



Transnet Freight Rail  
an Operating Division of  
TRANSNET LIMITED  
(Registration No. 1990/000900/06)

## REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (“RFP”)

RFP NUMBER ST//COC/16/T9002

SUPPLY & DELIVERY OF MULTIPLEXERS REQUIRED NATIONWIDE

FOR A PERIOD OF TWO YEARS

ISSUE DATE : 6 July 2009  
CLOSING DATE : 11 August 2009  
CLOSING TIME : 10h00

Please note that late responses and those delivered or posted  
to the incorrect address will be disqualified.



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**NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

Proposals are requested from interested persons, companies, close corporations or enterprises (hereinafter referred to as the "**Respondent(s)**") to supply the above-mentioned requirement(s) to Transnet.

On or after 6 July 2009 the RFP documents may be inspected at, and are obtainable from the office of Transnet Freight Rail Tender Advice Centre, Level 100, 150 Commissioner Street, Carlton Centre Johannesburg, on payment of an amount of R1000.00 (VAT incl) (Bank guaranteed cheque or cash only) per set.

**NOTE 1.1** This amount is not refundable. RFP documents will only be available until 29 July 2009.

A pre-Proposal briefing session will be conducted in the Boardroom, 4 th Floor, 138 Eloff Street, Braamfontein on the 30 July 2009, at 10:00 for a period of  $\pm$  1 hours. (**Respondent to provide own transportation and accommodation**).

Respondents without a valid RFP document in their possession will not be allowed to attend the briefing session.

**The briefing session will start punctually at 10h00 and Respondents arriving late will not be accommodated.**

1.

Name : Eric van der Merwe  
Division : Transmission Operations  
Email : Eric. Van der [Merwe@transnet.net](mailto:Merwe@transnet.net)

In the interest of fairness and transparency the said information will then be made available to the other Respondents who have collected RFP documents. For this purpose all Respondents need to indicate their intention to respond by informing the above-mentioned Transnet employee (per email only) of their contact numbers as soon as possible but before 30 July 2009.

For specific queries before the closing of the RFP, the following Transnet employee(s) may be contacted by email only:

Name : Helen Mauger  
Division : Supply Chain Services  
Email : [Helena.Mauger@transnet.net](mailto:Helena.Mauger@transnet.net)



2. Proposals in duplicate plus a CD copy must reach the Secretary, Transnet Acquisition Council before the closing hour on the date shown below, and must be enclosed in a sealed envelope which must have inscribed on the outside:

**RFP No** : **SIT 9002**

**Description** : **SUPPLY & DELIVERY OF FLEXIBLE MULTIPLEXERS REQUIRED NATIONWIDE**

**Closing date and time** : **11 August 2009 @ 10h00**  
**Closing address (refer options paragraph 4 below)**

4. **DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS FOR THIS RFP**

- 4.1 **If delivered by hand**, the envelope is to be deposited in the TRANSNET tender box which is located at the main entrance, Office Block, 21 Wellington Road Parktown and should be addressed as follows:

The Chairman  
TRANSNET ACQUISITION COUNCIL  
Ground Floor Inyanda House  
TENDER BOX  
21 Wellington Road  
PARKTOWN

The measurements of the "tender slot" are 500mm wide x 100mm high, and Respondents must please ensure that response documents or files are not larger than the above dimensions. Responses which are too bulky (i.e. more than 100mm thick) must be split into two or more files, and placed in separate envelopes.

**It should also be noted that the above tender box is located at the main entrance and is accessible to the public 24 hours per day, 7 days a week.**

- 4.2 **If dispatched by courier**, the envelope must be addressed as follows and delivered to the Office of The Chairman, Transnet Acquisition Council 21 Wellington Road Parktown and a signature obtained from that Office.

The Chairman  
TRANSNET ACQUISITION COUNCIL  
Ground Floor Inyanda House  
TENDER BOX  
21 Wellington Road  
PARKTOWN

5. Please note that this RFP closes punctually at 10:00 on Tuesday 11 August 2009.
6. If responses are not posted or delivered as stipulated herein, such responses will not be considered and will be treated as "UNRESPONSIVE."



7. NO EMAIL OR FACSIMILE RESPONSES WILL BE CONSIDERED.
8. The responses to this RFP will be opened as soon as practicable after the expiry of the time advertised for receiving them.
9. Transnet shall not, at the opening of responses, disclose to any other company any confidential details pertaining to the Proposals / information received, i.e. pricing, delivery, etc. The names and location of the Respondents will, however, be divulged to other Respondents upon request.
10. Envelopes must not contain documents relating to any RFP other than that shown on the envelope. All envelopes must reflect the return address of the Respondent on the reverse side.
11. No slips are to be attached to the response documents. Any additional conditions must be embodied in an accompanying letter. Subject only to clause 22 (*Alterations made by the Respondent to Tendered Prices*) of the General Tender Conditions, alterations, additions or deletions must not be made by the Respondent to the actual RFP documents.
12. **BROAD-BASED BLACK ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT (“BBBEE”)**

Transnet fully endorses and supports the Government's Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Programme and it is strongly of the opinion that all South African business enterprises have an equal obligation to redress the imbalances of the past.

Transnet would therefore prefer to do business with local business enterprises who share these same values and who are prepared to contribute to meaningful BBBEE initiatives (including, but not limited to subcontracting and Joint Ventures) as part of their RFP responses. Transnet will accordingly allow a “preference” in accordance with the 10% preference system, as per the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act, 5 of 2000 (as amended), to companies who provide a BBBEE Accreditation Certificate. All procurement and disposal transactions in excess of R30 000 (thirty thousand S.A. Rand) will be evaluated accordingly. All transactions below this threshold will, as far as possible, be set aside for Exempted Micro Enterprises (EMEs).

Consequently, when Transnet invites prospective suppliers to submit Proposals for its goods and services, it urges Respondents (Large Enterprises and QSE's - see below) to have themselves accredited by any one of the various Accreditation Agencies available who do their BBBEE ratings in accordance with the **latest Codes (i.e. those promulgated on 9 February 2007)**.

Although no agencies have, as yet, been accredited by SANAS (South African National Accreditation System), Transnet will, in the interim, accept rating certificates of Respondents who have been verified by agencies who do their BBBEE ratings in accordance with the latest Codes as promulgated on 9 February 2007. This will be an interim arrangement only until such time as the SANAS List has been approved by the DTI. (Certificates are valid for a period of one year only).

12.1 Enterprises will be rated by such agency based on the following:

- (a) **Large Enterprises (i.e. annual turnover >R35 million):**
  - Rating level based on all seven elements of the BBBEE scorecard
- (b) **Qualifying Small Enterprises – QSE (i.e. annual turnover >R5 million but <R35 million):**



- Rating based on any four of the elements of the BBBEE scorecard

(c) **Exempted Micro Enterprises – EME (i.e. annual turnover <R5 million):**

- EMEs are exempted from BBBEE accreditation
- Automatic rating of Level 4 BBBEE irrespective of race of ownership, i.e. 100% BBBEE recognition
- Black ownership >50% or Black Women ownership >30% automatically qualify as Level 3 BBBEE, i.e. 110% BBBEE recognition
- EME's should only provide documentary proof of annual turnover (i.e. audited financials) plus proof of Black ownership if Black ownership >50% or Black Women ownership >30%

12.2 In addition to the above, Respondents who wish to enter into a Joint Venture or subcontract portions of the contract to BBBEE companies, must state in their RFPs the percentage, of the total contract value that will be allocated to such BBBEE companies, should they be successful in being awarded any business. A rating certificate in respect of such BBBEE JV-partners and / or sub-contractor(s), as well as a breakdown of the distribution of the aforementioned percentage must also be furnished with the RFP response to enable Transnet to evaluate / adjudicate all RFPs received on a fair basis.

12.3 Respondents will be required to furnish proof of the above to Transnet. (i.e. a detailed scorecard as stipulated above in respect of Large Enterprises and QSEs, or proof of turnover in respect of EMEs). Failure to do so will result in a score of zero being allocated for BBBEE.

**Turnover :** Kindly indicate your company's annual turnover for the past year R.....

- If annual turnover <R5m, please attach audited financials.
- If annual turnover >R5m please attach an accreditation certificate issued by an Accreditation Agency, together with all the relevant score sheets pertaining thereto.

**13. COMMUNICATION**

Respondents are warned that a response will be liable to disqualification should any attempt be made by a Respondent either directly or indirectly to canvass any officer(s) or employee of Transnet in respect of this RFP between the closing date and the date of the award of the business.

A respondent may, however, BEFORE THE CLOSING DATE AND TIME, direct any enquiries relating to the RFP to the Transnet employee as indicated in clause 2 above, and may also at any time after the closing date of the RFP, communicate with the Chairman of the Transnet Acquisition Council, at telephone number 011 308 3528 / 3522 or fax no. 011 308 2637 on any matter relating to its RFP response.

**14. RFP SCHEDULE**

Respondents will be contacted as soon as practicable with a status update. At this time short-listed Respondents may be asked to meet with Transnet representatives at a location to be agreed.

**15. INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE RFP**



- (i) Sign one set of documents (sign and date the bottom of each page). This set will serve as the legal and binding copy. A duplicate set of documents is required. This second set can be a copy of the original signed Proposal.
- (ii) Both sets of documents to be submitted to the address specified above.
- (iii) The following returnable documents must accompany all Proposals:
  - Respondent's latest audited financial statements;
  - Respondent's valid Tax Clearance Certificate.
  - a CD copy of your RFP Proposal.

**16. COMPLIANCE**

The successful Respondent (hereinafter referred to as the "Supplier") shall be in full and complete compliance with any and all applicable State and Local Laws and Regulations.

**17. ADDITIONAL NOTES:**

- All returnable documents as indicated in the Proposal Form (Section 3) must be returned with the response
- Respondents are to note that Proposals in which firm prices are quoted for the duration of any resulting contract may receive precedence over prices
- Changes by the Respondent to its submission will not be considered after the closing date
- The person or persons signing the Proposal must be legally authorised by the Respondent to do so (Refer Section 4). A list of those person(s) authorised to negotiate on your behalf (if not the authorised signatories) must also be submitted along with the Proposal together with their contact details.
- All prices must be quoted in **FOREIGN CURRENCY**
- Transnet reserves the right to undertake post-tender negotiations with selected Respondents or any number of short-listed Respondents and may wish to visit the Respondent's place of manufacture (works) during this process.

**NB: Unless otherwise expressly stated, all Proposals furnished pursuant to this Request shall be deemed to be offers. Any exceptions to this statement must be clearly and specifically indicated. Transnet reserves the right to reject any or all offers.**

**FAILURE TO OBSERVE ANY OF THE AFOREMENTIONED REQUIREMENTS  
MAY RESULT IN A PROPOSAL BEING REJECTED**

**18. 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 a Proposal in response to it. In particular, please note that Transnet reserves the right to:

- modify the RFP's Goods and request Respondents to re-bid on any changes

\_\_\_\_\_  
Respondent's Signature

Date and Company Stamp



- reject any Proposal which does not conform to instructions and specifications which are detailed herein
- disqualify Proposals submitted after the stated submission deadline
- not necessarily accept the lowest priced Proposal
- reject all Proposals, if it so decides
- award a contract in connection with this Proposal at any time after the RFP's closing date
- award only a portion of the proposed Goods which are reflected in the scope of this RFP
- make no award of a contract

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

**19. LEGAL REVIEW**

Any Proposal submitted by a Respondent is subject to review and negotiation of the proposed contract by Transnet's Legal Counsel.

Respondents to complete this section:

NAME OF RESPONDENT .....

PHYSICAL ADDRESS .....

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Respondent's contact person: Name.....

Designation.....

Telephone.....

Cell Phone.....

Facsimile.....

Email.....

Website.....

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**Transnet urges its clients, suppliers and the general public to report any fraud or corruption on the part of Transnet's employees to TIP-OFFS ANONYMOUS : 0800 003 056**



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**FOR A PERIOD OF TWO YEARS**

**SCHEDULE OF REQUIREMENTS**

**1. SCOPE OF REQUIREMENTS**

**Annexure A to SPC-TFRT0002  
 Bill of quantities for Flexible Multiplexers**

Item	Description	Quantity	Price per each
1	Complete network Management system	1	
2	LCT Dongles	20	
3	9U Sub rack with common cards	150	
3.1	Power supply with wiring	50	
3.2	Process and management	20	
3.3	2 Mbit/s Optical module range 0 to 80 km	50	
3.4	STM 1 Optical range 0 to 25 km	50	
3.5	STM 1 Optical range 25 to 40 km	50	
3.6	STM 1 Optical range 40 to 80 km	200	
3.7	HDB3 module with wiring	50	
3.8	6 Wire E&M module with wiring	50	
3.9	LAN 10BaseT module	200	
3.10	V24 Module with wiring	300	
3.11	V11 module with wiring	50	
3.12	Alarm board for external alarms	50	
3.13	V.24 patch panel	100	
3.14	V.11 patch panel	25	
3.15	Optical patch lead 5 m. E2000 to (???) card specific	400	
4	<b>4U sub rack with common cards</b>	300	
4.1	Power supply with wiring	50	
4.2	Process and Management unit	20	
4.3	HDB3 module with wiring	20	
4.4	2 Mbit/s optical module range 0 to 10 km	200	
4.5	STM 1 Optical range 0 to 25 km	100	
4.6	6 Wire E&M module with wiring	50	



4.7	LAN 10BaseT module	200	
4.8	V24 Module with wiring	300	
4.9	V11 module with wiring	20	
5	<b>Manual complete set on CD</b>	2	
6	<b>TRAINING</b>	150	
6.1	Train 20 people installation and commissioning	1	
6.2	Train 5 people system administration	1	
6.3	Train 5 people Web view access	1	
6.4	Train 20 people in field maintenance	1	
6.5	Train 20 people configuration and monitoring	1	
7.0	Training on Installation and Commissioning	20 people	
7.1	Training on System Administration	5 people	
7.2	Training on Web view access	5 people	
7.3	Training on Field Maintenance	20 people	
7.4	Training on configuration and monitoring in a NOC environment	20 people	

**2. GENERAL INFORMATION**

The service provider(s) shall be fully responsible to Transnet for the acts and omissions of persons directly or indirectly employed by them.

The service provider(s) must provide the identified information requested and comply with the requirements stated in the RFP.

**3. SUPPLIERS**

The Respondents must state the actual name(s) and address/addresses of the suppliers of the Goods for inspection purposes only:

(i) LOCAL MANUFACTURER(S):

RFP ITEM NO.	NAME	ADDRESS (IN FULL)
.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....
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(ii) FOREIGN MANUFACTURER(S):

RFP ITEM NO.	NAME	ADDRESS (IN FULL)
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**4. IMPORTED CONTENT**

The Respondents must state hereunder the value of the imported content as well as the country of origin in respect of each item tendered for:

RFP ITEM NO.	PORTION OF THE PRICE	COUNTRY REPRESENTING THE IMPORTED CONTENT
.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....
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Note: Where more than one country is applicable to one item, the Respondents must furnish this information separately.

**5. AS AND WHEN CONTRACTS**

Purchase orders will be placed on the successful Respondents from time to time as and when supplies are required.

Transnet reserves the right to place purchase orders until the last day of the contract for deliveries to be effected within the delivery period/lead time specified beyond the expiry date of the contract under the same terms and conditions as agreed upon.

The Respondents must indicate hereunder the combined manufacturing and delivery lead time for delivery of the Goods /products/material to end destination in the Republic of South Africa, calculated as from the 7<sup>th</sup> (seventh) day after the date of the relevant purchase order:

RFP ITEM NUMBER		MANUFACTURING & DELIVERY LEAD TIME
1.	.....	(weeks/months)
2.	.....	(weeks/months)
3.	.....	(weeks/months)



4.	.....	(weeks/months)
5.	.....	(weeks/months)
6.	.....	(weeks/months)
7.	.....	(weeks/months)
8.	.....	(weeks/months)
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18.	.....	(weeks/months)
19.	.....	(weeks/months)
20.	.....	(weeks/months)
21.	.....	(weeks/months)
22.	.....	(weeks/months)
23.	.....	(weeks/months)

- (i) Delivery requirements may be stipulated in purchase orders and scheduled deliveries may be called for. However, delivery periods and maximum monthly rates of delivery offered by the Respondents will be used as guidelines in establishing lead times and monthly delivery requirements with the Supplier.
- (ii) Where scheduled deliveries are required, the delivery period(s) specified must be strictly complied with, unless otherwise requested by TRANSNET. Material supplied earlier than specified may not be paid for or may be returned with the Supplier being held liable for all expenses incurred, eg. railage charges, handling charges, etc., both ways.

If the delivery period(s) offered by the Respondents is/are subject to a maximum monthly production capacity, full particulars must be indicated hereunder:

RFP ITEM NUMBER	MAXIMUM MONTHLY PRODUCTION CAPACITY
1. ....	(weeks/months)
2. ....	(weeks/months)



3.	.....	(weeks/months)
4.	.....	(weeks/months)
5.	.....	(weeks/months)
6.	.....	(weeks/months)
7.	.....	(weeks/months)
8.	.....	(weeks/months)
9.	.....	(weeks/months)
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18.	.....	(weeks/months)
19.	.....	(weeks/months)
20.	.....	(weeks/months)
21.	.....	(weeks/months)
22.	.....	(weeks/months)
23.	.....	(weeks/months)

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(If there is insufficient space above to accommodate all the items concerned, a separate statement containing the details must be submitted).

The Respondents must state hereunder the annual holiday closedown period and whether this period has been included in the delivery lead time offered

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The Respondent is to furnish the following information:

What action does the Respondent propose to take to ensure continuity of supply during non-working days or holidays and periods occupied in stocktaking or in effecting repairs to plant or in overhaul of plant which would ordinarily occur within the stated delivery period:



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**6. RESPONDENT’S SAMPLES**

Only in cases when the Respondent submits a sample(s) of the Goods/products/material tendered for by it, the sample(s) must be forwarded on or before the deadline date to the addressee hereunder:

Eric van der Merwe 155 Old Pretoria Road Telephone 011-9782530 Cellular 083-2865031
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The sample(s) must be clearly marked with the reference number of this RFP and the names and addresses of both the Respondent and the manufacturer.

FAILURE TO SUBMIT THE SAMPLE(S) IN DUE TIME MAY RESULT IN A PROPOSAL BEING REJECTED. PROPOSALS MUST UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES BE INCLUDED IN THE PACKAGE CONTAINING A SAMPLE(S).

The Respondents must state the following:

- (i) Has/have a sample(s) been submitted?

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- (ii) How and to whom forwarded?

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- (iii) Date of dispatch

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**EXCHANGE AND REMITTANCE**

The attention of the Respondents is specially directed to clause 7 (*Exchange and Remittance*) of the General Tender Conditions Form CSS5. The Respondent is also to note that the particulars of the exchange rate on which the Respondent has based its tendered price(s), is/are to be stipulated hereunder



only if Transnet is requested by the Respondent to effect payment overseas direct to the Respondent's principal/supplier.

(a)	ZAR1.00 (South African currency) being equal to ..... (foreign currency). .....% in relation to tendered price(s) (.....) to be remitted overseas by Transnet.
(b)	..... (Name of country to which payment is to be made)
(c)	<u>Beneficiary details</u> : Name (Account holder) ..... Bank (Name and branch code)..... Swift code ..... Country .....
(d)	..... (Applicable date of Exchange Rate used)

**7. NATIONAL RAILWAY SAFETY REGULATOR ACT**

In compliance with the **National Railway Safety Regulator Act, 16 of 2002**, the successful Respondent (the "Supplier") shall ensure that the Goods to be supplied to Transnet, under the terms and conditions of a contract between the parties, comply fully with the specifications as set forth in **Section 10 (Specifications and Drawings)** of this RFP, and shall thereby adhere to railway safety requirements and/or regulations. Permission for the engagement of a subcontractor by the Supplier, as applicable, both initially and during the course of a contract, shall be subject to a review of the capability of the proposed subcontractor to comply with the specified railway safety requirements and/or regulations. The Supplier and/or its subcontractor shall grant Transnet access, during the term of the contract, to review any safety-related activities, including the coordination of such activities across all parts of the organisation.

**Accepted:**

YES	
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NO	
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**8. RISK**

Respondents must elaborate on the control measures put in place by their company, which mitigate the risk to Transnet, pertaining to potential non-performance by a Supplier in relation to -

(i) quality and specification of Goods delivered:



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 .....  
 .....

(ii) continuity of supply (refer clause 10.1(c) of Form US7):

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 .....  
 .....

(iii) compliance with the Occupational Health and Safety Act, 85 of 1993 (refer clause 7.1(f) of Form US7)

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(iv) compliance with the National Railway Safety Regulator Act, 16 of 2002 (refer clause 12 above)

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**9. REFERENCES**

Please indicate below the company names and contact details of existing customers whom Transnet may contact to seek third party evaluations of your current service levels:

Name of Company	Contact Person	Telephone number




**10. EVALUATION CRITERIA**

Transnet will utilise the following criteria (not necessarily in this order) in choosing a Supplier, if so required:

**PHASE I**

- Pricing - Whilst not the sole factor for consideration, competitive pricing and overall level of discounts will be critical in indicating how much you value Transnet's business
- Compliance - Completeness of your responses and content of the Proposal will be considered
- Financial strength
- References
- Fixed pricing for one year
- BBBEE status of company
- Value Added Services
- Quality assurance test
- Warranties
- After sales services
- Training

**PHASE II**

- Samples to be submitted as per Annexure B to Main Specification for Technical evaluation.
- Presentation on equipment offered.
- Inspection of Suppliers Premises.



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**PROPOSAL FORM**

I/We \_\_\_\_\_

*(name of company, close corporation or partnership)*

of (full address) \_\_\_\_\_

carrying on business under style or title of (trading as) \_\_\_\_\_

represented by \_\_\_\_\_

in my capacity as \_\_\_\_\_

being duly authorised thereto by a Resolution of the Board of Directors or Members or Certificate of Partners, as the case may be, dated \_\_\_\_\_ a certified copy of which is annexed hereto, hereby offer to supply the above-mentioned Goods at the prices quoted in the schedule of prices in accordance with the terms set forth in the accompanying letter(s) reference \_\_\_\_\_ and dated \_\_\_\_\_ (if any) and the documents listed in the accompanying schedule of RFP documents.

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

- (i) Standard Terms and Conditions of Contract, Form No. US7 - Goods;
- (ii) General Tender Conditions, Form CSS5 – Goods; and
- (iii) any other standard or special conditions mentioned and/or embodied in the Request for Proposal form; and;-

\_\_\_\_\_  
Respondent's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date and Company Stamp



I/We accept that unless Transnet should otherwise decide and so inform me/us in the facsimile or letter of acceptance, 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 the facsimile or letter of acceptance, this Proposal (and, if any, its covering letter and any subsequent exchange of correspondence) together with Transnet's letter of acceptance/intent, 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 of Goods within 8 (eight) weeks, Transnet may, without prejudice to any other legal remedy which it may have, recover from us any expense to which it may have been put in calling for Proposals afresh and/or having to accept any less favourable Proposal.

The law of the Republic of South Africa shall govern the contract created by the acceptance of this RFP. The *domicillium 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 accredited agent in the Republic of South Africa who is empowered 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 the contract.

Respondent to indicate *domicillium citandi et executandi* hereunder:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**NOTIFICATION OF AWARD OF RFP**

As soon as possible after approval to award the contract/s, the successful Respondent (the Supplier) will be informed of the acceptance of its Proposal. Unsuccessful Respondents will be advised in writing of the name of the successful Supplier and the reason as to why their Proposals have been unsuccessful, for example, in the category of price, delivery period, quality, BBBEE status or for any other reason.

**VALIDITY PERIOD**

Transnet desires a validity period of 3 (three) months (from closing date) against this RFP. It should be noted that Respondents may offer an earlier validity period, but that their Proposals may be disregarded for that reason. Should Respondents be unable to comply with this validity period, an alternative validity period must be stated hereunder:

This RFP is valid until \_\_\_\_\_ (State alternative validity period/date).



**TAX (VAT) REGISTRATION NUMBER**

The Respondent must state hereunder the tax registration number which is applicable to Value-Added Tax:

\_\_\_\_\_

**TAX CLEARANCE CERTIFICATE**

Respondents are required to forward a valid copy of their company’s Tax Clearance Certificate with their Proposal.

Indicate tax clearance certificate expiry date: \_\_\_\_\_

**BANKING DETAILS**

BANK: \_\_\_\_\_

BRANCH NAME / CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

ACCOUNT HOLDER: \_\_\_\_\_

ACCOUNT NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

**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

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**REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE**

Respondents must submit a certified copy of their company’s Registration Certificate with their Proposal.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Respondent’s Signature

Date and Company Stamp



**NAME AND ADDRESS OF ACCREDITED AGENT**

Provide hereunder, if applicable, details of the accredited agent in the Republic of South Africa appointed as local representative by foreign Respondents and whose address shall be regarded as the Respondent’s domicilium citandi et executandi in terms of the Standard Terms and Conditions of Contract, US7 – Goods.

Name	.....
Address	..... .....

**CONFIDENTIALITY**

All information related to a subsequent contract, both during and after completion, is to be treated with strict confidence. Should the need however arise to divulge any information gleaned from provision of the Goods, which is either directly or indirectly related to Transnet’s business, written approval to divulge such information will have to be obtained from Transnet.

**DISCLOSURE OF PRICES TENDERED**

Respondents must indicate here **whether Transnet may disclose** their tendered prices and conditions to other Respondents:

YES	<input type="checkbox"/>	NO	<input type="checkbox"/>
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**DECLARATION**

Respondents to declare hereunder whether any family and/or direct relationship exists between any of the owners / members / directors / partners / shareholders (unlisted companies) of the responding company and any employee or board member of the Transnet Group:

YES	<input type="checkbox"/>	NO	<input type="checkbox"/>
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If YES, please indicate below:

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

ADDRESS

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Indicate nature of relationship (if any):

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*(Failure to furnish complete and accurate information in this regard may lead to the disqualification of a response and may preclude a Respondent from future business with Transnet)*

**PRICE REVIEW**

Transnet will be benchmarking this price offering(s) against the lowest price received as per the benchmarking exercise. If the Respondent’s price(s) are found to be higher than the benchmarked price(s), then the Respondent shall match or better such price(s) within 30 days - failing which the Contract may be terminated at Transnet’s discretion or the particular item(s) or service(s) purchased outside the contract.

**RETURNABLE DOCUMENTS**

Respondents are required to submit the following returnable documents with their responses (see tick):

<b>Notice to Bidders – Section 1</b>	√
<b>Background overview – Section 2</b>	√
<b>Proposal Form – Section 3</b>	√
<b>Resolution of Board of Directors (Respondent’s Representative) – Section 4</b>	√
<b>Certificate of Acquaintance with RFP Documents – Section 5</b>	√
<b>Pricing &amp; Delivery Schedule – Section 6</b>	√
<b>General Tender Conditions, Form CSS5 – Section 7</b>	√
<b>Conditions of Contract, Form US7 – Section 8</b>	√
<b>Audited Financials for previous year</b>	√
<b>Valid Tax Clearance Certificate</b>	√
<b>VAT Registration Certificate</b>	√
<b>BBBEE Accreditation Certificate</b>	√
<b>Certificate of attendance of RFP Briefing – Section 9</b>	√
<b>Specifications and Drawings – Section 10</b>	√
<b>Non-Disclosure Agreement – Section 11</b>	√
<b>Annexure C to Main Specification SPC TFRT 002 dated May 2009</b>	√
<b>Compliance to Main Specification for Multiplexers</b>	√
<b>Multiplexer technical compliance submission version 1</b>	√

**NOTE:** Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 as indicated in the footer of each page, must be signed and dated by the Respondent.



**By signing the RFP documents, the Respondent is deemed to acknowledge that he / she has made himself / herself thoroughly familiar with all the conditions governing this RFP, including those contained in any printed form stated to form part hereof and Transnet Limited will recognise no claim for relief based on an allegation that the Respondent overlooked any such condition or failed properly to take it into account for the purpose of calculating tendered prices or otherwise.**

SIGNED at \_\_\_\_\_ on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2009.

SIGNATURE OF WITNESSES:

ADDRESS OF WITNESSES:

1 \_\_\_\_\_ 1 \_\_\_\_\_

2 \_\_\_\_\_ 2 \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE OF RESPONDENT'S AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE:

NAME

DESIGNATION

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**RFP NUMBER SIT 9002**  
**SUPPLY OF FLEXIBLE MULTIPLEXERS REQUIRED NATIONWIDE**  
**FOR A PERIOD OF TWO YEARS**

**SIGNING POWER : RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

NAME OF COMPANY: \_\_\_\_\_

It was resolved at a meeting of the Board of Directors held on \_\_\_\_\_ that

FULL NAME(S)	CAPACITY	SIGNATURE
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

in his/her capacity as indicated above is/are hereby authorised to enter into, sign, execute and complete any documents relating to Tenders, Proposals and/or Contracts for the supply of Goods.

FULL NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNATURE CHAIRMAN

FULL NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNATURE SECRETARY

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**CERTIFICATE OF ACQUAINTANCE WITH RFP DOCUMENTS**

NAME OF COMPANY: \_\_\_\_\_

I/We \_\_\_\_\_ do

hereby certify that I/we acquainted myself/ourselves with all the documentation comprising this RFP and all conditions contained therein, as laid down by Transnet Limited for the carrying out of the proposed supply/service/works for which I/we submitted my/our response.

I/We furthermore agree that Transnet Limited shall recognise no claim from me/us for relief based on an allegation that I/we overlooked any RFP/contract condition or failed to take it into account for the purpose of calculating my/our offered prices or otherwise.

SIGNED at \_\_\_\_\_ on this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2009

WITNESS : \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNATURE OF RESPONDENT



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**FOR A PERIOD OF TWO YEARS**

**PRICING & DELIVERY SCHEDULE**

Annexure A to SPC-TFRT0002  
 Bill of Quantities for Flexible multiplexers

Item	Description	Quantity	Price per each
1	Complete network Management system	1	
2	LCT Dongles	20	
3	9U Sub rack with common cards	150	
3.1	Power supply with wiring	50	
3.2	Process and management	20	
3.3	2 Mbit/s Optical module range 0 to 80 km	50	
3.4	STM 1 Optical range 0 to 25 km	50	
3.5	STM 1 Optical range 25 to 40 km	50	
3.6	STM 1 Optical range 40 to 80 km	200	
3.7	HDB3 module with wiring	50	
3.8	6 Wire E&M module with wiring	50	
3.9	LAN 10BaseT module	200	
3.10	V24 Module with wiring	300	
3.11	V11 module with wiring	50	
3.12	Alarm board for external alarms	50	
3.13	V.24 patch panel	100	
3.14	V.11 patch panel	25	
3.15	Optical patch lead 5 m. E2000 to (???) card specific	400	
4	4U sub rack with common cards	300	
4.1	Power supply with wiring	50	
4.2	Process and Management unit	20	
4.3	HDB3 module with wiring	20	
4.4	2 Mbit/s optical module range 0 to 10 km	200	



4.5	STM 1 Optical range 0 to 25 km	100	
4.6	6 Wire E&M module with wiring	50	
4.7	LAN 10BaseT module	200	
4.8	V24 Module with wiring	300	
4.9	V11 module with wiring	20	
5	Manual complete set on CD	2	
6	TRAINING	150	
6.1	Train 20 people installation and commissioning	1	
6.2	Train 5 people system administration	1	
6.3	Train 5 people Web view access	1	
6.4	Train 20 people in field maintenance	1	
6.5	Train 20 people configuration and monitoring	1	
7.0	Training on Installation and Commissioning	20 People	
7.1	Training on System Administration	5 People	
7.2	Training on Web view access	5 People	
7.3	Training on Field Maintenance	20 People	
7.4	Training on configuration and monitoring in a NOC environment	20 People	

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**FOR A PERIOD OF TWO YEARS**

**GENERAL TENDER CONDITIONS - GOODS**

**Refer Form CSS5 attached hereto**

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**STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT**

**FOR THE SUPPLY OF GOODS TO TRANSNET**

**Refer Form US7 attached hereto.**

**Respondents should note the obligations as set out in Clause 24 of the General Tender Conditions (Section 7) which reads as follows:**

*"The Supplier shall adhere to the Standard Terms and Conditions of Contract as set out in Form US7 – Goods, a copy of which is attached hereto.*

*Should the Respondent find any conditions unacceptable, it should indicate which conditions are unacceptable and offer an alternative. Please note that any alternative offered shall be compared with acceptance of the Form US7 conditions or alternatives offered by other Respondents, except penalties for late deliveries, the exclusion of which may disqualify the RFP, save where indicated otherwise by Transnet."*



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**CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDANCE OF BRIEFING SESSION**

It is hereby certified that -

- 1. ....
- 2. ....

Representative(s) of .....  
(name of company)

attended the site meeting / briefing session in respect of the proposed Goods to be rendered in terms of this RFP on ..... 2009.

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.....  
TRANSNET'S REPRESENTATIVE

.....  
RESPONDENT'S REPRESENTATIVE

DATE.....

DATE.....



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**SPECIFICATIONS AND DRAWINGS**

1	SPC-TFRT0001 TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION FOR ACCESS MULTIPLEXERS DATED MAY 2009.
2	TECHNICAL COMPLIANCE SUBMISSION VERSION 1.00
3	SPC-TFRT0002 DATED MAY 2009 MAIN SPECIFICATION FOR ACCESS MULTIPLEXERS
4	ANNEXURE B TO MAIN SPECIFICATION
5	ANNEXURE C TO MAIN SPECIFICATION
6	SPC-TFRT0003 SPECIFICATION FOR THE TRAINING ON TRANSNET FREIGHT RAIL PERSONEL ON NEW EQUIPMENT DATED APRIL 2009.

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**NON-DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT (“NDA”)**

**Complete and sign NDA attached hereto**

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