

T1.1 TENDER NOTICE AND INVITATION TO TENDER

SECTION 1: NOTICE TO TENDERERS

1. INVITATION TO TENDER

Responses to this Tender [hereinafter referred to as a **Tender**] are requested from persons, companies, close corporations or enterprises [hereinafter referred to as a Tenderer].

DESCRIPTION	Transnet Group Capital a specialist unit of Transnet SOC Ltd invites suitably qualified Tenderers to submit tenders for The Provision of an Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) to conduct the required Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) for the Increase in Electrical Supply Capacity to the Port of Durban
TENDER ISSUE	<p>This Tender may be downloaded directly from the National Treasury eTender Publication Portal at www.etenders.gov.za FREE OF CHARGE.</p> <p>NOTE:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. It is the responsibility of the tenderer to ensure downloading or receipt of a complete RFP all specifications, drawings and annexures.
COMPULSORY TENDER CLARIFICATION MEETING	<p>A Compulsory Tender Clarification Meeting will be conducted at Queens Warehouse, 237 Mahatma Gandhi Road, Durban on the 16 November 2020, at 10:00am [10 O'clock] for a period of ± 2 (two) hours. [Tenderers to provide own transportation and accommodation].</p> <p>The Compulsory Tender Clarification Meeting will start punctually and information will not be repeated for the benefit of Tenderers arriving late.</p> <p>A Site visit/walk will take place, tenderers are to note:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tenderers are required to wear safety shoes, goggles, long sleeve shirts, high visibility vests and hard hats. • Tenderers without the recommended PPE will not be allowed on the site walk. • Tenderers and their employees, visitors, clients and customers entering Transnet Offices, Depots, Workshops and Stores will have to undergo breathalyser testing. • All forms of firearms are prohibited on Transnet properties and premises. • The relevant persons attending the meeting must ensure that their identity documents, passports or drivers licences are on them for inspection at the access control gates. • All COVID-19 protocol to be followed. • Social distancing 1,5m to be adhered to at all times. • Face mask to be worn at all times.

	<p>Certificate of Attendance in the form set out in the Returnable Schedule T2.2-02 hereto must be completed and submitted with your Tender as proof of attendance is required for a compulsory site meeting and/or tender briefing.</p> <p>Tenderers are required to bring this Returnable Schedule T2.2-02 to the Compulsory Tender Clarification Meeting to be signed by the Employer's Representative.</p> <p>Tenderers failing to attend the compulsory tender briefing will be disqualified.</p>
CLOSING DATE	<p>10h00 on 1 December 2020.</p> <p>Tenderers must ensure that tenders are delivered timeously to the correct address. If a tender is late or delivered to the incorrect address, it will not be accepted for consideration.</p>

2. TENDER SUBMISSION

Tender Offers must be sealed and addressed as follows:

The Secretariat, Acquisition Council

RFP No: 2126401-800

Description: The Provision of an Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) to conduct the required Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) for the Increase in Electrical Supply Capacity to the Port of Durban

Closing date and time: **1 December 2020 at 10:00am**

Closing address: *[Refer to options in paragraph 3 below]*

All submissions must reflect the return address of the Tenderer on the reverse side.

3. DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS FOR TENDER

3.1 Delivery by hand

If delivered by hand, the sealed submission must be deposited in the tender box which is located at the address below and must be addressed as follows:

The Secretariat, Divisional Acquisition Council

Transnet National Ports Authority

Tender Box, Office Block Foyer

Ocean Terminal Building

Quayside Road

Durban

Contact Person: Edith Carey & Petrus Molelekwa

Email address: Edith.Carey@transnet.net & Petrus.Molelekwa@transnet.net

The measurements of the "tender slot" are **400mm wide x 100mm high**, and Tenderers must please ensure that tender documents or files are no larger than the above dimensions. Tenders which are too

bulky [i.e. more than 100mm thick] must be split into two or more files, and placed in separate envelopes, each such envelope to be addressed as required in paragraph 0 above.

3.2 **Dispatch by courier**

If dispatched by courier, the envelope must be addressed as follows and delivered to the Office of The Secretariat, Transnet Group Capital Acquisition Council and a signature obtained from that Office:

The Secretariat, Divisional Acquisition Council

Transnet National Ports Authority

Tender Box, Office Block Foyer

Ocean Terminal Building

Quayside Road

Durban

Contact Person: Edith Carey & Petrus Molelekwa

Email address: Edith.Carey@transnet.net & Petrus.Molelekwa@transnet.net

3.3 The tender offers to this tender will be opened as soon as possible after the closing date and time. Transnet shall not, at the opening of tenders, disclose to any other company any confidential details pertaining to the Tender Offers / information received, i.e. pricing, delivery, etc. The names and locations of the Tenderers will be divulged to other Tenderers upon request.

3.4 Submissions must not contain documents relating to any Tender other than that shown on the submission.

4. **CONFIDENTIALITY**

All information related to this RFP is to be treated with strict confidentiality. In this regard Tenderers 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 gleaned from provision of the Works, which is either directly or indirectly related to Transnet's business, written approval to divulge such information must be obtained from Transnet.

5. DISCLAIMERS

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

- 5.1. Award the business to the highest scoring Tenderer/s unless objective criteria justify the award to another tenderer.
 - 5.2. Not necessarily accept the lowest priced tender or an alternative Tender;
 - 5.3. Go to the open market if the quoted rates (for award of work) are deemed unreasonable;
 - 5.4. Should the Tenderers be awarded business on strength of information furnished by the Tenderer, which after conclusion of the contract is proved to have been incorrect, Transnet reserves the right to terminate the contract;
 - 5.5. Request audited financial statements or other documentation for the purposes of a due diligence exercise;
 - 5.6. Not accept any changes or purported changes by the Tenderer to the tender rates after the closing date;
 - 5.7. Verify any information supplied by a Tenderer by submitting a tender, the Tenderer/s hereby irrevocably grant the necessary consent to the Transnet to do so;
 - 5.8. Conduct the evaluation process in parallel. The evaluation of Tenderers at any given stage must therefore not be interpreted to mean that Tenderers have necessarily passed any previous stage(s);
 - 5.9. Unless otherwise expressly stated, each tender lodged in response to the invitation to tender shall be deemed to be an offer by the Tenderer. The Employer has the right in its sole and unfettered discretion not to accept any offer.
 - 5.10. Not be held liable if tenderers do not provide the correct contact details during the clarification session and do not receive the latest information regarding this RFP with the possible consequence of being disadvantaged or disqualified as a result thereof.
 - 5.11. Transnet reserves the right to exclude any Tenderers from the tender process who has been convicted of a serious breach of law during the preceding 5 [five] years including but not limited to breaches of the Competition Act 89 of 1998, as amended. Tenderers are required to indicate in tender returnable [clause 12 on T2.2-13], [**Breach of Law**] whether or not they have been found guilty of a serious breach of law during the past 5 [five] years.
6. Transnet will not reimburse any Tenderer for any preparatory costs or other work performed in connection with this Tender, whether or not the Tenderer is awarded a contract.

Location of tender box: Ocean Terminal Building, Quayside Road, Durban, 4000

