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TRANSNET RAIL INFRASTRUCTURE MANAGER

a division of **TRANSNET SOC LTD**

Registration Number 1990/000900/30

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ADDENDUM 01

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL [RFP]

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RFP NUMBER	TRIM/2026/05/0918/5325/RFP
ISSUE DATE:	14 AUGUST 2026
NON-COMPULSORY BRIEFING SESSION DATE:	24 AUGUST 2026 10:00 AM
CLOSING DATE:	15 SEPTEMBER 2026
CLOSING TIME:	13:00 PM
BID VALIDITY PERIOD:	25 MAY 2027 (180 Business Days from Closing Date)

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENTS:

- Amendment on paragraph 3.2.1, 3.2.2, 3.2.3 and 3.2.4 of the Scope of Work
- Amendment on paragraph 3.4 of the Scope of Work
- Amendment of paragraph 4.1.9 of the Scope of Work
- Amendment of paragraph 4.1.10 of the Scope of Work
- Amendment of paragraph 4.1.11 of the Scope of Work
- Removal of paragraph 4.1.15 of the Scope of Work
- Amendment of technical prequalification documents
- Amendment of technical evaluation criteria (Previous Experience)
- Amendment of Mandatory returnable documents

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1. Amendment of the Scope of Work

- 1.1 **Clause 3.2.1 of Annexure A: Scope of Work to read as follows:** To demonstrate experience in the delivery of the required security services, the bidding company shall supply reference letters from the bidding company's past or present clients.
- 1.2 **Clause 3.2.2 of Annexure A: Scope of Work to read as follows:** Each reference letter shall be accompanied by a corresponding contract award letter. Any reference letter and contract award letter that do not correspond will be deemed non-responsive and not considered.
- 1.3 **Clause 3.2.3 of Annexure A: Scope of Work to read as follows:**
The contract award letters shall meet the requirements below:
- 3.2.3.1. Be on the referee's client's letterhead;
 - 3.2.3.2. Be signed off by the bidding company's client
 - 3.2.3.3. Be dated;
 - 3.2.3.4. Provide contactable references;
 - 3.2.3.5. Provide description of the tender; and
 - 3.2.3.6. State the contract period
- 1.4 **Clause 3.2.4 of Annexure A: Scope of Work to read as follows:**
3.2.4 The reference letters shall meet the requirements below:
- 3.2.4.1. Be on the referee's client's letterhead;
 - 3.2.4.2. Be signed off by a duly authorized person;
 - 3.2.4.3. Be dated;
 - 3.2.4.4. Provide contactable references;
 - 3.2.4.5. Provide description of the tender; and
 - 3.2.4.6. State the contract period
- 1.5 **Clause 3.4 of Annexure A: Scope of Work to read as follows:** The SSP shall have the capacity to supply numerous vehicles, firearms, drones, equestrian services (Horses), K9 (Any dog breeds), and human resources. The SSP must prove they already have capacity to deploy the required number of firearm's, due to the long lead time in acquiring and registering these tools of trade. In terms of firearms, the SSP shall submit as a mandatory requirement, a list issued by the SAPS Central Firearm Registry, indicating a minimum of two hundred and seventy-six (276) firearms registered in the name of the bidding company.
- 1.6 **Clause 4.1.9 of Annexure A: Scope of Work to read as follows:** The bidding company shall submit a letter of good standing from either the National Bargaining Council for the Private Security Sector (NBCPSS) Health or Security Industry Medical Aid Insurance/Fund.
- 1.7 **Clause 4.1.10 of Annexure A: Scope of Work to read as follows:** The bidders shall submit a valid copy of Performing Animal Protection Act License (PAPA) for Gauteng province in which the security services with performing animals will be rendered. The license shall be applicable in respect of **various breeds of dogs and horses**. This requirement is applicable irrespective of whether the performing animals are owned or leased from a 3rd party service provider, in which case valid PAPA license in the name of the 3rd party must be submitted, accompanied by a signed Joint-Venture agreement between the bidder and 3rd party service provider. To prove compliance with

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the performing animal requirements, the bidder shall submit as a mandatory requirement, a PAPA license issued by the Department of Agriculture. The PAPA license must meet the requirements below:

- 4.1.10.1 Be on the letter head of the Department of Agriculture;
- 4.1.10.2 Show the license number;
- 4.1.10.3 Show full names, Identity Number, and Company/Business name) of the license owner;
- 4.1.10.4 Show the permanent address (Primary Facility) where applicant trains, exhibits, or use animals for safeguarding or intends to do so;
- 4.1.10.5 Details of other licensed facilities where applicable (Name of facility, address, date and duration of intended stay;
- 4.1.10.6 License application (Class/species/breeds, nature of activity, and number);
- 4.1.10.7 Show a validity period (Date of issue and expiry date);
- 4.1.10.9 Dated and signed by the issuing Officer; and
- 4.1.10.10 In the event of subcontracting, the bidding company shall submit a subcontracting agreement or letter intent to subcontract both animals and animal handlers (Dogs and horses).

- 1.8 **Clause 4.1.11 of Annexure A: Scope of Work to read as follows:** The SSP shall provide proof of Public Liability Insurance cover from Insurer for Public Liability Insurance (PLI). The Third-Party Liability cover for not less than R5 000 000,00 (Five million South African Rand) with an annual limit cover of not less than R30 000 000,00 (Thirty million South African Rand).

2. Amendment of Technical Prequalification Documents

2.1 STEP TWO: Technical Prequalification

Check for technical prequalification
The SSP shall provide a valid Private Security Industry Regulatory Authority (PSIRA) certificate and accreditation as a security provider in terms of section 20 of the Private Security Industry Regulation Act. ("New Certificate" in line with industry circular issued by PSIRA on 10 March 2015). The SSP shall ensure that it obtains and retains its PSIRA registration certificate.
The SSP shall provide certified proof of a valid PSIRA Certificate of registration (minimum Grade B) for each Active Member, Director, Partner or Trustee of the bidding company.
The SSP shall submit a valid, certified Letter of Good Standing from PSIRA. The letter of good standing shall be on PSIRA letterhead.
The SSP shall submit a valid signed Letter of Good Standing from Compensation for Occupational Injuries and Diseases Act (COIDA) as confirmation of Good Standing with COIDA.
The SSP's security personnel must be registered with PSIRA and maintain a valid accreditation with PSIRA. The bidding company shall submit valid PSIRA registration certificate of at least five (05) security officers currently employed by the bidding company to prove compliance.

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Check for technical prequalification
The bidding company's security personnel who are required to use firearms shall have SAPS firearm competency certificate. The bidding company shall submit a minimum of five (5) SAPS firearm competency certificates for five (5) security personnel in their employment. Each competency certificate must not be older than 5 years from date of issuance.
The SSP shall submit a valid Criminal Clearance Certificate(s) from the South African Police Services (SAPS) for all Company active Directors. Third party issued criminal clearance certificates will not be accepted. The extent of the clearance shall be in line with the Schedule Table of Offences of the Private Security Industry Regulation Act, 2001. The criminal clearance certificate(s) shall not be older than six (06) months from date of issuance.
The bidding company shall submit a letter of compliance from the Security Industry Provident Fund. The letter of compliance shall not have any outstanding amounts.
The bidding company shall submit a letter of good standing from either the National Bargaining Council for the Private Security Sector (NBCPSS) Health or Security Industry Medical Aid Insurance/Fund.
The bidders shall submit a valid copy of Performing Animal Protection Act License (PAPA) for Gauteng province in which the security services with performing animals will be rendered. The license shall be applicable in respect of any breeds of dogs and horses. This requirement is applicable irrespective of whether the performing animals are owned or leased from a 3rd party service provider, in which case valid PAPA license in the name of the 3rd party must be submitted, accompanied by a signed Joint-Venture agreement between the bidder and 3rd party service provider. To prove compliance with the performing animal requirements, the bidder shall submit as a mandatory requirement, a PAPA license issued by the Department of Agriculture. The PAPA license must meet the requirements below: Be on the letter head of the Department of Agriculture; Show the license number; Show full names, Identity Number, and Company/Business name) of the license owner; Show the permanent address (Primary Facility) where applicant trains, exhibits, or use animals for safeguarding or intends to do so; Details of other licensed facilities where applicable (Name of facility, address, date and duration of intended stay; License application (Class/species/breeds, nature of activity, and number); Show a validity period (Date of issue and expiry date); Dated and signed by the issuing Officer; and In the event of subcontracting, the bidding company shall submit a subcontracting agreement or letter intent to subcontract both animals and animal handlers (Dogs and horses).
The bidding company shall provide proof of Security Liability Insurance cover from the Insurer for Security Liability Insurance cover for not less than R5 000 000,00 (Five million South African Rand) with an annual limit cover of not less than R30 000 000,00 (Thirty million South African Rand).
The bidding company shall provide proof of Public Liability Insurance cover from Insurer for Public Liability Insurance (PLI) cover for not less than R5 000 000,00 (Five million South African Rand) with an annual limit cover of not less than R30 000 000,00 (Thirty million South African Rand).

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The SSP shall submit a list issued by the SAPS Central Firearm Registry, indicating a minimum of two hundred and seventy-six (276) firearms registered in the name of the bidding company. The list must not be older than 12 months from the report date.
To ensure that the bidding company has the required regulatory approval and certifications to lawfully provide drone services in accordance with South African Civil Aviation Authority (SACAA) and Independent Communications Authority (ICASA), the bidding company shall submit valid and certified copies of the mandatory documents listed below: Where such documents are held by a third party to be subcontracted, the bidding company shall submit certified copies of the valid documents in the third party's name, and a signed subcontracting agreement between the bidding company and the third party, confirming the third party will provide the specified resources for the duration of the contract.
Remote Operator Certificate (ROC).
Air Service Licence (ASL) issued by the department of Transport.
List of all pilots to be deployed on the contract and certified copies of valid Remote Pilot Licenses (RPLs) for each pilot listed.
Beyond Visual Line of Sight (BVLOS) approval to conduct BVLOS operations.
ICASA Radio Frequency Spectrum Licence issued by ICASA for Unmanned Aerial Surveillance command and control links.
Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) registration Certificate for all UAS to be deployed. To enable verification, bidders MUST submit a list of all UAS to be deployed, detailing make, model, and serial number as well as a certified copy valid SACAA UAS Registration Certificate for each UAS listed.

The test for technical prequalification [Step Two] must be passed for a Respondent's Proposal to progress to Step Three for further evaluation

3. Amendment of Technical Evaluation

3.1 STEP THREE: Minimum Threshold 80% for Technical Criteria

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

Technical Evaluation Criteria	Points Weightings	Scoring guideline
Proof of the bidding company's years in the security industry. The scoring matrix for evaluating Previous Similar Experience is designed to assess the company's bidding capability and proven track-record in providing security services in the Rail Infrastructure or National Key Point environments. It is a requirement that the bidder should have a minimum of five (05) years (cumulative) in Rail Infrastructure or National Key Point protection. To demonstrate experience in the delivery of the required security services, the bidding company shall supply	20%	0 = No submission, fraudulent information was submitted, non-compliant documents were submitted, the reference letters submitted illustrate that the bidding company has less than 5 years' cumulative experience in the provision of the required security services. - (0,00%)

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Technical Evaluation Criteria	Points Weightings	Scoring guideline
reference letters from the bidding company's past or present clients. Each reference letter shall be accompanied by a corresponding contract award letter. Any reference letter and contract award letter that do not correspond will be deemed non-responsive and not considered during evaluation. (Both reference letter and LOA should be from the same client, and for same contract.) The contract award letters shall meet the requirements below: 1. Be on the referee's client's letterhead; 2. Be signed off by the bidding company's client 3. Be dated; 4. Provide contactable references; 5. Provide description of the tender; and 6. State the contract period. The reference letters shall meet the requirements below: 1. Be on the referee's client's letterhead; 2. Be signed off by the referee's client; 3. Be dated; 4. Provide contactable references; 5. Provide description of the tender; and 6. State the contract period. NOTE: TRIM reserves the right to contact references for verification."		1 = 10% Reference letters submitted indicates that the bidding company has a minimum of 5 to 7 years cumulative experience in performing the required security services. 2 = 20% reference letters submitted illustrate that the bidding company has 8 years' cumulative experience or more in performing the required security services.
Bidding company's proof of Operational presence in the North Corridor. The bidding company shall submit copies of valid proof of Operational Offices within the North Corridor. Acceptable proof is: 1. Title deed/certificate of ownership, or 2. Valid signed lease agreement with a minimum remaining term of 12 months from bid closing date. If a Joint Venture each partner must provide the Operational Offices lease/ownership documents. The bidding company shall provide the documents for premises leased or owned in the provinces below: 1. KwaZulu Natal 2. Northwest 3. Limpopo 4. Mpumalanga 5. Gauteng For leased premises:	20%	0= 0% The bidding company submitted unsigned documents, or did not submit valid proof of premises ownership or lease agreement of the Operational Office in Mpumalanga, or within the North Corridor or submitted proof of ownership or lease agreements for 0 to 2 provinces 1 = 6.66% The bidding company submitted valid proof of premises ownership or lease agreements of the Operational Office in Mpumalanga and 2 other provinces within the North Corridor.

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a) The lease agreements shall be valid and signed by both parties. b) Proof shall clearly reflect the physical address of the operational office.		2 =13.34% The bidding company submitted valid proof of premises ownership or lease agreements of the Operational Offices in Mpumalanga and 3 other provinces within the North Corridor. 3 = 20% The bidding company submitted valid proof of premises ownership or lease agreements of the Operational Offices in Mpumalanga and 4 other provinces within the North Corridor.
Bidder's fleet capacity, roadworthy, insured and licensed vehicles. To assess the bidding company's operational fleet capacity to support roving patrols, security duties, and incident prevention in the North Corridor. The bidder shall submit a comprehensive list, of motorized vehicles, detailing the type, quantity, and registration number of owned/leased vehicles, motorcycles, and motorcycle available for contract execution. The bidder shall submit proof of ownership or valid lease agreements for the following minimum fleet of vehicles: 1. 4 x 2 High rider single cab (Five vehicles) 2. Sedan Vehicle (Five vehicles) 3. Combi (Five combis, minimum 10 seater) 4. Motorcycles (Five motorcycles) NOTE: All vehicles shall be roadworthy, licensed, and insured.	20%	0 = No proof of ownership or valid lease agreement submitted for any of the 4 vehicle categories or the bidding company submitted less than the required quantity of documents for any of the vehicle types - (0,00%) 5% Proof of ownership or valid lease agreement submitted for five 4 x 2 High rider single cab vehicles 5% Proof of ownership or valid lease agreement submitted for five Sedan Vehicle 5% Proof of ownership or valid lease agreement submitted for five 10-seater Combis 5% Proof of ownership or valid lease agreement submitted for five motorcycles
Ad-hoc delivery of vehicles to assess the bidding company's capacity and commitment to respond to unplanned, ad-hoc vehicle deployment requests within specified lead times to support operational continuity.	5%	0= No commitment letter submitted or the commitment letter is not signed or the letter is not on the bidding company's

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Technical Evaluation Criteria	Points Weightings	Scoring guideline
The bidding company shall submit a formal commitment letter on the company's letterhead confirming the ability to provide ad-hoc vehicle services within the required delivery timeframes. Conditions of a commitment letter: 1. Issued on the bidding company's letterhead bearing the company logo and signed by the bidding company. 2. Clearly stipulate the delivery lead time for ad-hoc vehicles after receiving an approved ad-hoc service request from TRIM.		letterhead or letter fails to stipulate delivery lead time for ad-hoc services - (0,00%) 1 = Commitment letter confirms delivery of ad-hoc vehicles in more than 36 hours after approved request - (1.67%) 2 = Commitment letter confirms delivery of ad-hoc vehicles between 24-hours and 36-hours after approved request - (3.33%) 3 = Commitment letter confirms delivery of ad-hoc vehicles within 24 hours after approved request - (5.00%)
To assess the bidding company's capacity and commitment to deploy qualified personnel and specialist units within 60 calendar days post award of the contract to ensure operational readiness. The bidder shall submit a formal commitment letter on the company's letterhead signed by bidding company. The letter shall confirm the bidder's ability to provide each of the following resources below within a period of 60 calendar days from receipt of the Letter of Award. 1. 553 x Foot patrollers 2. 116 x vehicles 3. 222 x Grade B Security Officers 4. 6 x K9 units and 6 x Equestrian services 5. 25 x drones 6. 276 x firearms 7. 444 x bullet proof vests 8. 434 x communication devices Conditions of a commitment letter: 1. Issued on the bidding company's letterhead bearing the company logo and signed by the bidding company. 2. Clearly stipulate the delivery lead time from receipt of letter of award.	25%	0 = No commitment letter submitted or the commitment letter is not signed or the letter is not on the bidding company's letterhead or the letter fails to stipulate delivery lead time of any of the 8 requirements or the letter states that any of the required resources will be availed in over 60 days or the letter confirms less than the stipulated quantity for any of the 8 requirements - (0,00%) 1 = The commitment letter confirms ability to provide 553-foot patrollers within 60 days from receipt of Letter of award - (3.125%) 2. The commitment letter confirms ability to provide 116 x vehicles within 60 days from receipt of Letter of award - (3.125%)

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Technical Evaluation Criteria	Points Weightings	Scoring guideline
		3 = Commitment letter confirms ability to provide required number of 222 Grade B security officers within 60 days from receipt of Letter of award - (3.125%) 4 = Commitment letter confirms ability to provide 6 x K9 units and 6 x Equestrian service teams within 60 days from receipt of Letter of award (3.125%) 5 = Commitment letter confirms ability to provide 25 x drones within 60 days from receipt of Letter of award - (3.125%) 6 = Commitment letter confirms ability to provide 276 x firearms within 60 days from receipt of Letter of award - (3.125%) 7 = Commitment letter confirms ability to provide 444 x bullet proof vests within 60 days from receipt of Letter of award- (3.125%) 8 = Commitment letter confirms ability to provide 434 x communication devices within 60 days from receipt of Letter of award. (3.125%)
Bidding Company's Organogram and Head Office Capacity - To assess the bidding company's KEY management and oversight capacity for effective contract administration, operational supervision, and governance of security services. The organogram shall clearly show key personnel below: 1. National Operations Manager 2. National Investigations Manager 3. National Contracts Manager 4. National Designated Firearms Officer 5. National SHE Representative	10%	0 = 0% No organogram submitted, or organogram submitted is not on the bidding company's letterhead or the organogram submitted is on the letterhead but shows 0 to 2 key personnel only. 1 = 3.33% Organogram submitted on the letterhead but shows 3 key personnel.

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Technical Evaluation Criteria	Points Weightings	Scoring guideline
		2 = 6.67% Organogram submitted on the letterhead but shows 4 key personnel with reporting lines. 3 = 10% Organogram submitted on the letterhead and shows 5 key personnel with reporting lines.
Total Weighting:	100	
Minimum qualifying score required:	80%	

4. Amendment of Section 5: Mandatory Returnable Documents

MANDATORY RETURNABLE DOCUMENTS	SUBMITTED [Yes/No]
SECTION 4: ANNEXURE B	
Valid Private Security Industry Regulatory Authority (PSIRA) certificate and accreditation as a security provider in terms of section 20 of the Private Security Industry Regulation Act.	
Certified proof of a valid PSIRA Certificate of registration (minimum Grade B) for each Active Member, Director, Partner or Trustee of the bidding company.	
Valid, certified Letter of Good Standing from PSIRA. The letter of good standing shall be on PSIRA letterhead.	
Valid signed Letter of Good Standing from Compensation for Occupational Injuries and Diseases Act (COIDA) as confirmation of Good Standing with COIDA.	
Valid PSIRA registration certificate of at least five (05) security officers currently employed by the bidding company to prove compliance.	
Minimum of five (5) SAPS firearm competency certificates for five (5) security personnel in their employment. The competency certificate must not be older than 5 years.	
Valid Criminal Clearance Certificate(s) from the South African Police Services (SAPS) for all Company active Directors. Third party issued criminal clearance certificates will not be accepted. The extent of the clearance shall be in line with the Schedule Table of Offences of the Private Security Industry Regulation Act, 2001. The criminal clearance certificate(s) shall not be older than six (06) months.	
Letter of compliance from the Security Industry Provident Fund. The letter of compliance shall not have any outstanding amounts.	

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Valid copy of Performing Animal Protection Act License (PAPA) for Gauteng province in which the security services with performing animals will be rendered. The license shall be applicable in respect of any breeds of dogs and horses. This requirement is applicable irrespective of whether the performing animals are owned or leased from a 3rd party service provider, in which case valid PAPA license in the name of the 3rd party must be submitted, accompanied by a signed Joint-Venture agreement between the bidder and 3rd party service provider. To prove compliance with the performing animal requirements, the bidder shall submit as a mandatory requirement, a PAPA license issued by the Department of Agriculture.	
Proof of Security Liability Insurance cover from the Insurer for Security Liability Insurance cover for not less than R5 000 000,00 (Five million South African Rand) with an annual limit cover of not less than R30 000 000,00 (Thirty million South African Rand).	
Proof of Public Liability Insurance cover from Insurer for Public Liability Insurance (PLI) cover for not less than R5 000 000,00 (Five million South African Rand) with an annual limit cover of not less than R30 000 000,00 (Thirty million South African Rand).	
List issued by the SAPS Central Firearm Registry, indicating a minimum of two hundred and seventy-six (276) firearms registered in the name of the bidding company.	
Remote Operator Certificate (ROC).	
Air Service Licence (ASL) issued by the department of Transport.	
List of all pilots to be deployed on the contract and certified copies of valid Remote Pilot Licenses (RPLs) for each pilot listed.	
Beyond Visual Line of Sight (BVLOS) approval to conduct BVLOS operations.	
ICASA Radio Frequency Spectrum Licence issued by ICASA for Unmanned Aerial Surveillance command and control links.	
Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) registration Certificate for all UAS to be deployed. To enable verification, bidders MUST submit a list of all UAS to be deployed, detailing make, model, and serial number as well as a certified copy valid SACAA UAS Registration Certificate for each UAS listed.	

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