

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL [RFP] [SERVICES]

ESTABLISHMENT OF AN APPROVED PANEL OF SERVICE PROVIDERS TO BE APPOINTED AS OPERATOR(S) OF LAST RESORT OF TNPA PORT TERMINAL/FACILITY OPERATIONS, FOR A PERIOD OF THREE (3) YEARS FOR AS AND WHEN REQUIRED, AS A TRANSITIONAL MECHANISM UNTIL NEW TERMINAL OPERATOR(S) ARE APPOINTED THROUGH THE SECTION 56 PROCESS.

RFP NUMBER	TNPA/2023/11/0015/49564/RFP
ISSUE DATE:	06 December 2023
CLOSING DATE:	24 January 2024
CLOSING TIME:	16:00
BRIEFING MEETING DATE:	13 December 2023 (Non-Compulsory Briefing)
BRIEFING MEETING TIME:	10:00 AM
BID VALIDITY PERIOD:	180 Business Days from Closing Date

Note to the bidders:

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SECTION 1: SBD1 FORM

PART A

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PART B

TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR BIDDING

1. TAX COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS

- 1.1 BIDDERS MUST ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THEIR TAX OBLIGATIONS.
- 1.2 BIDDERS ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT THEIR UNIQUE PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (PIN) ISSUED BY SARS TO ENABLE THE ORGAN OF STATE TO VERIFY THE TAXPAYER'S PROFILE AND TAX STATUS.
- 1.3 APPLICATION FOR TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS (TCS) PIN MAY BE MADE VIA E-FILING THROUGH THE SARS WEBSITE WWW.SARS.GOV.ZA.
- 1.4 BIDDERS MAY ALSO SUBMIT A PRINTED TCS CERTIFICATE TOGETHER WITH THE BID.
- 1.5 IN BIDS WHERE UNINCORPORATED CONSORTIA / JOINT VENTURES / SUB-CONTRACTORS ARE INVOLVED, EACH PARTY MUST SUBMIT A SEPARATE TCS CERTIFICATE / PIN / CSD NUMBER.
- 1.6 WHERE NO TCS IS AVAILABLE BUT THE BIDDER IS REGISTERED ON THE CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE (CSD), A CSD NUMBER MUST BE PROVIDED.

NB: FAILURE TO PROVIDE / OR COMPLY WITH ANY OF THE ABOVE PARTICULARS MAY RENDER THE BID INVALID.

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CAPACITY UNDER WHICH THIS BID IS SIGNED:

(Proof of authority must be submitted e.g. company resolution) DATE:_____

SECTION 2 : NOTICE TO BIDDERS

1 INVITATION TO BID

Responses to this RFP [hereinafter referred to as a **Bid** or a **Proposal**] are requested from persons, companies, close corporations or enterprises [hereinafter referred to as an **entity**, **Respondent** or **Bidder**].

DESCRIPTION	ESTABLISHMENT OF AN APPROVED PANEL OF SERVICE						
	PROVIDERS TO BE APPOINTED AS OPERATOR(S) OF LAST RESORT						
	OF TNPA PORT TERMINAL/FACILITY OPERATIONS, FOR A PERIOD						
	OF THREE (3) YEARS FOR AS AND WHEN REQUIRED, AS A						
	TRANSITIONAL MECHANISM UNTIL NEW TERMINAL						
	OPERATOR(S) ARE APPOINTED THROUGH THE SECTION 56						
	PROCESS. [the Services]						
TENDER ADVERT	All Transnet tenders are advertised on the National Treasury's e-Tender						
	Publication Portal and the Transnet website. Should one of these media (i.e.						
	National Treasury's e-Tender Publication Portal or Transnet website) not be						
	available, bidders are advised to check on the other media for advertised						
	tenders.						
RFP DOWNLOADING	This RFP may be downloaded directly from National Treasury's e-Tender						
	Publication Portal at <u>www.etenders.gov.za</u> free of charge.						
	To download RFP and Annexures:						
	Click on "Tender Opportunities";						
	Select "Advertised Tenders";						
	• In the "Department" box, select Transnet SOC Ltd.						
	Once the tender has been in the list, click on the 'Tender documents" tab						
	and process to download all uploaded documents.						
	The RFP may also be downloaded from the Transnet Portal at						
	https://transnetetenders.azurewebsites.net (please use Google Chrome						
	to access Transnet link/site) free of charge (refer to section 2, subsection 3						
	below for detailed steps)						
COMMUNICATION	Transnet will publish the outcome of this RFP on the National Treasury e-						
	tender portal and Transnet website with 10 days after the appointment of						
	the service provide into the panel. All unsuccessful bidders have a right to						
	request for reasons for their bid not being successful. This requested must						
	be directed to the contact person stated in the SBD 1 form						
	Any addenda to the RFP or clarifications will be published on the e-tender						
	portal and Transnet website. Bidders are required to check the e-tender						
	portal or Transnet website prior to finalising their bid submissions for any						
	changes or clarifications to the RFP.						
	Transnet will not be held liable if Bidders do not receive the latest						
	information regarding this RFP with the possible consequence of either						
	being disadvantaged or disqualified as a result thereof.						

BRIEFING SESSION	Bidders are required to confirm their attendance and to send their contact					
	details including the number of representatives (where applicable) to the					
	following address: TNPATenderenquiries1@transnet.net					
	This is to ensure that Transnet may make the necessary arrangements for					
	the briefing session. Refer to paragraph 2 for details.					
CLOSING DATE	16:00 on Wednesday, 24 January 2024					
	Bidders must ensure that bids are uploaded timeously onto the system.					
	Generally, if a bid is late, it will not be accepted for consideration.					
	Bidders are required to ensure that electronic bid submissions are					
	done at least a day before the closing date to prevent issues which					
	they may encounter due to their internet speed, bandwidth or the					
	size of the number of uploads they are submitting. Transnet will					
	not be held liable for any challenges experienced by bidders as a					
	result of the technical challenges. Please do not wait for the last					
	hour to submit. A Bidder can upload 30mb per upload and multiple					
	uploads are permitted.					
VALIDITY PERIOD	180 Business Days from Closing Date					
	Bidders are to note that they may be requested to extend the validity period					
	of their bid, at the same terms and conditions, if the internal evaluation					
	process has not been finalised within the validity period. However, once					
	the adjudication body has approved the process and award of the business					
	to the successful bidder(s), the validity of the successful bidder(s)' bid will					
	be deemed to remain valid until a final contract has been concluded.					
	Should a bidder fail to respond to a request for extension of the validity					
	period before it expires, that bidder will be excluded from tender process.					
	With regard to the validity period of next highest ranked bidders, please					
	refer to Section 2, paragraph 10.12.					

Any additional information or clarification will be published on the e-Tender portal and Transnet website, if necessary.

2 FORMAL BRIEFING

- 2.1 Despite the briefing session being non-compulsory, Transnet nevertheless encourages all Respondents to attend. Transnet will not be held responsible if any Respondent who did not attend the non-compulsory session subsequently feels disadvantaged as a result thereof.
- 2.2 A non-compulsory RFP briefing will be conducted online via Microsoft Teams on **13 December 2023** from **10H00** until **11H30** bidders are requested to join the RFP briefing via the below link: Microsoft Teams meeting

Join on your computer, mobile app or room device

<u>Click here to join the meeting</u> Meeting ID: 328 671 525 114 Passcode: YPVmkC Download Teams | Join on the web Join with a video conferencing device 648388511@t.plcm.vc Video Conference ID: 128 454 774 2 Alternate VTC instructions Or call in (audio only) +27 21 835 5059,,328623447# South Africa, Cape Town Phone Conference ID: 328 623 447# Find a local number | Reset PIN Learn More | Meeting options

3 PROPOSAL SUBMISSION

Transnet has implemented a new electronic tender submission system, the e-Tender Submission Portal, in line with the overall Transnet digitalization strategy where suppliers can view advertised tenders, register their information, log their intent to respond to bids and upload their bid proposals/responses on to the system.

- 3.1 The Transnet e-Tender Submission Portal can be accessed as follows:
 - a) Log on to the Transnet eTenders management platform website/ Portal ((<u>transnetetenders.azurewebsites.net</u>) Please use **Google Chrome** to access Transnet link/site);
 - b) Click on "ADVERTISED TENDERS" to view advertised tenders;
 - c) Click on "SIGN IN/REGISTER for bidder to register their information (must fill in all mandatory information);
 - d) Click on "SIGN IN/REGISTER" to sign in if already registered;
 - e) Toggle (click to switch) the "Log an Intent" button to submit a bid;
 - f) Submit bid documents by uploading them into the system against each tender selected.
 - g) No late submissions will be accepted. The bidder guide can be found on the Transnet Portal transnetetenders.azurewebsites.net

4 **RFP INSTRUCTIONS**

- 4.1 Please sign documents [sign, stamp and date the bottom of each page] before uploading them on the system. The person or persons signing the submission must be legally authorised by the respondent to do so.
- 4.2 All returnable documents tabled in the Proposal Form [Section 5] must be returned with proposals.
- 4.3 Unless otherwise expressly stated, all Proposals furnished pursuant to this RFP shall be deemed to be offers. Any exceptions to this statement must be clearly and specifically indicated.
- 4.4 Any additional conditions must be embodied in an accompanying letter. Subject only to clause 15 [Alterations made by the Respondent to Bid Prices] of the General Bid Conditions, paragraph 12 below (Legal Review) and Section 6 of the RFP, alterations, additions or deletions must not be made by the Respondent to the actual RFP documents.

5 JOINT VENTURES OR CONSORTIUMS

Respondents who would wish to respond to this RFP as a Joint Venture [**JV**] or consortium with B-BBEE entities, must state their intention to do so in their RFP submission. Such Respondents must also submit a signed JV or consortium agreement between the parties clearly stating the percentage [%] split of business and the associated responsibilities of each party. If at the time of the bid submission such a JV or consortium agreement has not been concluded, the partners must submit confirmation in writing of their intention to enter into a JV or consortium agreement should they be awarded business by Transnet through this RFP process. This written confirmation must clearly indicate the percentage [%] split of business and the responsibilities of each party. In such cases, award of business will only take place once a signed copy of a JV or consortium agreement is submitted to Transnet.

In the financial capacity evaluation of the JV or Consortium, wherein one member of the JV or consortium submits the set of audited financial statements this will be accepted for evaluation, however in the event that all the JV or consortium partners submits the set of audited financial statements, the average of all will be used in the evaluation.

6 COMMUNICATION

- 6.1 For specific queries relating to this RFP, an RFP Clarification Request Form should be submitted onto the system and to Zandile Mhlongo <u>TNPATenderenquiries1@transnet.net</u> before 16:00 on 18 January
 2024 substantially in the form set out in Section 8 hereto. In the interest of fairness and transparency, Transnet's response to such a query will be published on the e-tender portal and Transnet website.
- 6.2 After the closing date of the RFP, a Respondent may only communicate with Zandile Mhlongo, at email <u>TNPATenderenguiries1@transnet.net</u> on any matter relating to its RFP Proposal.
- 6.3 Respondents are to note that changes to its submission will not be considered after the closing date.
- 6.4 It is prohibited for Respondents to attempt, either directly or indirectly, to canvass any officer or employee of Transnet in respect of this RFP between the closing date and the date of the award of the business.
- 6.5 Respondents found to be in collusion with one another will be automatically disqualified and restricted from doing business with organs of state for a specified period.
- 6.6 Transnet will publish the outcome of this RFP in the National Treasury e-tender portal and Transnet website with 10 days after the award has been finalised. Respondents are required to check the National Treasury e-tender Portal and Transnet website for the results of the tender process. All unsuccessful bidders have a right to request Transnet to furnish individual reasons for their bid not being successful. This requested must be directed to the contact person stated in the SBD 1 form.

7 CONFIDENTIALITY

All information related to this RFP is to be treated with strict confidence. In this regard Respondents are required to certify that they have acquainted themselves with the Non-Disclosure Agreement. All information related to a subsequent contract, both during and after completion thereof, will be treated with strict confidence. Should the need however arise to divulge any information related to this RFP or the subsequent contract, written approval must be obtained from Transnet.

8 COMPLIANCE

The successful Respondent [hereinafter referred to as the **Service provider**] shall be in full and complete compliance with any and all applicable laws and regulations.

9 EMPLOYMENT EQUITY ACT

Respondents must comply with the requirements of the Employment Equity Act 55 of 1998 applicable to it including (but not limited to) Section 53 of the Employment Equity Act.

10 DISCLAIMERS

Respondents are hereby advised that Transnet is not committed to any course of action as a result of its issuance of this RFP and/or its receipt of Proposals. In particular, please note that Transnet reserves the right to:

- 10.1 modify the RFP's Goods/Services and request Respondents to re-bid on any such changes;
- 10.2 reject any Proposal which does not conform to instructions and specifications which are detailed herein;
- 10.3 disqualify Proposals submitted after the stated submission deadline [closing date];
- 10.4 award a contract in connection with this Proposal at any time after the RFP's closing date;
- 10.5 award a contract for only a portion of the proposed Goods/Services which are reflected in the scope of this RFP;
- 10.6 split the award of the contract between more than one Supplier/Service provider, should it at Transnet's discretion be more advantageous in terms of, amongst others, cost or developmental considerations;
- 10.7 cancel the bid process;
- 10.8 validate any information submitted by Respondents in response to this bid. This would include, but is not limited to, requesting the Respondents to provide supporting evidence. By submitting a bid, Respondents hereby irrevocably grant the necessary consent to Transnet to do so;
- 10.9 request audited financial statements or other documentation for the purposes of a due diligence exercise;
- 10.10 not accept any changes or purported changes by the Respondent to the bid rates after the closing date and/or after the award of the business, unless the contract specifically provided for it;
- 10.11 to cancel the contract and/request that National Treasury place the Respondent on its Database of Restricted Suppliers for a period not exceeding 10 years, on the basis that a contract was awarded on the strength of incorrect information furnished by the Respondent or on any other basis recognised in law;
- 10.12 to award the business to the next ranked bidder, provided that he/she is still prepared to provide the required Goods at the quoted price, should the preferred bidder fail to sign or commence with the contract within a reasonable period after being requested to do so. Under such circumstances, the validity of the bids of the next ranked bidder(s) will be deemed to remain valid, irrespective of whether the outcome of the tender has been published the outcome of the bid process on the National Treasury e-tender Portal and Transnet website. Bidders may therefore be requested to advise whether they would still be prepared to provide the required Goods at their quoted price.

Note that Transnet will not reimburse any Respondent for any preparatory costs or other work performed in connection with its Proposal, whether or not the Respondent is awarded a contract.

Respondent's Signature

11 LEGAL REVIEW

A Proposal submitted by a Respondent will be subjected to review and acceptance or rejection of its proposed contractual terms and conditions by Transnet's Legal Counsel, prior to consideration for an award of business. A material deviation from the Standard terms or conditions could result in disqualification.

12 SECURITY CLEARANCE

Acceptance of this bid could be subject to the condition that the Successful Respondent, its personnel providing the Goods/Services and its subcontractor(s) must obtain security clearance from the appropriate authorities to the level of **CONFIDENTIAL/ SECRET/TOP SECRET**. Obtaining the required clearance is the responsibility of the Successful Respondent. Acceptance of the bid is also subject to the condition that the Successful Respondent will implement all such security measures as the safe performance of the contract may require.

13 NATIONAL TREASURY'S CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE

Respondents are required to self-register on National Treasury's Central Supplier Database (CSD) which has been established to centrally administer supplier information for all organs of state and facilitate the verification of certain key supplier information. Respondents must register on the CSD prior to submitting their bids. Business may not be awarded to a Respondent who has failed to register on the CSD. Only foreign suppliers with no local registered entity need not register on the CSD.

For this purpose, the attached SBD 1 form must be completed and submitted as an essential document by the closing date and time of the bid.

14 TAX COMPLIANCE

Respondents must be compliant when submitting a proposal to Transnet and remain compliant for the entire contract term with all applicable tax legislation, including but not limited to the Income Tax Act, 1962 (Act No. 58 of 1962) and Value Added Tax Act, 1991 (Act No. 89 of 1991).

It is a condition of this bid that the tax matters of the successful Respondents be in order, or that satisfactory arrangements have been made with South African Revenue Service (SARS) to meet the Respondents tax obligations.

The Tax Compliance status requirements are also applicable to foreign Respondents/ individuals who wish to submit bids.

Where Consortia / Joint Ventures / Sub-contractors are involved, each party must be registered on the Central Supplier Database and their tax compliance status will be verified through the Central Supplier Database.



SECTION 3: BACKGROUND, OVERVIEW AND SCOPE OF REQUIREMENTS

1 BACKGROUND

The Transnet National Port Authority (TNPA) is, by statute, mandated with the management and control of South Africa's eight commercial ports in accordance with the provisions of the National Ports Act 12 of 2005 (the Act) to achieve the objectives of the National Commercial Ports Policy which envisages a globally competitive South African ports system. TNPA oversees how land is used inside ports and can lease property on terms that it may determine. Section 11 (4) of the Act obliges the Authority to be an operator of last resort and must do everything reasonably necessary for the effective and economic management, planning, control, and operation of ports. In cases where an existing Terminal Operator's license is cancelled or suspended by the Authority under subsection 60 (1) of the Act, the Authority may, if it considers that such cancellation or suspension would materially affect the movement of cargo or passengers in a port:

- a) provide the port service or operate the port facility;
- b) engage any employee of the licensed operator, or any 3rd party, to carry out the functions; and
- c) recover any expenses from the licensed operator concerned.

Therefore, to ensure continuity of Port Operations, TNPA requires a Panel of service providers that would serve as Operators of Last Resort to bridge the gap in case of Termination of an existing Terminal Operator's a license or end of contract. These entities would take possession and effective control of the operation terminals or facilities at TNPA ports by concluding an Agreement on appropriate terms and conditions. The Agreements shall be an interim measure, until such time that a new Terminal Operator is appointed in terms of Section 56 of the Act.

2 EXECUTIVE OVERVIEW

TNPA seeks to establish a panel of experienced and capacitated Terminal Operators to step in and take over the operation of Port Terminals when TNPA terminates a Terminal Operator Licence (TOL) and or Terminal Operator Agreement (TOA). Terminal Operators of last resort will be required at short notice to provide interim terminal operations until the appointment a terminal operator through Section 56. The panel will be established to service all eight (8) Port Terminals inclusive of Durban, Cape Town, Richards Bay, Ngqura, Saldanha Bay, Port Elizabeth, East London and Mossel Bay.

TNPA as the Operator of Last Resort is required to enable continuation of operations in the terminal so that vessels can be serviced to import and export cargo as required by the country. Expected outputs from the service provider would be to ensure the continued operation of the Terminal by using existing Terminal Infrastructure, and shipping lines that would benefit from efficient operations that allow them to move their goods to market quickly and at a lower cost. The Terminal Operators will be appointed to the panel for a three (3) year period for utilisation on an as-and-when required basis.

3 SCOPE OF REQUIREMENTS

TNPA seeks to establish a list of pre-approved service providers to be appointed on an Approved List ("Panel") that will participate as Operators of last resort for TNPA port terminals/facilities operations as and when required until new terminal operators are appointed through section 56 process.

The key deliverables of this project will contain the following:

- 3.1 The appointed Terminal Operators will provide "cargo handling services" in the operation and maintenance of these terminals for commodities such as containers liquid bulk, dry bulk and multi purpose etc.
- 3.2 TNPA will, based on a diagnostic of the problems and the peculiarities at a particular terminal prepare a revised and detailed scope and invite Terminal Operators on the panel to submit competitive bids in response thereto.
- 3.3 In operating and maintaining these terminals, the appointed Terminal Operator will engage in, inter alia the following activities:
 - a) the import/export, transit storage, handling, and distribution of cargo on to and off the vessel with appropriate terminal equipment; organisation of traffic flow, including safe and adequate parking of all terminal related traffic;
 - b) distribution of cargo to inland customers through rail or road; and
 - c) maintain terminal infrastructure and equipment.
- 3.4 The period of interim operation as the Operator of last resort will be specified and detailed in the RFP that will be issued to the panel at Phase 2 of this process. All Respondents who meet the technical criteria will be placed on the approved Panel of Terminal Operators.
- 3.5 The Port specification will be issued with the Request for Quotation/Proposal once the need arises.

4 GENERAL SERVICE PROVIDER OBLIGATIONS

- 4.1 The Service provider(s) shall be fully responsible to Transnet for the acts and omissions of persons directly or indirectly employed by them.
- 4.2 The Service provider(s) must comply with the requirements stated in this RFP.

5 EVALUATION METHODOLOGY

Transnet will utilise the following methodology and criteria in selecting Service provider to form part of the approved panel:

TES	STAGE 1:	STAGE 2	I STAGE 3 I		
Step 1	Step 2	Step 3		Step 4	
Administrative responsiveness	Substantive substantine substantine substantine substantine substantine substa	MINIMUM THRESHOLDS		Framing of the "Approved List" / Establishment of Panel	
Returnable documents/ schedules	 Pre-qualification Criteria: Valid COIDA Letter of Good Standing with Department of Employment and Labour. 	Functionality/ technical 70 points Minimum Threshold		J	

NB: Evaluation of the various stages will normally take place in a sequential manner. However, in order to expedite the process, Transnet reserves the right to conduct the different steps of the evaluation process in parallel. In such instances the evaluation of bidders at any given stage must not be interpreted to mean that bidders have necessarily passed any previous stage(s).

5.1 STEP ONE: Test for Administrative Responsiveness

The test for administrative responsiveness will include the following:

	Administrative responsiveness check	RFP Reference
•	Whether the Bid has been lodged on time	Section 1
•	Whether all Returnable Documents and/or schedules [where applicable] were completed and returned by the closing date and time	Section 5
•	Verify the validity of all returnable documents	Section 5
•	Verify if the Bid document has been duly signed by the authorised respondent	All sections

The test for administrative responsiveness [Step One] must be passed for a Respondent's Proposal to progress to Step Two for further pre-qualification

5.2 STEP TWO: Test for Substantive Responsiveness to RFP

The test for substantive responsiveness to this RFP will include the following:

	Check for substantive responsiveness	RFP Reference
•	Whether any general and legislation qualification criteria set by Transnet (All sections including: Section 2 paragraphs, 2.2, 10.2, General Bid Conditions clause 20), have been met	All sections including: Section 2 paragraphs, 2.2 and 10.2, General Bid Conditions clause 20
•	Whether the Bid materially complies with the scope and/or specification given	All Sections
•	Whether the Bidder has submitted a Valid COIDA Letter of Good Standing with Department of Employment and Labour	Section 5

The test for substantive responsiveness [Step Two] must be passed for a Respondent's proposal to progress to Step Three for further evaluation

5.3 STEP THREE: Technical Criteria

The technical evaluation will be conducted in out of 100 points. Bidders will be required to achieve a minimum threshold of **70 points** to proceed to step four.

The Technical Evaluation Criteria is attached hereto as **Annexure A**.

Respondents are to note that Transnet will round off final technical scores to the nearest 2 (two) decimal places for the purposes of determining whether the technical threshold has been met. Respondent's compliance with the minimum functionality/technical threshold will be measured by their responses to **Annexure A.**

Bidders are to note that on the second phase of this process, a detailed track record that covers volumes handled, productivity and maintenance of a terminal will be required in much detail.

The minimum threshold for technical/functionality [Step Three] must be met or exceeded for a Respondent's Proposal to progress to Step Four for final evaluation.

5.4 STEP FOUR: Framing of the "Approved List" Panel

- 5.4.1 Respondents who meet the technical criteria will be placed on a Panel of Terminal Operators. An overarching framework agreement will be concluded with these Terminal Operators, following the acceptance of a TNPA letter of appointment by the qualifying Respondents.
- 5.4.2 A Respondents' appointment to the Panel of Terminal Operators does not guarantee that the TNPA will make use of their services. As and when a need arises to make use of the services of the Panel of Terminal Operators, TNPA will issue a Request for Quotation/Proposal to Terminal Operators on the Panel to compete on evaluation based on Section 4, clause 2 as well as on price and Preference (B-BBEE) to ensure compliance to the requirements of the PPPFA.
- 5.4.3 Immediately after approval to award the contract has been received, the successful preferred bidders will be informed of the acceptance of his/their Bid by way of a Letter of Award. Thereafter the final contract will be concluded with the successful Respondent.
- 5.4.4 A Respondents' appointment to the Panel of Terminal Operators does not guarantee that the TNPA will make use of their services.

SECTION 4: PRICING AND DELIVERY SCHEDULE

1. PRICING AND DELIVERY SCHEDULE

The pricing schedule is not applicable at this stage.

2. DISCLOSURE OF CONTRACT INFORMATION

PRICES TENDERED

Respondents are to note that, on award of business, Transnet is required to publish the tendered prices of the successful and unsuccessful Respondents *inter alia* on the National Treasury e-Tender Publication Portal, (<u>www.etenders.gov.za</u>), as required per National Treasury Instruction Note 01 of 2015/2016.

JOHANNESBURG STOCK EXCHANGE DEBT LISTING REQUIREMENTS

Transnet may also be required to disclose information relating to the subsequent contract i.e. the name of the company, goods/services provided by the company, the value and duration of the contract, etc. in compliance with the Johannesburg Stock Exchange (JSE) Debt Listing Requirements.

DOMESTIC PROMINENT INFLUENTIAL PERSONS (DPIP) OR FOREIGN PROMINENT PUBLIC OFFICIALS (FPPO)

Transnet is free to procure the services of any person within or outside the Republic of South Africa in accordance with applicable legislation. Transnet shall not conduct or conclude business transactions, with any Respondents without having:

- Considered relevant governance protocols;
- Determined the DPIP or FPPO status of that counterparty; and
- Conducted a risk assessment and due diligence to assess the potential risks that may be posed by the business relationship.

As per the Transnet Domestic Prominent Influential Persons (DPIP) and Foreign Prominent Public Officials (FPPO) and Related Individuals Policy available on Transnet website https://www.transnet.net/search/pages/results.aspx?k=FPIDP#k=DPIP, Respondents are required to disclose any commercial relationship with a DPIP or FPPO (as defined in the Policy) by completing the following section:

The below form contains personal information as defined in the Protection of Personal Information Act, 2013 (the "Act"). By completing the form, the signatory consents to the processing of her/his personal information in accordance with the requirements of the Act. Consent cannot unreasonably be withheld.

Is the Respondent (Complete with a "Yes" or "No")							
A DPIP/FPPO		Closely Related to a DPIP/FPPO		Closely Associated to a DPIP/FPPO			

List a	List all known business interests, in which a DPIP/FPPO may have a direct/indirect interest								
or sig	or significant participation or involvement.								
No	Name	of	Role in	the	Shareholding	Registration	Status		
	Entity	1	Entity	/	%	Number	(Mark th	e applicable	
	Business	usiness Business					option with	an X)	
			(Nature	of			Active	Non-Active	
			interest/						
			Participation	ו)					
1									
2									
3									

Respondents declaring a commercial relationship with a DPIP or FPPO are to note that Transnet is required to annually publish on its website a list of all business contracts entered into with DPIP or FPPO. This list will include successful Respondents, if applicable.

3. "AS AND WHEN REQUIRED" CONTRACTS/UTILIZATION OF THE PANEL

- a. The Terminal Operators (service provider) in the panel will be engaged from time to time as and when the need for Terminal Operator(s) arises and TNPA reserves the right to procure a Service Provider if and in instances where the required technical capacity is not available from the approved Panel of Services Providers
- b. The Request for Quotation/Proposal will be issued to the applicable Terminal Operators on the Panel that had indicated preference to be appointed as Terminal Operator of Last Resort for a specific commodity(ies) and in a specific Port (s).
- c. The Terminal Operators in the panel will be required to meet all the evaluation criteria issued with Request for Quotations/Proposal (RFXs) and meet all bid requirements stipulated at the time.
- d. The Terminal Operators are to note that upon issuing of the Request for Quotations/Proposal (RFXs), a detailed track record that covers volumes handled, productivity and maintenance of a terminal will be required in detail.
- e. The awarded Terminal Operator will enter into a short-term Terminal Operator Agreement with TNPA for a specific port where the services are required and Operate for a specific period of time until the designated Terminal Operator is acquired.
- f. Transnet reserves the right to utilize the panel until the last day of the panel contract duration, to render service beyond the expiry date of the Panel contract duration under the same terms and conditions as agreed upon.
- g. The Respondent to note that the terminal operations runs on a 24hour basis and over the weekends including public holidays to ensure continuity of port services.
- During the panel term, Transnet National Ports Authority (TNPA) will periodically require all service providers appointed to the panel to submit updated company information and documentation (e.g., COIDA, B-BBEE, CIPC, CSD, SARS tax compliance pin etc.
- i. TNPA reserves the right to conduct a refresh of the panel on a periodic basis.

4. SERVICE LEVELS

- a. An experienced national account representative(s) is required to work with Transnet's procurement department. [No sales representatives are needed for individual department or locations]. Additionally, there shall be a minimal number of people, fully informed and accountable for this agreement.
- b. Transnet will have quarterly reviews with the Service provider's account representative on an on-going basis.
- c. Transnet reserves the right to request that any member of the Service provider's team involved on the Transnet account be replaced if deemed not to be adding value for Transnet.
- d. The Service provider guarantees that it will achieve a 95% [ninety-five per cent] service level on the following measures:
 - a) Random checks on compliance with quality/quantity/specifications
 - b) On-time delivery

If the Service provider does not achieve this level as an average over each quarter, Transnet will receive a 1.5% [one and a half per cent] rebate on quarterly sales payable in the next quarter

- e. The Service provider must provide a telephone number for customer service calls.
- f. Failure of the Service provider to comply with stated service level requirements will give Transnet the right to cancel the contract in whole, without penalty to Transnet, giving 30 [thirty] calendar days' notice to the Service provider of its intention to do so.

Acceptance of Service Levels:

	YES		NO	
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5. TOTAL COST OF OWNERSHIP AND CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT INITIATIVES

a. Respondents shall indicate whether they would be committed, for the duration of any contract which may be awarded through this RFP process, to participate with Transnet in its continuous improvement initiatives to reduce the total cost of ownership [TCO], which will reduce the overall cost of transportation Goods/Services and related logistics provided by Transnet's operating divisions within South Africa to the ultimate benefit of all end-users.

Accepted:



If "yes", please specify details in paragraph 4.2 below.

b. Respondents must briefly describe their commitment to TCO and continuous improvement initiatives and give examples of specific areas and strategies where cost reduction initiatives can be introduced. Specific areas and proposed potential savings percentages should be included. Additional information can be appended to the Respondent's Proposal if there is insufficient space available below.

6. RISK

Respondents must elaborate on the control measures put in place by their entity, which would mitigate the risk to Transnet pertaining to potential non-performance by the Respondent, in relation to:

a. Quality and specification of Services delivered:

b.	Continuity of service:		
C.	-	-	Ith and Safety Act, 85 of 1993:
d.			Safety Regulator Act, 16 of 2002:
GNED at _		on this	_ day of 20
GNATURE	OF WITNESSES		ADDRESS OF WITNESSES
ame			
ame			
			TATIVE:
	N:		

SECTION 5: PROPOSAL FORM AND LIST OF RETURNABLE DOCUMENTS

I/We										
[name	of	entity,	company,	close	corporation	or	partnership]	of	[full	address]
carrying	on busi	iness tradin	g/operating as	5						
represent	ted by_									
-	entione	reement. T	The following ould Transnet	list of p	persons are he	reby a	uments relating uthorised to ne Negotiations with SIGNATU	gotiate n highe	on beh	alf of the
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I/We hereby offer to supply/provide the abovementioned Goods/Services at the prices quoted in the schedule of prices in accordance with the terms set forth in the documents listed in the accompanying schedule of RFP documents.

I/We agree to be bound by those conditions in Transnet's:

- (i) Master Agreement (which may be subject to amendment at Transnet's discretion if applicable);
- (ii) General Bid Conditions; and
- (iii) any other standard or special conditions mentioned and/or embodied in this Request for Proposal.

I/We accept that unless Transnet should otherwise decide and so inform me/us in the letter of award, this Proposal [and, if any, its covering letter and any subsequent exchange of correspondence], together with Transnet's acceptance thereof shall constitute a binding contract between Transnet and me/us.

Should Transnet decide that a formal contract should be signed and so inform me/us in a letter of award [the **Letter of Award**], this Proposal [and, if any, its covering letter and any subsequent exchange of correspondence] together with Transnet's Letter of Award, shall constitute a binding contract between Transnet and me/us until the formal contract is signed.

I/We further agree that if, after I/we have been notified of the acceptance of my/our Proposal, I/we fail to enter into a formal contract if called upon to do so, or fail to commence the supply/provision of Goods/Services within 2 [two] weeks thereafter, Transnet may, without prejudice to any other legal remedy which it may have, recover from me/us any expense to which it may have been put in calling for Proposals afresh and/or having to accept any less favourable Proposal.

Furthermore, I/we agree to a penalty clause/s which will allow Transnet to invoke a penalty against us for noncompliance with material terms of this RFP including the delayed delivery of the Goods/Services due to nonperformance by ourselves, , etc.

I/we agree that non-compliance with any of the material terms of this RFP, including those mentioned above, will constitute a material breach of contract and provide Transnet with cause for cancellation.

ADDRESS FOR NOTICES

The law of the Republic of South Africa shall govern any contract created by the acceptance of this RFP. The *domicilium citandi et executandi* shall be a place in the Republic of South Africa to be specified by the Respondent hereunder, at which all legal documents may be served on the Respondent who shall agree to submit to the jurisdiction of the courts of the Republic of South Africa. Foreign Respondents shall, therefore, state hereunder the name of their authorised representative in the Republic of South Africa who has the power of attorney to sign any contract which may have to be entered into in the event of their Proposal being accepted and to act on their behalf in all matters relating to such contract.

Respondent to indicate the details of its *domicilium citandi et executandi* hereunder: Name of Entity:

Facsimile:		
Address: _	 	

NOTIFICATION OF AWARD OF RFP

As soon as possible after approval to award the contract(s), the successful Respondent [**Service provider**] will be informed of the acceptance of its Proposal. Transnet will also publish the outcome of the tender, including successful and unsuccessful bidders, in the National Treasury e-tender portal. Any unsuccessful bidder has a right to request reasons for the bid not to be successful and Transnet has a duty to provide those reasons on receipt of the request from the bidder.

VALIDITY PERIOD

Transnet requires a validity period of 180 Business Days [from closing date] against this RFP, excluding the first day and including the last day.

NAME(S) AND ADDRESS / ADDRESSES OF DIRECTOR(S) OR MEMBER(S)

The Respondent must disclose hereunder the full name(s) and address(s) of the director(s) or members of the company or close corporation [**C.C.**] on whose behalf the RFP is submitted.

- (i) Registration number of company / C.C.
 (ii) Registered name of company / C.C.
- (iii) Full name(s) of director/member(s) Address/Addresses

ID Number(s)

RETURNABLE DOCUMENTS

Returnable Documents means all the documents, Sections and Annexures, as listed in the tables below. There are three types of returnable documents as indicated below and Respondents are urged to ensure that these documents are returned with their bids based on the consequences of non-submission as indicated below:

Mandatory Returnable	Failure to provide all these Mandatory Returnable Documents at the
Documents	Closing Date and time of this RFP <u>will</u> result in a Respondent's
	disqualification.
Returnable Documents Used for	Failure to provide all Returnable Documents used for purposes of
Scoring	scoring a bid, by the closing date and time of this bid will not result
	in a Respondent's disqualification. However, Bidders will receive an
	automatic score of zero for the applicable evaluation criterion.
Essential Returnable Documents	Failure to provide essential Returnable Documents <u>will</u> result in
	Transnet affording Respondents a further opportunity to submit by
	a set deadline. Should a Respondent thereafter fail to submit the
	requested documents, this may result in a Respondent's
	disqualification.

All Returnable Sections, as indicated in the header and footer of the relevant pages, must be signed, stamped and dated by the Respondent.

a) Mandatory Returnable Documents

Respondents are required to submit with their bid submissions the following **Mandatory Returnable Documents**, and also to confirm submission of these documents by so indicating [Yes or No] in the tables below:

MANDATORY RETURNABLE DOCUMENTS	SUBMITTED [Yes/No]
Valid COIDA Letter of Good Standing with Department of Employment and Labour	

b) Returnable Documents Used for Scoring

In addition to the requirements of section (a) above, Respondents are further required to submit with their Proposals the following **Returnable Documents Used for Scoring** and also to confirm submission of these documents by so indicating [Yes or No] in the table below:

RETURNABLE DOCUMENTS USED FOR SCORING	SUBMITTED [Yes or No]
Bidders' response to technical evaluation criteria Annexure A .	

c) Essential Returnable Documents:

Over and the above the requirements of section (a) and (b) mentioned above, Respondents are further required to submit with their Proposals the following **Essential Returnable Documents** and also to confirm submission of these documents by so indicating [Yes or No] in the table below:

	SUBMITTED
ESSENTIAL RETURNABLE DOCUMENTS & SCHEDULES	[Yes or No]
In the case of Joint Ventures, a copy of the Joint Venture Agreement or written confirmation of the	
intention to enter into a Joint Venture Agreement	
SECTION 1: SBD1 Form	
SECTION 5: Proposal Form and List of Returnable documents	
SECTION 6: Certificate of Acquaintance with RFP, Terms & Conditions & Applicable Documents	
SECTION 7: RFP Declaration and Breach of Law Form	
SECTION 10: Protection of Personal Information	
SECTION 11: Port and Commodity Selection Form	
ANNEXURE B: Master Agreement	
ANNEXURE B1: Schedule of Requirements	
ANNEXURE C: Transnet General Bid Conditions	
ANNEXURE D: Supplier Integrity Pact	
ANNEXURE E: Non-Disclosure Agreement	
Valid B-BBEE certificate or Sworn- Affidavit as per DTIC guidelines	

CONTINUED VALIDITY OF RETURNABLE DOCUMENTS

The successful Respondent will be required to ensure the validity of all returnable documents, including but not limited to its valid proof of B-BBEE status, for the duration of any contract emanating from this RFP. Should the Respondent be awarded the contract [**the Agreement**] and fail to present Transnet with such renewals as and when they become due, Transnet shall be entitled, in addition to any other rights and remedies that it may have in terms of the eventual Agreement, to terminate such Agreement immediately without any liability and without prejudice to any claims which Transnet may have for damages against the Respondent.

SIGNED at	on this	_ day of	20
SIGNATURE OF WITNESSES		ADDRESS OF WITNESSES	
1			
Name			
2			
Name			
SIGNATURE OF RESPONDENT'S AUTHORIS	SED REPRESEN	TATIVE:	
NAME:			
DESIGNATION:			

SECTION 6: CERTIFICATE OF ACQUAINTANCE WITH RFP, MASTER AGREEMENT & APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS

By signing this certificate the Respondent is deemed to acknowledge that he/she has made himself/herself thoroughly familiar with, and agrees with all the conditions governing this RFP. This includes those terms and conditions contained in any printed form stated to form part hereof, including but not limited to the documents stated below. As such, Transnet SOC Ltd will recognise no claim for relief based on an allegation that the Respondent overlooked any such term or condition or failed properly to take it into account for the purpose of calculating tendered prices or any other purpose:

1	Transnet's General Bid Conditions
2	Master Agreement
3	Transnet's Supplier Integrity Pact
4	Non-Disclosure Agreement

Note:

Should a Respondent be successful and awarded the bid, they will be required to complete a Supplier Declaration Form for registration as a vendor onto the Transnet vendor master database.

Should the Bidder find any terms or conditions stipulated in any of the relevant documents quoted in the RFP unacceptable, it should indicate which conditions are unacceptable and offer alternatives by written submission on its company letterhead, attached to its submitted Bid. Any such submission shall be subject to review by Transnet's Legal Counsel who shall determine whether the proposed alternative(s) are acceptable or otherwise, as the case may be. A material deviation from any term or condition may result in disqualification.

Bidders accept that an obligation rests on them to clarify any uncertainties regarding any bid to which they intend to respond on, before submitting the bid. The Bidder agrees that he/she will have no claim or cause of action based on an allegation that any aspect of this RFP was unclear but in respect of which he/she failed to obtain clarity.

The bidder understands that his/her Bid will be disqualified if the Certificate of Acquaintance with RFP documents included in the RFP as a returnable document, is found not to be true and complete in every respect.

SIGNED at	on this	day of	20
SIGNATURE OF WITNESSES		ADDRESS OF WITNESSES	
1			
Name			
2			
Name			
SIGNATURE OF RESPONDENT'	S AUTHORISED REPRESENT	ATIVE:	
NAME:			
DESIGNATION:			

SECTION 7: RFP DECLARATION AND BREACH OF LAW FORM

NAME OF ENTITY:		

We_

_____ do hereby certify that:

- 1. Transnet has supplied and we have received appropriate responses to any/all questions [as applicable] which were submitted by ourselves for RFP Clarification purposes;
- 2. We have received all information we deemed necessary for the completion of this Request for Proposal [**RFP**];
- 3. We have been provided with sufficient access to the existing Transnet facilities/sites and any and all relevant information relevant to the Goods/Services as well as Transnet information and Employees, and have had sufficient time in which to conduct and perform a thorough due diligence of Transnet's operations and business requirements and assets used by Transnet. Transnet will therefore not consider or permit any pre- or post-contract verification or any related adjustment to pricing, service levels or any other provisions/conditions based on any incorrect assumptions made by the Respondent in arriving at his Bid Price.
- At no stage have we received additional information relating to the subject matter of this RFP from Transnet sources, other than information formally received from the designated Transnet contact(s) as nominated in the RFP documents;
- 5. We are satisfied, insofar as our entity is concerned, that the processes and procedures adopted by Transnet in issuing this RFP and the requirements requested from Bidders in responding to this RFP have been conducted in a fair and transparent manner;
- 6. We have complied with all obligations of the Bidder/Supplier as indicated in the Transnet Supplier Integrity which includes but are not limited to ensuring that we take all measures necessary to prevent corrupt practices, unfairness and illegal activities in order to secure or in furtherance to secure a contract with Transnet;
- 7. We declare that a family, business and/or social relationship exists / does not exist [delete as applicable] between an owner / member / director / partner / shareholder of our entity and an employee or board member of the Transnet Group including any person who may be involved in the evaluation and/or adjudication of this Bid;
- 8. We declare that an owner / member / director / partner / shareholder of our entity **is / is not** [delete as applicable] an employee or board member of Transnet;
- 9. In addition, we declare that an owner / member / director / partner / shareholder/employee of our entity has / has not been [delete as applicable] a former employee or board member of Transnet in the past 10 years. I further declare that if they were a former employee or board member of Transnet in the past 10 years that they were/were not involved in the bid preparation or had access to the information related to this RFP; and
- 10. If such a relationship as indicated in paragraph 7, 8 and/or 9 exists, the Respondent is to complete the following section:

Respondent's Signature

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FULL NAME OF OWNER/MEMBER/DIRECTOR/ PARTNER/SHAREHOLDER/EMPLOYEE:

ADDRESS:

Indicate nature of relationship with Transnet:

[Failure to furnish complete and accurate information in this regard will lead to the disqualification of a response and may preclude a Respondent from doing future business with Transnet. Information provided in the declarations may be used by Transnet and/or its affiliates to verify the correctness of the information provided]

11. We declare, to the extent that we are aware or become aware of any relationship between ourselves and Transnet [other than any existing and appropriate business relationship with Transnet] which could unfairly advantage our entity in the forthcoming adjudication process, we shall notify Transnet immediately in writing of such circumstances.

BIDDER'S DISCLOSURE (SBD4)

12 PURPOSE OF THE FORM

- 12.1 Any person (natural or juristic) may make an offer or offers in terms of this invitation to bid. In line with the principles of transparency, accountability, impartiality, and ethics as enshrined in the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa and further expressed in various pieces of legislation, it is required for the bidder to make this declaration in respect of the details required hereunder.
- 12.2 Where a person/s are listed in the Register for Tender Defaulters and / or the List of Restricted Suppliers, that person will automatically be disqualified from the bid process.

13 Bidder's declaration

13.1 Is the bidder, or any of its directors / trustees / shareholders / members / partners or any person having a controlling interest¹ in the enterprise, employed by the state?

YES/NO

13.1.1. If so, furnish particulars of the names, individual identity numbers, and, if applicable, state employee numbers of sole proprietor/ directors / trustees / shareholders / members/ partners or any person having a controlling interest in the enterprise, in table below.

Full Name	Identity Number	Name of State institution		

¹ the power, by one person or a group of persons holding the majority of the equity of an enterprise, alternatively, the person/s having the deciding vote or power to influence or to direct the course and decisions of the enterprise.

- 13.2 Do you, or any person connected with the bidder, have a relationship with any person who is employed by the procuring institution?
- 13.2.1. If so, furnish particulars:

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13.3 Does the bidder or any of its directors / trustees / shareholders / members / partners or any person having a controlling interest in the enterprise have any interest in any other related enterprise whether or not they are bidding for this contract?

YES/NO

YES/NO

13.3.1. If so, furnish particulars:

.....

14 DECLARATION

I, the undersigned, (name)..... in submitting the accompanying bid, do hereby make the following statements that I certify to be true and complete in every respect:

- 14.1 I have read and I understand the contents of this disclosure;
- 14.2 I understand that the accompanying bid will be disqualified if this disclosure is found not to be true and complete in every respect;
- 14.3 The bidder 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 consortium² will not be construed as collusive bidding.
- 14.4 In addition, there have been no consultations, communications, agreements or arrangements with any competitor regarding the quality, quantity, specifications, prices, including methods, factors or formulas used to calculate prices, market allocation, the intention or decision to submit or not to submit the bid, bidding with the intention not to win the bid and conditions or delivery particulars of the products or services to which this bid invitation relates.

² 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.

- 14.5 The terms of the accompanying bid have not been, and will not be, disclosed by the bidder, directly or indirectly, to any competitor, prior to the date and time of the official bid opening or of the awarding of the contract.
- 14.6 There have been no consultations, communications, agreements or arrangements made by the bidder with any official of the procuring institution in relation to this procurement process prior to and during the bidding process except to provide clarification on the bid submitted where so required by the institution; and the bidder was not involved in the drafting of the specifications or terms of reference for this bid.
- 14.7 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.

I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION FURNISHED IN PARAGRAPHS 12, 13 and 14 ABOVE IS CORRECT.

I ACCEPT THAT THE STATE MAY REJECT THE BID OR ACT AGAINST ME IN TERMS OF PARAGRAPH 6 OF PFMA SCM INSTRUCTION 03 OF 2021/22 ON PREVENTING AND COMBATING ABUSE IN THE SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT SYSTEM SHOULD THIS DECLARATION PROVE TO BE FALSE.

BREACH OF LAW

We further hereby certify that *I/we* (the bidding entity and/or any of its directors, members or partners) *have/have not been* [delete as applicable] found guilty during the preceding 5 [five] years of a serious breach of law, including but not limited to a breach of the Competition Act, 89 of 1998, by a court of law, tribunal or other administrative body. The type of breach that the Respondent is required to disclose excludes relatively minor offences or misdemeanours, e.g. traffic offences. This includes the imposition of an administrative fine or penalty. Where found guilty of such a serious breach, please disclose:

NATURE OF BREACH:

DATE OF BREACH:_____

Furthermore, I/we acknowledge that Transnet SOC Ltd reserves the right to exclude any Respondent from the bidding process, should that person or entity have been found guilty of a serious breach of law, tribunal or regulatory obligation.

SIGNED at	on this day of 20
For and on behalf of	AS WITNESS:
duly authorised hereto	
Name:	Name:
Position:	Position:

Signature:

Registration No of Company/CC

Registration Name of Company/CC

Signature:

Date:

Place:

SECTION 8: RFP CLARIFICATION REQUEST FORM

RFP No: TNPA/2023/11/0015/49564/RFP
RFP deadline for questions / RFP Clarifications: Before 16:00 on 18 January 2024

TO:	Transnet SOC Ltd
ATTENTION:	Zandile Mhlongo
EMAIL	TNPATenderenquiries1@transnet.net
DATE:	
FROM:	

RFP Clarification No [to be inserted by Transnet]

REQUEST FOR RFP CLARIFICATION

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Respondent's Signature

SECTION 9: PROTECTION OF PERSONAL INFORMATION

1. The following terms shall bear the same meaning as contemplated in Section 1 of the Protection of Person information act, No.4 of 2013.("POPIA"):

consent; data subject; electronic communication; information officer; operator; person; personal information; processing; record; Regulator; responsible party; special information; as well as any terms derived from these terms.

2. Transnet will process all information by the Respondent in terms of the requirements contemplated in Section 4(1) of the POPIA:

Accountability; Processing limitation; Purpose specification; Further processing limitation; Information quality; Openness; Security safeguards and Data subject participation.

- 3. The Parties acknowledge and agree that, in relation to personal information that will be processed pursuant to this RFP, the Responsible party is "Transnet" and the Data subject is the "Respondent". Transnet will process personal information only with the knowledge and authorisation of the Respondent and will treat personal information which comes to its knowledge as confidential and will not disclose it, unless so required by law or subject to the exceptions contained in the POPIA.
- 4. Transnet reserves all the rights afforded to it by the POPIA in the processing of any of its information as contained in this RFP and the Respondent is required to comply with all prescripts as detailed in the POPIA relating to all information concerning Transnet.
- 5. In responding to this bid, Transnet acknowledges that it will obtain and have access to personal information of the Respondent. Transnet agrees that it shall only process the information disclosed by Respondent in their response to this bid for the purpose of evaluating and subsequent award of business and in accordance with any applicable law.
- 6. Transnet further agrees that in submitting any information or documentation requested in this RFP, the Respondent is consenting to the further processing of their personal information for the purpose of, but not limited to, risk assessment, assurances, contract award, contract management, auditing, legal opinions/litigations, investigations (if applicable), document storage for the legislatively required period, destruction, de-identification and publishing of personal information by Transnet and/or its authorised appointed third parties.
- 7. Furthermore, Transnet will not otherwise modify, amend or alter any personal data submitted by the Respondent or disclose or permit the disclosure of any personal data to any third party without the prior written consent from the Respondent. Similarly, Transnet requires the Respondent to process any personal information disclosed by Transnet in the bidding process in the same manner.
- 8. Transnet shall, at all times, ensure compliance with any applicable laws put in place and maintain sufficient measures, policies and systems to manage and secure against all forms of risks to any information that may be shared or accessed pursuant to this RFP (physically, through a computer or any other form of electronic communication).
- 9. Transnet shall notify the Respondent in writing of any unauthorised access to information, cybercrimes or suspected cybercrimes, in its knowledge and report such crimes or suspected crimes to the relevant authorities in accordance with applicable laws, after becoming aware of such crimes or suspected crime. The Respondent must

take all necessary remedial steps to mitigate the extent of the loss or compromise of personal information and to restore the integrity of the affected personal information as quickly as is possible.

- 10. The Respondent may, in writing, request Transnet to confirm and/or make available any personal information in its possession in relation to the Respondent and if such personal information has been accessed by third parties and the identity thereof in terms of the POPIA. The Respondent may further request that Transnet correct (excluding critical/mandatory or evaluation information), delete, destroy, withdraw consent or object to the processing of any personal information relating to the Respondent in Transnet's possession in terms of the popIA and utilizing Form 2 of the POPIA Regulations.
- 11. In submitting any information or documentation requested in this RFP, the Respondent is hereby consenting to the processing of their personal information for the purpose of this RFP and further confirming that they are aware of their rights in terms of Section 5 of POPIA.

Respondents are required to provide consent below:

YES		NO	

- 12. Further, the Respondent declares that they have obtained all consents pertaining her data subject's personal information included in its submission and thereby indemnifying Transnet against any civil or criminal action, administrative fines or other penalty or loss that may arise as a result of the processing of any personal information that the Respondent submitted.
- 13. The Respondent declares that the personal information submitted for the purpose of this RFP is complete, accurate, not misleading, is up to date and may be updated where applicable.

Signature of Respondent's authorised representative:

Should a Respondent have any complaints or objections to processing of its personal information, by Transnet, the Respondent can submit a complaint to the Information Regulator on <u>https://www.justice.gov.za/inforeg/</u>, click on contact us, click on complaints.IR@justice.gov.za.

SECTION 10: PORT AND COMMODITY SELECTION FORM

Note: Respondents **must** indicate below, the commodity speciality/ies and the port/s they wish to be allocated to (by indicating "X" in the appropriate field in the table below). Bidders will be invited for subsequent Request for Quotations/Request for Proposals based on the respective selections as and when the need arises. The greyed-out areas reflect the services that are not applicable to that Port.

PORT TERMINALS	COMMODITIES					
	CONTAINERS	LIQUID BULK	BREAK BULK	DRY BULK	MULTI – PURPOSE	AUTOMOTIVE
RICHARDS BAY						
DURBAN						
EAST LONDON						
NGQURA						
PORT ELIZABETH						
CAPE TOWN						
SALDANHA BAY						
MOSSEL BAY						