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**REQUEST FOR INFORMATION REGARDING TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS FOR SUPPLY
AND DELIVERY OF SPECIALISED PRODUCTS FOR INFANT FEED, COMPLETE ENTERAL
FEEDS FOR PAEDIATRICS AND ADULTS, ENTERAL FEED SUPPLEMENTS, OTHER
NUTRITIONAL SUPPLEMENTS AND TUBE FEEDING SYSTEMS**

CLOSING DATE FOR SUBMISSION OF INFORMATION:

02 OCTOBER 2026

AT 11h00 AM

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1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 National Treasury intends to explore the establishment of a Transversal Contract for supply and delivery of specialised products for infant feed, complete enteral feeds for paediatrics and adults, enteral feed supplements, other nutritional supplements and tube feeding systems by State institutions.
- 1.2 This Request for Information (RFI) forms part of National Treasury's market-analysis and procurement-planning process and is issued in accordance with the principles of the Public Finance Management Act (PFMA). This RFI is not a tender and does not constitute an invitation to bid, a commitment to procure, or a guarantee of future contracting.

2. INTENDED SCOPE OF USE

- 2.1 The envisaged transversal arrangement will cater for a broad range of nutritional support requirements, including specialised infant feeds, enteral nutrition products for paediatric and adult patients, nutritional supplements, and tube feeding systems. Products must be suitable for utilisation across diverse healthcare settings and adaptable to varying institutional needs and workloads.

3. PURPOSE OF THE RFI

The purpose of this RFI is to obtain market intelligence and expert input from industry participants to:

- a) Understand the range of specialised infant feeds, complete enteral feeds for paediatric and adult patients, enteral feed supplements, other nutritional supplements, and tube feeding systems currently available in the market;
- b) Identify appropriate product specifications, nutritional formulations, quality standards, and delivery requirements suitable for use by public health institutions and other State entities;
- c) Assess supply chain capabilities, distribution networks, stock availability, and market capacity to support a national transversal arrangement;
- d) Identify industry best practices, innovations, and value-added solutions that may enhance patient care and nutritional outcomes;
- e) Support the future development of a competitive, fit-for-purpose, and compliant procurement strategy for the supply and delivery of nutritional support products and associated feeding systems.

4. SCOPE OF INFANT FEED CONTRACT

4.1 Suppliers are requested to provide non-binding, high-level information on their product offerings and supply capabilities relating to:

- a) Infant feeds
- b) Paediatric feeds
- c) Adult enteral feeds
- d) Modular feeds
- e) Other feeding products
- f) Nutrition products for the management of Severe Acute Malnutrition (SAM) for children aged 6 months to 5 years
- g) Nutritional supplements for malnourished patients
- h) Feeding systems and accessories

5. INFORMATION REQUESTED FROM RESPONDENTS

5.1 Product Compliance and Eligibility

5.1.1 The suppliers are requested to indicate, for each product offered, whether the product complies with the RT9 specification requirements as evidence of compliance.

5.2 Quality Standard Certificates

5.2.1 The supplier must indicate which of the following certification options their manufacturing facility complies with and submit supporting evidence if available:

Table 1: Certificate Required

OPTION #	QUALITY STANDARD CERTIFICATES
Option 1	1. The latest ISO 10330 / SANS 10330 –Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Points 2. The latest ISO 9001 / SANS 9001 - Quality Management Systems 3. Certificate of Acceptability (Issued by local municipality)
Option 2	1. The latest ISO 22000 - Food Safety Management Systems 2. Certificate of Acceptability (Issued by local municipality)
Option 3	1. The latest FSSC: 22000 - Food Safety System Certification

	2. Certificate of Acceptability (Issued by local municipality)
Option 4	1. Good Manufacturing Practices Certification (Issued by SAHPRA)

5.2.2 Technical Compliance

The supplier must:

- a) Confirm compliance of each product with the RT9 technical specifications;
- b) Clearly indicate any deviations or exceptions from the proposed specifications.

5.2.3 Production Capacity, Availability and Lead Times

The suppliers are requested to provide information on:

- a) Manufacturing capacity and production capability;
- b) Current product availability and stock holding capacity;
- c) Average production lead time for each product category;
- d) Average delivery lead time from receipt of order to delivery;
- e) Ability to scale production to meet national demand requirements;
- f) Measures in place to mitigate supply chain disruptions and stock shortages.

5.2.4 Laboratory Analysis and Product Testing

The suppliers must indicate whether they can provide the following documentation upon request by National Treasury:

- a) Nutritional Analysis Reports;
- b) Microbial Analysis Reports;
- c) Stability and Shelf-Life Reports;
- d) Certificates of Analysis (COAs);

Any other product-specific laboratory testing reports required to verify product compliance.

Suppliers should indicate the typical period required to obtain or update such laboratory reports where applicable.

6. CONFIDENTIALITY AND INFORMATION GOVERNANCE

- 6.1 All information submitted in response to this RFI will be treated as confidential and used solely to support National Treasury's procurement-planning processes. No operational data or biological materials will be shared.

7. SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

- a) Responses must be submitted in English.
- b) Submissions must be informational and non-commercial in nature.
- c) The information provided must be numbered correctly and correspond with the numbering used in this RFI document.
- d) National Treasury reserves the right to engage respondents for clarification or follow-up discussions.

8. DISCLAIMER

- 8.1 This RFI is issued strictly for information-gathering and market-sounding purposes and does not constitute an invitation to tender, a commitment to procure, or an undertaking to appoint any supplier.

9. FORMAT FOR THE RFI SUBMISSION

- 9.1 The following document must be submitted at the closing date and time of the RFI.
- a) Completed SBD 1 document.
 - b) Annexure A1 and
 - c) Other additional information
- 9.2 Respondents are requested to submit only documents that are required.
Respondents must submit the information on E-Tenders Portal.
- 9.3 All enquiries must be addressed to Masea Ramaloko on email:
Masea.Ramaloko@treasury.gov.za

10. SUBMISSION OF DOCUMENTS

- 10.1 Respondents are requested to submit all the documents via E-Tenders portal at the closing date and time of the RFI – 02 October 2026 at 11h00 AM.

- 10.2 No documents to be submitted via email.
- 10.3 No documents to be submitted to the National Treasury Physical Address.

Kinds Regards,

MS MANTHEPENG TSHINAVHA
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DATE: 23 SEPTEMBER 2026