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**NOTICE TO TENDERERS NO.1**

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**TENDER NO: 28C/2025/26**

**DESCRIPTION: PROVISION OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES: COMBINED FINAL DESIGN, INSTALLATION, TESTING, COMMISSIONING AND MAINTENANCE OF THE ADVANCED PUBLIC TRANSPORT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (APTMS) AND AUTOMATED FARE COLLECTION (AFC) SYSTEM ON BUSES, STATIONS AND IN THE TRANSPORT.**

**BOX NO: 216**

**CLOSING DATE: Tuesday, 9 September 2025 at 10h00**

This Notice to Tenderers (NTT1) is to be recorded Schedule F.11: List of other documents attached by tenderer and bound into the tender document.

This Notice to Tenderers contains the following:

1. Minutes of the Tender Clarification Meeting
2. Tender Clarification Presentation Slides)

**Question and Answer before Clarification Meeting**

1. Question: ECSA also registers Professional Engineering Technologists for individuals with B.Tech degrees. Please confirm whether Professional Engineering Technologist registrations will be accepted or not.

Answer: Confirmed acceptable

2. Question: On C.2.1.4.2, there is no eligibility requirement listed here for the Systems Expert role. Please confirm if this is correct.

Answer: Confirmed as correct

3. Question: According to this clause a B.Tech degree in Engineering is sufficient. Please confirm.

Answer: Confirmed as correct.

4. Question: What needs to be submitted as proof that the projects were successfully implemented and commissioned?

Answer: Completed projects require completion certificates or relevant letters indicating project completion signed by the client (client letterhead with contact details). We also allow reference letters here.

5. Question: Are the figures (historical income) in Annexure D: Historical data inclusive of VAT?

Answer: Yes, the data is inclusive of VAT.

6. Question: How will the year's experience be calculated? Will a year's experience in AFC systems count as one year and a year's experience in APTMS as another year?

Answer: Yes, AFC and APTMS count separately

7. Question: This schedule notes that the tendering entity must have successfully implemented and commissioned AFC and APTMS projects, however clause C.2.1.4.5 notes that the track record of the tenderer is not applicable as an eligibility requirement. The functionality requirement only status a minimum of 60 points for functionality, listing company experience of 2 AFC and 2 APTMS projects to a score of 4. Please clarify what the minimum requirement is.

Answer: The Tenderer shall provide information for the functionality criteria listed in this Returnable Schedule. 2 - 3 relevant successfully implemented and commissioned projects (where at least 1 is APTMS and 1 is AFC projects).

The Tenderer's attention is drawn to the appropriate clause(s) in the Tender Data for a more detailed explanation of the functionality criteria given in the table below and how the score will be calculated (with applicable values).

8. Question: Please clarify the preference point system that will be used for this tender. The word "either" in the sentence doesn't state clearly which will be used.

Answer: 90/10 points system

9. Question: For a SME, will a sworn affidavit from the company auditors also be accepted to confirm the B-BBEE level?

Answer: Correct.

10. Question: Contract duration seems to be missing in the Contract data. It is however stated in the Scope of Works section as 3 years linked to the CCT financial cycles. Please confirm.

Answer: 36 months

11. Question: Reference is made to Penalties and fines but page section is marked as only to be completed at acceptance stage. Will penalties be applicable to a professional services contract?

Answer: Clause 3.12.1.

The penalty amount per day is as follows:

R5 500

The maximum penalty amount is as follows:

The lower of R110 000 or 10% of the month's total payment certificate value

12. Question: Schedule indicates R3.30/km. Please clarify which rate is applicable.

Answer: Rate stated on page 58 item 12 states R4.76/km

13. Question: Requirement of example the Project Leader is more specific than that of Item C.2.1.4.6 on pg 14. Which will be used as responsiveness check?

Answer: A Professional Engineer who is registered with the Engineering Council of South Africa (ECSA), with experience in management of Intelligent Transport Systems projects and Automated fare collection systems in the role as a Project Lead, such as, but not limited to the application of information technologies to control traffic flow, management of public transport, variable message signs, etc. acting as project leader, and responsible for all work carried out in terms of this contract. The list of projects must be completed on Schedule 12, Part C5.2: Returnable Schedules: The one on page 80 is correct.

14. Statement is made that secretarial services must be included in item 1.1 hourly rates but an separate resource is included in the Other personnel schedules. Will this not unnecessary inflate the rates under Item 1.1.

Answer: As indicated in the document, reference is made on clause 1.3.2.9, Administrative Resource.

15. As we understand that this tender is for a professional services engagement, we respectfully request that the criteria be reconsidered to reflect "completed projects where the Tenderer has successfully overseen project execution, ensured compliance with performance standards, and facilitated stakeholder coordination for Advanced Public Transport Management System (APTMS) and Automatic Fare Collection (AFC) system projects, with each project having a total value of at least R 25 million (excluding VAT)". The list of projects must be completed on Schedule 11, Part C5.2: Returnable Schedules

Answer: See attached annexures

16. Question: We understand that the authority is planning to implement an Intelligent Transport System (ITS) project. However, we have observed that the requirement for an ITS expert is currently missing from the key personnel section. We respectfully suggest that this role be included to ensure the necessary technical expertise is available for successful project execution.

Answer: Scope covered under Systems Expert

17. Question: Kindly clarify the reference to the "financial operating system" mentioned in the document. Does this pertain specifically to AFC transactions conducted via card-based systems, or does it encompass all types of transactions processed through the AFC system?

Answer: It encompasses all types of transactions processed through the AFC system

18. Question: Please explain the logistic and warehousing requirement for the operation expert.

Answer: Must have basic understanding of logistics and warehousing

19. Question: This clause appears to refer to IRT operational requirements; however, the overall RFP primarily focuses on implementation activities at the construction site and related works. We kindly request that you share the current operational requirements to better understand the scope and expectations.

Answer: Refer to the title and content of the tender, as this is not a construction contract.

Yours Sincerely,



For Director: Supply Chain Management

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE TENDERER: TENDER No. 1061/2024/25**

At ..... on this ..... Day of ..... 2024.

Signature: .....

Name of Signatory: .....

(In ink and capitals)

TENDERER: .....

(Name of firm in ink and capitals)