

COMPULSORY BRIEFING SESSION

TPT/2026/07/0003/114562/RFP - REFURBISHMENT OF SUBSTATIONS AT THE PORT OF CAPE TOWN, CONTAINER TERMINAL OF TRANSNET SOC LTD (REG.NO.1990/000900/30) OPERATING AS TRANSNET PORT TERMINALS, (HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS "TPT") FOR A PERIOD OF TWENTY-FOUR (24) MONTHS

16 JULY 2026

10H00

Attendees:

Name	Designation
Nomvuselelo Mabuyakhulu	SCM Sourcing Specialist
Duduzile Sibiya	Enterprise & Supplier Development Specialist
Mthokozisi Radebe	Finance Representative
Kirushen Padayachee	Finance Representative
Duduzile Mthethwa	Internal Audit
Khayelihle Zondi	Electrical Engineer
Nokuzola Magadla	Project Manager
Samukelo Magcaba	Technical Representative

1. Welcome & Safety Briefing

The meeting commenced with a safety briefing delivered by CTCT representatives. Attendees were informed of the emergency evacuation procedures, the designated assembly points, the location of the emergency exits from the venue, and the availability of the on-site medical clinic.

2. Rules of Engagement

- It was highlighted that this briefing session is compulsory, and proof of attendance is required.
- Bidders were advised that they should remain for the full duration of the briefing session as critical tender information is communicated throughout the session.
- It was noted that an opportunity for clarification questions will be provided at the end of the briefing session presentations
- All communication after the briefing must be directed only to the SCM representative (Nomvuselelo Mabuyakhulu), and the closing date and time for clarification questions close on 31 July 2026 at 15:00.

3. Procurement Process and Tender Requirements

Key Tender Information

- Tender closing date: **06 August 2026 at 10:00**
- Submission Platform: **Transnet e-Tenders Portal**
- Clarification Questions Closing Date: **31 July 2026 at 15:00**
- Briefing Session Attendance: Compulsory, and proof of attendance must be submitted and signed.

Nomvuselelo provided information on the tender process and highlighted all the sections and annexures that are included in the tender documents issued.

Mandatory Returnables - Bidders must also submit a valid Tax Pin, valid B-BBEE Certificate and proof of registration on the Central Supplier Database. All returnable documents must be completed and signed.

Failure to submit mandatory returnables will result in disqualification.

It was also highlighted that bidders must submit a tendered price in the form of offer and acceptance which is fixed and firm for the duration of 12 weeks.

Evaluation Methodology – The evaluation process will comprise of administrative responsiveness, substantive responsiveness, technical evaluation, price and specific goals evaluation.

The minimum functionality threshold for passing technical evaluation is 70%.

Prequalification criteria

The following eligibility criteria requirements were highlighted – Proof of attendance of the compulsory briefing session; CIDB grading of 8EP or higher; Professional Registration of Key Persons and Details of Plant Offered.

NEC ECC applicable Clauses

Attendees were informed that this project will be executed under an NEC ECC contract. Accordingly, the NEC terms and conditions will apply. Bidders are advised to refer to Section C1.2, Contract Data, for the NEC-specific clauses applicable to this tender.

CIDB Build Programme

Nomvuselelo advised that the CIDB Contract Skills Development Goal (CSDG) / Build Programme is applicable to this tender and forms part of the contract conditions. The successful bidder will be required to comply with the programme's skills development requirements, with a Baseline Training Plan to be submitted only after contract award. Bidders must include a 0.25% CSDG contribution in their tender pricing, while a 0.2% Build Participation Fee will be deducted by Transnet and paid directly to CIDB. Compliance with the CSDG programme will be monitored throughout the execution of the contract.

Tender Submission Portal

Bidders were reminded to ensure that their tender submissions are uploaded sufficiently in advance of the tender closing time to avoid late submissions. It was also emphasized that bidders must submit on the old Transnet E-tender system not on TDPS.

Enterprise and Supplier Development (ESD) Requirements

Duduzile presented the transformational specific goals and explained how bidders will be evaluated.

The following transformational specific goals will be applicable.

- BBEE Level 1 & 2
- 30% subcontracting to EMEs/QSEs with at least 51% black ownership
- Local Content & Production

4. Works Information & Technical requirements

Samukelo Magcaba thoroughly explained the project scope detailing the requirements of the project and the technical & eligibility criteria requirements were also explained. The BOQ pricing schedule was presented and the pricing of the CIDB Contract Skills Development Goal (CSDG) and B.U.I.L.D Programme Fee covered. The tender did not prescribe the specific skills development method to be implemented under the CSDG Programme. Bidders are responsible for determining and specifying the skills method they intend to implement.

Mthokozisi explained how bidders should complete and calculate the BOQ pricing schedule.

5. Questions and Answers

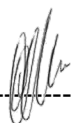
Technical questions were raised by the bidders with regards to the scope and were addressed by the technical team.

Questions	Answers
Will the customised MV switchgear require new type testing?	Transnet confirmed that additional type testing for the customised stainless-steel housing is not a strict requirement.
Must protection relays be coastal specification since the substations are in a coastal environment?	Transnet acknowledged the query and indicated that the requirement would be reviewed and clarified through an addendum if necessary. Further to the above response, bidders to follow the requirement as per the MV spec.
Are alternative manufacturers acceptable for MV and LV switchgear?	Yes. Alternative manufacturers are acceptable provided all technical specifications are met. Bidders to meet the minimum requirements as per the specifications.
Is stainless steel required for both MV and LV switchgear?	No. The stainless-steel requirement applies only to MV switchgear.
Must the BTU/generator also be coastal specification?	No. Only the MV switchgear requires coastal stainless-steel housing.
Is Transnet looking to replace the entire MV switchgear or retrofit it?	The requirement is to replace the entire MV switchgear, including the complete panel.
Should the MV switchgear be withdrawable or fixed?	All panel/s of the MV switchgear to be withdrawable. The details are contained within the technical specifications.
No detailed HVAC quantities were seen in the BOQ.	HVAC is a design, supply and install item and is therefore priced as a sum item.
The specification provides a technical code but does not indicate the generator size.	The team indicated they believed the specification was for a 1 MVA generator but would verify and confirm. See schedule A of the gen spec.
Must the LV incomers be withdrawable with cradles?	Yes. The LV main incomers are expected to be withdrawable. See DB spec for requirements of withdrawable breakers.
Does the simulation scope cover MV only or MV and LV?	The simulation and protection grading studies are required for the MV network only. LV can be modelled using lumped dynamic or static loads.
Must protection settings include upstream protection feeding the substations?	Yes. The study must consider upstream protection and coordinate the new substations with the existing network.
Should fire systems be capable of off-site monitoring and connection to a central control room?	There is an intention to link alarms to the TPT/TNPA fire department. An allowance must be made for the interface works using coms as per the details of the WI.
Is there an existing protection philosophy for the network?	No formal protection philosophy currently exists. The successful bidder will be required to study the network and develop the protection scheme.
Can bidders add additional BOQ breakdowns?	This will be allowed during the contract. Bidders are advised to stick to the issued format of the BOQ. Should bidders wish to show a breakdown of a BOQ item/s at tender, this can be submitted as part of the attachment to the method statement.
If additional value is added in the methodology ("heated seats"), doesn't that increase cost while 90% of scoring is based on price?	Transnet stated that all bidders are expected to comply with the requirements of the specifications. Functionality rewards exceptional solutions and value proposition analysis will be applied in

	the bid evaluation. While pricing remains important, low-cost non-compliant solutions that do not meet the minimum specification requirements as per the details of plant offered returnable will be deemed non-responsive.
Must the new MV switchgear be SCADA-ready?	Yes. The IEDs must be IEC 61850 ready , even though a full SCADA implementation is not yet part of the scope.
What LV protection functions are required (overload, short circuit, earth fault, etc.)?	The team indicated the detailed requirements are in the specifications. See DB spec.
If a completion certificate only reflects the overall project and not the electrical portion, can a reference letter be used?	Yes. A signed and stamped completion certificate must be provided; a signed and stamped reference letter can be used as a supplementary submission to explain the specific scope performed in a case where the detail is not in the completion certificate.

Closure.

The Chairperson thanked all attendees for their participation and reminded bidders to complete the attendance register, obtain their signed attendance certificates. The meeting was then formally adjourned, after which attendees proceeded to the site walkabout.



Chairperson

20/07/2026

Date:

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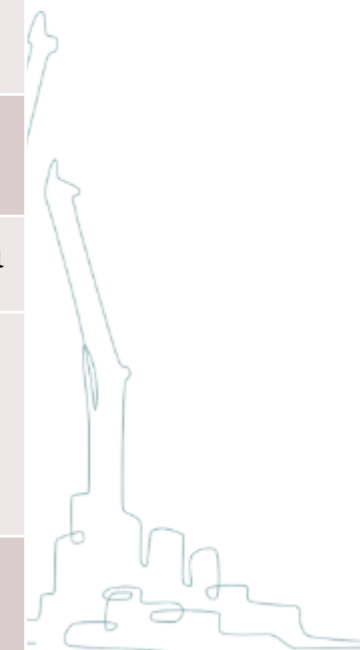
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AGENDA

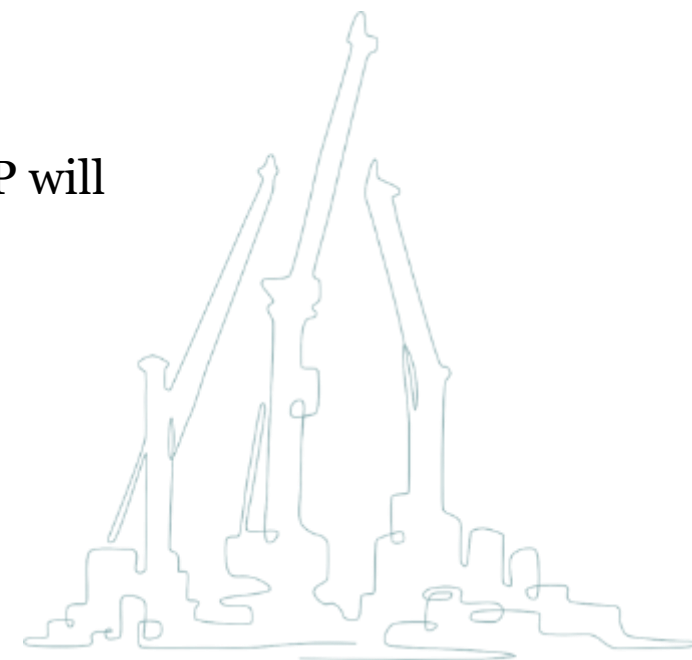
<i>Agenda Point</i>	<i>Allotted Time</i>	<i>Presenter</i>
Welcome and introduction	1 minute	Nomvuselelo Mabuyakhulu
Session rules of engagement	5 minutes	Nomvuselelo Mabuyakhulu
Procurement process briefing	10 minutes	Nomvuselelo Mabuyakhulu
SD – Transformational objectives	10 minutes	Duduzile Sibiya
Technical Scope & requirements	20 minutes	Samukelo Magcaba/ Nokuzola Magadla
Questions and closing	20 minutes	Samukelo Magcaba/ Nomvuselelo



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SESSION RULES OF ENGAGEMENT (1/2)

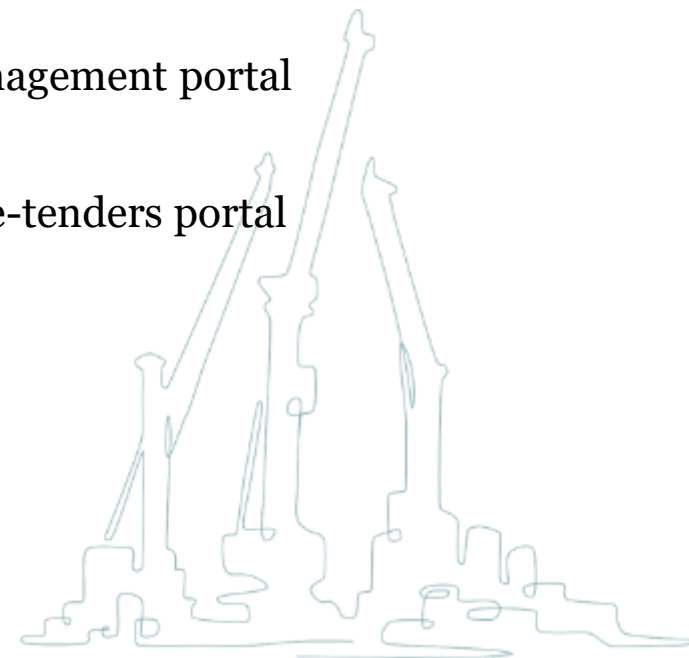
- This session is being voice recorded.
- This briefing session is compulsory
- Proof of attendance is required for a compulsory briefing session meeting. **Returnable Schedule T2.2-10 Certificate of Attendance to be signed by Employer's Representative.**
- Bidders are requested to remain for the entire duration of the briefing session as important information pertaining to the RFP will be presented.
- An approximate time allocation of 1 hour.



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SESSION RULES OF ENGAGEMENT (2/2)

- An opportunity for Clarification questions will be provided after the briefing session.
- All communication subsequent to this briefing session must only be directed to Nomvuselelo Mabuyakhulu Nomvuselelo.Mabuyakhulu@transnet.net
- Any additional clarification questions hereafter will only be accepted by TPT until **15h00 on Friday, 31st July 2026.**
- Responses to clarification questions will be loaded onto the e-Tenders management portal and National Treasury.
- A copy of this presentation and minutes will be loaded onto the Transnet e-tenders portal and National Treasury.



TENDER PROCESS: CONTENTS OF THE RFP

The tender documents issued by the employer comprise:

The Tender

Part T1: Tendering procedures

T1.1 Tender Notice and Invitation to Tender

T1.2 Tender data

Part T2: Returnable documents

T2.1 List of Returnable Documents

T2.2 Returnable Schedules

The Contract

Part C1: Agreements and contract data

C1.1 Forms of offer and acceptance

C1.2 Contract data (part 1 & 2)

Part C2: Pricing data

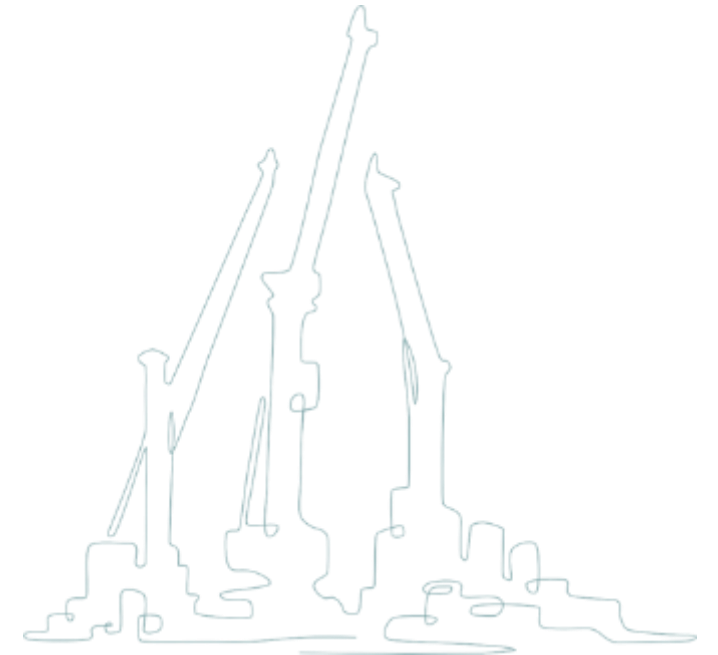
C2.1 Pricing Instructions

C2.2 Bill of Quantities

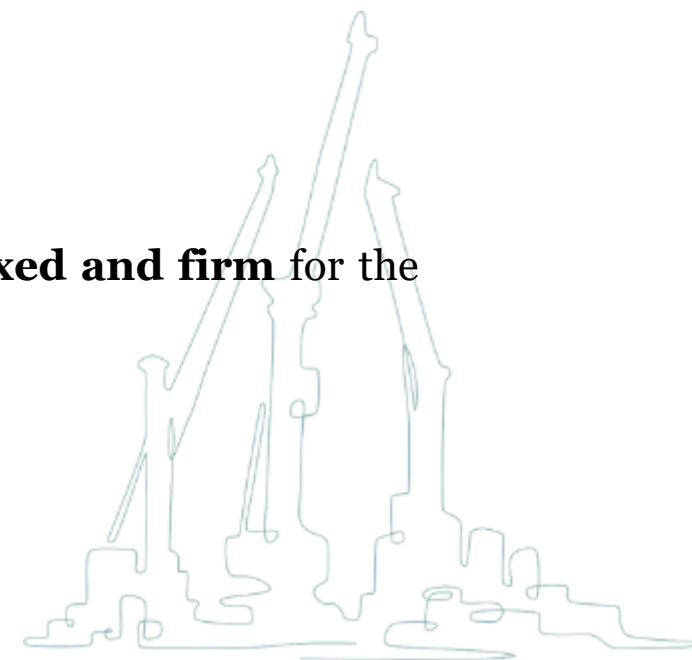
Part C3: Scope of work

C3.1 Scope of Work

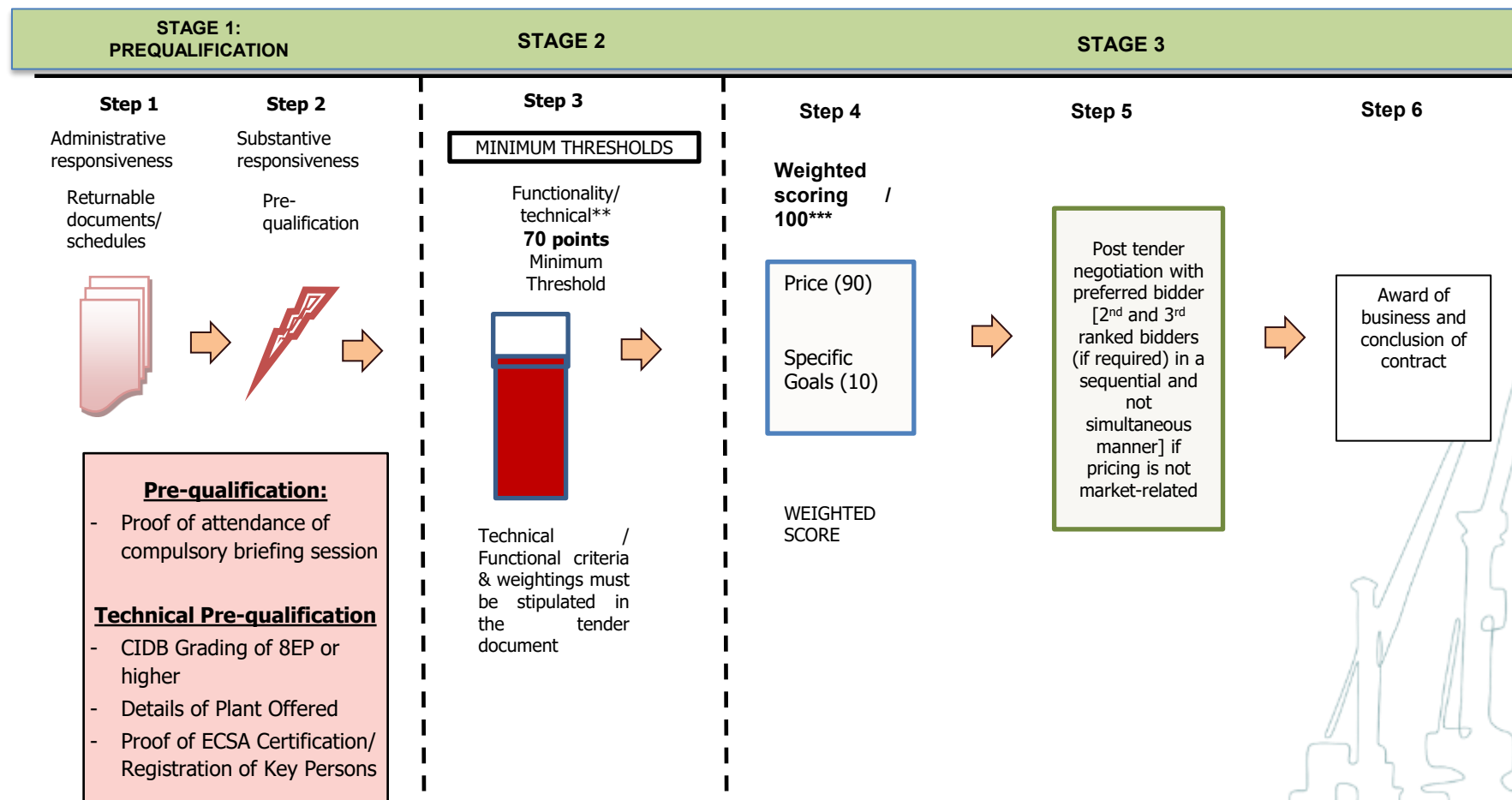
Part C4: Site Information



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- All Returnable schedules must be completed and signed, and required documents submitted.
 - Submit all mandatory Returnables.
 - The following documents are also to be submitted along with the tender submission:
 - Valid Tax Pin
 - A valid CIDB certificate
 - Valid B-BBEE Certificate or Sworn Affidavit
 - Proof of registration on the Central Supplier Database
 - Submit a tendered price in the form of offer and acceptance which is **fixed and firm** for the duration of 12 weeks.



EVALUATION METHODOLOGY



- Pre-qualification:**
- Proof of attendance of compulsory briefing session
- Technical Pre-qualification**
- CIDB Grading of 8EP or higher
 - Details of Plant Offered
 - Proof of ECSA Certification/Registration of Key Persons

Technical / Functional criteria & weightings must be stipulated in the tender document

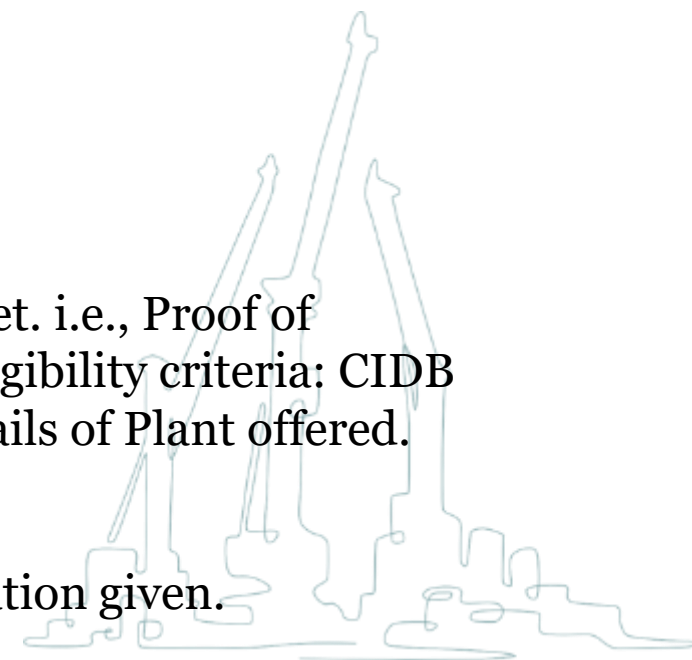
Evaluation Methodology

Step One: Administrative responsiveness

- Whether the bid has been lodged on time.
- Whether all Returnable Documents and/or schedules were completed and returned by the closing date and time.
- Verify the validity of all Returnable Documents.

Step Two: Substantive responsiveness

- Whether any pre-qualification criteria set by Transnet, have been met. i.e., Proof of attendance of the compulsory briefing session; Compliance to the eligibility criteria: CIDB Grading of 8EP or higher, ECSA Certification/ Registration and Details of Plant offered.
- Whether the Bid contains a Financial offer.
- Whether the Bid materially complies with the scope and/or specification given.



Evaluation Methodology

Step Three: Technical Evaluation

Minimum Threshold of 70% for Technical Criteria and Functional Requirements.

Technical shall be scored in accordance with the following returnables:

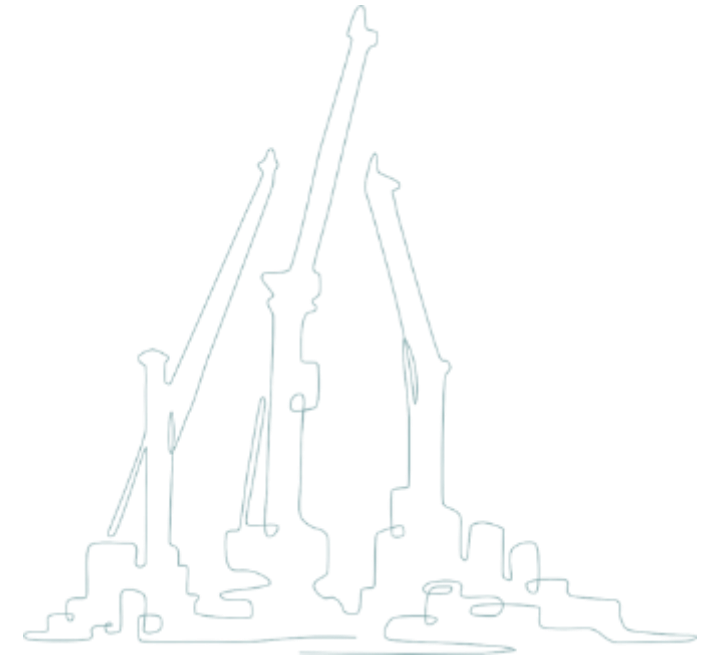
T2.2-04 Evaluation Schedule: Programme

T2.2-05 Evaluation Schedule: Quality Management

T2.2-06 Evaluation Schedule: Previous Experience

T2.2-07 Evaluation Schedule: Method Statement

T2.2-08 Evaluation Schedule: Management & CV's of Key Persons



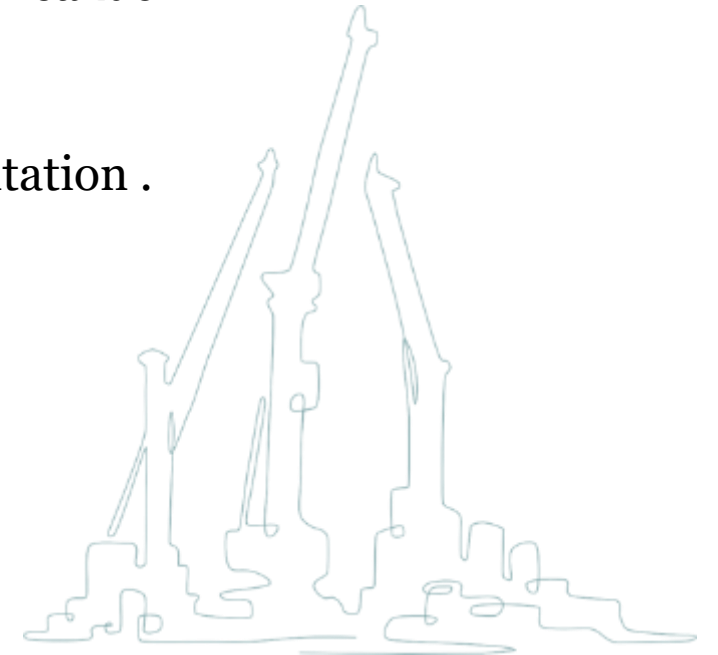
Evaluation Methodology cont....

Step Three: Technical Evaluation

T2.2-09 Evaluation Schedule: Health & Safety Requirements

- T2.2-09a Health and Safety: Contractor Safety Questionnaire
- T2.2-09b Health and Safety: Tender Health and Safety Cost Breakdown

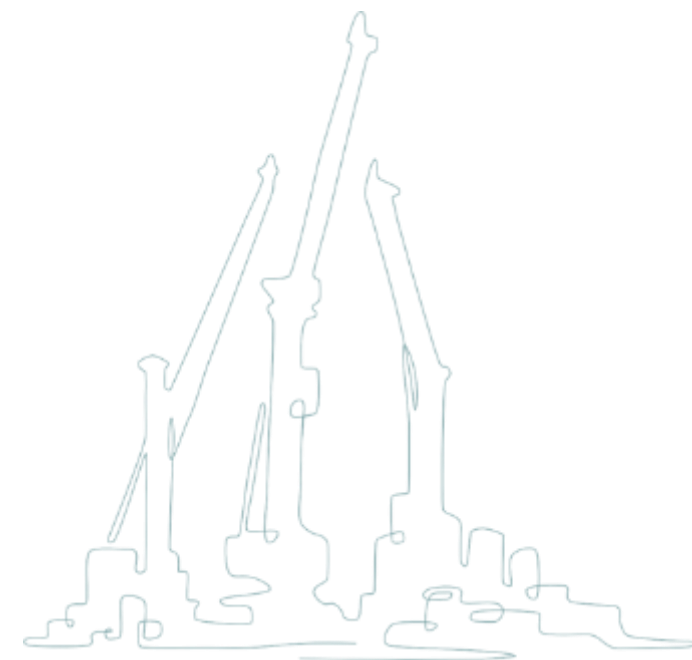
The evaluation criteria is discussed in detail in the Technical presentation .



EVALUATION METHODOLOGY

Step Four: Financial offer and Specific Goals

- Only bidders who have met or exceeded the pre-determined threshold will progress to Step 4
- Points will be allocated as follows:
 - ✓ Financial Offer (90); and
 - ✓ Specific Goals (10)

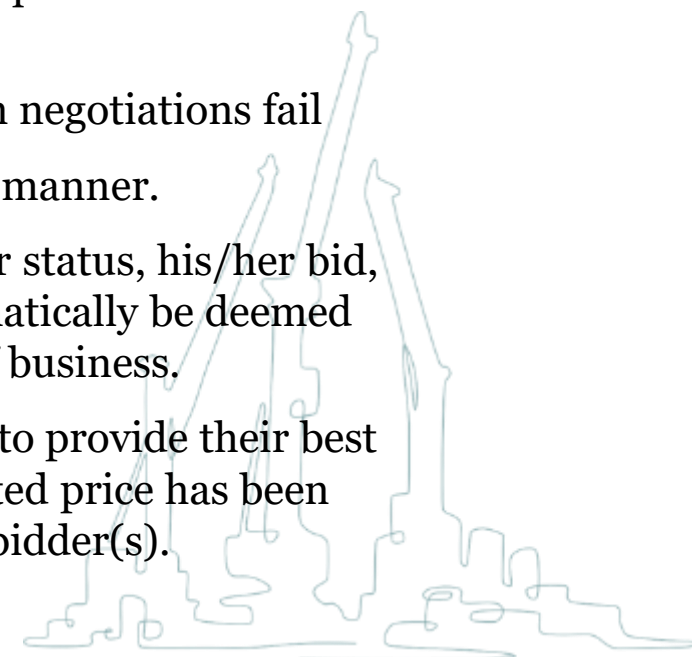


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Step Five : Post Tender Negotiations

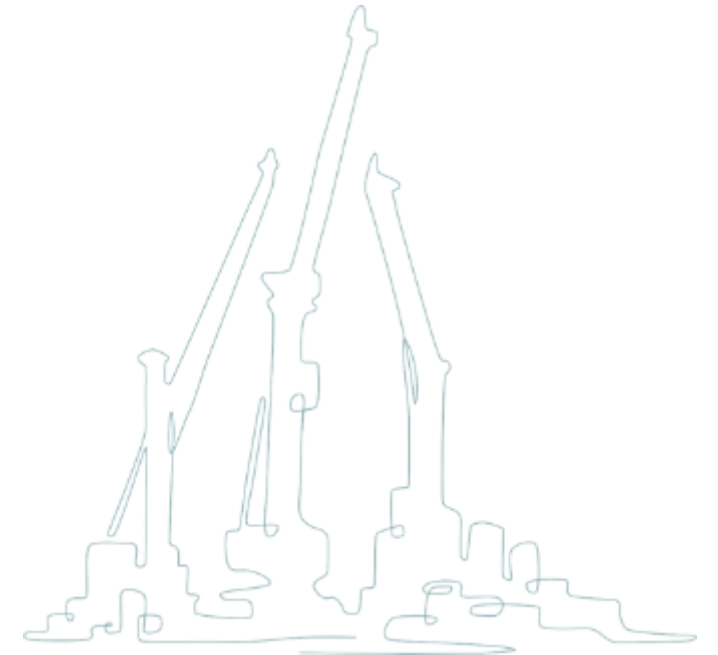
- Bidders are to note that Transnet may not award a contract if the price offered is not market-related. In this regard, Transnet reserves the right to engage in PTN with the view to achieving a market-related price or to cancel the tender. Negotiations will be done in a sequential manner i.e.:
 - first negotiate with the highest ranked bidder or cancel the bid, should such negotiations fail
 - negotiate with the 2nd and 3rd ranked bidders (if required) in a sequential manner.
- In the event of any bidder being notified of such short-listed/preferred bidder status, his/her bid, as well as any subsequent negotiated best and final offers (BAFO), will automatically be deemed to remain valid during the negotiation period and until the ultimate award of business.
- Should Transnet conduct post tender negotiations, bidders will be requested to provide their best and final offers to Transnet based on such negotiations. Where a market related price has been achieved through negotiation, the contract will be awarded to the successful bidder(s).



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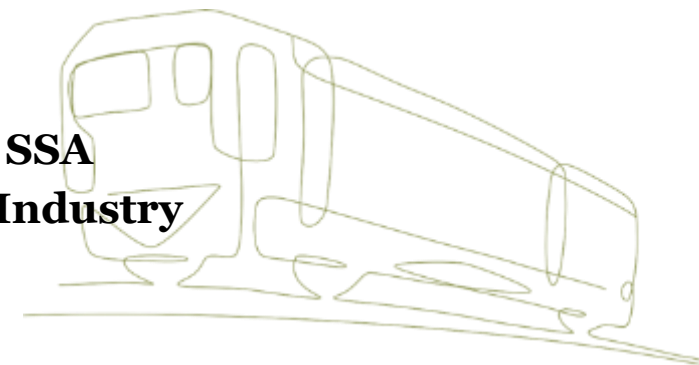
Step Six : Award of business and conclusion of contract

- After approval to award the contract has been received, the successful or preferred bidder(s) will be informed of the acceptance of his/their quotation by way of a Letter of Award. Thereafter the final contract will be concluded with the successful bidder(s).



NEC ECC APPLICABLE CLAUSES

- B:** Priced contract with bill of quantities
- W1:** Dispute resolution procedure
- X7:** Delay damages
- X13:** Performance Bond
- X16:** Retention
- X18:** Limitation of liability
- Z:** Additional conditions of contract
- Z1:** Intellectual Property
- Z2:** Assignment and waiver
- Z4:** Additional clause relating to Performance Bonds and/or Guarantees
- Z5:** Additional clauses relating to Joint Venture
- Z6:** Additional obligations in respect of Termination
- Z7:** Right Reserved by the Employer to Conduct Vetting through SSA
- Z8:** Additional Clause Relating to Collusion in the Construction Industry
- Z9:** Protection of Personal Information Act
- Z10:** Anti-corruption, TPT Indemnity





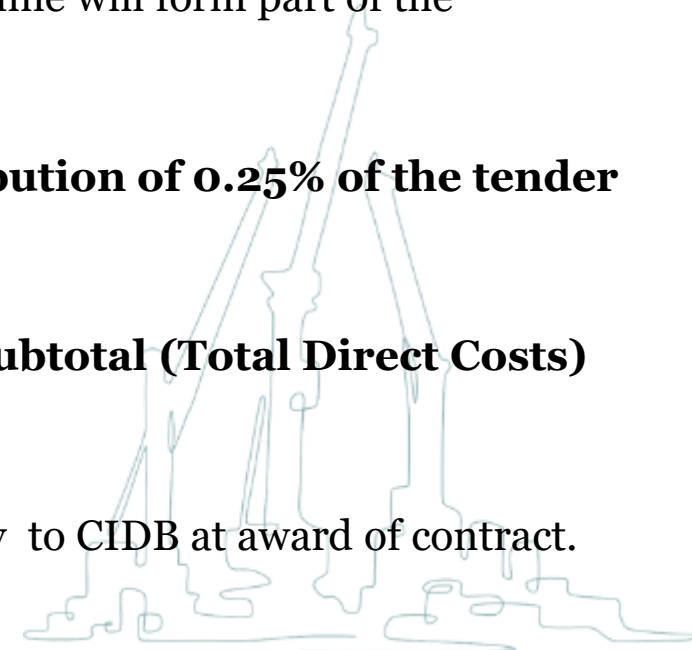
CIDB B.U.I.L.D PROGRAMME

This project will be implemented under the Construction Industry Development Board Contract Skills Development Goal (CSDG) Programme. The successful Tenderer will be required to comply with the requirements of the CIDB Standard for Developing Skills through Infrastructure Contract.

Bidders to note that the Contract Skills Development Goal (CSDG) Programme will form part of the Conditions of Contract.

- Bidders are required to make provision in the BOQ for a **CSDG contribution of 0.25% of the tender subtotal (Total Direct Costs).**
- BOQ also includes a BUILD Participation Fee of **0.2% of the tender subtotal (Total Direct Costs) excluding VAT.**

The BUILD Participation Fee will be withheld by Transnet and paid directly to CIDB at award of contract.



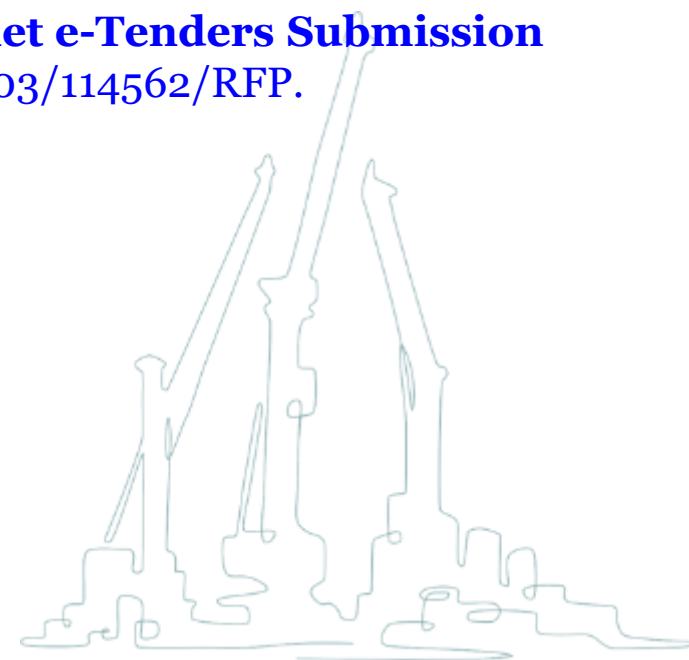
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CLOSING DATE AND TIME

Closing date and time: **10:00am on Thursday, 6 August 2026**

Location: **Transnet e-Tender Submission Portal: www.transnet.net**

Bidders are to ensure that bid submissions are uploaded on the **old Transnet e-Tenders Submission Portal** under the correct tender number, i.e., Tender No. TPT/2026/07/0003/114562/RFP.



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