



Transnet Freight Rail

an Operating Division of **TRANSNET SOC LTD**

[hereinafter referred to as **Transnet**]

[Registration No. 1990/000900/30]

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL [RFP]

**FOR THE FRAMING OF A STANDING APPROVED LIST FOR THE SUPPLY OF TURNOUTS AND
TURNOUT COMPONENTS**

RFP NUMBER:	HOAC - HO - 33662
ISSUE DATE:	9 December 2021
CLOSING DATE:	18 January 2022
CLOSING TIME:	10:00 AM
BID VALIDITY PERIOD:	180 Business Days from Closing Date (18 August 2022)

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**RFP FOR THE FRAMING OF
A STANDING APPROVED LIST FOR THE SUPPLY OF TURNOUTS AND TURNOUT COMPONENTS**

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:	HOAC-HO-33662	ISSUE DATE:	9 December 2021	CLOSING DATE:	18 January 2022	CLOSING TIME:	10:00am
DESCRIPTION	RFP FOR THE FRAMING OF A STANDING APPROVED LIST FOR THE SUPPLY OF TURNOUTS AND TURNOUT COMPONENTS						
BID RESPONSE DOCUMENTS MAY BE DEPOSITED IN THE BID BOX SITUATED AT (STREET ADDRESS)							
RECEPTION, TENDER ADVICE CENTRE							
GROUND FLOOR, INYANDA HOUSE 1							
21 WELLINGTON ROAD, PARKTOWN							
JOHANNESBURG, 2193							
ALL ENQUIRIES MAY BE DIRECTED TO							
CONTACT PERSON	Khayakazi Magopheni						
TELEPHONE NUMBER	011 584 0578						
FACSIMILE NUMBER							
E-MAIL ADDRESS	Khayakazi.magopheni@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 REFERENCE NUMBER: 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]
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 MAY 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. INVITATION TO BID

Responses to this RFP [hereinafter referred to as a **Bid** or a **Proposal**] are requested from persons, companies, close corporations or enterprises [hereinafter referred to as an **entity, Respondent** or **Bidder**].

DESCRIPTION	Framing of a standing approved list for the supply of turnout and turnout components
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.
RFP DOWNLOADING	<p>This RFP may be downloaded directly from National Treasury's e-Tender Publication Portal at www.etenders.gov.za and Transnet website at www.transnet.net free of charge.</p> <p>To download RFP and Annexures:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Click on "Tender Opportunities"; • Select "Advertised Tenders"; • In the "Department" box, select Transnet SOC Ltd; <p>Once the tender has been located in the list, click on the "Tender documents" tab and process to download all uploaded documents.</p> <p>The RFP may also be downloaded from the Transnet website at www.transnet.net free of charge. To access the Transnet eTender portal, please click here.</p> <p>To download RFP and Annexures,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scroll towards the bottom right hand side of the page, • On the blue window click on 'Transnet SOC Ltd' or Select Operating Division.
COMMUNICATION	<p>Any addenda to the RFP 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 RFP.</p> <p>Transnet will not be held liable if Bidders do not receive the latest information regarding this RFP with the possible consequence of either being disadvantaged or disqualified as a result thereof.</p>
ISSUE AND COLLECTION DATE DEADLINE	<p>The RFP will be issued to market on 9 December 2021.</p> <p>Bidders are to note that the RFP documents will be available for download from 9 December 2021 until 17 January 2022.</p>
BRIEFING SESSION	<p>Yes – Non-compulsory</p> <p>Bidders are required to confirm their attendance and to send their contact details including the number of representatives (where applicable) to the following address: Anthonie.Erasmus@transnet.net OR Lerato.Morailane@transnet.net</p> <p>This is to ensure that Transnet may make the necessary arrangements for the briefing session.</p> <p>Refer to paragraph 2 for details.</p>
CLOSING DATE	<p>10:00 on Tuesday 18 January 2022</p> <p>Bidders must ensure that bids are delivered timeously to the correct address.</p> <p>As a general rule, if a bid is late or delivered to the incorrect address, it will not be accepted for consideration.</p>
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, upon request.

VALIDITY PERIOD	<p>180 Business Days from Closing Date (18 August 2022)</p> <p>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.</p> <p>With regard to the validity period of next highest ranked bidders, please refer to Section 2, paragraph 12.12</p>
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Any additional information or clarification will be published on the e-Tender portal and Transnet website, if necessary.

2. FORMAL BRIEFING

A non-compulsory pre-proposal RFP briefing will be conducted electronically via Microsoft Teams on the **14 December 2021**, at 10:00 for a period of ± 2 hours. The briefing session will start punctually, and information will not be repeated for the benefit of Respondents arriving late. The briefing session link (Microsoft teams link) will be shared with bidders on the 13 December 2021.

2.1 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.

3. PROPOSAL SUBMISSION

Proposals must be addressed on the cover as follows:

The Secretariat, Transnet Acquisition Council
RFP No: HOAC - HO - 33662
Description: FOR THE FRAMING OF A STANDING APPROVED LIST FOR THE SUPPLY OF
TURNOUTS AND TURNOUT COMPONENTS
Closing date and time: 2 December 2021
Closing address: THE SECRETARIAT
GROUND FLOOR TENDER BOX
INYANDA HOUSE 1
21 WELLINGTON ROAD
PARKTOWN 2193

4. JOHANNESBURG RFP INSTRUCTIONS

- 4.1. The measurements of the "tender slot" are 350mm wide x 200mm high. Bid responses which are larger than the dimensions mentioned must be split into two or more files and clearly marked. **Transnet will not be held responsible if bid documents do not comply with the mentioned dimensions and respondents experience difficulty in submitting their bids as a result.**
- 4.2. Proposals must be submitted in duplicate hard copies [1 original and 1 copy] and must be bound.
- 4.3. Sign one set of original documents [sign, stamp and date the bottom of each page]. This set will serve as the legal and binding copy. A duplicate set of documents is also required. This second set must be a copy of the original signed Proposal.
- 4.4. Both sets of documents are to be submitted to the address specified, and Bidders must ensure that the original and copies (where applicable) are identical in all respects.
- 4.5. A CD copy of the RFP Proposal must be submitted. Please provide files in PDF versions, noting that the signed original set will be legally binding.

- 4.6. **All returnable documents tabled in the Proposal Form [Section 4] must be returned with proposals.**
- 4.7. Unless otherwise expressly stated, all Proposals furnished pursuant to this RFP shall be deemed to be offers. Any exceptions to this statement must be clearly and specifically indicated.
- 4.8. Any additional conditions must be embodied in an accompanying letter. Subject only to clause 15 [Alterations made by the Respondent to Bid Prices] of the General Bid Conditions, paragraph 13 below (Legal Review) and Section 5 of the RFP, alterations, additions or deletions must not be made by the Respondent to the actual RFP documents.

5. JOINT VENTURES OR CONSORTIUMS

Respondents who would wish to respond to this RFP as a Joint Venture **[JV]** or consortium with B-BBEE entities, must state their intention to do so in their RFP submission. Such Respondents must also submit a signed JV or consortium 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 this RFP 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.

Respondents are to note that for the purpose of Evaluation, a JV will be evaluated based on one consolidated B-BBEE score card as per the B-BBEE Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2017 preference point scoring.

6. COMPULSORY LOCAL CONTENT THRESHOLD

In terms of section 8(1) of the Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2017, and the Instruction Note issued by National Treasury on the "Invitation and Evaluation of Bids based on a stipulated minimum threshold for local content and production for the **Rail permanent way (Turnouts/switches and crossings)** Sector", Transnet is required to set a stipulated minimum threshold be set for this RFP. Although not relevant for the framing of an approved list, local content with a threshold of **100 % [one hundred percent]** will only be evaluated when RFP's to conclude contracts are issued.

7. COMMUNICATION

- 7.1. For specific queries relating to this RFP, an RFP Clarification Request Form should be submitted to [Khayakazi.Magopheni@transnet.net] before **02:00 pm on 15 December 2021**, substantially in the form set out in Section 7 hereto. 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.
- 7.2. After the closing date of the RFP, a Respondent may only communicate with the name of delegated individual (BPEC chairperson), at telephone number 011 584 0821, email prudence.nkabinde@transnet.net on any matter relating to its RFP Proposal.
- 7.3. Respondents are to note that changes to its submission will not be considered after the closing date.
- 7.4. It is prohibited for Respondents to attempt, either directly or indirectly, to canvass any officer or employee of Transnet in respect of this RFP between the closing date and the date of the award of the business.
- 7.5. 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.

8. CONFIDENTIALITY

All information related to this RFP 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 RFP or the subsequent contract, written approval must be obtained from Transnet.

9. COMPLIANCE

The successful Respondent [hereinafter referred to as the **Supplier**] shall be in full and complete compliance with any and all applicable laws and regulations.

10. 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.

11. DISCLAIMERS

Respondents are hereby advised that Transnet is not committed to any course of action as a result of its issuance of this RFP and/or its receipt of Proposals. In particular, please note that Transnet reserves the right to:

- 11.1. modify the RFP's Goods and request Respondents to re-bid on any such changes;
- 11.2. reject any Proposal which does not conform to instructions and specifications which are detailed herein;
- 11.3. disqualify Proposals submitted after the stated submission deadline [closing date];
- 11.4. award a contract in connection with this Proposal at any time after the RFP's closing date;
- 11.5. award a contract for only a portion of the proposed Goods which are reflected in the scope of this RFP;
- 11.6. split the award of the contract between more than one Supplier, should it at Transnet's discretion be more advantageous in terms of, amongst others, cost or developmental considerations;
- 11.7. cancel the bid process;
- 11.8. 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;

- 11.9. 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 provided for it;
- 11.10. 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;
- 11.11. to award the business to the next ranked bidder, provided that he/she is still prepared to provide the required Goods 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 at their quoted price, even after they have been issued with a Letter of Regret.

Note that Transnet will not reimburse any Respondent for any preparatory costs or other work performed in connection with its Proposal, whether or not the Respondent is awarded a contract.

12. 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. A material deviation from the Standard terms or conditions could result in disqualification.

13. 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.

14. 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 mandatory returnable document by the closing date and time of the bid.

15. 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 Respondent 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 bidders / 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

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SECTION 3 : BACKGROUND, OVERVIEW AND SCOPE OF REQUIREMENTS

1 BACKGROUND

TFR has a rail network of **30 400** track kilometres comprising **20 953** route kilometres of which **12 801** kilometres comprise the core network. The operating division maintains and sustains this rail network infrastructure over a long term for the safe and reliable passage of trains. This maintenance work is essential to keep the rail infrastructure in a safe and service worthy condition.

Our mandate, as TFR is to assist in lowering the cost of doing business in South Africa, enabling economic growth and ensuring security of supply through providing appropriate railway infrastructure in a cost-effective and efficient manner. For this mandate to be achieved, TFR must ensure that the Railway Infrastructure is well-maintained (A-Standard), highly reliable and running at its optimum levels.

The maintenance includes, as part of its asset life cycle management, the replacement of strategic infrastructure commodities such as turnouts. Railway turnout is a mechanical device used to guide the trains from one rail track to another. As an important part of the Perway infrastructure, turnout helps to enable the trafficability of the rail. Through leverage principle, the railroad switch rod switches the two movable rails to ensure the trains drive into the appointed route.

According to different structures and usages, there are different kinds of turnouts, such as single turnout, equilateral turnout, three-way turnout, multiple slip switch, diamond crossing and double crossover, etc. Among all kinds of turnouts, the most commonly used turnout type is the single turnout which consisting of three main parts: railroad switch, connection part, frog and guard rail. Through this procurement event, Transnet intends to frame an approved list of qualifying bidders, who's bid meets the Transnet requirements for the supply and delivery of Turnouts and turnout-components.

It is not imperative that potential suppliers already manufacture turnouts and turnout components. Proposals to establish a manufacturing facility are valid.

Once the list is established at the conclusion of this event, only approved suppliers appearing on the list will be invited to bid to supply turnouts, turnout sections and turnout components on an "as and when" required basis. Future tenders for the supply of turnouts, turnout sections and turnout components will only consider the approved suppliers appearing on the list at the time of the publication of the tender, and only for the products for which those suppliers are approved.

2 EXECUTIVE OVERVIEW

Whereas Transnet is seeking a partner(s) to provide solutions for its Turnout supply nationally, it also seeks to improve its current processes for providing these Goods to its end user community throughout its locations.

The selected Supplier(s) must share in the mission and business objectives of Transnet. These mutual goals will be met by meeting contractual requirements and new challenges in an environment of teamwork, joint participation, flexibility, innovation and open communications. In this spirit of partnership, Transnet and its Supplier(s) will study the current ways they do business to enhance current practices and support processes and systems. Such a partnership will allow Transnet to reach higher levels of quality, service and profitability.

Specifically, Transnet seeks to benefit from this partnership in the following ways:

- 2.1 Transnet must receive reduced cost of acquisition and improved service benefits resulting from the Supplier's economies of scale and streamlined service processes.

- 2.2 Transnet must achieve appropriate availability that meets user needs while reducing costs for both Transnet and the chosen Supplier(s).
- 2.3 Transnet must receive proactive improvements from the Supplier with respect to supply of Goods and related processes.
- 2.4 Transnet's overall competitive advantage must be strengthened by the chosen Supplier's leading edge technology and service delivery systems.
- 2.5 Transnet end users must be able to rely on the chosen Supplier's personnel for service enquiries, recommendations and substitutions.
- 2.6 Transnet must reduce costs by streamlining its acquisition of Goods, including managed service processes on a Group basis.

3 SCOPE OF REQUIREMENTS

- 3.1 Through this procurement event, Transnet seeks to frame a standing list of approved suppliers/manufacturers for the supply of turnouts as well as Secant (Transnet design) turnouts to be used on all Transnet Freight Rail lines. Turnouts, turnout sections and turnout components have been defined differently in various parts of the world. The various components are defined in the attached Transnet Freight Rail User Requirements for Turnouts (**BBF9104 version 2**). Please see the attached **Annexure A** for the detailed Technical Specification. The specification must be read in conjunction with the Testing parameters for turnout monitoring and approval (see attached **Annexure B**) as well as the following documents, which may be made purchased by the suppliers:
 - British standards: Railway applications– Switches and crossings (BS EN 13232; Part 1- Part 9).
- 3.2 The tender shall make provision for the submission of proposals by bidders that meet TFR's specifications and either have products that have been tested and approved by Transnet or have products that have not been tested and approved by Transnet.
- 3.3 Suppliers with products that have not been tested and approved, who seek to have their products tested will go through a testing and approval process. Suppliers whose products have previously been tested need not be retested.
- 3.4 The testing process ensures turnout and turnout components comply with Transnet's specifications so that the required service life of 8-10 years is achieved. To achieve such a long life demands the utmost attention to quality control and quality assurance. Manufacturing plants will therefore require ISO-9001 certification. The process of testing of products to approval comprises five phases and takes typically between eighteen and twenty-seven months to complete, dependent on the number of products the bidders propose. The phases consist of:

Phase 1: Design (± 5 months)

- Bidders are required to prepare design calculations and supporting drawings for design review.
- The calculations and drawings should detail the suppliers 100% compliance to specification.

Phase 2: Design Review (± 3 months)

- TFR technical team to review and approve bidders' designs for prototyping.
- Successful bidders are then conditionally approved.
- Bidders will be required to revise designs based on recommendations made from TFR technical team and prepare manufacturing drawings.

Phase 3: Due Diligence (± 3 months)

- TFR to sign off final design drawings for manufacturing.

- Bidder to provide manufacturing timeline with all required hold point where TFR approval.
- TFR to perform all necessary due diligence to ensure compliance of manufacturing facility and processes.

Note: Due diligence is dependent on the designs proposed by bidders. This information will be drawn up and agreed with suppliers at the design phase.

Phase 4: Prototyping (± 10 months)

- Bidders to manufacture prototype as per approved manufacturing drawings.
- Factory acceptance by TFR where possible

Phase 5: Testing (± 6 months)

- Manufacturing prototypes/samples are to be tested as per TFR requirements.
- Prototypes to be supplied and transported to site for assembly and installation.
- TFR to assess and monitor the performance of the turnout design during this stage.

Phase 6: Approval

- On completion of phase 5 all successful bidders are then added to the approve list.

3.5 The tender shall make provision for ongoing continuous improvement activities in conjunction with Transnet technical teams to sustain and improve service performance of turnouts installed and planned to be installed.

3.6 Suppliers of one or more of the following turnouts are to be included on the list:

- 1:9 60E1 Tangential Design
- 1:12 60E1 Tangential Design
- 1:20 60E1 Tangential Design (swing nose)
- 1:9 SAR48 Secant Design
- 1:9 60E1 Secant Design
- 1:12 SAR48 Secant Design
- 1:12 60E1 Secant Design

3.7 Respondents must complete and submit:

- **Annexure C – Technical questionnaire**

A Respondent's compliance with the minimum technical and functionality thresholds will be measured by their responses to Annexure C.

4 GREEN ECONOMY / CARBON FOOTPRINT

Transnet wishes to have an understanding of your company's position with regard to environmental commitments, including key environmental characteristics such as waste disposal, recycling and energy conservation. *Please submit details of your entity's policies in this regard.*

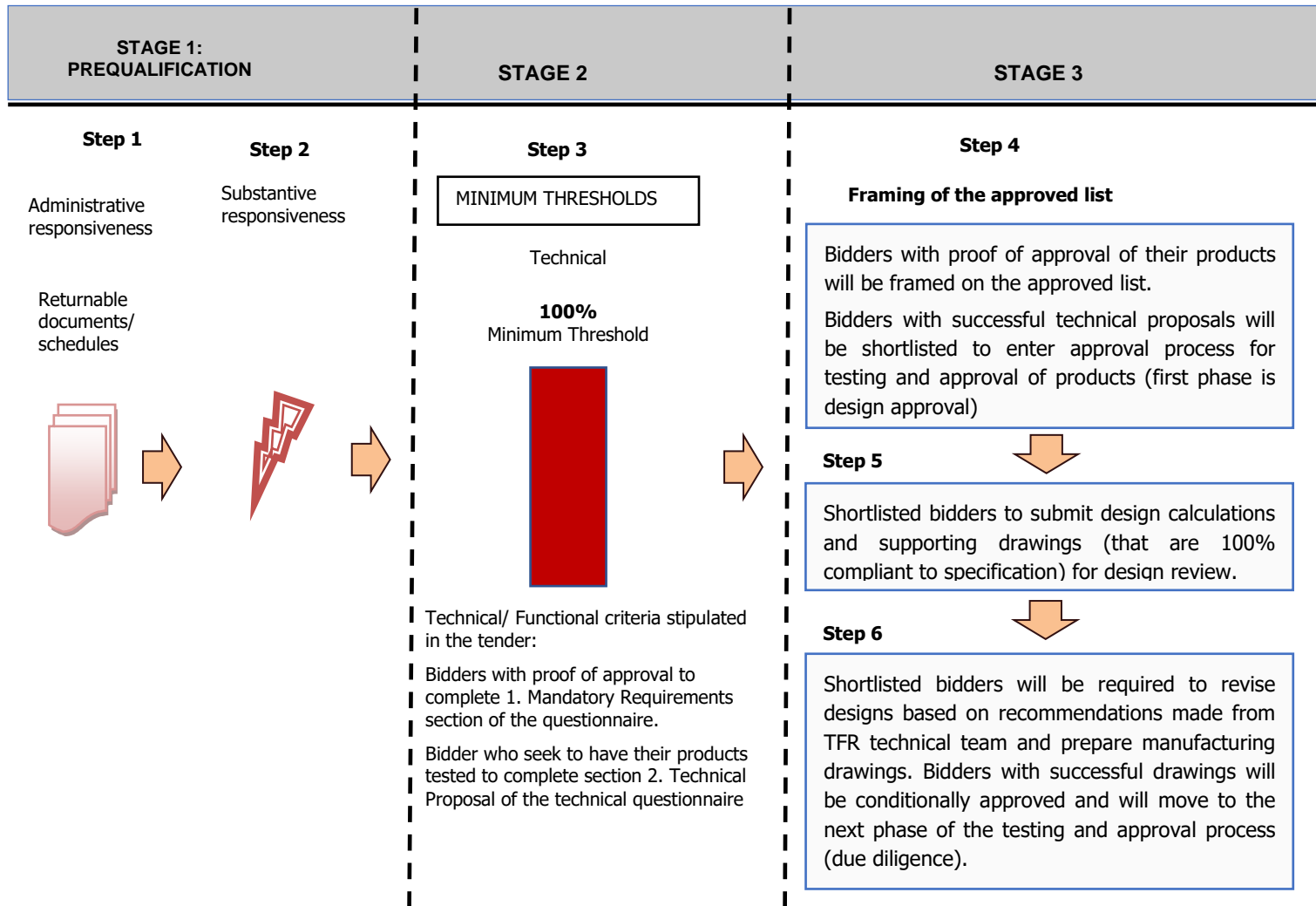
5 GENERAL SUPPLIER OBLIGATIONS

5.1 The Supplier(s) shall be fully responsible to Transnet for the acts and omissions of persons directly or indirectly employed by them.

5.2 The Supplier(s) must comply with the requirements stated in this RFP.

6 EVALUATION METHODOLOGY

Transnet will utilise the following methodology and criteria in selecting preferred Suppliers:



NB: Evaluation of the various stages will normally take place in a sequential manner. However, in order to expedite the process, Transnet reserves the right to conduct the different stages of the evaluation process in parallel. In such instances the evaluation of bidders at any given stage must not be interpreted to mean that bidders have necessarily passed any previous stage(s).

6.1 STEP ONE: Test for Administrative Responsiveness

The test for administrative responsiveness will include the following:

Administrative responsiveness check	RFP Reference
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Whether the Bid has been lodged on time 	<i>Section 1 paragraph 3</i>
<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 5</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Verify the validity of all returnable documents 	<i>Section 5</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Verify if the Bid document has been duly signed by the 	<i>All sections</i>

authorised respondent

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

6.2 STEP TWO: Test for Substantive Responsiveness to RFP

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

Check for substantive responsiveness	RFP Reference
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Whether the Bid materially complies with the scope and/or specification given 	<i>All Sections</i>

The test for substantive responsiveness [Step Two] must be passed for a Respondent's Proposal to progress to Step Three for the evaluation of Technical Compliance

6.3 STEP THREE: Minimum Threshold of 100 percent for Technical Compliance Questionnaire

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

	WEIGHT	SUB WEIGHTS	EFFECTIVE WEIGHT
CATEGORY: TECHNICAL	100%		
TECHNICAL COMPLIANCE		100%	100%

Failure to achieve the 100% technical compliance will lead to disqualification.

Technical Compliance

Bidders are required to indicate if they comply with the mandatory requirements of the specification by completing **Annexure C** and submitting the required proof. Bidders are to complete the line items for which they intend on bidding for. Please note that for any line item which a bidder indicates as not being approved for, the bidder shall be required to submit a technical proposal. The technical proposals shall be evaluated, and all successful bidders shall form part of the technical approval process.

Bidders are required to submit a technical proposal providing the details of their intended designs and technology as part of their product offering to Transnet Freight Rail. Annexure C provides the evaluation criteria to be used to assess the technical proposals, bidders must ensure that the required proof is provided in the proposal. The proposal must conform to the requirements of the specification. Bidders must indicate all the types of turnouts they would like to propose for technical testing.

Respondents must complete and submit **Annexure C** which include a **Technical Questionnaire**, as well as **Annexure D** which include a **Turnout Register**. A Respondent's compliance with the minimum functionality/technical threshold will be measured by their responses to **Annexure C**. Annexure D will be used for information purposes only.

The minimum threshold for technical/functionality [Step Four] must be met for a Respondent's Proposal to progress to Step Four for framing of approved list of suppliers

6.4 STEP FOUR: Framing of approved suppliers

Suppliers with approved products - Upon receipt of bid submissions (including compliance to technical requirements for approved products and confirmation of the stated approval status of the products), the suppliers will be recommended for inclusion to the new standing approved list.

Suppliers that seek to have their products tested - Bidders who have passed the technical evaluation (Technical Proposal), as per clause 6.3, shall be informed that they have been selected to enter the first phases of their approval (design approval). These suppliers shall be requested to submit technical information, prototypes and samples of their products for testing. The exact requirements and submission timelines as well as logistical details will be communicated to bidders in writing on conclusion of this event, and will be in accordance with the specification. Complying with the specified submission and timelines, or applying for a reasonable extension, with reasons, in writing will be required or bidders will face exclusion.

These suppliers and their products shall be added onto the framed approved list as and when they are approved and will then be eligible to participate in future tenders that will be issued against the approved list.

SECTION 4 : PROPOSAL FORM AND LIST OF RETURNABLE DOCUMENTS

I/We _____
 [name of entity, company, close corporation or partnership] of [full address]

carrying on business trading/operating as

represented by _____

in my capacity as _____

being duly authorised thereto by a Resolution of the Board of Directors or Members or Certificate of Partners, dated _____ to enter into, sign execute and complete any documents relating to this proposal and any subsequent Agreement. The following list of persons are hereby authorised to negotiate on behalf of the abovementioned entity, should Transnet decide to enter into Post Tender Negotiations with highest ranked bidder(s).

FULL NAME(S)	CAPACITY	SIGNATURE
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

I/We hereby offer to supply the abovementioned Goods at the prices quoted in the schedule of prices in accordance with the terms set forth in the documents listed in the accompanying schedule of RFP documents.

I/We agree to be bound by those conditions in Transnet's:

- a) Master Agreement (which may be subject to amendment at Transnet's discretion if applicable);
- b) General Bid Conditions; and
- c) any other standard or special conditions mentioned and/or embodied in this Request for Proposal.

I/We accept that unless Transnet should otherwise decide and so inform me/us in the letter of award/intent, this Proposal [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.

Furthermore, I/we agree to a penalty clause/s to be negotiated with Transnet, which will allow Transnet to invoke a penalty against us for non-compliance with material terms of this RFP including the delayed delivery of the Goods due to non-performance by ourselves, failure to meet Local Content, etc.

I/we agree that non-compliance with any of the material terms of this RFP, including those mentioned above, will constitute a material breach of contract and provide Transnet with cause for cancellation.

ADDRESS FOR NOTICES

The law of the Republic of South Africa shall govern any contract created by the acceptance of this RFP. The *domicilium citandi et executandi* shall be a place in the Republic of South Africa to be specified by the Respondent hereunder, at which all legal documents may be served on the Respondent who shall agree to submit to the jurisdiction of the courts of the Republic of South Africa. Foreign Respondents shall, therefore, state hereunder the name of their authorised representative in the Republic of South Africa who has the power of attorney to sign any

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contract which may have to be entered into in the event of their Proposal being accepted and to act on their behalf in all matters relating to such contract.

Respondent to indicate the details of its *domicilium citandi et executandi* hereunder:

Name of Entity:

Facsimile:

Address:

NOTIFICATION OF AWARD OF RFP

As soon as possible after approval to award the contract(s), the successful Respondent [**the Supplier**] will be informed of the acceptance of its Proposal. Unsuccessful Respondents will be advised in writing of the name of the successful Supplier and the reason as to why their Proposals have been unsuccessful, for example, in the category of price, delivery period, quality, B-BBEE status or for any other reason.

VALIDITY PERIOD

Transnet requires a validity period of 180 Business Days from closing date [10 August 2022] against this RFP, excluding the first day and including the last day.

NAME(S) AND ADDRESS / ADDRESSES OF DIRECTOR(S) OR MEMBER(S)

The Respondent must disclose hereunder the full name(s) and address(s) of the director(s) or members of the company or close corporation [**C.C.**] on whose behalf the RFP is submitted.

(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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Respondent's Signature

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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 RFP <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	
ANNEXURE C : TECHNICAL SUBMISSION / QUESTIONNAIRE	
ANNEXURE D : Turnout Register	

b) 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]
SECTION 5 : Proposal Form and List of Returnable documents	
SECTION 6 : Certificate Of Acquaintance with RFP, Terms & Conditions & Applicable Documents	
SECTION 7 : RFP Declaration and Breach of Law Form	

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SECTION 10 : SBD 9 - Certificate Of Independent Bid Determination	
SECTION 11 : Protection of Personal Information	

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 RFP. 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.

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: _____

Respondent's Signature_____
Date & Company Stamp

SECTION 5 : CERTIFICATE OF ACQUAINTANCE WITH RFP, MASTER AGREEMENT & APPLICABLE 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 RFP. 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 SOC Ltd 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 for the purpose of calculating tendered prices or any other purpose:

1	Transnet's General Bid Conditions
2	Master Agreement attached
3	Transnet's Supplier Integrity Pact
4	Non-disclosure Agreement
5	Specifications and drawings attached to this RFP

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 RFP 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 to which they intend to respond on, 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 RFP 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 RFP documents included in the RFP as a returnable document, is found not to be true and 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 : RFP 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 RFP Clarification purposes;
2. We have received all information we deemed necessary for the completion of this Request for Proposal **[RFP]**;
3. We have been provided with sufficient access to the existing Transnet facilities/sites and any 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 RFP from Transnet sources, other than information formally received from the designated Transnet contact(s) as nominated in the RFP documents;
5. We are satisfied, insofar as our entity is concerned, that the processes and procedures adopted by Transnet in issuing this RFP and the requirements requested from Bidders in responding to this RFP have been conducted in a fair and transparent manner;
6. We have complied with all obligations of the Bidder/Supplier as indicated in the Transnet Supplier Integrity 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;
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 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 RFP; and
10. If such a relationship as indicated in paragraph 7, 8 and/or 9 exists, the Respondent is to complete the following section:

Respondent's Signature_____
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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):

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.

13.4. Company Registration Number:

13.5. Tax Reference Number:

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* (the bidding entity and/or any of its directors, members or partners) ***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 : RFP CLARIFICATION REQUEST FORM

RFP No: HOAC – HO – 33662

RFP deadline for questions / RFP Clarifications: Before 2:00 pm on 15 December 2021

TO: Transnet SOC Ltd

ATTENTION: Khayakazi Magopheni

EMAIL: Khayakazi.magopheni@transnet.net

DATE: _____

FROM: _____

RFP Clarification No *[to be inserted by Transnet]*

REQUEST FOR RFP CLARIFICATION

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Respondent's Signature

Date & Company Stamp

Respondent's Signature

Date & Company Stamp

SECTION 8 : 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.

Although not relevant for the framing of an approved list, B-BBEE will only be evaluated when RFP's to conclude contracts are issued. Transnet will then 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 Either the 80/20 or 90/10 preference point system will apply
- 1.3 Preference points for this bid shall be awarded for:
- (a) Price; and
 - (b) B-BBEE Status Level of Contribution.
- 1.4 The maximum points for this bid are allocated as follows:

	POINTS
PRICE	80/90
B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL OF CONTRIBUTION	20/10
Total points for Price and B-BBEE must not exceed	100

- 1.5 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.
- 1.6 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"**
- (i) the B-BBEE status level certificate issued by an authorised body or person;
 - (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.

3. POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE

3.1 THE 80/20 OR 90/10 PREFERENCE POINT SYSTEMS

A maximum of 80 or 90 points is allocated for price on the following basis:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} 80/20 & \text{or} & 90/10 \\ P_s = 80 \left(1 - \frac{P_t - P_{\min}}{P_{\min}} \right) & \text{or} & P_s = 90 \left(1 - \frac{P_t - P_{\min}}{P_{\min}} \right) \end{array}$$

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

$$P_s = 80 \left(1 - \frac{P_t - P_{\min}}{P_{\min}} \right) \text{ OR } P_s = 90 \left(1 - \frac{P_t - P_{\min}}{P_{\min}} \right)$$

Where:

- P_s = Points scored for the price of Bid under consideration
- P_t = Price of Bid under consideration
- P_{\max} = Price of highest 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 (90/10 system)	Number of points (80/20 system)
1	10	20
2	9	18
3	6	14
4	5	12
5	4	8
6	3	6
7	2	4
8	1	2
Non-compliant contributor	0	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 .]
EME³	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.

³ 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.

- 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 10 or 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 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		

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

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8.6 COMPANY CLASSIFICATION

- ☐ Manufacturer
- ☐ Supplier
- ☐ Professional Supplier
- ☐ Other Suppliers, 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-BBE status level of contribution indicated in paragraphs 1.4 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 1.4 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 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;
 - (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

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2.

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SIGNATURE(S) OF BIDDERS(S)

DATE:

ADDRESS.....

SECTION 9 : 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 consortium⁴ 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;

⁴ 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.

Respondent's Signature

Date & Company Stamp

- 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.
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.

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Signature

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Date

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Position

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Name of Bidder

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 RFP, 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 RFP 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 RFP, 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 RFP (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 RFP, the Respondent is hereby consenting to the processing of their personal information for the purpose of this RFP 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 RFP 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