

Transnet Freight Rail

an Operating Division of **TRANSNET SOC LTD**

[hereinafter referred to as **Transnet**]

Registration Number 1990/000900/30

REQUEST FOR QUOTATION [RFQ] No 55067

FOR THE PROVISION OF VEGETATION CONTROL ON AN AS AND WHEN REQUIRED BASIS BETWEEN SPRINGFONYEIN, NOUPOORT, EAST LONDON AND COOKHOUSE FOR THE PERIOD OF 24 MONTHS.

FOR DELIVERY TO: TRANSNET FREIGHT RAIL – EAST LONDON

ISSUE DATE: 17 NOVEMBER 2021

CLOSING DATE: 30 NOVEMBER 2021

CLOSING TIME: 10:00 AM

PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT PREQUALIFICATION CRITERIA - ONLY THE FOLLOWING RESPONDENTS MAY RESPOND TO THIS RFQ:

- **EXEMPTED MICRO ENTERPRISES (EMEs)**

SECTION 1: SBD1 FORM**PART A
INVITATION TO BID**

YOU ARE HEREBY INVITED TO BID FOR REQUIREMENTS OF TRANSNET FREIGHT RAIL, A DIVISION TRANSNET SOC LTD							
BID NUMBER:	PTH/55067	ISSUE DATE:	17/11/2021	CLOSING DATE:	30/11/2021	CLOSING TIME:	10h00 am
DESCRIPTION	PROVISION OF VEGETATION CONTROL ON AN AS AND WHEN REQUIRED BASIS BETWEEN SPRINGFONTEIN, NOUPOORT, EAST LONDON AND COOKHOUSE FOR THE PERIOD OF 24 MONTHS.						
BID RESPONSE DOCUMENTS MAY BE DEPOSITED IN THE BID BOX SITUATED AT (STREET ADDRESS)							
Transnet SOC Limited, Secretariat of the Acquisition Council, Admin Support Office, Ground Floor Foyer (Tender Box) FC Sturrock Building Fleming Street Gqeberha (Port Elizabeth), 6001							
BIDDING PROCEDURE ENQUIRIES MAY BE DIRECTED TO				TECHNICAL ENQUIRIES MAY BE DIRECTED TO:			
CONTACT PERSON	Ronelle Blom			CONTACT PERSON	Onela Gcasamba		
TELEPHONE NUMBER	041 507 2721			TELEPHONE NUMBER	041 507 2716		
FACSIMILE NUMBER	041 507 2000			FACSIMILE NUMBER	N/A		
E-MAIL ADDRESS	ronelle.blom@transnet.net			E-MAIL ADDRESS	Onela.Gcasamba@transnet.net		
SUPPLIER INFORMATION							
NAME OF BIDDER							
POSTAL ADDRESS							
STREET ADDRESS							
TELEPHONE NUMBER	CODE			NUMBER			
CELLPHONE NUMBER							
FACSIMILE NUMBER	CODE			NUMBER			
E-MAIL ADDRESS							
VAT REGISTRATION NUMBER							
SUPPLIER COMPLIANCE STATUS	TAX COMPLIANCE SYSTEM PIN:		OR	CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE	UNIQUE REGISTRATION NUMBER:	REFERENCE	
					MAAA		
B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE	TICK APPLICABLE BOX] <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL SWORN AFFIDAVIT		[TICK APPLICABLE BOX] <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		

[A B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE/ SWORN AFFIDAVIT (FOR EMES & QSEs) MUST BE SUBMITTED IN ORDER TO QUALIFY FOR PREFERENCE POINTS FOR B-BBEE]

1 ARE YOU THE ACCREDITED REPRESENTATIVE IN SOUTH AFRICA FOR THE GOODS /SERVICES /WORKS OFFERED?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No [IF YES ENCLOSE PROOF]	2 ARE YOU A FOREIGN BASED SUPPLIER FOR THE GOODS /SERVICES /WORKS OFFERED?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No [IF YES, ANSWER QUESTIONNAIRE BELOW]
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QUESTIONNAIRE TO BIDDING FOREIGN SUPPLIERS

IS THE ENTITY A RESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA (RSA)?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
DOES THE ENTITY HAVE A BRANCH IN THE RSA?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
DOES THE ENTITY HAVE A PERMANENT ESTABLISHMENT IN THE RSA?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
DOES THE ENTITY HAVE ANY SOURCE OF INCOME IN THE RSA?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
IS THE ENTITY LIABLE IN THE RSA FOR ANY FORM OF TAXATION?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO

IF THE ANSWER IS "NO" TO ALL OF THE ABOVE, THEN IT IS NOT A REQUIREMENT TO REGISTER FOR A TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS SYSTEM PIN CODE FROM THE SOUTH AFRICAN REVENUE SERVICE (SARS) AND IF NOT REGISTER AS PER 1.3 BELOW.

PART B TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR BIDDING

1. TAX COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS

- 1.1 BIDDERS MUST ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THEIR TAX OBLIGATIONS.
- 1.2 BIDDERS ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT THEIR UNIQUE PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (PIN) ISSUED BY SARS TO ENABLE THE ORGAN OF STATE TO VERIFY THE TAXPAYER'S PROFILE AND TAX STATUS.
- 1.3 APPLICATION FOR TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS (TCS) PIN MAY BE MADE VIA E-FILING THROUGH THE SARS WEBSITE WWW.SARS.GOV.ZA.
- 1.4 BIDDERS MAY ALSO SUBMIT A PRINTED TCS CERTIFICATE TOGETHER WITH THE BID.
- 1.5 IN BIDS WHERE UNINCORPORATED CONSORTIA / JOINT VENTURES / SUB-CONTRACTORS ARE INVOLVED, EACH PARTY MUST SUBMIT A SEPARATE TCS CERTIFICATE / PIN / CSD NUMBER.
- 1.6 WHERE NO TCS IS AVAILABLE BUT THE BIDDER IS REGISTERED ON THE CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE (CSD), A CSD NUMBER MUST BE PROVIDED.

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

SIGNATURE OF BIDDER:

CAPACITY UNDER WHICH THIS BID IS SIGNED:

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

DATE:_____

SECTION 2: NOTICE TO BIDDERS

1 Responses to RFQ

Responses to this RFQ [**Quotations**] must not include documents or reference relating to any other quotation or proposal. Any additional conditions must be embodied in an accompanying letter.

DESCRIPTION	PROVISION FOR VEGETATION CONTROL ON AN AS AND WHEN REQUIRED BASIS BETWEEN SPRINGFONTEIN, NOUPOORT, EAST LONDON AND COOKHOUSE FOR THE PERIOD OF 24 MONTHS.
CLOSING DATE	10:00 am on Tuesday, 30 NOVEMBER 2021 This bid shall close punctually at the following address: Secretariat of the Acquisition Council, Admin Support Office Transnet Freight Rail Tender Box, Ground Floor Foyer FC Sturrock Building Fleming Street Gqeberha (Port Elizabeth) 6001 As a general rule, if a bid is late or delivered to the incorrect address, it will not be accepted for consideration.
BID OPENING	A public opening will not be held for this bid, however Respondents will be provided with a copy of the opening register indicating the names of the Respondents if required.
VALIDITY PERIOD	90 Business Days from Closing Date End of validity period: 12 APRIL 2022 Bidders are to note that they may be requested to extend the validity period of their bid, at the same terms and conditions, if the internal evaluation process has not been finalised within the validity period. However, once the adjudication body has approved the process and award of the business to the successful bidder(s), the validity of the successful bidder(s)' bid will be deemed to remain valid until a final contract has been concluded.
COMMENTS/COMPLAINTS	Kindly note that all comments and complaints regarding all RFx's issued by Transnet may be directed to TFRProcurement.Complaints@transnet.net .

2 Formal Briefing

A formal briefing session will not be held but should Respondents have specific queries they should email these to the Transnet employee(s) indicated in paragraph 4 [*Communication*] below:

3 Communication

- 3.1 Specific queries relating to this RFQ before the closing date of the RFQ should be submitted to [Onela.Gcasamba@transnet.net] before **12:00 pm on 25 November 2021**. In the interest of fairness and transparency Transnet's response to such a query will then be made available to other bidders.
- 3.2 It is prohibited for Respondents to attempt, either directly or indirectly, to canvass any officer or employee of Transnet in respect of this RFQ between the closing date and the date of the award of the business.
- 3.3 Respondents found to be in collusion with one another will be automatically disqualified and restricted from doing business with organs of state for a specified period.
- 3.4 Respondents may also, at any time after the closing date of the RFQ, communicate with the Secretariat of the Transnet Acquisition Council on any matter relating to its RFQ response:

Name	Email Address	Telephone	Fax
Anele Gwanya	GRP-TFR-PETenders@transnet.net	041 507 2173	041 507 2000
Ronelle Blom		041 507 2721	041 507 2000
Phumla Maldaka		041 507 2720	041 507 2000

4 Legal Compliance

The successful Respondent shall be in full and complete compliance with any and all applicable national and local laws and regulations.

5 Employment Equity Act

Respondents must comply with the requirements of the Employment Equity Act 55 of 1998 applicable to it including (but not limited to) Section 53 of the Employment Equity Act.

6 Changes to Quotations

Changes by the Respondent to its submission will not be considered after the closing date and time.

7 Binding Offer

Any Quotation furnished pursuant to this Request shall be deemed to be an offer. Any exceptions to this statement must be clearly and specifically indicated.

8 Disclaimers

8.1 Respondents are hereby advised that Transnet is not committed to any course of action as a result of its issuance of this RFQ and/or its receipt of a Quotation in response to it. Please note that Transnet reserves the right to:

- modify the RFQ's goods / service(s) and request Respondents to re-bid on any changes;
- reject any Quotation which does not conform to instructions and specifications which are detailed herein;
- disqualify Quotations submitted after the stated submission deadline;
- not necessarily accept the lowest priced Quotation or an alternative bid;
- place an order in connection with this Quotation at any time after the RFQ's closing date;
- award only a portion of the proposed goods which are reflected in the scope of this RFQ;
- split the award of the order/s between more than one Supplier/Service Provider should it at Transnet's discretion be more advantageous in terms of, amongst others, cost or developmental considerations;
- cancel the quotation process;
- validate any information submitted by Respondents in response to this bid. This would include, but is not limited to, requesting the Respondents to provide supporting evidence. By submitting a bid, Respondents hereby irrevocably grant the necessary consent to Transnet to do so;
- request audited financial statements or other documentation for the purposes of a due diligence exercise;
- not accept any changes or purported changes by the Respondent to the bid rates after the closing date and/or after the award of the business, unless the contract specifically provides for it;
- to cancel the contract and/request that National Treasury place the Respondent on its Database of Restricted Suppliers for a period not exceeding 10 years, on the basis that a contract was awarded on the strength of incorrect information furnished by the Respondent or on any other basis recognised in law;

award the business to the next ranked bidder, provided that he/she is still prepared to provide the required Goods/Services at the quoted price, should the preferred bidder fail to sign or commence with the contract within a reasonable period after being requested to do so. Under such circumstances, the validity of the bids of the next ranked bidder(s) will be deemed to remain valid, irrespective of whether

the next ranked bidder(s) were issued with a Letter of Regret. Bidders may therefore be requested to advise whether they would still be prepared to provide the required Goods/Services at their quoted price, even after they have been issued with a Letter of Regret.

9 Specification

Transnet Freight Rail requires the provision of vegetation control on an as and when required basis between Springfontein, Noupoot, East London and Cookhouse for the period of 24 Months. Refer to **ANNEXURE A**.

10 Legal review

A Proposal submitted by a Respondent will be subjected to review and acceptance or rejection of its proposed contractual terms and conditions by Transnet's Legal Counsel, prior to consideration for an award of business.

11 Security clearance

Acceptance of this bid could be subject to the condition that the Successful Respondent, its personnel providing the goods and its subcontractor(s) must obtain security clearance from the appropriate authorities to the level of CONFIDENTIAL/ SECRET/TOP SECRET. Obtaining the required clearance is the responsibility of the Successful Respondent. Acceptance of the bid is also subject to the condition that the Successful Respondent will implement all such security measures as the safe performance of the contract may require.

12 National Treasury's Central Supplier Database

Respondents are required to self-register on National Treasury's Central Supplier Database (CSD) which has been established to centrally administer supplier information for all organs of state and facilitate the verification of certain key supplier information. Transnet is required to ensure that price quotations are invited and accepted from prospective bidders listed on the CSD. Business may not be awarded to a respondent who has failed to register on the CSD. Only foreign suppliers with no local registered entity need not register on the CSD. The CSD can be accessed at <https://secure.csd.gov.za/>.

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

13 Tax Compliance

Respondents must be compliant when submitting a proposal to Transnet and remain compliant for the entire contract term with all applicable tax legislation, including but not limited to the Income Tax Act, 1962 (Act No. 58 of 1962) and Value Added Tax Act, 1991 (Act No. 89 of 1991).

It is a condition of this bid that the tax matters of the successful Respondents be in order, or that satisfactory arrangements have been made with South African Revenue Service (SARS) to meet the Respondents tax obligations.

The Tax Compliance status requirements are also applicable to foreign Respondents/ individuals who wish to submit bids.

Where Consortia / Joint Ventures / Sub-contractors are involved, each party must be registered on the Central Supplier Database and their tax compliance status will be verified through the Central Supplier Database.

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

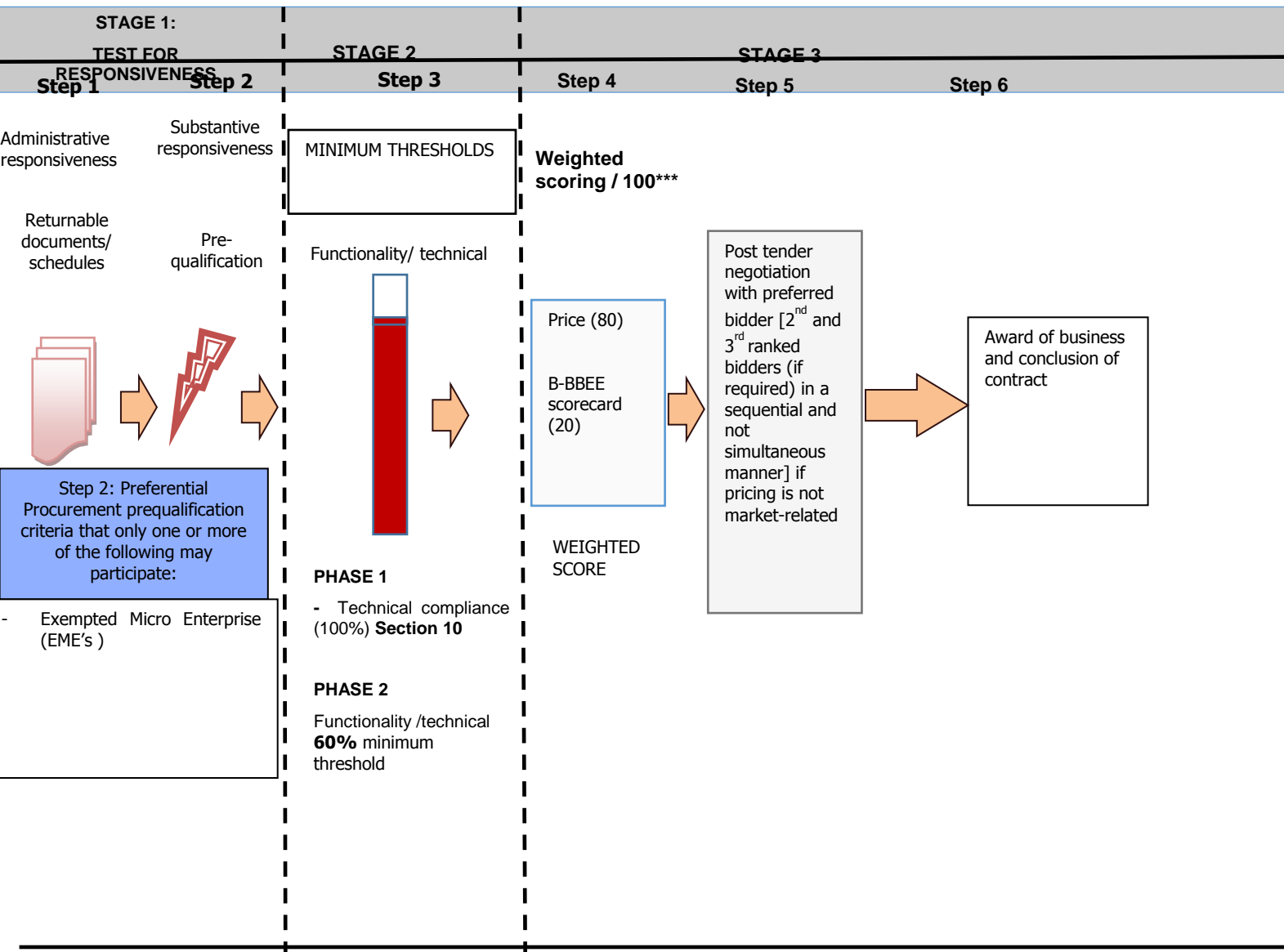
TIP-OFFS ANONYMOUS:

SECTION 3

EVALUATION METHODOLOGY, CRITERIA AND RETURNABLE DOCUMENTS

14 Evaluation Criteria

Transnet will utilise the following methodology and criteria in selecting a preferred Supplier/Service provider:



1.1 STEP ONE: Test for Administrative Responsiveness

The test for administrative responsiveness will include the following:

Administrative responsiveness check	RFQ Reference
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Whether the Bid has been lodged on time 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Whether all Returnable Documents and/or schedules [where applicable] were completed and returned by the closing date and time 	<i>Section 3</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Verify the validity of all returnable documents 	<i>Section 3</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Verify if the Bid document has been duly signed by the authorised respondent 	<i>All sections</i>

The test for administrative responsiveness [Step One] must be passed for a Respondent's Proposal to progress to [Step Two] for further pre-qualification

1.2 STEP TWO: Test for Substantive Responsiveness to RFQ

The test for substantive responsiveness to this RFQ will include the following:

Check for substantive responsiveness	RFQ Reference
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Whether any general pre-qualification criteria set by Transnet, have been met 	<i>All sections including: Section 2</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Whether the Bid contains a priced offer 	<i>Section 4 - Quotation Form</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Whether any set prequalification criteria for preferential procurement have been met: -Transnet has set a prequalification criterion that only Exempted Micro Enterprises (EMEs) may participate in this RFP process. A bid that fails to meet this pre-qualifying criteria will be regarded as an unacceptable bid.– [Mandatory] 	<i>Section 2 - Paragraph 3</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SBD1 Form Proof of registration on NT Central Supplier Database 	<i>Section 1</i>

The test for substantive responsiveness [Step Two] must be passed for a Respondent's proposal to progress to [Step Three] for further evaluation

1.3 STEP THREE: Technical Criteria

The test for the Technical and Functional threshold will include the following:

1.3.1 Phase One:

Check for technical compliance	RFQ reference	% Weightings	Scoring guideline Comply / Do not comply
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Whether any Technical compliance criteria set by Transnet have been met as follows: -Fully/duly completed Specification Compliance schedule (100% Compliance) <p>(Failure to duly complete and submit this form and fully (100%) comply with all of the requirements below will result in the respondent be allocated a score of zero and disqualification)</p>	Section 10	100%	<p>100 % (Comply) – Fully / duly completed Section 10 with 100% compliance</p> <p>0% (Do not comply) – Section 10 not fully / duly completed or do not comply 100%</p>

Check for technical compliance	RFQ reference	% Weightings	Scoring guideline Comply / Do not comply
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Registration Certificate – Pest Control Operator in structural pest control (commercial) is issued by the department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries. Mandatory returnable document. 		100%	<p>100% (comply) –submitted proof of registration as a pest control operator .</p> <p>0% (Do not comply) – did not submit proof of registration as a pest control operator.</p>

1.3.2 Phase Two: Minimum Threshold of 60% for Technical Criteria

Failure to achieve the 60% threshold will lead to disqualification. The test for the Technical and Functional threshold will include the following:

Criteria	Sub-criteria	40 % Weightings	Scoring Guideline (0 to 5)
Previous/current relevant Experience	<p>The bidder shall submit a maximum of 5 references letters and/or previous contracts and/or purchase orders that are not older than 72 months for similar scope of work.</p> <p>Relevant letters must contain detail as below: Contract period, Service provided ,contact person, contact number</p>	Maximum 5 points	0 (0%) = No experience in this field of work / No proof provided
			1(8%)=Experience in this field of work (1 project)
			2(16%)=Experience in this field of work (2 project)
			3(24%)= Experience in this field of work (3 project)
			4(32%)=Experience in this field of work (4project)
			5(40%)= Experience in this field of work (5 and more project)
Criteria	Sub-criteria	20% Weightings	Scoring Guideline (0-5)
Health and Safety plan	<p>Bidder shall provide health and safety plan ,addressing below requirement as stated on section 12</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A safety plan to be submitted in accordance with the OHS Act of 1993. - Safety file index -Risk assessment pertaining to related activities - Method statement for related activities. - Safe work procedures for related activities. 	Maximum 5 points	0(0%) = No Health, risk and environmental plan submitted
			1(4% = submitted an incomplete health and safety plan,1 item addressed
			2(8%) = 2 of the specified requirements are addressed on the health and safety plan submitted
			3(12%) = 3 of the specified requirements are addressed on the health and safety plan submitted
			4(16%) = 4 of the specified requirements are addressed on the health and safety plan submitted
			5(20%) = 5 and more requirements are addressed on the health and safety plan submitted

Criteria	Sub-criteria	40% Weightings	Scoring Guideline (0-5)
Delivery Lead time	Bidder shall indicate the time turnaround time to the emergency work. Refer to section 13	Maximum 5 points	0(0%) = NO duration period provided
			1(8%) = Response in more than 7 hours and attend to emergency work within 24 hrs
			2(16%) = Response in 6 hours and attend to emergency work within 24 hrs
			3(24%) = Response in 5 hours and attend to emergency work within 24 hrs
			4(32%) = Response in 4 hours and attend to emergency work within 24 hrs
			5(40%) = Response in 3 hours or less and attend to emergency work within 24 hrs

Respondents must complete and submit **Section: 10** which include a specification compliance statement. A Respondent's compliance with the minimum functionality/technical threshold will be measured by their responses to **section: 11, 12, and 13**

Respondents are to note that Transnet will round off final technical scores to the nearest 2 (two) decimal places for the purposes of determining whether the technical threshold has been met.

The minimum threshold for technical/functionality [Step Three] must be met or exceeded for a Respondent's Proposal to progress to Step Four for final evaluation

STEP THREE: Evaluation and Final Weighted Scoring

1.4 STEP FOUR: Post Tender Negotiations

a) **Price and TCO Criteria** [Weighted score 80 points]:

Evaluation Criteria	RFQ Reference
• Commercial offer	<i>Section 4</i>

Transnet will utilise the following formula in its evaluation of Price:

$$PS = 80 \left(1 - \frac{Pt - Pmin}{Pmin} \right)$$

Where:

- Ps = Score for the Bid under consideration
 Pt = Price of Bid under consideration
 $Pmin$ = Price of lowest acceptable Bid

b) **Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment criteria** [Weighted score 20 points]

- B-BBEE - current scorecard / B-BBEE Preference Points Claims Form
- Preference points will be awarded to a bidder for attaining the B-BBEE status level of contribution in accordance with the table indicated in Section 4.1 of the B-BBEE Preference Points Claim Form.

1.5 STEP FIVE: Post Tender Negotiations (if applicable)

- Respondents are to note that Transnet may not award a contract if the price offered is not market related. In this regard, Transnet reserves the right to engage in PTN with the view to achieving a market-related price or to cancel the tender. Negotiations will be done in a sequential manner i.e.:
 - first negotiate with the highest ranked bidder or cancel the bid, should such negotiations fail,
 - negotiate with the 2nd and 3rd ranked bidders (if required) in a sequential manner.
- In the event of any Respondent being notified of such short-listed/preferred bidder status, his/her bid, as well as any subsequent negotiated best and final offers (BAFO), will automatically be deemed to remain valid during the negotiation period and until the ultimate award of business.
- Should Transnet conduct post tender negotiations, Respondents will be requested to provide their best and final offers to Transnet based on such negotiations. Where a market related price has been achieved through negotiation, the contract will be awarded to the successful Respondent(s).

1.6 STEP SIX: Award of business and conclusion of contract

- Immediately after approval to award the contract has been received, the successful or preferred bidder(s) will be informed of the acceptance of his/their Quotation by way of a Letter of Award. Thereafter the final contract will be concluded with the successful Respondent(s).
- Otherwise, a final contract will be concluded and entered into with the successful Bidder at the acceptance of a letter of award by the Respondent.

15 Validity Period

Transnet requires a validity period of 90 [Ninety] Business Days **(12 APRIL 2022)** from the closing date of this RFQ, excluding the first day and including the last day.

Bidders are to note that they may be requested to extend the validity period of their bid, on the same terms and conditions, if the internal evaluation process has not been finalised within the validity period. However, once the adjudication body has approved the process and award of the business to the successful bidder(s), the validity of the successful bidder(s)' bid will be deemed to remain valid until a final contract has been concluded.

16 Disclosure of contract information**Prices Quoted**

Respondents are to note that, on award of business, Transnet is required to publish the tendered prices and preferences claimed of the successful and unsuccessful Respondents *inter alia* on the National Treasury e-Tender Publication Portal, (www.etenders.gov.za), as required per National Treasury Instruction Note 01 of 2015/2016.

Johannesburg Stock Exchange Debt Listing Requirements

Transnet may also be required to disclose information relating to the subsequent contract i.e. the name of the company, goods/services provided by the company, the value and duration of the contract, etc. in compliance with the Johannesburg Stock Exchange (JSE) Debt Listing Requirements.

Domestic Prominent Influential Persons (DPIP) OR Foreign Prominent Public Officials (FPPO)

Transnet is free to procure the services of any person within or outside the Republic of South Africa in accordance with applicable legislation. Transnet shall not conduct or conclude business transactions, with any Respondents without having:

- Considered relevant governance protocols;
- Determined the DPIP or FPPO status of that counterparty; and
- Conducted a risk assessment and due diligence to assess the potential risks that may be posed by the business relationship.

As per the Transnet Domestic Prominent Influential Persons (DPIP) and Foreign Prominent Public Officials (FPPO) and Related Individuals Policy available on Transnet website <https://www.transnet.net/search/pages/results.aspx?k=FPIDP#k=DPIP>, Respondents are required to disclose any commercial relationship with a DPIP or FPPO (as defined in the Policy) by completing the following section:

The below form contains personal information as defined in the Protection of Personal Information Act, 2013 (the "Act"). By completing the form, the signatory consents to the processing of her/his personal information in accordance with the requirements of the Act. Consent cannot unreasonably be withheld.						
Is the Respondent (Complete with a "Yes" or "No")						
A DPIP/FPPO		Closely Related to a DPIP/FPPO		Closely Associated to a DPIP/FPPO		
List all known business interests, in which a DPIP/FPPO may have a direct/indirect interest or significant participation or involvement.						
No	Name of Entity / Business	Role in the Entity / Business (Nature of interest/ Participation)	Shareholding %	Registration Number	Status (Mark the applicable option with an X)	
					Active	Non-Active
1						
2						
3						

Respondents declaring a commercial relationship with a DPIP or FPPO are to note that Transnet is required to annually publish on its website a list of all business contracts entered into with DPIP or FPPO. This list will include successful Respondents, if applicable.

17 Returnable Documents

Returnable Documents means all the documents, Sections and Annexures, as listed in the tables below. There are three types of returnable documents as indicated below and Respondents are urged to ensure that these documents are returned with their bids based on the consequences of non-submission as indicated below:

Mandatory Returnable Documents	<i>Failure to provide all these Mandatory Returnable Documents at the Closing Date and time of this RFQ <u>will</u> result in a Respondent's disqualification.</i>
Returnable Documents Used for Scoring	<i>Failure to provide all Returnable Documents used for purposes of scoring a bid, by the closing date and time of this bid will not result in a Respondent's disqualification. However, Bidders will receive an automatic score of zero for the applicable evaluation criterion</i>
Essential Returnable Documents	<i>Failure to provide essential Returnable Documents <u>will</u> result in Transnet affording Respondents a further opportunity to submit by a set deadline. Should a Respondent thereafter fail to submit the requested documents, this may result in a Respondent's disqualification.</i>

All Returnable Sections, as indicated in the header and footer of the relevant pages, must be signed, stamped and dated by the Respondent.

a) **Mandatory Returnable Documents**

Respondents are required to submit with their bid submissions the following **Mandatory Returnable Documents**, and also to confirm submission of these documents by so indicating [Yes or No] in the tables below:

MANDATORY RETURNABLE DOCUMENTS	SUBMITTED [Yes/No]
SECTION 1: SBD1 Form	
SECTION 4: Quotation Form with a price offer	
Valid proof of Respondent's compliance to B-BBEE requirements stipulated in Section 7 of this RFQ. Transnet has set a prequalification criterion that only Exempted Micro Enterprises (EMEs) may participate in this RFQ process. A bid that fails to meet this pre-qualifying criteria will be regarded as an unacceptable bid	

b) **Returnable Documents Used for Scoring**

In addition to the requirements of section (a) above, Respondents are further required to submit with their Proposals the following **Returnable Documents Used for Scoring** and also to confirm submission of these documents by so indicating [Yes or No] in the table below:

RETURNABLE DOCUMENTS USED FOR SCORING	SUBMITTED [Yes or No]
Proof of registration as a Pest Controller Operator	
Section 10: Fully / duly completed Specification Compliance Statement (100% Compliance)	
Section 11: Respondents must submit references letters indicating the experience of current or previous work done	
Section 12: Health and Safety plan	
Section 13: Delivery Lead time	

c) **Essential Returnable Documents:**

Over and the above the requirements of section (a) and (b) mentioned above, Respondents are further required to submit with their Proposals the following **Essential Returnable Documents** and also to confirm submission of these documents by so indicating [Yes or No] in the table below:

ESSENTIAL RETURNABLE DOCUMENTS & SCHEDULES	SUBMITTED [Yes or No]
In the case of Joint Ventures, a copy of the Joint Venture Agreement or written confirmation of the intention to enter into a Joint Venture Agreement	
SECTION 5: Certificate of Acquaintance with RFQ Documents	
SECTION 6: RFQ Declaration and Breach of Law Form	
SECTION 7: B-BBEE Preference Claim Form	
SECTION 8: SBD 9 - Certificate Of Independent Bid Determination	
SECTION 9: Protection of Personal Information	

18 Continued validity of returnable documents

The successful Respondent will be required to ensure the validity of all returnable documents, including but not limited to its valid proof of B-BBEE status, for the duration of any contract emanating from this RFQ. Should the Respondent be awarded the contract [**the Agreement**] and fail to present Transnet with such renewals as and when they become due, Transnet shall be entitled, in addition to any other rights and remedies that it may have in terms of the eventual Agreement, to terminate such Agreement immediately without any liability and without prejudice to any claims which Transnet may have for damages against the Respondent.

SECTION 4

QUOTATION FORM

I/We _____

hereby offer to supply the goods/services at the prices quoted in the Price Schedule below, in accordance with the conditions related thereto.

I/We agree to be bound by those terms and conditions in:

- the Standard RFQ Terms and Conditions for the Supply of Goods or Services to Transnet; and
- any other standard or special conditions embodied in this Request for Quotation.

I/We accept that unless Transnet should otherwise decide and so inform me/us, this Quotation [and, if any, its covering letter and any subsequent exchange of correspondence], together with Transnet's acceptance thereof shall constitute a binding contract between Transnet and me/us. I/We further agree that if, after I/we have been notified of the acceptance of my/our Quotation, I/we fail to deliver the said goods/service/s within the delivery lead-time quoted, Transnet may, without prejudice to any other legal remedy which it may have, cancel the order and recover from me/us any expenses incurred by Transnet in calling for Quotations afresh and/or having to accept any less favourable offer.

Price Schedule

I/We quote as follows for the goods required, on a "delivered nominated destination" basis, including VAT:

Year 1

Item No	Description of Item	Unit of Measure	Quantity	Rate Excl. VAT	TOTAL PRICE OF ITEM Excl. VAT [ZAR]
1.	Day Tariff for team	Per Day	1		
2.	Travelling cost	Km	1		
TOTAL PRICE, exclusive of VAT:					
VAT 15% (if applicable)					
Total Inclusive of VAT (where applicable)					

Respondents are to note that Transnet will round off final pricing scores to the nearest 2 (two) decimal places.

Price schedule: **Year 2**

Item No	Description of Item	Unit of Measure	Quantity	Rate Excl. VAT	TOTAL PRICE OF ITEM Excl. VAT [ZAR]
1.	Day Tariff for team	Per Day	1		
2.	Travelling Costs	KM	1		
TOTAL PRICE, exclusive of VAT:					
VAT 15% (if applicable)					
Total Inclusive of VAT (where applicable)					

Notes to Pricing:

1.4.1 Respondents are to note that if the price offered by the highest scoring bidder is not market-related, Transnet may not award the contract to that Respondent. Transnet may-

- (i) negotiate a market-related price with the Respondent scoring the highest points or cancel the RFQ;
- (ii) if that Respondent does not agree to a market-related price, negotiate a market-related price with the Respondent scoring the second highest points or cancel the RFQ;
- (iii) if the Respondent scoring the second highest points does not agree to a market-related price, negotiate a market-related price with the Respondent scoring the third highest points or cancel the RFQ.

If a market-related price is not agreed with the Respondent scoring the third highest points, Transnet must cancel the RFQ.

1.4.2 All Prices must be quoted in South African Rand, exclusive of VAT

1.4.3 Any disbursement not specifically priced for will not be considered/accepted by Transnet.

1.4.4 To facilitate like-for-like comparison bidders must submit pricing strictly in accordance with this price schedule and not utilise a different format. Deviation from this pricing schedule will result in a bid being disqualified.

1.4.5 Please note that should you have offered a discounted price(s), Transnet will only consider such price discount(s) in the final evaluation stage if offered on an unconditional basis.

1.4.6 Bidders are advised that they take responsibility for submitting quotations that are correct and without any arithmetical errors. All line items must reflect the correct unit price and total price, after taking into account the quantity. The sum of all line items must correctly reflect the total of all line items, without VAT and including VAT. Transnet may disqualify bidders that submit bids with arithmetical errors.

1.4.7 Failure to price all items on the Pricing Schedule will result in disqualification.

SECTION 5

CERTIFICATE OF ACQUAINTANCE WITH RFQ DOCUMENTS

By signing this certificate, the Respondent is deemed to acknowledge that he/she has made himself/herself thoroughly familiar with, and agrees with all the conditions governing this RFQ. This includes those terms and conditions contained in any printed form stated to form part hereof, including but not limited to the documents stated below. As such, Transnet will recognise no claim for relief based on an allegation that the Respondent overlooked any such term or condition or failed properly to take it into account in calculating tendered prices or any other purpose:

1. Transnet's General Bid Conditions
2. Standard RFQ Terms and Conditions for the supply of Goods or Services to Transnet
3. Transnet's Supplier Integrity Pact
4. Non-disclosure Agreement

Note: Should a Respondent be successful and awarded the bid, they will be required to complete a Supplier Declaration Form for registration as a vendor onto the Transnet vendor master database.

Should the Bidder find any terms or conditions stipulated in any of the relevant documents quoted in the RFQ unacceptable, it should indicate which conditions are unacceptable and offer alternatives by written submission on its company letterhead, attached to its submitted Bid. Any such submission shall be subject to review by Transnet's Legal Counsel who shall determine whether the proposed alternative(s) are acceptable or otherwise, as the case may be. A material deviation from the Standard terms or conditions could result in disqualification.

Bidders accept that an obligation rests on them to clarify any uncertainties regarding any bid to which they intend to respond, before submitting the bid. The Bidder agrees that he/she will have no claim or cause of action based on an allegation that any aspect of this RFQ was unclear but in respect of which he/she failed to obtain clarity.

The bidder understands that his/her Bid will be disqualified if this Certificate of Acquaintance with RFQ documents included in the RFQ as a returnable document, is found not to be true and/ or complete in every respect.

SIGNED at _____ on this _____ day of _____ 20____

SIGNATURE OF WITNESSES

ADDRESS OF WITNESSES

1 _____

Name _____

2 _____

Name _____

SIGNATURE OF RESPONDENT'S AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE: _____

NAME: _____

DESIGNATION: _____

SECTION 6

RFQ DECLARATION AND BREACH OF LAW FORM

NAME OF ENTITY: _____

We _____ do hereby certify that:

1. Transnet has supplied and we have received appropriate responses to any/all questions [as applicable] which were submitted by ourselves for RFQ Clarification purposes;
2. We have received all information we deemed necessary for the completion of this Request for Quotation **[RFQ]**;
3. We have been provided with sufficient access to the existing Transnet facilities/sites and all relevant information relevant to the Supply of the Goods as well as Transnet information and Employees, and have had sufficient time in which to conduct and perform a thorough due diligence of Transnet's operations and business requirements and assets used by Transnet. Transnet will therefore not consider or permit any pre- or post-contract verification or any related adjustment to pricing, service levels or any other provisions/conditions based on any incorrect assumptions made by the Respondent in arriving at his Bid Price.
4. At no stage have we received additional information relating to the subject matter of this RFQ from Transnet sources, other than information formally received from the designated Transnet contact(s) as nominated in the RFQ documents;
5. We have complied with all obligations of the Bidder/Supplier as indicated in the Transnet Supplier Integrity Pact which includes but are not limited to ensuring that we take all measures necessary to prevent corrupt practices, unfairness and illegal activities in order to secure or in furtherance to secure a contract with Transnet;
6. We are satisfied, insofar as our entity is concerned, that the processes and procedures adopted by Transnet in issuing this RFQ and the requirements requested from Bidders in responding to this RFQ have been conducted in a fair and transparent manner;
7. We declare that a family, business and/or social relationship **exists / does not exist** [delete as applicable] between an owner / member / director / partner / shareholder of our entity and an employee or board member of Transnet including any person who may be involved in the evaluation and/or adjudication of this Bid;
8. We declare that an owner / member / director / partner / shareholder of our entity **is / is not** [delete as applicable] an employee or board member of the Transnet;
9. In addition, we declare that an owner / member / director / partner / shareholder/employee of our entity **has / has not been** [delete as applicable] a former employee or board member of Transnet in the past 10 years. I further declare that if they were a former employee or board member of Transnet in the past 10 years that they **were/were not** involved in the bid preparation or had access to the information related to this RFQ; and
10. If such a relationship as indicated in paragraph 7, 8 and/or 9 exists, the Respondent is to complete the following section:

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

ADDRESS:

Indicate nature of relationship with Transnet:

*[Failure to furnish complete and accurate information in this regard will lead to the disqualification of a response and may preclude a Respondent from doing future business with Transnet]. **Information provided in the declarations may be used by Transnet and/or its affiliates to verify the correctness of the information provided.***

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

DECLARATION OF INTEREST REGARDING PERSONS EMPLOYED BY THE STATE (SBD4)

12. Any legal person, including persons employed by the state¹, or persons having a kinship with persons employed by the state, including a blood relationship, may make an offer or offers in terms of this invitation to bid (includes a price quotation, advertised competitive bid, limited bid or proposal). In view of possible allegations of favouritism, should the resulting bid, or part thereof, be awarded to persons employed by the state, or to persons connected with or related to them, it is required that the bidder or his/her authorised representative declare his/her position in relation to the evaluating/adjudicating authority where-

- the bidder is employed by the state; and/or
- the legal person on whose behalf the bidding document is signed, has a relationship with persons/a person who are/is involved in the evaluation and or adjudication of the bid(s), or where it is known that such a relationship exists between the person or persons for or on whose behalf the declarant acts and persons who are involved with the evaluation and or adjudication of the bid.

13. **In order to give effect to the above, the following questionnaire must be completed and submitted with the bid:**

13.1. Full Name of bidder or his or her representative:

13.2. Identity Number:

13.3. Position occupied in the Company (director, trustee, shareholder²):

13.4. Company Registration Number:

13.5. Tax Reference Number:

¹ "State" means –

- (a) any national or provincial department, national or provincial public entity or constitutional institution within the meaning of the Public Finance Management Act, 1999 (Act No. 1 of 1999);
- (b) any municipality or municipal entity;
- (c) provincial legislature;
- (d) national Assembly or the national Council of provinces; or
- (e) Parliament.

² "Shareholder" means a person who owns shares in the company and is actively involved in the management of the enterprise or business and exercises control over the enterprise.

13.6. VAT Registration Number:

13.7. Are you or any person connected with the bidder presently employed by the state?	YES / NO
13.7.1. If so, furnish the following particulars:	
Name of person / director / trustee / shareholder/ member:
Name of state institution at which you or the person connected to the bidder is employed :
Position occupied in the state institution:
Any other particulars:
13.8. If you are presently employed by the state, did you obtain the appropriate authority to undertake remunerative work outside employment in the public sector?	YES / NO
13.8.1. If yes, did you attached proof of such authority to the bid document? (Note: Failure to submit proof of such authority, where applicable, may result in the disqualification of the bid.	YES / NO
13.8.2. If no, furnish reasons for non-submission of such proof:
13.9. Did you or your spouse, or any of the company's directors / trustees / shareholders / members or their spouses conduct business with the state in the previous twelve months?	YES / NO
13.9.1. If so, furnish particulars:
13.10. Do you, or any person connected with the bidder, have any relationship (family, friend, other) with a person employed by the state and who may be involved with the evaluation and or adjudication of this bid?	YES / NO
13.10.1. If so, furnish particulars:
13.11. Are you, or any person connected with the bidder, aware of any relationship (family, friend, other) between any other bidder and any person employed by the state who may be involved with the evaluation and or adjudication of this bid?	YES / NO
13.11.1. If so, furnish particulars:
13.12. Do you or any of the directors / trustees / shareholders / members of the company have any interest in any other related companies whether or not they are bidding for this contract?	YES / NO
13.12.1. If so, furnish particulars:

The names of all directors / trustees / shareholders / members, their individual identity numbers, tax reference numbers and, if applicable, employee / persal numbers must be indicated in paragraph 14 below.

14. Full details of directors / trustees / members / shareholders.

Full Name	Identity Number	Personal Tax Reference Number	State Employee Number / Persal Number

BREACH OF LAW

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

Where found guilty of such a serious breach, please disclose:

NATURE OF BREACH:

DATE OF BREACH: _____

Furthermore, I/we acknowledge that Transnet SOC Ltd reserves the right to exclude any Respondent from the bidding process, should that person or entity have been found guilty of a serious breach of law, tribunal or regulatory obligation.

SIGNED at _____ on this ____ day of _____ 20__

For and on behalf of _____ duly authorised hereto	AS WITNESS:	
Name:	Name:	
Position:	Position:	
Signature:	Signature:	
Date:	Registration No of Company/CC _____	
Place:	Registration Name of Company/CC _____	

SECTION 7

B-BBEE PREFERENCE POINTS CLAIM FORM

This preference form must form part of all bids invited. It contains general information and serves as a claim for preference points for Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment [**B-BBEE**] Status Level of Contribution.

Transnet will award preference points to companies who provide valid proof of their B-BBEE status using either the latest version of the generic Codes of Good Practice or Sector Specific Codes (if applicable).

NB: BEFORE COMPLETING THIS FORM, BIDDERS MUST STUDY THE GENERAL CONDITIONS, DEFINITIONS AND DIRECTIVES APPLICABLE IN RESPECT OF B-BBEE, AS PRESCRIBED IN THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS, 2017.

1. GENERAL CONDITIONS

- 1.1 The following preference point systems are applicable to all bids:
- the 80/20 system for requirements with a Rand value of up to R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included); and
 - the 90/10 system for requirements with a Rand value above R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included).
- 1.2 The value of this bid is estimated to not exceed R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included) and therefore the 80/20 preference point system shall be applicable. Despite the stipulated preference point system, Transnet shall use the lowest acceptable bid to determine the applicable preference point system in a situation where all received acceptable bids are received outside the stated preference point system.
- 1.3 The 80/20 preference point system will be applicable to this tender.
- 1.4 Preference points for this bid shall be awarded for:
- (a) Price; and
 - (b) B-BBEE Status Level of Contribution.
- 1.5 The maximum points for this bid are allocated as follows:

	POINTS
PRICE	80
B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL OF CONTRIBUTOR	20
Total points for Price and B-BBEE must not exceed	100

- 1.6 Failure on the part of a bidder to submit proof of B-BBEE status level of contributor together with the bid will be interpreted to mean that preference points for B-BBEE status level of contribution are not claimed.
- 1.7 The purchaser reserves the right to require of a bidder, either before a bid is adjudicated or at any time subsequently, to substantiate any claim in regard to preferences, in any manner required by the purchaser

2. DEFINITIONS

- (a) **"all applicable taxes"** includes value-added tax, pay as you earn, income tax, unemployment insurance fund contributions and skills development levies;
- (b) **"B-BBEE"** means broad-based black economic empowerment as defined in section 1 of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act;
- (c) **"B-BBEE status level of contributor"** means the B-BBEE status received by a measured entity based on its overall performance using the relevant scorecard contained in the Codes of Good Practice on Black Economic Empowerment, issued in terms of section 9(1) of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act;

- (d) **"bid"** means a written offer in a prescribed or stipulated form in response to an invitation by an organ of state for the supply/provision of services, works or goods, through price quotations, advertised competitive bidding processes or proposals;
- (e) **"Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act"** means the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act, 2003 (Act No. 53 of 2003);
- (f) **"EME"** means an Exempted Micro Enterprise as defines by Codes of Good Practice under section 9 (1) of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act, 2003 (Act No. 53 of 2003);
- (g) **"functionality"** means the ability of a bidder to provide goods or services in accordance with specification as set out in the bid documents;
- (h) **"Price"** includes all applicable taxes less all unconditional discounts.
- (i) **"Proof of B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor"** means:
- 1) B-BBEE status level certificate issued by an unauthorised body or person;
 - 2) A sworn affidavit as prescribed by the B-BBEE Codes of Good Practice;
 - 3) Any other requirement prescribed in terms of the B-BBEE Act.
- (j) **"QSE"** means a Qualifying Small EEnterprise in terms of a Codes of Good Practice under section 9 (1) of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act, 2003 (Act No. 53 of 2003);
- (k) **"rand value"** means the total estimated value of a contract in South African currency, calculated at the time of bid invitations, and includes all applicable taxes and excise duties.

3. POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE

3.1 THE 80/20 PREFERENCE POINT SYSTEMS

A maximum of 80 points is allocated for price on the following basis:

80/20

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

Where

- P_s = Points scored for comparative price of bid under consideration
- P_t = Comparative price of bid under consideration
- P_{\min} = Comparative price of lowest acceptable bid

4. POINTS AWARDED FOR B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL OF CONTRIBUTION

- 4.1 In terms of Regulation 6 (2) and 7 (2) of the Preferential Procurement Regulations, preference points must be awarded to a bidder for attaining the B-BBEE status level of contribution in accordance with the table below:

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

4.2 The table below indicates the required proof of B-BBEE status depending on the category of enterprises:

Enterprise	B-BBEE Certificate & Sworn Affidavit
Large	Certificate issued by SANAS accredited verification agency
QSE	Certificate issued by SANAS accredited verification agency Sworn Affidavit signed by the authorised QSE representative and attested by a Commissioner of Oaths confirming annual turnover and black ownership (only black-owned QSEs - 51% to 100% Black owned) [Sworn affidavits must substantially comply with the format that can be obtained on the DTI's website at www.dti.gov.za/economic_empowerment/bee_codes.jsp .]
EME ⁴	Sworn Affidavit signed by the authorised EME representative and attested by a Commissioner of Oaths confirming annual turnover and black ownership Certificate issued by CIPC (formerly CIPRO) confirming annual turnover and black ownership Certificate issued by SANAS accredited verification agency only if the EME is being measured on the QSE scorecard

4.3 A trust, consortium or joint venture (including unincorporated consortia and joint ventures) must submit a consolidated B-BBEE Status Level verification certificate for every separate bid.

4.4 Tertiary Institutions and Public Entities will be required to submit their B-BBEE status level certificates in terms of the specialized scorecard contained in the B-BBEE Codes of Good Practice.

4.5 A person will not be awarded points for B-BBEE status level if it is indicated in the bid documents that such a bidder intends sub-contracting more than 25% of the value of the contract to any other enterprise that does not qualify for at least the points that such a bidder qualifies for, unless the intended sub-contractor is an EME that has the capability and ability to execute the sub-contract.

4.6 A person awarded a contract may not sub-contract more than 25% of the value of the contract to any other enterprise that does not have an equal or higher B-BBEE status level than the person concerned, unless the contract is sub-contracted to an EME that has the capability and ability to execute the sub-contract.

4.7 Bidders are to note that the rules pertaining to B-BBEE verification and other B-BBEE requirements may be changed from time to time by regulatory bodies such as National Treasury or the DTI. It is the Bidder's responsibility to ensure that his/her bid complies fully with all B-BBEE requirements at the time of the submission of the bid.

5. BID DECLARATION

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

6. B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL OF CONTRIBUTION CLAIMED IN TERMS OF PARAGRAPHS 1.4 AND 6.1

6.1 B-BBEE Status Level of Contribution: . =(maximum of 20 points)

(Points claimed in respect of paragraph 6.1 must be in accordance with the table reflected in paragraph 4.1 and must be substantiated by relevant proof of B-BBEE status level of contributor.

7. SUB-CONTRACTING

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

(Tick applicable box)

YES		NO	
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7.1.1 If yes, indicate:

- i) What percentage of the contract will be subcontracted.....%
- ii) The name of the sub-contractor.....
- iii) The B-BBEE status level of the sub-contractor.....
- iv) Whether the sub-contractor is an EME or QSE

(Tick applicable box)

YES		NO	
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- v) Specify, by ticking the appropriate box, if subcontracting with an enterprise in terms of Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2017:

Designated Group: An EME or QSE which is at least 51% owned by:	EME √	QSE √
Black people		
Black people who are youth		
Black people who are women		
Black people with disabilities		
Black people living in rural or underdeveloped areas or townships		
Cooperative owned by black people		
Black people who are military veterans		
OR		
Any EME		
Any QSE		

8. DECLARATION WITH REGARD TO COMPANY/FIRM

8.1 Name of company/firm:.....

8.2 VAT registration number:.....

8.3 Company registration number:.....

8.4 TYPE OF COMPANY/ FIRM

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

[TICK APPLICABLE BOX]

8.5 DESCRIBE PRINCIPAL BUSINESS ACTIVITIES

.....

8.6 COMPANY CLASSIFICATION

- ☐ Manufacturer
☐ Supplier
☐ Professional service provider
☐ Other service providers, e.g. transporter, etc.

[TICK APPLICABLE BOX]

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

8.8 I/we, the undersigned, who is / are duly authorised to do so on behalf of the company/firm, certify that the points claimed, based on the B-BBEE status level of contribution indicated in paragraphs 4.1 and 6.1 of the foregoing certificate, qualifies the company/ firm for the preference(s) shown and I / we acknowledge that:

- i) The information furnished is true and correct;
 ii) The preference points claimed are in accordance with the General Conditions as indicated in paragraph 1 of this form;
 iii) In the event of a contract being awarded as a result of points claimed as shown in paragraphs 4.1 and 6.1, the contractor may be required to furnish documentary proof to the satisfaction of the purchaser that the claims are correct;
 iv) If the B-BBEE status level of contributor has been claimed or obtained on a fraudulent basis or any of

the conditions of contract have not been fulfilled, the purchaser may, in addition to any other remedy it may have-

- (a) disqualify the person from the bidding process;
- (b) recover costs, losses or damages it has incurred or suffered as a result of that person's conduct;
- (c) cancel the contract and claim any damages which it has suffered as a result of having to make less favourable arrangements due to such cancellation;
- (d) if the successful bidder subcontracted a portion of the bid to another person without disclosing it, Transnet reserves the right to penalise the bidder up to 10 percent of the value of the contract;
- (e) recommend that the bidder or contractor, its shareholders and directors, or only the shareholders and directors who acted on a fraudulent basis, be restricted by the National Treasury from obtaining business from any organ of state for a period not exceeding 10 years, after the *audi alteram partem* (hear the other side) rule has been applied; and
- (f) forward the matter for criminal prosecution.

WITNESSES

1.

2.

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SIGNATURE(S) OF BIDDERS(S)

DATE:

ADDRESS

.....

SECTION 8**SBD 9 - CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT BID DETERMINATION**

1. Section 4(1)(b)(iii) of the Competition Act No. 89 of 1998, as amended, prohibits an agreement between, or concerted practice by, firms, or a decision by an association of firms, if it is between parties in a horizontal relationship and if it involves collusive bidding (or bid rigging). Collusive bidding is a per se prohibition meaning that it cannot be justified under any grounds. Bid rigging (or collusive bidding) occurs when businesses, that would otherwise be expected to compete, secretly conspire to raise prices or lower the quality of goods and / or services for purchasers who wish to acquire goods and / or services through a bidding process. Bid rigging is, therefore, an agreement between competitors not to compete.
2. Transnet will take all reasonable steps to prevent abuse of the supply chain management system and to:
 - a. disregard the bid of any bidder if that bidder, or any of its directors have abused the institution's supply chain management system and or committed fraud or any other improper conduct in relation to such system.
 - b. cancel a contract awarded to a supplier of goods and services if the supplier committed any corrupt or fraudulent act during the bidding process or the execution of that contract.
3. This SBD serves as a certificate of declaration that would be used by institutions to ensure that, when bids are considered, reasonable steps are taken to prevent any form of bid-rigging.
4. In order to give effect to the above, the following certificate of Bid Determination (SBD 9) must be completed and submitted with the bid:

CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT BID DETERMINATION

I, the undersigned, in submitting the accompanying bid:

(Bid Number and Description)

in response to the invitation for the bid made by:

(Name of Institution)

do hereby make the following statements that I certify to be true and complete in every respect:

I certify, on behalf of: _____ that:
(Name of Bidder)

1. I have read and I understand the contents of this Certificate;
2. I understand that the accompanying bid will be disqualified if this Certificate is found not to be true and complete in every respect;
3. I am authorized by the bidder to sign this Certificate, and to submit the accompanying bid, on behalf of the bidder;
4. Each person whose signature appears on the accompanying bid has been authorized by the bidder to determine the terms of, and to sign the bid, on behalf of the bidder;
5. For the purposes of this Certificate and the accompanying bid, I understand that the word "competitor" shall include any individual or organization, other than the bidder, whether or not affiliated with the bidder, who:
 - a. has been requested to submit a bid in response to this bid invitation;
 - b. could potentially submit a bid in response to this bid invitation, based on their qualifications, abilities or experience; and
 - c. provides the same goods and services as the bidder and/or is in the same line of business as the bidder
6. The bidder has arrived at the accompanying bid independently from, and without consultation, communication, agreement or arrangement with any competitor. However communication between partners in a joint venture or consortium³ will not be construed as collusive bidding.
7. In particular, without limiting the generality of paragraphs 6 above, there has been no consultation, communication, agreement or arrangement with any competitor regarding:
 - a. prices;
 - b. geographical area where product or service will be rendered (market allocation)
 - c. methods, factors or formulas used to calculate prices;
 - d. the intention or decision to submit or not to submit, a bid;
 - e. the submission of a bid which does not meet the specifications and conditions of the bid; or
 - f. bidding with the intention not to win the bid.

³ Joint venture or Consortium means an association of persons for the purpose of combining their expertise, property, capital, efforts, skill and knowledge in an activity for the execution of a contract

8. In addition, there have been no consultations, communications, agreements or arrangements with any competitor regarding the quality, quantity, specifications and conditions or delivery particulars of the products or services to which this bid invitation relates.
9. The terms of the accompanying bid have not been, and will not be, disclosed by the bidder, directly or indirectly, to any competitor, prior to the date and time of the official bid opening or of the awarding of the contract.
10. I am aware that, in addition and without prejudice to any other remedy provided to combat any restrictive practices related to bids and contracts, bids that are suspicious will be reported to the Competition Commission for investigation and possible imposition of administrative penalties in terms of section 59 of the Competition Act No 89 of 1998 and or may be reported to the National Prosecuting Authority (NPA) for criminal investigation and or may be restricted from conducting business with the public sector for a period not exceeding ten (10) years in terms of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act No 12 of 2004 or any other applicable legislation.

.....

Signature

.....

Date

.....

Position

.....

Name of Bidder

SECTION 9

PROTECTION OF PERSONAL INFORMATION

1. The following terms shall bear the same meaning as contemplated in Section 1 of the Protection of Person information act, No.4 of 2013.("POPIA"):

consent; data subject; electronic communication; information officer; operator; person; personal information; processing; record; Regulator; responsible party; special information; as well as any terms derived from these terms.
2. Transnet will process all information by the Respondent in terms of the requirements contemplated in Section 4(1) of the POPIA:

Accountability; Processing limitation; Purpose specification; Further processing limitation; Information quality; Openness; Security safeguards and Data subject participation.
3. The Parties acknowledge and agree that, in relation to personal information that will be processed pursuant to this RFQ, the Responsible party is "Transnet" and the Data subject is the "Respondent". Transnet will process personal information only with the knowledge and authorisation of the Respondent and will treat personal information which comes to its knowledge as confidential and will not disclose it, unless so required by law or subject to the exceptions contained in the POPIA.
4. Transnet reserves all the rights afforded to it by the POPIA in the processing of any of its information as contained in this RFQ and the Respondent is required to comply with all prescripts as detailed in the POPIA relating to all information concerning Transnet.
5. In responding to this bid, Transnet acknowledges that it will obtain and have access to personal information of the Respondent. Transnet agrees that it shall only process the information disclosed by Respondent in their response to this bid for the purpose of evaluating and subsequent award of business and in accordance with any applicable law.
6. Transnet further agrees that in submitting any information or documentation requested in this RFQ, the Respondent is consenting to the further processing of their personal information for the purpose of, but not limited to, risk assessment, assurances, contract award, contract management, auditing, legal opinions/litigations, investigations (if applicable), document storage for the legislatively required period, destruction, de-identification and publishing of personal information by Transnet and/or its authorised appointed third parties.
7. Furthermore, Transnet will not otherwise modify, amend or alter any personal data submitted by the Respondent or disclose or permit the disclosure of any personal data to any third party without the prior written consent from the Respondent. Similarly, Transnet requires the Respondent to process any personal information disclosed by Transnet in the bidding process in the same manner.
8. Transnet shall, at all times, ensure compliance with any applicable laws put in place and maintain sufficient measures, policies and systems to manage and secure against all forms of risks to any information that may be shared or accessed pursuant to this RFQ (physically, through a computer or any other form of electronic communication).
9. Transnet shall notify the Respondent in writing of any unauthorised access to information, cybercrimes or suspected cybercrimes, in its knowledge and report such crimes or suspected crimes to the relevant authorities

in accordance with applicable laws, after becoming aware of such crimes or suspected crime. The Respondent must take all necessary remedial steps to mitigate the extent of the loss or compromise of personal information and to restore the integrity of the affected personal information as quickly as is possible.

10. The Respondent may, in writing, request Transnet to confirm and/or make available any personal information in its possession in relation to the Respondent and if such personal information has been accessed by third parties and the identity thereof in terms of the POPIA. The Respondent may further request that Transnet correct (excluding critical/mandatory or evaluation information), delete, destroy, withdraw consent or object to the processing of any personal information relating to the Respondent in Transnet's possession in terms of the provision of the POPIA and utilizing Form 2 of the POPIA Regulations.
11. In submitting any information or documentation requested in this RFQ, the Respondent is hereby consenting to the processing of their personal information for the purpose of this RFQ and further confirming that they are aware of their rights in terms of Section 5 of POPIA.

Respondents are required to provide consent below:

YES		NO	
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12. Further, the Respondent declares that they have obtained all consents pertaining to other data subject's personal information included in its submission and thereby indemnifying Transnet against any civil or criminal action, administrative fines or other penalty or loss that may arise as a result of the processing of any personal information that the Respondent submitted.
13. The Respondent declares that the personal information submitted for the purpose of this RFQ is complete, accurate, not misleading, is up to date and may be updated where applicable.

Signature of Respondent's authorised representative: _____

Should a Respondent have any complaints or objections to processing of its personal information, by Transnet, the Respondent can submit a complaint to the Information Regulator on <https://www.justice.gov.za/infoereg/>, click on contact us, click on complaints.IR@justice.gov.za

SECTION 10: COMPLIANCE STATEMENT**SPECIFICATION COMPLIANCE STATEMENT (MANDATORY RETURNABLE DOCUMENT)**

Respondents are required to indicate if the offered service comply with all the Specifications set by Transnet by indicating "**Comply**" next to each of the specification items mentioned below.

Any deviations from Transnet's requirement must be indicated under the column provided.

Note: Failure to duly complete and submit this form and fully (100%) comply with all of the requirements below will result in the respondent be allocated a score of zero and disqualification. (Refer to Annexure: A)

Item No	DESCRIPTION	COMPLIANCE RESPONSE	EXPLANATION/DEVIATION/REASONS
A	SCOPE OF REQUIREMENTS		
B	SITE LOCATION		
C	ACCESS TO SITE		
D	MATERIALS FOUND ON SITE		
E	CLEARING OF SITE		
F	WORKING OUTSIDE NORMAL WORKING HOURS		
G	SAFETY PRECAUTIONS AND INSURANCE		
H	ACT 85		
I	ENVIRONMENT		
J	RISK ASSESSMENT		
K	GENERAL		
L	RESPONSE TEAM		

SECTION 11: PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE

- **Previous experience of bidder relevant to this RFQ:**

Submission of reference letters indicating the previous/current relevant experience for the provision of vegetation control on an as and when required basis or similar projects.

Relevant letters must contain detail as below:

- **Contract period (Start and end date)**
- **Service provided**
- **Contact person**
- **Contact number**

Attached submissions to this section:

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SECTION 12

Health and Safety

• Compliance to Safety (Occupational Health & Safety Act 85 of 1993)

Submit the following documents as a minimum with your tender:

- 1. A safety plan to be submitted in accordance with the OHS Act of 1993.
- 2. Safety file index.
- 3. Risk assessment pertaining to related activities.
- 4. Method statement for related activities.
- 5. Safe work procedures for related activities.

Attached submissions to this section:

SECTION 13: DELIVERY LEAD TIME**Bidder to indicate below the time period to complete the required service for all areas:**

Delivery lead time	Please tick applicable box below (✓)
0(0%) = NO duration period provided	
1(8%) = Response in more than 7 hours and attend to emergency work within 24 hrs	
2(16%) = Response in 6 hours and attend to emergency work within 24 hrs	
3(24%) = Response in 5 hours and attend to emergency work within 24 hrs	
4(32%) = Response in 4 hours and attend to emergency work within 24 hrs	
5(40%) = Response in 3 hours or less and attend to emergency work within 24 hrs	

ANNEXURE A

PROVISION OF VEGETATION MAINTENANCE BETWEEN SPRINGFONTEIN-NOUPOORT-EAST LONDON-COOKHOUSE ON AN AS AND WHEN REQUIRED BASIS FOR A PERIOD OF 24 MONTHS.

SPECIFICATION/SCOPE OF WORK**BACKGROUND**

Transnet Freight Rail requires the services of vegetation maintenance on an as and when required basis between Springfontein-Noupoort-East London-Cookhouse for a period of 24 months, this service will range from tree felling, bush clearing to grass cutting.

2. SCOPE OF REQUIREMENTS

Scope of work:

A team of 10 people (driver/supervisor included) will be required to respond on requests for the execution of vegetation work as & when, and where required, within 4 hours after the request has been forwarded by the Technical Officer. Teams will operate from their home depot e.g. East London.

NB: Contractor should be in possession of a certificate/qualification: chainsaw & Brush cutter operator from an accredited institution.

SITE LOCATION

Work will be executed within the Transnet Freight Rail boundaries of the East London Infra Office. Sites to be serviced on this RFQ will be between Springfontein, Noupoort, East London and Cookhouse.

Time to complete the work

The contractor shall indicate the duration in days he requires to complete the work, but the period shall be preferred to be not be longer than 24 hours after the request was logged by the Technical Officer or as will be determined between the successful tenderer and the Project Manager. The contractor shall be required to complete the work in this period, as given.

Failing completion of the work within the periods as stipulated above or with any period offered by the contenders and accepted by Transnet, the contractor shall pay to Transnet as penalty the sum of R100.00 (one hundred Rand) for every day or part thereof during which the works remain incomplete.

Manager

The Depot Engineer Infra shall appoint a competent person to undertake the management duties for this project, which shall be referred to as the Project Manager.

Site records:Site Diary

The Contractor shall provide a diary, in triplicate to record all day-to-day incidents that could occur during the contract period. This includes weather, name & number of workers on the site, material that has been delivered, material that has been loaded and disposed off, incidences that have occurred, what work is to be done on that day, etc.

Site Instruction Book

The Contractor shall provide a site instruction book, in triplicate for the Project Manager to place all instructions that are needed to compliment the specifications and drawings and any other instruction that may affect the cost of the work.

No work will be recognized for additional payment unless it has been recorded and signed by the Project Manager and the contractor in the aforesaid book.

Programme & Planning of the work

The contractor shall provide to the manager a detail plan of how he intends to do the work and this plan must be to the requirements of the operation of Transnet freight rail with minor disruptions as no delays must be allowed in this regard.

The programme must be agreed to (in the site instruction book) before any work will be allowed to commence. The program can be in a form of a pert (bar) chart and will be used as a guide to measure progress of the work.

ACCESS TO SITE

The areas are restricted, and the contractor must ensure he complies with the regulations of Transnet freight rail in every way. Contractor and/or any sub-contractors shall be required to apply for permission to enter the restricted area in writing. A list of workmen shall be given to the Project Manager to arrange for the necessary permits. Six Hours minimum notice is necessary for the processing these permits. This includes changes to staff during the contract period.

MATERIALS FOUND ON SITE

The Contractor shall not use on the works any materials found on the site without the prior written consent of the manager. No material that is lying on the site (other then that from this contract) or on Transnet freight rail's property may be removed (even if deemed as scrap) by the contractor.

NB!!!!

No scrap or any material of value may be removed from the site without written authority of the Project Leader.

CLEARING OF SITE

The Contractor shall provide for cleaning up and sorting all rubbish and debris of whatever kind throughout the duration of the contract. Upon completion the Contractor shall clear away and remove all rubbish, unused material, plant and debris and leave the site and the whole of the works clean and tidy to the satisfaction of the Project Manager.

WORKING OUTSIDE NORMAL WORKING HOURS

The normal working hours are between 07:30 and 16:00 Mondays to Fridays. If it is required to work outside the stated normal working hours the Contractor will automatically have permission on condition that the Technical Officer was informed about the time when the contractor is expected to arrive on site. Transnet freight rail will not unreasonably withhold permission.

SAFETY PRECAUTIONS AND INSURANCE

Damage to Transnet freight rail Assets and liability.

The contractor shall provide the insurance for the following: -

Contract Work; damage to farmer's crops or to water resources or any wetlands Public Liability;

No burning of any kind shall be allowed

ACT 85

The contractor shall comply with the Occupational Health & Safety Act, 1993 (Act 85 of 1993). The form E.4E as placed in this Specification must be adhered to.

ENVIRONMENT

The Contractor shall, at all times, comply with the statutes that prohibit pollution of any kind. These statutes are enacted in the following legislation.

The National Environmental Management Act, 107/1998;

The Environmental Conservation Act, 73/1989; and

The National Water Act, 36/1998.

The Contractor shall appoint a responsible person to ensure that no incident shall occur on site that could cause pollution. Where the Contractor was negligent and caused any form of pollution the damage shall be rectified at the Contractors cost.

The Contractor shall further ensure that no protected plant will be damaged without a written site instruction from the project manager or his appointed depute.

P.C.O. Registration/PCO Qualified

The contractor in person, OR his fulltime employee, will be a registered Pest Control Operator (A copy to be submitted with the RFQ document)

ABSEILING

Abseiling certification could be advantageous.

PARTICULAR SPECIFICATION**CLEANING AND CLEARING:**

The contractor will supply the material, labour, transport and consumables of any description, which may be necessary for the proper completion of the contract work, in accordance with the specifications as follows:

Focused Trees and Vegetation within the reserve will be felled and treated with an applicable herbicide and dye mixture depending on the nature of the emergency.

Felled material shall be stacked away from the track formation, Cut off drains, culverts, table drains, service roads and fences.

No fence will be damaged in the process of work

Vegetation growing within the service road (four-meter boundary), will be cut no higher than 50 mm above ground level.

ALL WORK WILL BE DONE WITHIN THE TRAIN SCHEDULE (IN BETWEEN TRAINS).

RISK ASESMENT:

Employees of contractor to wear safety vest at all times on the site (except operators)

Employees of contractor to wear safety foot protection on the site

Employees of contractor to wear eye and ear protection when working with weed cutters and chain saws

No fires are allowed on the site

Contractor to supply two flagmen per team for the duration of the contract.

GENERAL:

Containers and residual material will not be disposed of on Transnet property or as part of Transnet refuse but at a legal municipal dumpsite.

The site plan (where applicable) to be used is a sketch plan and is not to scale.

RESPONSE TEAM

The minimum requirements for the response team will consist of and must be in possession of the following equipment which must be maintained on a high standard;

Equipment

5 x Brush cutters

3 x chainsaws

1 x Knapsack

Sprayer