

BROADBAND INFRACO SOC LTD

REQUEST FOR QUOTATION:

APPOINTMENT OF SERVICE PROVIDER TO SUPPLY AND DELIVER (CORRUGATED STEEL TAPE) OPTICAL FIBRE CABLE FOR EMERGENCY REPAIRS

RFQ NUMBER:	10137		
RFQ ISSUE DATE:	28 July 2023		
RFQ CLOSING DATE:	04 August 2023 @ 12 noon		
RFQ VALIDITY PERIOD:	30 days (COMMENCING FROM THE RFQ CLOSING DATE)		
A FULL DESCRIPTION OF	Appointment of Service provider to Supply &		
GOODS/SERVICES REQUIRED	Deliver Corrugated Steel Tape (CST) Optical		
	Fibre Cable for emergency repairs at Broadband		
	Infraco		
RESPONSES TO THIS RFQ	Supply Chain Management – Commercial Department		
SHOULD BE FORWARDED TO	Email: Khanyisile.mananga@infraco.co.za		
ENQUIRY: NAME:	Khanyi Mananga		

Bidders must acknowledge receipt of this RFQ on the above contact details.

<u>Annexure A</u>
BIDDER:
REGISTRATION NUMBER:
ADDRESS:
CONTACT PERSON:
TEL:
FAX:
E-MAIL ADDRESS:

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF REQUEST FOR QUOTATION (RFQ)

- 1. Broadband Infraco standard conditions of purchase shall apply.
- No services must be rendered or goods delivered before an official Broadband Infraco Purchase Order form has been received.
- 3. Late and incomplete submissions will not be accepted.
- 4. Any bidder who has reasons to believe that the RFQ specification is based on a specific brand must inform Broadband Infraco before RFQ closing date.
- 5. Where applicable, Work will be carried out in terms of the OHSA and regulations and therefore it is important for the bidders to include OHSA compliance costs (i.e safety file for the recommended bidder will be approved by Broadband Infraco).
- Bidder is required to submit copy of Tax Clearance Certificate and verification information (PIN) to be used by Broadband Infraco to validate the copy on the SARS website for all price quotations exceeding the value of R30 000 (VAT included). Failure to submit the copy of valid Tax Clearance Certificate and verification information will result in the invalidation of this RFQ. It is the responsibility of the bidder to ensure that Broadband Infraco is in possession of the bidder's valid Tax Clearance certificate.
 - The onus is on the bidder to ensure that Broadband Infraco receives a valid Tax Certificate as soon as the validity of the said certificate expires.
- 7. Bidders must attach valid BBBEE certificate, correct affidavit or valid exemption letters with the bid. Copies must be certified.
- 8. Bidders are required to complete Annexure A for all price quotations exceeding the value of R30 000 (VAT included).
- 9. This RFQ will be evaluated in terms of Price and Specific Goals system and points shall be awarded accordingly
- 10. All prices must be quoted in South African Rand (ZAR) and the foreign currency amount applicable must be stated. The bidder must indicate clearly which portion of the quoted price is linked to the exchange rate. The cost of installation, delivery, and other charges must be included in the total price quoted.
- 11. It is within Broadband Infraco's prerogative to award this bid in part/s or whole to one or more than one service provider based on the pricing and other technical consideration within the ambits of the law.
- 12. Broadband Infraco will only commence payment processes after fulfilment of the conditions contained in the contract and/ or on receipt of an invoice from the service provider and after such has been approved by the client division as representing the services received.
- 13. Payment of invoices will be effected on the last day of the calendar month following the calendar month of receipt of a correct and original invoice
- 14. Bidders who submitted information that is fraudulent, factually untrue or inaccurate, for example memberships that do not exist, BEE credentials, experience, etc will be disqualified.
- 15. Bidders will be disqualified if there are listed on prohibited register of bidders in National Treasury and register of tender's defaulters.

NB*, Please provide us with a detailed quotation on your company letterhead, indicating all the product specifications and indicate compliance (and any deviations) to the given specification.

DEC	CLARATION BY BIDDER
I, the ur	ndersigned (NAME)certify t
i.	I have read and understood the conditions of this RFQ.
ii.	I have supplied the required information and the information submitted as part of the
	RFQ is trueand correct.
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STANDARD BIDDING DOCUMENT 1 - PART A: INVITATION TO BID

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PART B: TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR BIDDING

1.	BID SUBMISSION:
1.1.	BIDS MUST BE DELIVERED BY THE STIPULATED TIME TO THE CORRECT ADDRESS. LATE BIDS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED FOR CONSIDERATION.
1.2.	ALL BIDS MUST BE SUBMITTED ON THE OFFICIAL FORMS PROVIDED-(NOT TO BE RE-TYPED) OR ONLINE
1.3.	BIDDERS MUST REGISTER ON THE CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE (CSD) TO UPLOAD MANDATORY INFORMATION NAMELY: (BUSINESS REGISTRATION/ DIRECTORSHIP/ MEMBERSHIP/IDENTITY NUMBERS; TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS; AND BANKING INFORMATION FOR VERIFICATION PURPOSES). B-BBEE CERTIFICATE OR SWORN AFFIDAVIT FOR B-BBEE MUST BE SUBMITTED TO BIDDING INSTITUTION.
1.4.	WHERE A BIDDER IS NOT REGISTERED ON THE CSD, MANDATORY INFORMATION NAMELY: (BUSINESS REGISTRATION/DIRECTORSHIP/ MEMBERSHIP/IDENTITY NUMBERS; TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS MAY NOT BE SUBMITTED WITH THE BID DOCUMENTATION. B-BBEE CERTIFICATE OR SWORN AFFIDAVIT FOR B-BBEE MUST BE SUBMITTED TO BIDDING INSTITUTION.
1.5.	THIS BID IS SUBJECT TO THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT POLICY FRAMEWORK ACT 2000 AND THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS, 2017, THE GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT (GCC) AND, IF APPLICABLE, ANY OTHER LEGISLATION OR SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT.
2.	TAX COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS
2.1	BIDDERS MUST ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THEIR TAX OBLIGATIONS.
2.2	BIDDERS ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT THEIR UNIQUE PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (PIN) ISSUED BY SARS TO ENABLE THE ORGAN OF STATE TO VIEW THE TAXPAYER'S PROFILE AND TAX STATUS.
2.3	APPLICATION FOR TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS (TCS) OR PIN MAY ALSO BE MADE VIA E-FILING. IN ORDER TO USE THIS PROVISION, TAXPAYERS WILL NEED TO REGISTER WITH SARS AS E-FILERS THROUGH THE WEBSITE WWW.SARS.GOV.ZA.
2.4	BIDDERS MAY ALSO SUBMIT A PRINTED TCS TOGETHER WITH THE BID.
2.5	IN BIDS WHERE CONSORTIA / JOINT VENTURES / SUB-CONTRACTORS ARE INVOLVED, EACH PARTY MUST SUBMIT A SEPARATE PROOF OF TCS / PIN / CSD NUMBER.
2.6	WHERE NO TCS IS AVAILABLE BUT THE BIDDER IS REGISTERED ON THE CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE (CSD), A CSD NUMBER AND PROOF MUST BE PROVIDED.
3.	QUESTIONNAIRE TO BIDDING FOREIGN SUPPLIERS
3.1.	IS THE BIDDER A RESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA (RSA)?
3.2.	DOES THE BIDDER HAVE A BRANCH IN THE RSA?
3.3.	DOES THE BIDDER HAVE A PERMANENT ESTABLISHMENT IN THE RSA?
3.4.	DOES THE BIDDER HAVE ANY SOURCE OF INCOME IN THE RSA?
	HE ANSWER IS "NO" TO ALL OF THE ABOVE, THEN, IT IS NOT A REQUIREMENT TO OBTAIN A TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS / TAX IPLIANCE SYSTEM PIN CODE FROM THE SOUTH AFRICAN REVENUE SERVICE (SARS) AND IF NOT REGISTER AS PER 2.3 ABOVE.

NB: FAILURE TO PROVIDE ANY OF THE ABOVE PARTICULARS MAY RENDER THE BID INVALID.

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DECLARATION OF INTEREST

- 1. 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 an advertised competitive bid, a limited bid, a proposal or written price quotation). 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.

2.	In order to give effect to the above, the following questionnaire must be completed and submitted with the bid.
2.1	Full Name of bidder or his or her representative:
2.2	Identity Number:
2.3	Position occupied in the Company (director, trustee, shareholder ² , member):
2.4	Registration number of company, enterprise, close corporation, partnership agreement or trust:
2.5	Tax Reference Number:
2.6	VAT Registration Number:
2.6.1	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 3 below.
1"State" mean	 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); any municipality or municipal entity;

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.

2.7 Are you or any person connected with the bidder presently employed by the state?

national Assembly or the national Council of provinces; or

provincial legislature;

2.7.1	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:	
2.7.2	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
2.7.2.1	If yes, did you attach proof of such authority to the bid document?	YES / NO
	(Note: Failure to submit proof of such authority, where applicable, may result in the disqualification of the bid.	
2.7.2.2	If no, furnish reasons for non-submission of such proof:	
2.8	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
2.8.1	If so, furnish particulars:	
2.9	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
2.9.1	If so, furnish particulars.	
2.10	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

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I	I, THE UNDERSIGNED (NAME)								
I	CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION FURNISHED IN PARAGRAPHS 2 and 3 ABOVE IS CORRECT I ACCEPT THAT THE STATE MAY REJECT THE BID OR ACT AGAINST ME SHOULD THIS DECLARATION PROVE TO BE FALSE.								
	Signature		Date	e					
	Position		 Nan	ne of bidder					

DECLARATION OF BIDDER'S PAST SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

- 1 This Standard Bidding Document must form part of all bids invited.
- It serves as a declaration to be used by institutions in ensuring that when goods and services are being procured, all reasonable steps are taken to combat the abuse of the supply chain management system.
- 3 The bid of any bidder may be disregarded if that bidder, or any of its directors have
 - a. abused the institution's supply chain management system;
 - b. committed fraud or any other improper conduct in relation to such system; or
 - c. failed to perform on any previous contract.
- In order to give effect to the above, the following questionnaire must be completed and submitted with the bid.

Item	Question	Yes	No
4.1	Is the bidder or any of its directors listed on the National Treasury's Database of Restricted Suppliers as companies or persons prohibited from doing business with the public sector?	Yes	No
	(Companies or persons who are listed on this Database were informed		
	in writing of this restriction by the Accounting Officer/Authority of the		
	institution that imposed the restriction after the audi alteram partem		
	rule was applied).		
	The Database of Restricted Suppliers now resides on the National		
	Treasury's website(www.treasury.gov.za) and can be accessed by		
	clicking on its link at the bottom of the home page.		
4.1.1	If so, furnish particulars:	l	

	Is the bidder or any of its directors listed on the Register for Tender Defaulters in terms of section 29 of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act (No 12 of 2004)? The Register for Tender Defaulters can be accessed on the National Treasury's website (www.treasury.gov.za) by clicking on its link at the bottom of the home page.	Yes	No 🗌
4.2.1	If so, furnish particulars:		
4.3	Was the bidder or any of its directors convicted by a court of law (including a court outside of the Republic of South Africa) for fraud or corruption during the past five years?	Yes	No
4.3.1	If so, furnish particulars:		
4.4	Was any contract between the bidder and any organ of state terminated during the past five years on account of failure to perform on or comply with the contract?	Yes	No
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CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT BID DETERMINATION

I, the undersigned, in submitting the accompanying bid:	
(RFQ 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 ev	ery respect:
I certify, on behalf of:	_that
(Name of Service Provider)	

- 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 Service Provider to sign this Certificate, and to submit the accompanying bid, on behalf of the Service Provider;
- 4. Each person whose signature appears on the accompanying bid has been authorized by the Service Provider to determine the terms of, and to sign the bid, on behalf of the Service Provider;
- 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 Service Provider, whether or not affiliated with the Service Provider, 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 Service Provider and/or is in the same line of business as the Service Provider
- 6. The Service Provider has arrived at the accompanying bid independently from, and without consultation, communication, agreement or arrangement with any competitor. However communication between partners in a joint venture or consortium³ will not be construed as collusive bidding.

- 7. In particular, without limiting the generality of paragraphs 6 above, there has been no consultation, communication, agreement or arrangement with any competitor regarding:
 - (a) prices;
 - (b) geographical area where product or service will be rendered (market allocation)
 - (c) methods, factors or formulas used to calculate prices;
 - (d) the intention or decision to submit or not to submit, a bid;
 - (e) the submission of a bid which does not meet the specifications and conditions of the bid; or
 - (f) bidding with the intention not to win the bid.
- 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 Service Provider, directly or indirectly, to any competitor, prior to the date and time of the official bid opening or of the awarding of the contract.

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

Signature	Date
Position	Name of Service Provider

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



DETAILED TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION

1. Motivation

The purpose of this request is to purchase 10 x 2km drums (20km) of CST optical fibre cable to conduct emergency permanent repairs on Route 7 to stabilise these critical optical fibre route sections and to prevent further impact to the network caused by acts of vandalism, etc.

The Polokwane regional O&M team has identified problematic areas on some route sections which requires urgent permanent repairs to stabilise the network and the improve network performance which is greatly compromised by the temporary cable on the ground.

BBI has received numerous customer complaints from key international customers about the poor SLA performance of their service, as well as a very unreliable network on the Northern Ring. Some customer services were cancelled, and other customers are threatening to cancel should their service performance and that of BBI Northern Ring not improve soon.

2. Benefits

The network route availability and reliability will be improved which will greatly improve the resilience of Route 7 because of strengthening the problematic sections. This will provide more flexibility to reroute customer services via the alternative path, Polokwane to Nzasm.

These permanent repairs will result in a great improvement on the link span loss, network reliability and customer SLAs, especially all cross-border customer services i.e., to Zimbabwe and Mozambique.

International gateway routes offer lucrative business opportunities and when they are stable, BBI stands to gain more customers and to expand revenue growth.

3. Scope of work/supply

Broadband Infraco SOC Ltd seeks to appoint a service provider that will Supply and Deliver 10 x 2km drums of Corrugated Steel Tape Optical Fibre Cable (G.652D), total of 20km.

4. Specification of Product or Goods

Data Sheet: CST (Corrugated Sheet Tape)

Mechanical Properties	
Number of elements	4
Fibre count	24
Cable diameter (mm)	16.6
Cable Weight (Kg/km)	225
Maximum Installation load (N)	2200
Maximum working load (N)	600
Minimum bend radius (mm)	200
Crush resistance(N) (via 100 mm x 100	5000
mm plate)	
Impact test (2 Nm blows / 25 mm anvil)	50
Temperature Performance (°C)	-20 to +70
Drip Test (300mm sample of loose tube at	No leakage
80°C)	
Drum quantity (m)	4000
Optical Properties	
Fibre Type	Single Mode (9/125µm)
Specification	ITU-T G.652D

Fibre core size	9.2+/-0.4µm at 13 1550nm	9.2+/-0.4µm at 1310nm, 10.3+/- 0.5µm at 1550nm	
Cladding diameter (µm)	125		
Primary coating (µm	245		
Operating Wavelength (nm)	1310	1550	
Maximum Attenuation (dB/km)	0.35	0.24	
Maximum Dispersion (ps/nm.km)	3	18	

5. PRICING SCHEDULE

Description	Qty (km)	ETA	Price / Km	Total Price
Supply of CST Optical Fibre Cable				
Delivery costs				
Price Excl. VAT				
VAT % 15%				
Price Incl. VAT				

- Pricing schedule must reflect a detailed cost breakdown and any indirect costs associated with the rendering of required service.
- Please indicate delivery lead time
- Submit your company ISO Licenses & Data sheets.

6. EVALUATION CRITERIA

6.1 Price and Specific Goals

• The RFQ responses will be evaluated on the **80/20**-point system.

6.2 Technical Evaluation

- 6.2.1 The tender submission will be technically evaluated out of 100 points.
- 6.2.2 All bidders achieving less than the set threshold of 80 points out of 100 points will be declared non-responsive and therefore will not continue to be evaluated for Price & Specific Goals.

6.3 Objective Criteria

6.3.1 Broadband Infraco further reserve the right not to award this RFQ to any bidder based on the proven poor record of accomplishment of the bidder in previous projects within the company.

PHASE 1

Evaluation Area	Evaluation Criteria/ POE	Points
Bidder to submit relevant Fibre	Provide relevant ISO certificates	20
Optic Supply certificates		

PHASE 2 OF EVALUATION CRITERIA

History of supplying CST fibre optic cable Bidder to include a minimum of three (3) references with contact details. • More than 3 references= 30 points • 3 references= 15 points • No references = 0 Provide Cabling test reports • Hard copy and soft copy of test reports = 15 • Hard copy or soft copy of test reports = 10 • No test reports = 0 Provide Cabling Provide 5 years cabling guarantee • 5 years cabling guarantee = 15 • 3 years cabling guarantee = 10 • No cabling guarantee = 0 Delivery Timelines • 2 - 3 weeks = 15 4 - 5 weeks = 10 • 6 weeks and above = 5	Evaluation Area	Evaluation Criteria	Max Points	Min Points
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	Total	L	100	60

7. ADJUDICATION USING A POINT SYSTEM

- 7.1 The bidder obtaining the highest number of total points will be awarded unless objective criteria justify the award to another bidder.
- 7.2 Pricing points shall be calculated after the process has been brought to a comparative basis considering all factors of non-firm prices.
- 7.3 In the event that two or more bids have scored equal points, the successful bid must be the one scoring the highest number of points for Specific Goals.
- 7.4 However, when functionality is part of the evaluation process and two or more bids have scored equal points for Specific Goals, the successful bid must be the one scoring the highest score for functionality.

8. POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE

The **80/20** preference point system will be used for this RFQ A maximum of **80** points is allocated for price on the following basis:

		Pt-Pmin		
Where:	Ps= 80(1-	Pmin		
Ps	Points score Consideration	d for comparati on	ve price of b	id under
Pt	 Comparative 	price of bid ur	der conside	ration
Pmin	 Comparative 	price of lowes	t acceptable	bid

9. POINTS AWARDED FOR SPECIFIC GOALS

Specific goals will be scored out of 20 points in accordance with the PPPFA. If a bidder fails to meet the specific goals and submit proof to claim, they will not be disqualified. However, be awarded 80 points for price and will score 0 points for specific goals. An 80/20 scoring system will be used to evaluate the bids recieved.

Table 9.1

Specific goals	80/20
Black Owned Entity	6
Woman Owned Equity	4
Youth Equity Ownership	4
People With Disability	3
Military Veterans	3
Total Points	20