



TRANSNET SOC LTD

[hereinafter referred to as **Transnet**] [Registration No. 1990/000900/30]

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION [RFI]

Information is required to enable Transnet SOC Ltd to establish the available solutions that Service Providers utilise for the Provision of an Integrated Fuel and Fleet Management System. The information gathered in this RFI will serve the purpose of establishing the best solution for Transnet and will contribute to the final scope for a potential Request for Proposal to the open market.

THEREAFTER

THROUGH A SUBSEQUENT OPEN "REQUEST FOR INFORMATION" [RFI] PROCESS

Transnet will issue an Open RFI through which the successful Service Provider(s) will be appointed to undertake the Provision of an Integrated Fuel and Fleet Management System, for a period of five (5) years.

RFI NUMBER: TCC/2022/07/0176/7001/RFI

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CLOSING DATE: 17 OCTOBER 2022

CLOSING TIME: 23:00 PM

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SECTION 1: SBD1 FORM

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SECTION 2: NOTICE TO RESPONDENTS

1. INFORMATION REQUEST

Information is requested from interested persons, companies, close corporations or enterprises [hereinafter referred to as the **Respondent(s)**] to supply the aforementioned information to Transnet.

2. EXPRESSION OF INTEREST [EOI]

Respondents are to note that the subsequent Request for Proposal [**RFI**] when issued by Transnet will be to the open market where anyone can respond

	RFI for Provision of an Integrated Fuel and Fleet Management System for				
DESCRIPTION	Transnet SOC Ltd [the Services]				
TENDER ADVERT	All Transnet tenders are advertised on the National Treasury's e-Tender Publication Portal and the Transnet website. Should one of these media (i.e. National Treasury's e-Tender Publication Portal or Transnet website) not be available, bidders are advised to check on the other media for advertised tenders.				
	This RFI may be downloaded directly from National Treasury's e-Tender Publication Portal at www.etenders.gov.za free of charge.				
	To download RFI and Annexures:				
	Click on "Tender Opportunities";				
	Select "Advertised Tenders";				
RFI DOWNLOADING	In the "Department" box, select Transnet SOC Ltd;				
RFI DOWNLOADING	Once the tender has been located in the list, click on the 'Tender documents" tab and process to download all uploaded documents.				
	The RFI may also be downloaded from the Transnet Portal at https://transnetetenders.azurewebsites.net (please use Google Chrome to access Transnet link) free of charge (refer to section 2, paragraph 4 below for detailed steps)				
COMMUNICATION	Any addenda to the RFI or clarifications will be published on the e-tender portal and Transnet website. Bidders are required to check the e-tender portal and Transnet website prior to finalising their bid submissions for any changes or clarifications to the RFI.				
	Transnet will not be held liable if Bidders do not receive the latest information regarding this RFI.				
	Non-compulsory				
BRIEFING SESSION	Bidders are required to confirm their attendance and to send their contact details including the number of representatives (where applicable) to the following address: mervin.rajamany@transnet.net				
	This is to ensure that Transnet may make the necessary arrangements for the briefing session.				
	Refer to paragraph 0 for details.				
	23:00 pm on Monday 17 October 2022				
CLOSING DATE	Bidders must ensure that bids are uploaded timeously onto the system.				
	As a general rule, if a bid is late, it will not be accepted for consideration.				

	Bidders are required to ensure that electronic bid submissions are done at least a day before the closing date to prevent issues which they may encounter due to their internet speed, bandwidth or the size of the number of uploads they are submitting. Transnet will not be held liable for any challenges experienced by bidders as a result of the technical challenges. Please do not wait for the last hour to submit. A Bidder can upload 30mb per upload and multiple uploads are permitted.
	180 Business Days from Closing Date.
VALIDITY PERIOD	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, the validity of the bidder(s)' bid will be deemed to remain valid until the RFI process has been concluded.

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

3. FORMAL BRIEFING

A Non-Compulsory RFI briefing will be conducted on online via TEAMs on the **30 September 2022**, from 09H30 until 12H30.

Bidders to send their email addresses to mervin.rajamany@transnet.net, so that they can be sent the invite with the link for this non-compulsory online TEAMs briefing session, and to also be sent the briefing presentation. The briefing presentation will also be made available on the National Treasury's e-Tender Publication Portal at www.etenders.gov.za

Despite the briefing session being non-compulsory, Transnet nevertheless encourages all Respondents to attend. Transnet will not be held responsible if any Respondent who did not attend the **non-compulsory** session subsequently feels disadvantaged as a result thereof.

Respondents are encouraged to have a copy of the RFI when attending the non-compulsory online briefing.

4. RESPONSE SUBMISSION

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

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

- Log on to the Transnet eTenders management platform website/ Portal ((<u>transnetetenders.azurewebsites.net</u>) Please use **Google Chrome** to access Transnet link/site)
- Click on "ADVERTISED TENDERS" to view advertised tenders;
- Click on "SIGN IN/REGISTER for bidder to register their information (must fill in all mandatory information);
- Click on "SIGN IN/REGISTER" to sign in if already registered;
- Toggle (click to switch) the "Log an Intent" button to submit a bid; and
- Submit bid documents by uploading them into the system against each tender selected.
- No late submissions will be accepted. The bidder guide can be found on the Transnet Portal transnetetenders.azurewebsites.net

Respondent's Signature	Date and Company Stamp

5. RFI INSTRUCTIONS

- 5.1 All returnable documents listed in the expression of interest [section 5] in this RFI must be returned with your submission.
- 5.2 The person or persons signing the submission must be legally authorised by the respondent to do so.

6. B-BBEE JOINT VENTURES OR CONSORTIUMS

Bidders may choose during the subsequent RFI process to enter into a Joint Venture with B-BBEE companies. RFI Bidders will also be required to submit a signed JV agreement between the parties clearly stating the percentage [%] split of business and the associated responsibilities of each party. If at the time of the bid submission such a JV or consortium agreement has not been concluded, the partners must submit confirmation in writing of their intention to enter into a JV or consortium agreement should they be awarded business by Transnet through the RFI process. This written confirmation must clearly indicate the percentage [%] split of business and the responsibilities of each party. In such cases, award of business will only take place once a signed copy of a JV or consortium agreement is submitted to Transnet.

Please indicate below whether your entity has an existing JV, and if so, provide details, including details of the percentage split of business, or whether your entity intends to create a JV relationship for RFI purposes:

YES	NO

7. PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT INFORMATION

B-BBEE Level

Respondents are required to indicate the B-BBEE status and the categories of their enterprise in the table below:

Enterprise	Annual Turnover	Indicate what is applicable	B-BBEE status	Level
Large	>R50 Million			
QSE	>R10 Million <r50 million<="" th=""><th></th><th></th><th></th></r50>			
EME	<r10 million<="" th=""><th></th><th></th><th></th></r10>			

8. COMMUNICATION

8.1 For specific queries relating to this RFI a Clarification Request Form should be submitted onto the system and to mervin.rajamany@transnet.net before **12:00 pm on 10 October 2022** substantially in the form set out in Section 8. In the interest of fairness and transparency Transnet's response to such a query will be published on the e-tender portal and Transnet website.

- 8.2 After the closing date of the RFI a Respondent may only communicate with the Mervin Rajamany (BEC chairperson), on email mervin.rajamany@transnet.net on any matter relating to its RFI Proposal.
- 8.3 Respondents are to note that changes to its submission will not be considered after the closing date.
- 8.4 It is prohibited for Respondents to attempt, either directly or indirectly, to canvass any officer or employee of Transnet in respect of this RFI.
- 8.5 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.

9. CONFIDENTIALITY

All information related to this RFI is to be treated with strict confidence. In this regard Respondents are required to certify that they have acquainted themselves with the Non-Disclosure Agreement. All information related to a subsequent contract, both during and after completion thereof, will be treated with strict confidence. Should the need however arise to divulge any information related to this RFI or the subsequent RFI process, written approval to divulge such information must be obtained from Transnet.

10. STATUS OF THIS RFI AND SUBSEQUENT PROCESS

- 10.1 It is envisaged that the Service Provider(s) will be appointed, through a separate RFP process, to provide an Integrated Fuel and Fleet Management System, to Transnet SOC Ltd, for a period of five (5) years.
- 10.2 This RFI is not an offer to purchase and Transnet is under no obligation to accept any proposals in this process and/or the subsequent RFP which may be issued hereafter.
- 10.3 As this is the first stage of a two stage RFP process, no business will be awarded in this first stage. It is only in the second stage (Open RFP) that business may be awarded.

11. DISCLAIMERS

- 11.1 Respondents are hereby advised that Transnet is not committed to any course of action as a result of its issuance of this RFI and/or its receipt of submissions in response to it. In particular, please note that Transnet reserves the right and at its sole and full discretion to:
 - (a) utilise any information provided to it in response to this RFI to draft the scope of requirements for inclusion in an RFP;
 - (b) take no further action whatsoever, if it so decides;
 - (c) withdraw from this process and the provisions of this project at any time;
 - (d) change the dates of adjudication and submission;
 - (e) not bind itself to accept any or all of the RFIs;
 - (f) increase or decrease the quantities/scope as indicated in the RFI;
 - (g) 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;

- (h) request audited financial statements or other documentation for the purposes of a due diligence exercise; and
- (i) not accept any changes or purported changes by the Respondent to the bid rates after the closing date.
- 11.2 Note that Transnet will not reimburse any Respondent for any preparatory costs or other work performed in connection with this submission.

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. Respondents must register on the CSD prior to submitting their bids. 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.

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

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 bidder's 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:



You can choose to be Anonymous or Non-Anonymous on ANY of the platforms PLEASE RETAIN YOUR REFERENCE NUMBER











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Speak to our Al Voice Chat Bot
"JACK", you converse with him
like chatting to a human, with
the option to record a
message and speak to an
agent at anytime.

What's App Speak to an Agent via What's App.

Speak to an Agent Speak to an Agent via the platform with no call or data charge

Telegram Speak to an Agent via Telegram





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SECTION 3: RFI SCOPE OF REQUIREMENTS

1. INTRODUCTION

Transnet is embarking on an investigation into an Integrated Fuel and Fleet Management System, that can assist to improve fuel and fleet management visibility and controls, to reduce costs and improve efficiencies.

Transnet seeks information regarding an Integrated Fuel and Fleet Management System that will enable the various Operating Divisions to manage fuel and fleet costs more efficiently, with full visibility on all key indicators for fuel and fleet utilisation that will achieve the following, but not limited to:

- a) Reduction of Fuel and Fleet operating costs;
- b) Consolidated view of Fuel and Fleet Utilisation ("One-Stop view"0);
- c) Real Time information to manage fuel and fleet; and
- d) Reporting and monitoring capabilities.

2. BACKGROUND

PROBLEM STATEMENT: FUEL

- 2.1 Transnet experience high fuel costs due to, but not limited to:
 - 2.1.1 fuel theft;
 - 2.1.2 misuse of fuel cards;
 - 2.1.3 unauthorised fuel removal of fuel from traction and homebased sites;
 - 2.1.4 staff not allowed to take manual traction & homebased fuel level readings due to noncompliance to safety regulations;
 - 2.1.5 no daily fuel single source visibility of fuel levels in storage tanks to manage fuel optimally and save costs;
 - 2.1.6 manually inaccurate capturing of fuel storage tanks levels which leads to high labour costs and poor decision making; and
 - 2.1.7 revenue losses due to empty traction/homebased fuel tanks and emergency orders.

PROBLEM STATEMENT: FLEET

- 2.2 Transnet experience high fuel costs due to, but not limited to:
 - 2.2.1 use of multi-source inaccurate manually captured data of odometer readings to calculate and pay vehicle lease invoices;
 - 2.2.2 no real-time single source data to optimally determine/manage the fleet size and daily fleet operations;
 - 2.2.3 misuse of vehicles outside working hours;
 - 2.2.4 refueling of unauthorized vehicles;
 - 2.2.5 payment of penalties to vehicle leasing suppliers for over utilisation of vehicles, due to no real time odometer readings; and
 - 2.2.6 misuse of fuel cards not directly traceable to the daily use if vehicles.

Following a subsequent RFP process, Transnet's intention is to appoint Service Provider(s) that will provide an Integrated Fuel and Fleet Management System, to Transnet, for a period of five (5) years.

The submission should include what technology/system that the Bidder currently has that will address the above key objectives.

From the RFI and response and/or submissions thereto, Transnet will then compile a functional specification which will address the requirements. The subsequent RFP will also include an indicative schedule of activities and timelines and further provide Respondents an opportunity to price their product/service offering.

3. KEY OBJECTIVES OF THIS RFI PROCESS

The following list of deliverables captures the minimum intent and objectives of the RFI process. Transnet requests all Respondents to assist with the achievement of these objectives by submitting the proposed system/technology that will address the key objectives of Fuel and Fleet Management. Information from this proposal will be taken into the RFP documents following the RFI process.

The newest integrated fuel and fleet management systems should have the following key capabilities, but not limited to:

- a) Central cloud-based real-time dashboard to monitor and manage fuel and fleet with 24hr system support;
- b) Automatic fuel storage tank filling readings to confirm fuel delivery volumes;
- c) Automatic real time fuel tank level meter readings;
- d) Fuel filter system to remove water and dirt (optional);
- e) Refueling control (identification and readings of locomotives, HCV, LCV);
- f) Only locomotives, HCV & LCV can be refueled with installed fueling system;
- g) No manual capturing of all refueling data;
- h) No manual capturing of odometer readings of vehicles;
- Management reports and exception reports to reduce fuel usage per site per asset.
- j) Benchmarking of fuel consumption per asset;
- k) Live tracking of assets and equipment with real time access, monitoring and dashboards; and

I) Estimated costs of such a solution (will not be evaluated, just information for an estimated budget of the proposed RFP).

4. GENERAL RESPONDENT OBLIGATIONS

- 4.1 The Respondent(s) shall be fully responsible to Transnet for the acts and omissions of persons directly or indirectly employed by them.
- 4.2 The Respondent (s) must comply with the requirements stated in this RFI.

5. CONFIDENTIALITY AND COMPLIANCE

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

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

6. UNDERTAKINGS BY RESPONDENT

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

7. COSTS TO RESPOND TO THE RFI

- 7.1 All Respondents wishing to submit a RFI response must be in possession of this document, the RFI. Transnet will not be responsible for or pay any expense or losses which may be incurred by any Respondent in the preparation and submission of the RFI and the costs of the RFI at all stages of the RFI process. Costs, if any, will be for each Respondent's own account.
- 7.2 Transnet reserves the right to invite certain Respondents to present or otherwise demonstrate their proposed solution as per their RFI, at the Respondent's own cost.

8. AUTHORITY OF SIGNATORY

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

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

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

9. OFFERING OF COMMISSION OR GRATUITY

If a Respondent, or any person employed by him, is found to have either directly or indirectly offered, promised or given to any person in the employ of Transnet, any commission, gratuity, gift or other consideration, Transnet shall have the right and without prejudice to any other legal remedy which it may have in regard to any loss or additional cost or expenses, to disqualify the RFI Respondent from further participation in this process and any other subsequent processes in this regard. The RFI Respondent will be responsible for all and any loss that Transnet may suffer as a result thereof. In addition, Transnet reserves the right to exclude such a Respondent from future business with Transnet.

10. UNDERTAKING BY TRANSNET

In responding to this RFI, Transnet encourages all RFI Respondents to put their best effort into the construction and development of the proposal. The RFI process will include due governance processes.

SECTION 4: TRANSNET'S RFI INFORMATION

1. STATISTICS [The Services]

Please note that the aforementioned information is provided merely as an indication of the size and nature of Transnet's current requirements and consequently does not necessarily reflect the extent of the Services to be provided by appointed Service Provider(s) through an award of business at any future date.

2. REQUIREMENTS FOR RFI

Respondents expressing an interest to participate in this RFI stage must provide a detailed proposal on the solution/technology/system, to demonstrate an integrated Fuel and/or Fleet Management System, to address the high level scope of requirements as per **Annexure A and B**, as set out below, but not limited to:

- a. Central cloud-based real-time dashboard to monitor and manage fuel and fleet with 24hr system support;
- b. Automatic fuel storage tank filling readings to confirm fuel delivery volumes;
- c. Automatic real time fuel tank level meter readings;
- d. Fuel filter system to remove water and dirt (optional);
- e. Refueling control (identification and readings of locomotives, HCV, LCV);
- f. Only locomotives, HCV & LCV can be refueled with installed fueling system;
- g. No manual capturing of all refueling data;
- h. No manual capturing of odometer readings of vehicles;
- i. Management reports and exception reports to reduce fuel usage per site per asset.
- j. Benchmarking of fuel consumption per asset; and
- k. Live tracking of assets and equipment with real time access, monitoring and dashboards.

The inputs from each proposal will be assessed and Transnet will then take inputs from that to compile a scope of services for the RFP.

3. SCOPE OF REQUIREMENTS

Refer to the detailed scope in **Annexure A** and **Annexure B**.

4. TECHNICAL CAPABILITY

Respondents are required to indicate their existing technical capability/solution/system by ticking the applicable box in the table below:

Description	Yes	No
Integrated Fuel and Fleet Management System (addresses both scopes)		
Fuel Management System (addressing Annexure A only)		
Fleet Management System (addressing Annexure B only)		

Based on the capability selected, Respondents must compile and submit a Technical proposal which is to be labelled "Bidders Technical Submission". The Technical proposal must demonstrate to Transnet the Respondent's technical capability to respond to the requirements in Annexure A and/or B. The detailed proposal must also include the Bidders detailed pricing proposal, which will be taken into account for budgeting purposes for the RFP that will follow, subject to Transnet approval. The suitability of each solution proposed will be assessed and Transnet will then make a decision on the most suitable option that responds to the service requirement in the RFP process.

Note: The extent to which a Respondent is able to provide all or any of the Technical Criteria indicated above will not necessarily penalise you from further participation in an RFP process. Responses to this RFI will permit Transnet to consider and formulate various options in terms of the proposed allocation of its allied Services.

5. TEST FOR ADMINISTRATIVE RESPONSIVENESS

The test for administrative responsiveness will include the following:

Administrative responsiveness check
Whether the RFI has been lodged on time
Whether all Returnable Documents and/or schedules [where applicable] were completed and returned by the closing date and time
Verify if the RFI document has been duly signed by the authorised respondent

SECTION 5: EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

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(i)	Registration number of company / C.C.	
(ii)	Registered name of company / C.C.	
(iii)	Full name(s) of director/member(s): Address/Addresses: ID Number/s:	

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RETURNABLE DOCUMENTS

Respondents must submit with their responses to this RFI, **as a minimum requirement**, all the returnable documents indicated below with a $\lceil \sqrt{\rceil}$. All Sections must be signed and dated by the Respondent.

Minimum Requirements - Returnable Documents	Submitted [√]
SECTION 1: SBD1 FORM	
SECTION 2 : Notice to Respondents	
SECTION 3 : RFI Scope of Requirements	
SECTION 4 : Transnet's RFI Information	
SECTION 5 : Expression of Interest	
SECTION 6 : Certificate Of Acquaintance with RFI, Terms & Conditions & Applicable Documents	
SECTION 7 : B-BBEE Preference Claim Form	
SECTION 9: SBD 9 - Certificate of Independent Bid Determination	
Bidders Technical Submission (Respondent's Proposal with all supporting documents, including detailed pricing schedule)	
Valid proof of Respondent's compliance to B-BBEE requirements stipulated in Section 7 of this RFI	
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	

CONTINUED VALIDITY OF RETURNABLE DOCUMENTS

The 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 this RFI process.

SIGNED at	on this	_ day of	20
SIGNATURE OF WITNESSES		ADDRESS OF WITNESSES	
1			
Name			
2			
Name			
SIGNATURE OF RESPONDENT'S AUTHO	ORISED REPRESENT	ATIVE:	
NAME:			
DESIGNATION:			

SECTION 6 : CERTIFICATE OF ACQUAINTANCE WITH RFI, TERMS & CONDITIONS & APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS

By signing these RFI documents, the Respondent is deemed to acknowledge that he/she has made himself/herself thoroughly familiar with all the conditions governing this RFI, including those contained in any printed form stated to form part hereof including but not limited to the documents stated below. Transnet SOC Ltd will recognise no claim for relief based on an allegation that the Respondent overlooked any such condition.

1	Non-disclosure Agreement- Annexure C
2	Transnet's General Bid Conditions— Annexure D
3	Transnet's Supplier Integrity Pact – Annexure E

<u>Existing vendors</u>: existing vendors are required to confirm whether all the information (e.g. company address, contact details, banking details, etc.) relating to the existing vendor number is still correct at the time of submission of this bid failing which such Respondents are required to indicate so below and provide the updated information in their bid submission:

Transnet Operating Division [e.g. TFR, TE, etc.]	Vendor Number	Information still current [tick if applicable]	Information change [indicate detail of change/s & attach appropriate proof]

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

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

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

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SIGNATURE OF WITNESSES		ADDRESS OF WITNESSES	
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Name			
2			
Name			
SIGNATURE OF RESPONDENT'S A	UTHORISED REPRESENT	ATIVE:	
NAME:			
DESIGNATION:			

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.

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 Respondent to submit a B-BBEE Verification Certificate from a Verification Agency accredited by the South African Accreditation System [**SANAS**], or a sworn affidavit confirming annual turnover and level of black ownership in case of all EMEs and QSEs with 51% black ownership or more together with the bid.
- 1.3 The purchaser reserves the right to require of a bidder, 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"
 - i) the B-BBBEE status level certificate issued by an authorised body or person;

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- ii) a sworn affidavit as prescribed by the B-BBEE Codes of Good Practice; or
- iii) any other requirement prescribed in terms of the B-BBEE Act.
- (j) "QSE" means a Qualifying Small EEnterprise 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);
- (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.
- 2.1 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 ¹	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

- 2.2 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.
- 2.3 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.
- 2.4 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.

3. BID DECLARATION

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

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

4.1 B-BBEE Status Level of Contribution:

(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.

5. SUB-CONTRACTING

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

(Tick applicable box)

¹ In terms of the Implementation Guide: Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2017, Version 2, paragraph 11.11 provides that in the Transport Sector, EMEs can provide a letter from accounting officer or get verified and be issued with a B-BBEE certificate by SANAS accredited professional or agency as the Transport Sector Code has not been aligned to the generic Codes. EMEs in the Transport Sector are not allowed to provide a Sworn Affidavit as the generic codes are not applicable to them.

NO

YES

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5.1.1	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.		
	(Tick applicable box)		
	YES NO		
	v) Specify, by ticking the appropriate box, if subcontracting with an e	nterprise in te	rms of Preferentia
	Procurement Regulations, 2017:		
	Designated Group: An EME or QSE which is at last 51% owned by:	EME √	QSE √
	Black people		
	Black people who are youth		
	Black people who are women		
	Black people with disabilities		
	Black people living in rural or underdeveloped areas or townships		
	Cooperative owned by black people		
	Black people who are military veterans		
	OR		
	Any EME		
	Any QSE		
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6.	DECLARATION WITH REGARD TO COMPANY/FIRM		
6.1	Name of company/firm:		
6.2	VAT registration number:		
6.3	Company registration number:		
6.4	TYPE OF COMPANY/ FIRM		
	□ Partnership/Joint Venture / Consortium		
	☐ One person business/sole propriety		
	☐ Close corporation		
	□ Company		
	□ (Pty) Limited		
	[TICK APPLICABLE BOX]		
6.5	DESCRIBE PRINCIPAL BUSINESS ACTIVITIES		
6.6	COMPANY CLASSIFICATION		
	□ Manufacturer		
	□ Supplier		
	□ Professional service provider		
	☐ Other service providers, e.g. transporter, etc.		
	[TICK APPLICABLE BOX]		
6.7	Total number of years the company/firm has been in business:		

- I/we, the undersigned, who is / are duly authorised to do so on behalf of the company/firm, certify that the points claimed, based on the B-BBE status level of contribution indicated in paragraph 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 paragraph 7, the contractor may be required to furnish documentary proof to the satisfaction of the purchaser that the claims are correct;
 - iv) If a bidder submitted false information regarding its B-BBEE status level of contributor, local production and content, or any other matter required in terms of the Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2017 which will affect or has affected the evaluation of a bid, or where a bidder has failed to declare any subcontracting arrangements 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;
 - 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	
	SIGNATURE(S) OF BIDDERS(S)
1	DATE:
2	ADDRESS

SECTION 8: RFI CLARIFICATION REQUEST FORM

RFI No: TCC/202	22/07/0176/7001/RFI
Deadline for RFI	clarification submissions: Before 12:00 pm on 10 October 2022
TO:	Transnet SOC Ltd
ATTENTION:	Mervin Rajamany
EMAIL	mervin.rajamany@transnet.net
DATE:	
FROM:	
RFI Clarification	No [to be inserted by Bidder]
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	REQUEST FOR RFI CLARIFICATION:

SECTION 9: SBD 4 - BIDDER'S DISCLOSURE

1 PURPOSE OF THE FORM

- 1.1 Any person (natural or juristic) may make an offer or offers in terms of this invitation to bid. In line with the principles of transparency, accountability, impartiality, and ethics as enshrined in the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa and further expressed in various pieces of legislation, it is required for the bidder to make this declaration in respect of the details required hereunder.
- 1.2 Where a person/s are listed in the Register for Tender Defaulters and / or the List of Restricted Suppliers, that person will automatically be disqualified from the bid process.

2 Bidder's declaration

2.1 Is the bidder, or any of its directors / trustees / shareholders / members / partners or any person having a controlling interest² in the enterprise, employed by the state?

YES/NO

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

Full Name	Identity Number	Name of State institution

² the power, by one person or a group of persons holding the majority of the equity of an enterprise, alternatively, the person/s having the deciding vote or power to influence or to direct the course and decisions of the enterprise.

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person who is employed by the procuring institution?	YES/NO
2.2.1. If so, furnish particulars:	
Does the bidder or any of its directors / trustees / shareholders / members /	
	YES/NO
If so, furnish particulars:	
LARATION	
e undersigned, (name)	
do hereby make the following statements that I certify to be true and complete in every	respect:
I have read and I understand the contents of this disclosure;	
I understand that the accompanying bid will be disqualified if this disclosure is found and complete in every respect;	d not to be true
The bidder has arrived at the accompanying bid independently from, and witho communication, agreement or arrangement with any competitor. However, commun partners in a joint venture or consortium3 will not be construed as collusive bidding.	
In addition, there have been no consultations, communications, agreements or arrange competitor regarding the quality, quantity, specifications, prices, including method formulas used to calculate prices, market allocation, the intention or decision to suppose the bid hidding with the intention pat to win the bid and conditions or delivery	ods, factors or ubmit or not to
the products or services to which this bid invitation relates.	ry particulars o
The terms of the accompanying bid have not been, and will not be, disclosed by the bi	idder, directly o
The terms of the accompanying bid have not been, and will not be, disclosed by the bi indirectly, to any competitor, prior to the date and time of the official bid opening or of the contract.	
	Does the bidder or any of its directors / trustees / shareholders / members / partners or any person having a controlling interest in the enterprise have any interest in any other related enterprise whether or not they are bidding for this contract? If so, furnish particulars: If so, furnish particulars

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

3.7 I am aware that, in addition and without prejudice to any other remedy provided to combat any restrictive practices related to bids and contracts, bids that are suspicious will be reported to the Competition Commission for investigation and possible imposition of administrative penalties in terms of section 59 of the Competition Act No 89 of 1998 and or may be reported to the National Prosecuting Authority (NPA) for criminal investigation and or may be restricted from conducting business with the public sector for a period not exceeding ten (10) years in terms of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act No 12 of 2004 or any other applicable legislation.

I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION FURNISHED IN PARAGRAPHS 1, 2 and 3 ABOVE IS CORRECT.

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

SECTION 10: 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 RFI, 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 RFI 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 RFI, 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 RFI (physically, through a computer or any other form of electronic communication).

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- 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 RFI, the Respondent is hereby consenting to the processing of their personal information for the purpose of this RFI and further confirming that they are aware of their rights in terms of Section 5 of POPIA

Respondents are	required to	provide	consent belov	w:
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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 RFI 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/inforeg/, click on contact us, click on complaints.IR@justice.gov.za

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