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The provision of cleaning the AWR dams, all Pollution Control Dams, Ash Dam Decanting systems, Oil skimmer operation & oil skimmer cleaning, Terminal Reservoirs cleaning at Grootvlei Power Station and cleaning of Clarifiers and sludge Dams at Vaal dam “as in when required”

Date	Time	Venue	Chairperson	Commercial Representative
27 July 2026	12:0– 13:51	Microsoft Teams (Virtual Meeting)	Silindile Mncube	Nsukuzonke Buthelezi

1. Welcome and Opening

The Chairperson, Silindile Mncube, welcomed all attendees and outlined the purpose of the meeting, which was to provide clarification on the Dam Cleaning tender requirements and address any queries from prospective bidders. Participants introduced themselves and declared that they had no conflicts of interest relating to the tender.

2. Financial Requirements

Presented by: Sikholiwe Maweni

The following key financial submission requirements were clarified:

- Tenderers must submit the latest approved Annual Financial Statements.
- Financial statements must be in English and signed by an Independent Auditor, Independent Reviewer, Compiler, or Accounting Officer.
- Companies that are not audited must submit:
 - Public Interest Score (PIS)
 - ITA34C
- Financial documentation required includes:
 - Directors'/Members' Report
 - Company Profile
 - Statement of Financial Position
 - Statement of Comprehensive Income
 - Statement of Changes in Equity
 - Statement of Cash Flows
 - Notes to the Annual Financial Statements
- Two years of financial information are required.
- Draft financial statements and management accounts will not be accepted.

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3. Scope of Work Clarification

Presented by: Mpho Taje

The technical representative outlined the scope and purpose of the contract:

Scope Overview

The contract covers cleaning and maintenance of various process water infrastructure, dams and associated facilities across the station on an "as and when required" basis.

Infrastructure Included

- East Terrace Dam
- Coal Stockyard Dam
- South Terrace Dam
- Lower Ash Water Return Dams
- Upper Ash Water Return Dams
- Ash Dam Penstocks
- Ash Dam Filter Drains
- Clarifiers at Vaal Dam
- Sludge Dams
- Pollution trenches and channels
- Oil Skimmer Plant

Oil Skimmer Plant Operations

The contractor will also provide personnel to operate and maintain the Oil Skimmer Plant for up to 60 months.

Requirements include:

- Total of 8 operators.
- Two operators per 12-hour shift cycle.
- Continuous day and night operation.

4. Technical Evaluation Criteria

Presented by: Mpho Taje

The evaluation methodology and scoring criteria were explained.

4.1 Method Statement (40%)

Tenderers must submit comprehensive method statements covering:

- Dam cleaning activities.
- Cleaning of penstocks and filter drains.
- Clarifier and sludge dam cleaning.
- Oil skimmer plant cleaning and operation.

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The submission must include:

- Detailed methodology.
- Project programme.
- Quality Control Plan (QCP).
- Equipment availability confirmations.
- Compliance with standards and guidelines.

4.2 Previous Experience (30%)

Tenderers must provide completion certificates and/or reference letters showing:

- Project name.
- Scope description.
- Project value.
- Start and completion dates.
- Contactable references.

Scoring:

- 5 or more references/completion certificates = Maximum score.
- 3-4 references = Reduced score.
- 1-2 references = Lower score.

4.3 Organogram and Resources (10%)

Required personnel include:

- Site Supervisor
- Safety Officer
- Operators
- General Workers

Supporting qualifications, experience and CVs must be provided.

4.4 Risk Assessment (20%)

Tenderers must submit a risk assessment that identifies:

- Risks
- Causes
- Consequences
- Mitigating controls
- Risk ratings

Pre-Award Requirement

Successful bidders must possess a minimum CIDB grading of:

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- 8CE, or
- 7CEPE, or higher

This requirement will be verified before contract award.

5. Quality Requirements

Presented by: Bukelwa Mvimbi

Tenderers must submit either:

Option 1

- Valid ISO 9001:2015 Certification

Option 2

Quality Management System documentation including:

- Quality Manual
- Quality Policy
- Quality Objectives
- Document Control Procedures
- Non-Conformance Procedures
- Corrective Action Procedures
- Internal Audit Procedures
- Competency Records
- Supplier Evaluation Procedures
- Material Compliance Certificates
- Calibration Certificates
- Preservation Procedures
- Project Risk Register
- Draft Contract Quality Plan
- Inspection and Test Plans (ITPs)

Quality Form A must be completed and signed.

7. Safety Requirements

Presented by: Maki Mofokeng

The following mandatory safety documents were highlighted:

1. Eskom Safety Acknowledgement Form.
2. Health and Safety Plan.
3. Detailed Health and Safety Costing.
4. Baseline Risk Assessment.
5. Valid Letter of Good Standing.

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6. Occupational Health & Safety Policy signed by the CEO.
7. Safety Officer qualification (National Diploma) and experience records.

8. Bill of Quantities (BOQ)

Presented by: Amantle Mangwedi

Clarifications included:

- Rates must be entered according to specified units of measure.
- Quantities and frequencies must be accurately priced.
- CSDG contribution of 0.25% must be included.
- Pricing must cover Labour, operators, cleaning activities, equipment and associated services.

9. SDL&I Requirements

Presented by: Maluta Mukwevho

Tenderers were reminded to submit:

- Valid B-BBEE Certificate or Sworn Affidavit.
- Supporting ownership documentation.
- CIPC documentation.
- Shareholding records.
- Disability or Military Veteran certification where applicable.

Additional requirements include:

- Local procurement commitments.
- Job creation and retention commitments.
- Local subcontracting participation.
- Skills Development commitments.

Non-compliance may result in penalties and the withholding of contractual retention amounts

10. CIDB Clarification

Further clarification was provided regarding CIDB grading:

- CIDB is a pre-award requirement, not a tender-stage disqualifier.
- Contractors without the required grading may still participate.
- Evidence of an ongoing CIDB upgrade application should be submitted.
- CIDB generally requires approximately 21 days to process an upgrade application.
- Proof of application should accompany the tender submission where applicable.

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12. Commercial Clarifications

The Chairperson highlighted:

- Tender closing date: **20 August 2026**.
- Tender submissions should be uploaded well before the closing date.
- File submissions should be organized into separate folders by discipline (Commercial, Technical, Safety, Quality, Environmental, etc.).
- Minimum functionality threshold is **70%**.
- Price evaluation will be conducted on a **90/10 preference point system**.
- Abnormally low pricing may result in disqualification.
- The contract duration is **60 months (5 years)**.

CPA (Contract Price Adjustment) provisions must be completed and signed where applicable.

11. Site Visit

Following requests from bidders, Eskom agreed to arrange a non-compulsory site visit.

Actions:

- Eskom will publish the site visit date and time.
- Interested bidders must attend the arranged session.
- No separate individual visits will be accommodated.

13. Closure

The Chairperson thanked all internal and external stakeholders for attending and participating in the clarification meeting.

The meeting was formally adjourned at approximately **13:51**.

ACTION ITEMS

No.	Action	Responsible Party
1	Publish site visit date and arrangements	Eskom Procurement Team
2	Issue clarification responses received after the meeting	Procurement Team
3	Tenderers to ensure all submissions are uploaded before closing date	All Tenderers
4	Tenderers applying for CIDB upgrades to submit proof of application	Relevant Tenderers
5	Eskom to publish any additional clarifications via Tender Bulletin and email communication	Procurement Team

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5. Questions and Responses

No	Question	Response
1.	Drawings and Site Information Will drawings be provided for dams and drains?	Drawings exist but contain confidential information. They will be made available to the successful contractor when required
2.	Sludge Disposal and Pumping Can sludge be pumped between dams, and what alternatives exist?	- The preferred option is pumping sludge to the Ash Dam. - Where pumping is impractical, contractors may propose alternative disposal or hauling methods. - Site investigations are encouraged to determine the most practical solution
3.	Equipment Availability May equipment be hired through another company?	Yes. A Letter of Intent from the equipment provider will be accepted as proof of equipment availability.
4.	Experience References Can a combination of completion certificates and reference letters be submitted?	Yes. Both are considered acceptable proof of relevant experience.

Minutes Prepared By: [Nsukuzonke Buthelezi](#)

Meeting Type: Tender Clarification Meeting