatic equipment shall only draw supply from mobile air compressors or from compressed air lines installed within the premises.

## 25. Electrical Equipment

The Contractor must ensure that:

- 25.1 Implementation and compliance with Electrical Installation Regulations, Electrical Machinery Regulations and OH&S Act.
- 25.2 All electrical installations, machinery and electrical work is performed in compliance with TFR Electrical Safety Instructions.
- 25.3 Connections are not made to any power supply without the prior written approval of the TFR Contract Representative.
- 25.4 All electrical machines and appliances provided by the Contractor for his own use on the Site are in a serviceable condition
- 25.5 Power tools used on the Site are protected by residual current devices approved by TFR Contract Representative and are double insulated.
- 25.6 All extension cords, portable tools and electrical plant supplied at a voltage above 32 volts are inspected, tested and tagged by a Licensed Electrician at regular monthly intervals. Details of inspections and tests are kept in Log Books available for inspection by the TFR Contract Representative or any other authorised Officer of TFR.
- 25.7 All electrical installations are inspected by the TFR Contract Representative (or his nominee) to ensure that the installation complies with the Statutory Regulations applicable to the site and TFR Electrical Safety Instructions. Any installations deemed unsatisfactory by the TFR Contract Representative should be removed by the Contractor at his expense.
- 25.8 Portable lights have adequate stability and are fitted with a mechanical guard to protect the lamp. Temporary festoon lighting is of the 'double insulated' type and is supported at least 2.5m above the floor, if possible. Hand lamps are of the 'all insulated' type.
- 25.9 All temporary light fittings are supplied from more than one final sub-circuit, with the supply from a residual current device, extra low voltage source or an isolating transformer.
- 25.10 The Contractor must obtain approval from the TFR Contract Representative before any of his employees or Sub-contractors commence work within three (3) metres of conductor rails or high tension wires, or where there is a possibility of equipment coming close to and/or touching a power source, and must provide suitable protective insulating barriers. For the erection of scaffolding, the distance is five (5) metres.

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- 25.11 Only authorised persons may enter Electrical Contactor Houses, Motor Rooms, Switch Rooms, Control Rooms or Cable Ducts. Should the Contractor require entering such places to carry out work, he must first obtain permission from the TFR Contract Representative and obtain a valid Permit to Work.
- 25.12 The Contractor's employees required to enter such electrical spaces "authorised persons", with the names entered in the TFR Authorised Persons Register, after receiving approval from the TFR Electrical Officer, or they are accompanied by an authorised person who must supervise the placement of Danger Tags and Out-of-Service Tags, as well as Electrical Isolation Permit.
- 25.13 Electrical equipment supply cabling distribution boards, fixed lighting and portable appliances, extension leads, welding machines, compressors, pumps and hand portable tools are inspected on a monthly basis and also by the user daily before use.
- 25.14 Such monthly inspection(s) are to be performed by an appropriately qualified Electrician.
- 25.15 Contractors working on, over, under, or adjacent to railway lines and near high voltage equipment shall comply with the TFR E7/1 Specification for Works On, Over, Under or Adjacent to Railway Lines and Near High Voltage Equipment.
- 25.16 No person may do electrical installation work as an electrical contractor unless that person has been registered as an electrical contractor in terms of the Electrical Installation Regulations.
- 25.17 No person shall authorize, design, install or permit or require the installation of an electrical installation, other than in accordance with a health and safety standard provided that the components within an electrical installation shall comply with the standards and proof of compliance shall be identifiable on the components or certification shall be available from the supplier or manufacturer of the components.
- 25.18 Contractor shall provide further that items of an electrical installation not covered by such incorporated safety standard, and the conductors between the point of supply and the point of control, shall be installed in accordance with the by-laws or regulations of the supplier concerned.
- 25.19 A registered person shall exercise general control over all electrical installation work being carried out, and no person shall allow such work without such control: Provided that where the voltage exceeds 1kV, the installation shall be designed and supervised by a person deemed competent
- 25.20 No supplier shall restrict the application of a health and safety standard when an electrical installation is installed, except where the distribution system of the supplier may be adversely affected by the application thereof.

## 26. Control of exposure to lead

- 26.1 The Contractor shall ensure that the exposure of a person to lead is either prevented or, where this is not reasonably practicable, adequately controlled:

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Provided that the control of the exposure shall be regarded as adequate if -

- a. the level of airborne lead is -
  - i. at or below the OEL; or
  - ii. above the OEL but the reason has been identified and action has been taken, as soon is reasonably practicable to lower the airborne level by means other than respiratory protective equipment, so that it does not exceed the OEL for lead or
- b. in the case of exposure to -
  - i. ingestible lead, the blood lead level is less than 20 pg/100ml or
  - ii. lead alkyls, the urinary lead level is less than 120 pg/l.

26.2 The Contractor shall ensure that the release of lead into any environment or water system complies with the provisions of the Atmospheric Pollution Prevention Act, 1965 (Act No. 45 of 1965), the Environment Conservation Act, 1989 (Act No. 73 of 1989), the National Water Act, 1998 (Act No. 36 of 1998), and the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998).

## 27. Cleanliness of premises and plant

27.1 The Contractor shall, as far as is reasonably practicable, take steps to ensure that -

- a. all workplaces are kept in a clean state and free of lead waste and, when lead is accidentally spilled or airborne lead is accidentally released into the workplace corrective measures are immediately taken, before any work is continued;
- b. cleaning is carried out by vacuum-cleaning equipment with a filtration efficiency of at least 99 per cent for particles of one micrometre in size, or by some other means so that lead dust neither escapes nor is released into the air to such an extent that it contaminates any workplace or the environment;
- c. the vacuum-cleaning equipment is regularly serviced and all its external surfaces are kept in a clean state and free from lead dust; and
- d. where the use of vacuum-cleaning equipment is impracticable, surfaces which are to be cleaned are dampened and that persons undertaking such cleaning wear appropriate protective clothing and respiratory protective equipment.

## 28. Confidentiality

- 28.1 The Contractor must, at all times, consider all data or information given to him or that is required in connection with the work of the Company, as confidential and not makes unauthorized use of it.
- 28.2 He/she must ensure that such data or information is not given to any non-employee of the contractor without written consent of the TFR Project Manager.
- 28.3 The Contractor shall be aware of the confidentiality of the mentioned information and is compelled to treat it accordingly.
- 28.4 The contractor must provide adequate physical protection for any confidential documents, etc, which were obtained from Transnet in connection with the contract work as well as any copies made thereof. If any documents or sketches are lost TFR must be notified immediately.

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## ANNEXURE 1

### CONTRACTOR MONTHLY SHE REPORT

<b>For Month/Year</b>		<b>Name of Contractor</b>	
<b>Name of Project</b>			
<b>Project Number</b>	<b>Date of Commencement</b>	<b>Date of Completion</b>	
<b>Number of employees</b>	<b>Man-hours worked this Month</b>	<b>Cumulative (Project duration man-hours)</b>	<b>Man-hours Since last Lost Time Incident (LTI)</b>
			<b>DIFR</b>

#### 1. Details of SHE Incidents

<b>Incident</b>	<b>This Month</b>	<b>Cumulative(Project duration)</b>	<b>Short description of major/ significant incidents and preventative action taken</b>
<b>Number of fatalities</b>			
<b>Number of disabling incidents</b>			
<b>Number of Medical Treatment Cases</b>			
<b>Number of first aid Cases</b>			
<b>Number of near miss incidents</b>			
<b>Motor vehicle incidents</b>			
<b>Number of environmental incidents</b>			
<b>Positive substance abuse incidents</b>			
<b>Substandard Act/ Conditions observed</b>			
<b>Legal violations observed</b>			

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## **2. Details of SHE Meetings**

<b>Date</b>	<b>No of participants</b>	<b>Major SHE Concerns</b>	<b>Action taken</b>

## **3. Details of Audits/Inspections**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Area / Facility</b>	<b>Findings/Recommendations</b>	<b>Action taken</b>

## **5. Details of any SHE Promotional activities for the month**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Remarks</b>

## **6. Safety Communication**

<b>Month</b>	<b>Number of Safety talks held</b>	<b>Remarks</b>

Attach separate sheets for further or other details

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Name of Contractor Representative

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Signature

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