



**STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT**

**between**

**TRANSNET SOC LTD**

Registration Number 1990/000900/30

**And**

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Registration Number .....

**FOR THE PROVISION OF PROFESSIONAL LABORATORY TESTING OF CIVIL MATERIALS  
ON THE CENTRAL LINE CORRIDOR (CAPE TOWN) FOR TRANSNET FREIGHT RAIL, FOR A  
PERIOD OF TWENTY (20) DAYS.**

**CONTRACT NUMBER           WRAC-BLQ-45964**

**DURATION                   .....**

**COMMENCEMENT DATE       .....**

**EXPIRY DATE               .....**

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## **1 SOLE AGREEMENT**

Unless otherwise agreed in writing, these terms and Transnet's purchase order represent the only conditions upon which Transnet SOC Ltd [**Transnet**] procures Services [**provision of professional services of laboratory testing of civil materials on the central line corridor (Cape Town)**] specified in the Order from the person to whom the Order is addressed [**the Service Provider**]. Transnet does not accept any other conditions which the Service Provider may specify, unless otherwise agreed to by Transnet in writing. In the event of any inconsistency between these Terms and any Order, these Terms shall take precedence.

## **2 CONFORMITY WITH ORDER**

Services shall conform strictly with the Order. The Service Provider shall not vary the quantities specified and/or the specification, if any, stipulated in the Order, without the prior written consent of Transnet. The Service Provider warrants that the Services shall be fit for their purpose and of satisfactory quality.

## **3 DELIVERY AND TITLE**

3.1 The delivery dates and addresses are those in the Order. Time shall be of the essence in respect of the Service Provider's obligations under the Order.

3.2 The Service Provider will not be excused for delay in delivery or performance except due to circumstances outside its control and then only subject to the Service Provider having notified Transnet in writing on becoming aware of such circumstances. Transnet may terminate an Order, in whole or in part, without incurring any liability to the Service Provider if such a delay becomes, in Transnet's absolute opinion, significant.

3.3 If on delivery, the services do not conform to the Order, Transnet may reject the Services and the Service Provider shall promptly rectify any defects or in Transnet's opinion, supply appropriate replacement Services at the Service Provider's expense within the specified delivery times, without any liability due by Transnet.

## **4 PRICE AND PAYMENT**

4.1 Prices specified in an Order cannot be increased. Payment for the Services shall be made by Transnet against an original undisputed invoice(s) [a Tax Invoice], supporting documentation and month-end statement from the Service Provider. Tax Invoices plus supporting documentation shall be posted to the address shown in the Order.

4.2 Payment of the Service Provider's valid Tax Invoice(s) will be made by Transnet in the South African currency and on the terms stated in the Order, the standard payment terms being 30 [thirty] days from date of receipt by Transnet of a month-end statement, unless otherwise agreed to in writing. Transnet shall arrange for payment of such Tax Invoices and any pre-authorised additional expenses incurred, provided that the authorised expenses are supported by acceptable documentary proof of expenditure incurred [where

this is available]. Any amounts due in terms of these Terms shall be paid to the Service Provider, taking into account any deduction or set-off and bank charges.

## **5 NON-COMPLIANCE PENALTIES FOR SUBCONTRACTING**

- a) Breach of subcontracting obligations provides Transnet cause to terminate the contract in certain cases where there is a material Non-compliance.
- b) If the Service Provider fails to achieve its subcontracting commitments as per their bid submission ("a **Non-Compliance**"), the Service Provider shall pay a Non-Compliance penalty ("Non-compliance Penalty") to Transnet in respect of such Non-compliance.
- c) Such penalty shall be calculated based on the difference in value between the committed and delivered subcontracting value (i.e. 100% of the undelivered subcontracting value) plus an additional 10% (ten per cent) of such difference.

### **Non-compliance Penalty Certificate:**

- d) If any Non-compliance Penalty arises, the Supplier Development Manager shall issue a Non-compliance Penalty Certificate 90 business days before the expiry of the contract indicating the Non-compliance Penalties which have accrued during that period.
- e) A Non-compliance Penalty Certificate shall be prima facie proof of the matters to which it relates. If the Service Provider disputes any of the amounts set out in a Non-compliance Penalty Certificate:
  - the dispute shall be resolved in accordance with the provisions of the Agreement; and
  - if pursuant to that referral, it is determined that the Service Provider owes any amount to Transnet pursuant to the Non-compliance Penalty Certificate, then the Service Provider shall pay such amount to Transnet within 10 (ten) Business Days of the determination made pursuant to such determination and an accompanying valid Tax Invoice.

### **Payment of Non-compliance Penalties:**

- f) Subject to Clause (e) above, the Service Provider shall pay the Non-compliance Penalty indicated in the Non-compliance Penalty Certificate within 10 (ten) Business Days of Transnet issuing a valid Tax Invoice to the Supplier/Service Provider for the amount set out in that certificate. If Transnet does not issue a valid Tax Invoice to the Service Provider for Non-compliance Penalties accrued during any relevant period, those Non-compliance Penalties shall be carried forward to the next period.
- g) The Service Provider shall pay the amount due within 10 (ten) days after receipt of a valid Tax Invoice from Transnet, failing which Transnet shall, without prejudice to any other rights of Transnet under this Agreement, be entitled to call for payment which may be in any form Transnet deems reasonable and/or appropriate.
- h) Should the Service Provider fail to pay any Non Compliance Penalties within the time indicated above (as applicable), Transnet shall be entitled to deduct (set off) the amount

not paid by the Service Provider from the account of the Service Provider in the ensuing month.

- i) The Non Compliance Penalties set forth in this Clause are stated exclusive of VAT. Any VAT payable on Non Compliance Penalties will be for the account of the Service Provider.

## **6 PROPRIETARY RIGHTS LIABILITY**

If any allegations should be made or any claim asserted against Transnet that ownership of, or any act or omission by Transnet in relation to Services or any written material provided to Transnet relating to any Services or pursuant to an Order being a violation or infringement of any third party's contractual, industrial, commercial or intellectual property rights including but not limited to any patent, registered design, design right, trade mark, copyright or service mark on any application thereof, the Service Provider hereby indemnifies Transnet against and hold it harmless from any and all losses, liabilities, costs, claims, damages and expenses [including any legal fees] arising directly or indirectly from such allegation or claim provided that this indemnity shall not apply where the allegation or claim arises solely as a result of the Service Provider following a design or process originated and furnished by Transnet. The Service Provider shall either

- a) procure for Transnet the right to continue using the infringing Services; or
- b) modify or replace the services so that they become non-infringing,

provided that in both cases the services shall continue to meet Transnet's requirements and any specifications stipulated in the Order. Should neither option be possible, the Service Provider may remove, with Transnet's prior written consent, such Goods/services and will pay to Transnet a sum equivalent to the purchase price. If Transnet refuses to give such consent, the Service Provider shall have no liability in respect of any continued use of the infringing services after Service Provider's prior written request to remove the same.

## **7 PROPRIETARY INFORMATION**

All information which Transnet has divulged or may divulge to the Service Provider and any information relating to Transnet's business which may have come into the Service Provider's possession whilst carrying out an Order, and the existence of the Order, shall be treated by the Service Provider as confidential information and shall not, without Transnet's prior written consent, be disclosed to any third party, or be used or copied for any purposes other than to perform the Order. This clause does not apply to information which is public knowledge or available from other sources other than by breach of this Term. Upon request by Transnet, the Service Provider shall return all materials issued pursuant to the Order and, pending this, shall protect Transnet's rights in any such materials. Such confidential information shall at all material times be the property of Transnet.

## **8 PROTECTION OF PERSONAL INFORMATION**

a) The following terms shall bear the same meaning as contemplated in Section 1 of the Protection of Personal Information Act 4 of 2013 ("POPIA"):

consent; person; personal information; processing; record; Regulator as well as any terms derived from these terms of the POPIA

b) 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.

c) Transnet agrees that in submitting any information or documentation requested in the RFP and in this Agreement, the Service Provider consents to the processing of their personal information for the purpose of, but not limited to, risk assessment, contract award, contract management, auditing, legal opinions/litigation, 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.

d) The Parties agree that they may obtain and have access to personal information for the fulfilment of the rights and obligations contained herein. In performing the obligations as set out in this Agreement, the Parties shall at all times ensure that:

- i. they process personal information only for the express purpose for which it was obtained;
- ii. once processed for the purposes for which it was obtained, all personal information will be destroyed to an extent that it cannot be reconstructed to its original form, subject to any legal retention requirements;
- iii. Personal information is provided only to authorised personnel who strictly require the personal information to carry out the Parties' respective obligations under this Agreement;
- iv. they do not disclose personal information of the other Party, other than in terms of this Agreement;
- v. they have all reasonable technical and organisational measures in place to protect all personal information from unauthorised access and/or use;
- vi. they have appropriate technical and organisational measures in place to safeguard the security, integrity and authenticity of all information in their possession or under their control in terms of this Agreement;
- vii. they identify all reasonably foreseeable internal and external risks to personal information in their possession or under their control; establish and maintain appropriate safeguards against the risks identified; regularly verify that the safeguards

are effectively implemented; and ensure that the safeguards are continually updated in response to new risks or deficiencies in previously implemented safeguards;

- viii. such personal information is protected against unauthorised or unlawful processing, accidental loss, destruction or damage, alteration, disclosure or access.
- 9.1. The Parties agree that if personal information will be processed for additional purposes beyond the original purpose for which it was obtained, explicit consent must be obtained beforehand from those persons whose information will be subject to such processing.
  - 9.2. Should it be necessary for either Party to disclose or otherwise make available the personal information to any third party (including sub-contractors and employees) that is not already consented to, it may do so only with the prior written consent of the other Party. The Party requiring such consent shall require of all such third parties, appropriate written undertakings to be provided, containing similar terms to that set forth in this clause, and dealing with that third party's obligations in respect of its processing of the personal information. Following approval by the other Party, the Party requiring consent agrees that the provisions of this clause shall mutatis mutandis apply to all authorised third parties who process personal information.
  - 9.3. The Parties shall ensure that any persons authorized to process information on their behalf (including employees and third parties) will safeguard the security, integrity and authenticity of all information. Where necessary to meet this requirement, the Parties shall keep all personal information and any analyses, profiles, or documents derived therefrom logically separated from all other information and documentation held by it.
  - 9.4. The Parties shall carry out regular assessments to identify all reasonably foreseeable internal and external risks to the personal information in its possession or under its control. The Parties shall implement and maintain appropriate safeguards against the risks which it identifies and shall also regularly verify that the safeguards which it has in place have been effectively implemented.
  - 9.5. The Parties agree that they will promptly return, destroy or de-identify any personal information in their possession or control which belongs to the other Party once it no longer serves the purpose for which it was collected in relation to this Agreement, subject to any legal retention requirements. This may be at the request of the other Party and includes circumstances where a person has requested the Parties to delete all instances of their personal information. The information will be destroyed or de-identified in such a manner that it cannot be reconstructed to its original form, linking it to any particular individual or organisation.
  - 9.6. Personal Information security breach:
    - a) Each Party shall notify the other party in writing as soon as possible after it becomes aware of or suspects any loss, unauthorised access or unlawful use of any personal information and shall, at its own cost, 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. The Parties shall also be required to provide each other with details of the persons affected by the compromise and the nature and extent of the compromise, including details of the identity of the unauthorised person who may have accessed or acquired the personal information.

- b) The Parties shall provide on-going updates on the progress in resolving the compromise at reasonable intervals until such time as the compromise is resolved.
- c) Where required, the Parties must notify the South African Police Service; and/or the State Security Agency and the Information Regulator and the affected persons of the security breach. Any such notification shall always include sufficient information to allow the persons to take protective measures against the potential consequences of the compromise.
- d) The Parties undertake to co-operate in any investigations relating to security which is carried out by or on behalf of the other including providing any information or material in its possession or control and implementing new security measures.

## **9 PUBLICITY**

The Service Provider shall not name Transnet or use its trademarks, service marks [whether registered or not] or Goods in connection with any publicity without Transnet's prior written consent.

## **10 NON CONFORMANCE OF SERVICES PROCURED**

- 10.1 In the case of services manufactured for and procured by Transnet from the Service Provider in terms of this Agreement, being found not to conform to the Transnet standards, specifications and requirements, Transnet at any time may be entitled to raise a Non Conformance Report (NCR) against a Service Provider whose Services do not conform to Transnet standards, specifications and requirements directing the Service Provider to investigate and remedy the non-conformance within the stipulated time frame as may be determined by Transnet at its discretion.
- 10.2 Failure by the Service Provider to fully comply with NCR within the period stated in sub-clause 13.1 above, shall entitle Transnet to further conditions to which the Service Provider must discharge in order to close the NCR or to terminate the order without giving the Service Provider written notice of termination in terms of this Agreement.

## **11 TERMINATION OF ORDER**

- 11.1 Notwithstanding the date of signature hereof, the commencement date of this Order is **Once-Off**, unless:
  - this Order is terminated by either Party in accordance with the provisions incorporated herein or in any schedules or annexures appended hereto, or otherwise in accordance with law or equity; or



- this Order is extended at Transnet's option for a further period to be agreed by the Parties; or
  - the allocated maximum contract value is depleted before the contract expiry date.
- 11.2 Transnet may cancel this Order in whole or in part at any time upon at least 30 [thirty] days' written notice to the Service Provider, or when there is a change in control of the Service Provider or the Service Provider commits any serious breach or any repeated or continued material breach of its obligations under these Terms and/or Order or shall have been guilty of conduct tending to bring itself into disrepute, on written notice to the Service Provider when such work on the Order shall stop.
- 11.3 Transnet shall pay the Service Provider a fair and reasonable price for justified work in progress, where such price reflects only those costs not otherwise recoverable by the Service Provider, at the time of termination, and the Service Provider shall give Transnet full assistance to check the extent of such work in progress. Payment of such price shall be in full and final satisfaction of any claims arising out of such termination and upon such payment the Service Provider shall deliver to Transnet all work, including any materials, completed or in progress. The sum payable to the Service Provider under this clause will not in any event exceed the total amount that would have been payable to the Service Provider had the Order not been terminated.
- 11.4 In the event of termination the Service Provider must submit all claims within 2 [two] months of termination after which time claims will only be met in what Transnet considers exceptional circumstances.
- 11.5 If the services are not provided in accordance with an Order, the Order shall be deemed terminated and the Service Provider shall compensate Transnet for any costs incurred in obtaining substitute services or any damage caused due to the failure or delay in the delivery.
- 11.6 Both parties to this agreement reserve the right to terminate this agreement:
- 13.6.1. If the other commits a material breach of this contracts and fails to remedy such breach within a stipulated time frame or within a reasonable time;
  - 13.6.2. There is non-performance from either of the parties; or
  - 13.6.3. If the other party is unable to perform its obligations under this agreement.

## **12 ACCESS**

The Service Provider shall be liable for the acts, omissions and defaults of its personnel or agents who, for the purposes of the Order, shall be treated as if they are the Service Provider's employees. The Service Provider shall ensure that any such personnel or agents, whilst on Transnet's premises, shall comply with Transnet's health and safety, security and system security rules and procedures as and where required.

### **13 WARRANTY**

The Service Provider warrants that it is competent to supply the services in accordance with these Terms to the reasonable satisfaction of Transnet and that all services delivered under the Order: (a) conform and comply in all relevant legislation, standards, directives and orders related to *[inter alia]* the services in force at the time of delivery, and to any specifications referred to in the Order; (b) will not cause any deterioration in the functionality of any Transnet equipment; and (c) do not infringe any third party rights of any kind. The Service Provider hereby indemnifies Transnet against all losses, liabilities, costs, claims, damages, expenses and awards of any kinds incurred or made against Transnet in connection with any breach of this warranty.

### **14 INSOLVENCY**

If the Service Provider shall have a receiver, manager, administrator, liquidator or like person appointed over all or any part of its assets or if the Service Provider compounds with its creditors or passes a resolution for the writing up or administration of the Service Provider, Transnet is at liberty to terminate the Order or Orders forthwith, or at its option, to seek performance by any such appointed person.

### **15 SUBCONTRACTING**

- 15.1 The Service Provider may only enter into a subcontracting arrangement with the approval of Transnet. If the Supplier subcontracts a portion of the contract to another person without declaring it to Transnet, Transnet must penalise the Supplier up to 10% of the value of the contract.
- 15.2 Should Transnet approve the Service Provider's subcontracting arrangement, the Service Provider and not the sub-contractor will at all times be held liable for performance in terms of its contractual obligations.
- 15.3 The Service Provider may not subcontract in such a manner that the local production and content of the overall value of the contract is reduced to below the stipulated minimum threshold.
- 15.4 The Service Provider may not subcontract more than 25% of the value of the contract to any other enterprise that does not have an equal or higher B-BBEE status level of contributor than the Supplier, unless the contract is subcontracted to an Exempted Micro Enterprise (EME) that has the capability and ability to execute the subcontract.

### **16 PAYMENT TO SUB-CONTRACTORS**

- 16.1 Transnet reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to make payment directly to the sub-contractor of the Service Provider, subject to the following conditions:
  - a) Receipt of an undisputed invoice from the sub-contractor; and
  - b) Receipt of written confirmation from the Service Provider that the amounts claimed by the sub-contractor are correct and that the services for which the sub-

contractor has requested payment were rendered to the satisfaction of the Service Provider, against the required standards.

- 16.2 Nothing contained in this clause must be interpreted as bestowing on any sub-contractor a right or legitimate expectation to be paid directly by Transnet. Furthermore, this clause does not bestow any right or legitimate expectation on the Service provider to demand that Transnet pay its sub-contractor directly. The decision to pay any sub-contractor directly, remains that of Transnet alone.
- 16.3 The Service Provider remains liable for its contractual obligations under the Agreement, including all services rendered by the sub-contractor.
- 16.4 This clause does not establish any contractual relationship between Transnet and any sub-contractor of the Service Provider, whatsoever.

## **17 CESSIONS AND ASSIGNMENTS AS PER NT INSTRUCTION NOTE 08 OF 2022/2023**

- 17.1 The Service Provider is not allowed to cede its rights for payment in terms of this Agreement without prior written approval from Transnet. Cession shall only be applicable as follows:
- a) Cession must only be applicable to the transfer of right to payment for services rendered by a Service Provider to an FSP or State Institutions;
  - b) The written request for cession must be by the Service Provider and not a third party; and
  - c) The written request by the Service Provider must be accompanied by the cession agreement.
- 17.2 The Service Provider is prohibited from transferring its rights and obligations to perform under this contract. Assignments are against the principles of section 217 of the Constitution mainly, fairness, transparency and competitiveness.

## **18 SUPPLIER INTEGRITY PACT**

The Service Provider shall observe and ensure compliance with all requirements and objectives of the Transnet Supplier Integrity Pact as agreed to in response to the RFQ. The general purpose of the Supplier Integrity Pact is to agree to avoid all forms of dishonesty, fraud and corruption by following a system that is fair, transparent and free from any undue influence prior to, during and subsequent to the currency of the procurement event leading to this Agreement and this Agreement itself.

## **19 DATABASE OF RESTRICTED SUPPLIERS**

The process of restriction is used to exclude a company/person from conducting future business with Transnet and other organs of state for a specified period. No Bid shall be awarded to a Bidder whose name (or any of its members, directors, partners or trustees) appear on the Register of Tender Defaulters kept by National Treasury, or who have been placed on National Treasury's List of Restricted Suppliers. Transnet reserves the right to withdraw an award, or

cancel a contract concluded with a Bidder should it be established, at any time, that a bidder has been restricted with National Treasury by another government institution.

## **20 NOTICES**

Notices under these Terms shall be delivered by hand to the relevant addresses of the parties in the Order or may be served by facsimile or by email, in which event notice shall be deemed served on acknowledgement of receipt by the recipient.

## **21 LAW**

Orders shall be governed by and interpreted in accordance with South African law and any disputes arising herein shall be subject to South African arbitration under the rules of the Arbitration Foundation of South Africa, which rules are deemed incorporated by reference in this clause. The reference to arbitration shall not prevent Transnet referring the matter to any South African courts, having jurisdiction, to which the Service Provider hereby irrevocably submits but without prejudice to Transnet's right to take proceedings against the Service Provider in other jurisdictions and/or obtaining interim relief on an urgent basis from a court of competent jurisdiction pending the decision in other courts or from instituting in any court of competent jurisdiction any proceedings for an interdict or any other injunctive relief. If the Service Provider does not have a registered office in the South Africa it will at all times maintain an agent for service of process in South Africa and shall give Transnet the name and address of such agent as such may be amended, in writing, from time to time.

## **22 GENERAL**

Completion or termination of an Order shall be without prejudice to any Term herein which by its nature would be deemed to continue after completion or termination, including but not limited to clauses 5, 6, 7, 8 and 10. Headings are included herein for convenience only. If any Term herein be held illegal or unenforceable, the validity or enforceability of the remaining Terms shall not be affected. No failure or delay by Transnet to enforce any rights under these Terms will operate as a waiver thereof by Transnet. All rights and remedies available to either party under these Terms shall be in addition to, not to the exclusion of, rights otherwise available at law.

## **23 COUNTERPARTS**

These Terms and conditions may be signed in any number of counterparts, all of which taken together shall constitute one and the same instrument. Any party may enter into this agreement by signing any such counterpart.

**Thus signed by the Parties and witnessed on the following dates and at the following places:**

SIGNED for and on behalf of <b>Transnet SOC Ltd</b> duly authorised hereto	SIGNED for and on behalf of ..... duly authorised hereto
Registration Number 1990/000900/30	Registration Number .....
Signature .....	Signature .....
Name: .....	Name:
Position: .....	Position:
Date:	Date:
Place: .....	Place:
AS WITNESS:	AS WITNESS:
Signature .....	Signature .....
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