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Business Unit	NTCSA
Description/ Scope of Work	The design, manufacture, testing and supply of OPGW Hardware, ADSS Hardware and Miscellaneous items on an “as and when” required basis for a period of 5 (five) years for NTCSA.
Duration of the Project	5 Years

Section 1: Specific Goals

A maximum of 10/20 points may be awarded to a tenderer for the specific goal specified for the tender. The points scored for the specific goal must be added to the points scored for price and the total must be rounded off to the nearest two decimal places. Subject to section 2(1)(f) of the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act, the contract must be awarded to the tenderer scoring the highest points.


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

NB: The following documents are required to claim preference points,

- Valid B-BBEE certificate issued by a SANAS accredited verification agency / sworn affidavit / CIPS affidavit
- Proof of ownership / shareholding (preferably CIPC documentation) inclusive of shareholding breakdown
- Certified ID copies of shareholder(s)
- Proof of Disability (where applicable)

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Tenderer failing to provide documentation for the allocation of preference points will not be disqualified, but'

- May only score point out of 90/80 for price
- Scores 0 points out of 10/20 for specific goals

Section 2: Objective criteria

The inclusion of objective criteria is mandatory but a condition for contract award. If the tenderer does not meet objective criteria; it may lead to the second-ranked tenderer being recommended for award.

2.1 Designated Sectors

When applicable the following stipulated minimum threshold for Local Production and Content must be achieved in full by the tenderer

a) Is this Commodity or part of it a Designated Sector?

YES	NO
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Please indicate below Designated Components

Commodity	Components	Local Content Threshold
Steel	Steel	100%

NOTE: SBD 6.2 Declaration Form and Annex C (Local Content Declaration-Summary Schedule) are therefore **mandatory** on contract award

2.2 CIDB Skills Development

Continuation of Mandatory Requirements

a) Is there CIDB compulsory training?

If Yes, what is the% of the Construction Skills Development Goal % (CSDG)

YES	NO
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

If the answer above is Yes, it will then be mandatory for contract award

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2.3 National Industrial Participation Programme

In line with DTI requirements on important content that are above \$5million, the National Industrial Participation Programme has to be applied in order to stimulate local manufacturing capability and job creation. International manufactures of Optical Ground Wire (OPGW), All-dielectric self-supporting cable (ADSS), Duct cable to commit on minimum thirty percent local participation programme through formalized DTI NIPP obligations agreements. Therefore, in line with NIPP requirements, once the contract is awarded, the international company has to complete SBD 5 form as an undertaking to DTI.

Note: The above NIPP obligation will apply only if the foreign portion is equivalent or more than the stipulated minimum threshold of \$5 million. Suppliers will be encouraged to indicate or declare how much local manufacturing / procurement spend amounts to in this transaction. In an event where the foreign content does not exceed the NIPP threshold of \$5 million, the normal SDL&I targets of skills development, Subcontracting and job creation will be applied.

OR

2.4 Mandatory Subcontracting as condition of award

Mandatory subcontracting of a minimum of 30% shall be applicable as a condition for contract award.

- a) must apply subcontracting to previously designated groups.
- b) must advertise the tender with a specific condition for contract award that the successful tenderer must subcontract a minimum of 30% of the value of the contract to:
 - i. An EME or QSE which is at least 51% owned by black people.
 - ii. An EME or QSE which is at least 51% owned by black people who are youth.
 - iii. An EME or QSE which is at least 51% owned by black people who are women.
 - iv. An EME or QSE which is at least 51% owned by black people with Disabilities.
 - v. An EME or QSE which is 51% owned by black people living in rural or underdeveloped areas or townships.
 - vi. A cooperative which is at least 51% owned by black people.
 - vii. An EME or QSE which is at least 51% owned by black people who are military veterans.

Tender Returnable if the above element is a requirement.

- Proof of a sub-contract agreement/s must be submitted.
- CSD report of subcontractors
- Sub-contractor/s B-BBEE certificate / sworn affidavit must be submitted.

Subcontracting, in this instance, will be treated as a condition for contract award. A supplier awarded a contract may not subcontract more than 25% of the value of the contract to any other entity that does not have an equal or higher B-BBEE status level of a contributor than the supplier concerned unless the contract is subcontracted to an EME that has the capability and ability to execute the subcontract.

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NTCSA Target	Tenderer Proposal
EME level -1/2 and QSE level - 1/2 30%	

Section 3: SDL&I Objectives in line with Reconstruction and Development Programme (RDP) Goals

Tenderers who complete and submit the objectives as required, but who do not meet NTCSA's targets, will not be disqualified. SDL&I objectives do not form part of scoring but commitments will form part of contractual obligations

1. Transformation – BBBEE Improvement or Retention Plan

Transformation remains an area of focus, where NTCSA continuously strives to align itself with national transformation imperatives to unlock growth, drive industrialization, create employment and contribute to skills development.

NTCSA encourages its suppliers to constantly strive to improve their B-BBEE rating. Whereas Tenderer/s will be allocated points in terms of a preference point system based on specific goals, NTCSA also requests that tenderer/s submits their B-BBEE improvement or retention plan within 30 days of signing the contract.

Tenderer/s are therefore requested to indicate the extent to which they will maintain (only if the respondent is a Level 1) or may improve/maintain their B-BBEE status over the contract period if their B-BBEE status is level 2 or 3. Tenderer/s with a B-BBEE status level 4 at the time of contract award, shall migrate and achieve as a non-negotiable a milestone of B-BBEE Level 3 by the end of the first year of the contract and thereafter improve their B-BBEE status level or migrate by one level higher.

Tenderer/s with a B-BBEE recognition status of Level 5 to Level 8 or non-compliant at the time of contract award, shall migrate and achieve as a non-negotiable a milestone of Level 4 by the end of the first year of the contract and thereafter improve at least one B-BBEE Level higher of each year from the second year of the contract.

Tenderers are requested to submit their B-BBEE Improvement Plan as an essential document within 30 days of signing the contract.

NB: A valid B-BBEE certificate or Sworn Affidavit is a condition for contract award, if your company's annual Total Revenue is R10 Million or less you qualify as an Exempted Micro-Enterprise therefore you can submit Sworn Affidavit. If your annual Total Revenue is R50 Million or less, you qualify as Qualifying Small Enterprise and must comply with all of the elements of QSE score card relevant to your sector unless an entity is at least 51% Black owned you are required to obtain a Sworn affidavit. If your Annual Total Revenue is above R50m you need to submit a Valid B-BBEE certificate.

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2. Local Procurement Content

“Local Procurement Content” refers to value added in South Africa by South African resources. Where a single contract involves a combination of local and imported goods and/or services, the tender response must be separated into its components as per the Price Schedule included with the tender documents. Local procurement content is total spending minus the imported component.

Tenderers are required to submit their proposals in the table below.

Local Procurement Content	NTCSA target	Tenderer Proposal
	100%	

3. **Jobs.** Tenderers are required to submit proposals for the type and number of jobs that will be created and retained in South Africa as a direct result of being awarded a contract.

Type of Jobs to be created	Number of Jobs to be created
Type of Jobs to be retained	Number of Jobs to be retained

4. Skills development

Tenderers are required to submit proposals in a table below for developing the skills of unemployed candidates in the country. Skills development is intended to address NTCSA’s core, scarce and critical skills and the scarce and critical skills. These skills are also included in a 2020 list of occupations in high demand as stipulated in the Government Gazette 43937. Candidates shall be from all provinces in the country, and their composition shall be representative of the population demographics of South Africa

Category	NTCSA Target	Supplier ‘s proposal
Assemblers	7	
Administrators	3	
Tester or Inspector	5	
Welder	5	

The process of developing these skills shall involve the participation by tenderers directly and through their supply network. In certain cases, the SETA’s accredited training providers can be approached to participate in developing critical and scarce skills.

Note: That these targets for skills development candidates categorically exclude NTCSA employees and registered learners. The tenderers are required to take full responsibility for the total cost of developing the requisite skills, and NTCSA shall not

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make any financial contribution towards the fulfilment of this obligation. Tenderers also are advised to approach their relevant SETAs to access grants, subsidies, and incentives as well as South African Revenue Services for tax rebates that are earmarked for skills development initiatives.

Section 3: SDL&I Retention and Performance Security

NTCSA will apply a retention of 2.5% of the invoice amount for failure to meet SDL&I obligations.

NTCSA will apply retention of 2.5% of the monthly invoice value for failure to meet SDL&I obligations.

For the duration of the contract, NTCSA will retain 2.5% of every invoice (excluding VAT) as security for the fulfilment of all SDL&I Obligations. The retained amounts shall only be released to the Contractor upon:

- NTCSA receives the SDL&I progress report/s from the contractor.
- Fulfilment of all SDL&I obligations by the contractor.
- Submission of an approved compliance report by SDL&I Department.

Section 4: Reporting and Monitoring

- The suppliers shall on a quarterly basis submit a report to NTCSA in accordance with Data Collection Template on their compliance with the SDL&I obligations described above.
- NTCSA shall review the SDL&I reports submitted by the suppliers within 30 (thirty) days of receipt of the reports and notify the suppliers in writing if their SDL&I obligations have not been met.
- Upon notification by NTCSA that the suppliers have not met their SDL&I obligations, the suppliers shall be required to implement corrective measures to meet those SDL&I obligations before the commencement of the following report, failing which Retention clauses shall be invoked.
- Every contract shall be accompanied by the SDL&I Implementation Schedule, which must be completed by the suppliers and returned to SDL&I representative for acceptance 28 days after contract award. This will be used as a reference document for monitoring, measuring and reporting on the supplier's progress in delivering on their stated SDL&I commitments

Section 5: General Information on Validity of Sworn Affidavits

The following must be considered when it comes to validity of Affidavits;

Tenderers submitting B-BBEE Sworn Affidavits must ensure that the affidavits meet the following key pointers to ensure their validity:

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- Name/s of deponent as they appear in the identity document and the identity number.
- Designation of the deponent as the **director, owner or member** must be indicated in order to know that person is duly authorised to depose of an affidavit. **(Mark the applicable option).**
- Name of enterprise as per enterprise registration documents issued by the CIPC, where applicable, and enterprise business address.
- Percentage of black ownership, black female ownership and designated group. In the case of specialised enterprises as per Statement 004, the percentage of black beneficiaries must be reflected. **(No blank spaces to be left).**
- Indicate total revenue for the year under review and whether it is based on **audited financial statements or management account. (Mark the applicable option).**
- Financial year end as per the **enterprise's registration documents**, which was used to determine the total revenue. **(Financial year end to be stipulated by day/month/year).**
- B-BBEE Status level. An enterprise can only have one status level. **(Tick applicable level)**
- Empowering supplier status must be indicated. For QSEs, the deponent must select the basis for the empowering supplier status.
- Date deponent signed and date of Commissioner of Oath must be the same. **(The sworn affidavit must be signed in the presence of the Commissioner of Oath. Furthermore the Commissioner must also sign and stamp)**
- Commissioner of Oath cannot be an employee or ex officio of the enterprise because, a person cannot by law, commission a sworn affidavit in which they have an interest.

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