

RFQ FOR THE: DESIGN AND SUPPLY OF REINFORCED EARTH PANNEL MONITOR AND AU 12 SHEETS PILING OF 6M HEIGHT

ANNEXURE A: B-BBEE PREFERENCE POINTS CLAIM FORM

This preference form contains general information and serves as a claim for preference points for Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment [**B-BBEE**] Status Level of Contribution.

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 A total of **20** preference points shall be awarded for B-BBEE Status Level of Contribution.
- 1.2 Failure on the part of a Bidder to fill in and/or to sign this form and submit a B-BBEE Verification Certificate from a Verification Agency accredited by the South African Accreditation System [**SANAS**] or a Registered Auditor approved by the Independent Regulatory Board of Auditors [**IRBA**] or an Accounting Officer as contemplated in the Close Corporation Act [**CCA**] together with the bid will be interpreted to mean that preference points for B-BBEE Status Level of Contribution are not claimed.
- 1.3 Transnet reserves the right to require of a Bidder, either before a Bid is adjudicated or at any time subsequently, to substantiate any claim in regard to preferences, in any manner required by Transnet.

2. GENERAL DEFINITIONS

- 2.1 "**all applicable taxes**" include value-added tax, pay as you earn, income tax, unemployment insurance fund contributions and skills development levies;
- 2.2 "**B-BBEE**" means broad-based black economic empowerment as defined in section 1 of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act;
- 2.3 "**B-BBEE status of contributor**" means the B-BBEE status received by a measured entity based on its overall performance using the relevant scorecard contained in the Codes of Good Practice on Black Economic Empowerment, issued in terms of section 9(1) of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act;
- 2.4 "**Bid**" means a written offer in a prescribed or stipulated form in response to an invitation by Transnet for the provision of goods, works or services;
- 2.5 "**Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act**" means the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act, 2003 [Act No. 53 of 2003];
- 2.6 "**comparative price**" means the price after the factors of a non-firm price and all unconditional discounts that can utilised have been taken into consideration;
- 2.7 "**consortium or joint venture**" means an association of persons for the purpose of combining their expertise, property, capital, efforts, skills and knowledge in an activity for the execution of a

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contract;

- 2.8 **"contract"** means the agreement that results from the acceptance of a bid by Transnet;
- 2.9 **"EME"** means any enterprise with an annual total revenue of R5 [five] million or less as per the 2007 version of the B-BBEE Codes of Good Practice and means any enterprise with an annual total revenue of R10 [ten] million or less as per the Revised Codes of Good Practice issued on 11 October 2013 in terms of Government Gazette No. 36928;
- 2.10 **"firm price"** means the price that is only subject to adjustments in accordance with the actual increase or decrease resulting from the change, imposition, or abolition of customs and excise duty and any other duty, levy, or tax, which, in terms of the law or regulation, is binding on the contractor and demonstrably has an influence on the price of any supplies or the rendering costs of any service, for the execution of the contract;
- 2.11 **"functionality"** means the measurement according to predetermined norms, as set out in the bid documents, of a service or commodity that is designed to be practical and useful, working or operating, taking into account, among other factors, the quality, reliability, viability and durability of a service and the technical capacity and ability of a bidder;
- 2.12 **"non-firm prices"** means all prices other than "firm" prices;
- 2.13 **"person"** includes reference to a juristic person;
- 2.14 **"QSE"** means any enterprise with an annual total revenue between R5 [five] million and R35 [thirty five] million as per the 2007 version of the B-BBEE Codes of Good Practice and means any enterprise with an annual total revenue of between R10 [ten] million and R50 [fifty] million as per the Revised Codes of Good Practice issued on 11 October 2013 in terms of Government Gazette No. 36928
- 2.15 **"rand value"** means the total estimated value of a contract in South African currency, calculated at the time of bid invitations, and includes all applicable taxes and excise duties;
- 2.16 **"subcontract"** means the primary contractor's assigning or leasing or making out work to, or employing another person to support such primary contractor in the execution of part of a project in terms of the contract;
- 2.17 **"total revenue"** bears the same meaning assigned to this expression in the Codes of Good Practice on Black Economic Empowerment, issued in terms of section 9(1) of the Broad-Based Black Empowerment Act and promulgated in the Government Gazette on 9 February 2007;
- 2.18 **"trust"** means the arrangement through which the property of one person is made over or bequeathed to a trustee to administer such property for the benefit of another person; and
- 2.19 **"trustee"** means any person, including the founder of a trust, to whom property is bequeathed in order for such property to be administered for the benefit of another person.

3. ADJUDICATION USING A POINT SYSTEM

- 3.1 The Bidder obtaining the highest number of total points for the evaluation criteria as enumerated

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in Section 2 of the RFP will be awarded the contract, unless objective criteria justifies the award to another bidder.

- 3.2 Preference points shall be calculated after prices have been brought to a comparative basis taking into account all factors of non-firm prices and all unconditional discounts.
- 3.3 Points scored will be rounded off to 2 [two] decimal places.
- 3.4 In the event of equal points scored, the Bid will be awarded to the Bidder scoring the highest number of preference points for B-BBEE.
- 3.5 However, when functionality is part of the evaluation process and two or more Bids have scored equal points including equal preference points for B-BBEE, the successful Bid will be the one scoring the highest score for functionality.
- 3.6 Should two or more Bids be equal in all respect, the award shall be decided by the drawing of lots.

4. POINTS AWARDED FOR B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL OF CONTRIBUTION

- 4.1 In terms of the Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2011, preference points shall be awarded to a Bidder for attaining the B-BBEE status level of contribution in accordance with the table below:

B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor	Number of Points [Maximum 20]
1	20
2	18
3	16
4	12
5	8
6	6
7	4
8	2
Non-compliant contributor	0

- 4.2 Bidders who qualify as EMEs in terms of the 2007 version of the Codes of Good Practice must submit a certificate issued by an Accounting Officer as contemplated in the CCA or a Verification Agency accredited by SANAS or a Registered Auditor. Registered auditors do not need to meet the prerequisite for IRBA's approval for the purpose of conducting verification and issuing EME's with B-BBEE Status Level Certificates.
- 4.3 Bidders who qualify as EMEs in terms of the Revised Codes of Good Practice issued on 11 October 2013 in terms of Government Gazette No. 36928 are only required to obtain a sworn affidavit on an annual basis confirming that the entity has an Annual Total Revenue of R10 million or less and the entity's Level of Black ownership.
- 4.4 In terms of the 2007 version of the Codes of Good Practice, Bidders other than EMEs must submit their original and valid B-BBEE status level verification certificate or a certified copy thereof,

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- substantiating their B-BBEE rating issued by a Registered Auditor approved by IRBA or a Verification Agency accredited by SANAS.
- 4.5 The Department of Trade and Industry recently revised the Codes of Good Practice on 11 October 2013 [Government Gazette No. 36928]. The Revised Codes will replace the Black Economic Empowerment Codes of Good Practice issued on 9 February 2007. The Revised Codes provide for a transitional period ending 30 April 2015. During the transitional period, companies may elect to be measured in terms of the Revised Codes or the 2007 version of the Codes. Companies which are governed by Sector-specific Codes will be measured in terms of those Sector Codes.
- 4.6 As such, Transnet will accept B-BBEE certificates issued based on the Revised Codes. Transnet will also continue to accept B-BBEE certificates issued in terms of the 2007 version of the Codes provided it was issued before 1 May 2015. Thereafter, Transnet will only accept B-BBEE certificates issued based on the Revised Codes.
- 4.7 In terms of the Revised Codes of Good Practice, Bidders who qualify as QSEs must comply with all the elements of B-BBEE for the purposes of measurement. QSEs that are at least 51% or 100% Black owned are only required to obtain a sworn affidavit on an annual basis confirming that the entity has an Annual Total Revenue of R50 million or less and the entity's Level of Black ownership. Large enterprises must submit their original and valid B-BBEE status level verification certificate or a certified copy thereof, substantiating their B-BBEE rating issued by a Registered Auditor approved by IRBA or a Verification Agency accredited by SANAS.
- 4.8 A trust, consortium or joint venture will qualify for points for its B-BBEE status level as a legal entity, provided that the entity submits its B-BBEE status level certificate.
- 4.9 A trust, consortium or joint venture will qualify for points for their B-BBEE status level as an unincorporated entity, provided that the entity submits their consolidated B-BBEE scorecard as if they were a group structure and that such a consolidated B-BBEE scorecard is prepared for every separate bid.
- 4.10 Tertiary institutions and public entities will be required to submit their B-BBEE status level certificates in terms of the specialised scorecard contained in the B-BBEE Codes of Good Practice.
- 4.11 A person will not be awarded points for B-BBEE status level if it is indicated in the Bid documents that such a Bidder intends subcontracting more than 25% [twenty-five per cent] of the value of the contract to any other enterprise that does not qualify for at least the same number of points that such a Bidder qualifies for, unless the intended subcontractor is an EME that has the capability and ability to execute the subcontract.
- 4.12 A person awarded a contract may not subcontract more than 25% [twenty-five per cent] of the value of the contract to any other enterprise that does not have an equal or higher B-BBEE status level than the person concerned, unless the contract is subcontracted to an EME that has the capability and ability to execute the subcontract.
- 4.13 Bidders are to note that in terms of paragraph 2.6 of Statement 000 of the Revised Codes of Good Practice issued on 11 October 2013 in terms of Government Gazette No. 36928, any representation made by an entity about its B-BBEE compliance must be supported by suitable

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evidence or documentation. As such, Transnet reserves the right to request such evidence or documentation from Bidders in order to verify any B-BBEE recognition claimed.

5. B-BBEE STATUS AND SUBCONTRACTING

5.1 Bidders who claim points in respect of B-BBEE Status Level of Contribution must complete the following:

B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor _____ = _____ [maximum of 10 points]

Note: Points claimed in respect of this paragraph 5.1 must be in accordance with the table reflected in paragraph 4.1 above and must be substantiated by means of a B-BBEE certificate issued by a Verification Agency accredited by SANAS or a Registered Auditor approved by IRBA or a sworn affidavit in the case of an EME or QSE.

5.2 Subcontracting:

Will any portion of the contract be subcontracted? YES/NO [delete which is not applicable]

If YES, indicate:

- (i) What percentage of the contract will be subcontracted?%
- (ii) The name of the subcontractor
- (iii) The B-BBEE status level of the subcontractor
- (iv) Is the subcontractor an EME? YES/NO

5.3 Declaration with regard to Company/Firm

- (i) Name of Company/Firm.....
- (ii) VAT registration number.....
- (iii) Company registration number.....
- (iv) Type of Company / Firm [TICK APPLICABLE BOX]

- Partnership/Joint Venture/Consortium
- One person business/sole propriety
- Close Corporations
- Company (Pty) Ltd

(v) Describe Principal Business Activities

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(vi) Company Classification [TICK APPLICABLE BOX]

- Manufacturer
- Supplier
- Professional Service Provider

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- Other Service Providers, e.g Transporter, etc
- (vii) Total number of years the company/firm has been in business.....

BID DECLARATION

I/we, the undersigned, who warrants that he/she is duly authorised to do so on behalf of the company/firm, certify that points claimed, based on the B-BBEE status level of contribution indicated in paragraph 4 above, qualifies the company/firm for the preference(s) shown and I / we acknowledge that:

- (i) The information furnished is true and correct.
- (ii) In the event of a contract being awarded as a result of points claimed as shown in paragraph 6 above, the contractor may be required to furnish documentary proof to the satisfaction of Transnet that the claims are correct.
- (iii) If the B-BBEE status level of contribution has been claimed or obtained on a fraudulent basis or any of the conditions of contract have not been fulfilled, Transnet may, in addition to any other remedy it may have:
 - (a) disqualify the person from the bidding process;
 - (b) recover costs, losses or damages it has incurred or suffered as a result of that person's conduct;
 - (c) cancel the contract and claim any damages which it has suffered as a result of having to make less favourable arrangements due to such cancellation;
 - (d) restrict the Bidder or contractor, its shareholders and directors, and/or associated entities, or only the shareholders and directors who acted in a fraudulent manner, from obtaining business from Transnet for a period not exceeding 10 years, after the *audi alteram partem* [hear the other side] rule has been applied; and/or
 - (e) forward the matter for criminal prosecution.

WITNESSES:

- 1.
- 2.

SIGNATURE OF BIDDER

DATE:.....

COMPANY NAME:
 ADDRESS:.....

REQUEST FOR QUOTATION

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Transnet Freight Rail, a Division of Transnet SOC Limited, invites all interested parties to respond to a request for quotation (RFQ) as indicated below:

All RFQ's should be submitted on the appropriate RFQ forms and should be deposited in the tender box before 10h00 on the closing date of the tender/s.

If delivered by hand, the Tender submissions must be addressed to Main Reception Area, Transnet Freight Rail RME, Cnr Jetpark and Northreef Roads.

RFQ documents may be obtained on and after **Thursday, 18th June 2015** from Nico Forteins, e-mail address nico.forteins@transnet.net, contact number: 011 878 7028 and will **only be available until 15h00 on 24th June 2015, free of charge per set of document.**

For enquiries regarding obtaining of documents, contact Nico Forteins, telephone No. 011 878 7028. RFQ documents may be viewed from the website by clicking on the RFQ number that is highlighted in red on the website: <http://www.transnetfreightrail-tfr.net/Supplier/Panel/Tenders.aspx>

RFQ NUMBER: RME JHB 412/2015

REQUIRED AT: VRYHEID EAST

CLOSING DATE OF RFQ: Thursday, 25th June 2015 (12h00)

Respondents, who do not comply with all of the above, will be disqualified.

For tender enquiries contact:

DEON ASTLE
083 455 6309



Important Note: All potential bidders must read this document and certify in the RFX Declaration Form that have acquainted themselves with, and agree with the content. The contract with the successful bidder will automatically incorporate this Integrity Pact as part of the final concluded contract.

INTEGRITY PACT

Between

TRANSNET SOC LTD

Registration Number: 1990/000900/30

("Transnet")

and

The Bidder / Supplier/ Service Provider / Contractor (hereinafter referred to as the "Bidder / Supplier")

"PREVIEW COPY ONLY"

PREAMBLE

Transnet values full compliance with all relevant laws and regulations, ethical standards and the principles of economical use of resources, fairness and transparency in its relations with its Bidders / Suppliers.

In order to achieve these goals, Transnet and the Bidder / Supplier hereby enter into this agreement hereinafter referred to as the "Integrity Pact" which will form part of the Bidder's / Supplier's application for registration with Transnet as a vendor.

The general purpose of this Integrity Pact is to agree on avoiding 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 any procurement and / or reverse logistics event and any further contract to be entered into between the Parties, relating to such event.

All Bidders / Suppliers will be required to sign and comply with undertakings contained in this Integrity Pact, should they want to be registered as a Transnet vendor.

1 OBJECTIVES

- 1.1 Transnet and the Bidder / Supplier agree to enter into this Integrity Pact, to avoid all forms of dishonesty, fraud and corruption including practices that are anti-competitive in nature, negotiations made in bad faith and under-pricing by following a system that is fair, transparent and free from any influence / unprejudiced dealings prior to, during and subsequent to the currency of the contract to be entered into with a view to:
- a) Enable Transnet to obtain the desired contract at a reasonable and competitive price in conformity to the defined specifications of the works, goods and services; and
 - b) Enable Bidders / Suppliers to abstain from bribing or participating in any corrupt practice in order to secure the contract.

2 COMMITMENTS OF TRANSNET

Transnet commits to take all measures necessary to prevent dishonesty, fraud and corruption and to observe the following principles:

- 2.1 Transnet hereby undertakes that no employee of Transnet connected directly or indirectly with the sourcing event and ensuing contract, will demand, take a promise for or accept directly or through intermediaries any bribe, consideration, gift, reward, favour or any material or immaterial benefit or any other advantage from the Bidder, either for themselves or for any person, organisation or third party related to the contract in exchange for an advantage in the bidding process, bid evaluation, contracting or implementation process related to any contract.
- 2.2 Transnet will, during the registration and bidding process treat all Bidders / Suppliers with equity, transparency and fairness. Transnet will in particular, before and during the registration process, provide to all Bidders / Suppliers the same information and will not provide to any Bidders / Suppliers confidential / additional information through which the Bidders / Suppliers could obtain an advantage in relation to any bidding process.
- 2.3 Transnet further confirms that its employees will not favour any prospective bidder in any form that could afford an undue advantage to a particular bidder during the tendering stage, and will further treat all Bidders / Supplier participating in the bidding process.
- 2.4 Transnet will exclude from the bidding process such employees who have any personal interest in the Bidders / Suppliers participating in the bidding process.

3 OBLIGATIONS OF THE BIDDER / SUPPLIER

3.1 The Bidder / Supplier commits itself to take all measures necessary to prevent corrupt practices, unfair means and illegal activities during any stage of its bid or during any ensuing contract stage in order to secure the contract or in furtherance to secure it and in particular the Bidder / Supplier commits to the following:

- a) The Bidder / Supplier will not, directly or through any other person or firm, offer, promise or give to Transnet or to any of Transnet's employees involved in the bidding process or to any third person any material or other benefit or payment, in order to obtain in exchange an advantage during the bidding process; and
- b) The Bidder / Supplier will not offer, directly or through intermediaries, any bribe, gift, consideration, reward, favour, any material or immaterial benefit or other advantage, commission, fees, brokerage or inducement to any employee of Transnet, connected directly or indirectly with the bidding process, or to any person, organisation or third party related to the contract in exchange for any advantage in the bidding, evaluation, contracting and implementation of the contract.

3.2 The acceptance and giving of gifts may be permitted provided that:

- a) the gift does not exceed R1 000 (one thousand Rand) in retail value;
- b) many low retail value gifts do not exceed R1 000 within a 12 month period;
- c) hospitality packages do not exceed R5 000 in value or many low value hospitality packages do not cumulatively exceed R5 000;
- d) a Bidder / Supplier does not give a Transnet employee more than 2 (two) gifts within a 12 (twelve) month period, irrespective of value;
- e) a Bidder / Supplier does not accept more than 1 (one) gift in excess of R750 (seven hundred and fifty Rand) from a Transnet employee within a 12 (twelve) month period, irrespective of value;
- f) a Bidder / Supplier may under no circumstances, accept from or give to, a Transnet employee any gift, business courtesy, including an invitation to a business meal and /or drinks, or hospitality package, irrespective of value, during any bid evaluation process, including a period of 12 (twelve) months after such tender has been awarded, as it may be perceived as undue and improper influence on the evaluation process or reward for the contract that has been awarded; and
- g) a Bidder / Supplier may not offer gifts, goods or services to a Transnet employee at artificially low prices, which are not available to the public at those prices.

3.3 The Bidder / Supplier will not collude with other parties interested in the contract to preclude a competitive bid price, impair the transparency, fairness and progress of the bidding process, bid evaluation, contracting and implementation of the contract. The Bidder / Supplier further commits itself to delivering against all agreed upon conditions as stipulated within the contract.

3.4 The Bidder / Supplier will not enter into any illegal or dishonest agreement or understanding, whether formal or informal with other Bidders / Suppliers. This applies in particular to certifications, submissions or non-submission of documents or actions that are restrictive or to introduce cartels into the bidding process.

3.5 The Bidder / Supplier will not commit any criminal offence under the relevant anti-corruption laws of South Africa or any other country. Furthermore, the Bidder /Supplier will not use for illegitimate purposes or for restrictive purposes or personal gain, or pass on to others, any information provided by Transnet as part of the business relationship, regarding plans, technical proposals and business details, including information contained or transmitted electronically.

- 3.6 A Bidder / Supplier of foreign origin shall disclose the name and address of its agents or representatives in South Africa, if any, involved directly or indirectly in the registration or bidding process. Similarly, the Bidder / Supplier of South African nationality shall furnish the name and address of the foreign principals, if any, involved directly or indirectly in the registration or bidding process.
- 3.7 The Bidder / Supplier will not misrepresent facts or furnish false or forged documents or information in order to influence the bidding process to the advantage of the Bidder / Supplier or detriment of Transnet or other competitors.
- 3.8 The Bidder / Supplier shall furnish Transnet with a copy of its code of conduct, which code of conduct shall reject the use of bribes and other dishonest and unethical conduct, as well as compliance programme for the implementation of the code of conduct.
- 3.9 The Bidder / Supplier will not instigate third persons to commit offences outlined above or be an accessory to such offences.

4 INDEPENDENT BIDDING

- 4.1 For the purposes of that Certificate in relation to any submitted Bid, the Bidder declares to fully understand that the word "competitor" shall include any individual or organisation, other than the Bidder, whether or not affiliated with the Bidder, who:
- has been requested to submit a Bid in response to this Bid invitation;
 - could potentially submit a Bid in response to this Bid invitation, based on their qualifications, abilities or experience; and
 - provides the same Goods and Services as the Bidder and/or is in the same line of business as the Bidder.
- 4.2 The Bidder has arrived at his submitted Bid independently from, and without consultation, communication, agreement or arrangement with any competitor. However communication between partners in a joint venture or consortium will not be construed as collusive bidding.
- 4.3 In particular, without limiting the generality of paragraph 5 above, there has been no consultation, communication, agreement or arrangement with any competitor regarding:
- prices;
 - geographical area where Goods or Services will be rendered [market allocation];
 - methods, factors or formulas used to calculate prices;
 - the intention or decision to submit or not to submit, a Bid;
 - the submission of a Bid which does not meet the specifications and conditions of the RFP; or
 - bidding with the intention of not winning the Bid.
- 4.4 In addition, there have been no consultations, communications, agreements or arrangements with any competitor regarding the quality, quantity, specifications and conditions or delivery particulars of the Goods or Services to which his/her Bid relates.
- 4.5 The terms of the Bid as submitted have not been, and will not be, disclosed by the Bidder, directly or indirectly, to any competitor, prior to the date and time of the official Bid opening or of the awarding of the contract.
- 4.6 Bidders are aware that, in addition and without prejudice to any other remedy provided to combat any restrictive practices related to bids and contracts, Bids that are suspicious will be reported to the Competition Commission for investigation and possible imposition of administrative penalties in

terms of section 59 of the Competition Act No 89 of 1998 and/or may be reported to the National Prosecuting Authority [NPA] for criminal investigation and/or may be restricted from conducting business with the public sector for a period not exceeding 10 [ten] years in terms of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act No 12 of 2004 or any other applicable legislation.

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

5 DISQUALIFICATION FROM BIDDING PROCESS

- 5.1 If the Bidder / Supplier has committed a transgression through a violation of section 3 of this Integrity Pact or in any other form such as to put its reliability or credibility as a Bidder / Supplier into question, Transnet may reject the Bidder's / Supplier's application from the registration or bidding process and remove the Bidder / Supplier from its database, if already registered.
- 5.2 If the Bidder / Supplier has committed a transgression through a violation of section 3, or any material violation, such as to put its reliability or credibility into question. Transnet may after following due procedures and at its own discretion also exclude the Bidder / Supplier from future bidding processes. The imposition and duration of the exclusion will be determined by the severity of the transgression. The severity will be determined by the circumstances of the case, which will include amongst others the number of transgressions, the position of the transgressors within the company hierarchy of the Bidder / Supplier and the amount of the damage. The exclusion will be imposed for up to a maximum of 10 (ten) years. However, Transnet reserves the right to impose a longer period of exclusion depending on the gravity of the misconduct.
- 5.3 If the Bidder / Supplier can prove that it has restored the damage caused by it and has installed a suitable corruption prevention system, or taken other remedial measures as the circumstances of the case may require, Transnet may at its own discretion revoke the exclusion or suspend the imposed penalty.

6 TRANSNET'S LIST OF EXCLUDED TENDERERS (BLACKLIST)

- 6.1 All the stipulations around Transnet's blacklisting process as laid down in Transnet's Supply Chain Policy and Procurement Procedures Manual are included herein by way of reference. Below follows a condensed summary of this blacklisting procedure.
- 6.2 Blacklisting is a mechanism used to exclude a company/person from future business with Transnet for a specified period. The decision to blacklist is based on one of the grounds for blacklisting. The standard of proof to commence the blacklisting process is whether a "*prima facie*" (i.e. on the face of it) case has been established.
- 6.3 Depending on the seriousness of the misconduct and the strategic importance of the Goods/Services, in addition to blacklisting a company/person from future business, Transnet may decide to terminate some or all existing contracts with the company/person as well.
- 6.4 A supplier or contractor to Transnet may not subcontract any portion of the contract to a blacklisted company.
- 6.5 Grounds for blacklisting include: If any person/Enterprise which has submitted a Bid, concluded a contract, or, in the capacity of agent or subcontractor, has been associated with such Bid or contract:

- a) Has, in bad faith, withdrawn such Bid after the advertised closing date and time for the receipt of Bids;
- b) has, after being notified of the acceptance of his Bid, failed or refused to sign a contract when called upon to do so in terms of any condition forming part of the bid documents;
- c) has carried out any contract resulting from such bid in an unsatisfactory manner or has breached any condition of the contract;
- d) has offered, promised or given a bribe in relation to the obtaining or execution of the contract;
- e) has acted in a fraudulent or improper manner or in bad faith towards Transnet or any Government Department or towards any public body, Enterprise or person;
- f) has made any incorrect statement in a certificate or other communication with regard to the Local Content of his Goods or his B-BBEE status and is unable to prove to the satisfaction of Transnet that:
 - (i) he made the statement in good faith honestly believing it to be correct; and
 - (ii) before making such statement he took all reasonable steps to satisfy himself of its correctness;
- g) caused Transnet damage, or to incur costs in order to meet the contractor's requirements and which could not be recovered from the contractor;
- h) has litigated against Transnet in bad faith.

6.6 Grounds for blacklisting include a company/person recorded as being a company or person prohibited from doing business with the public sector on National Treasury's database of Restricted Suppliers or Register of Tender Defaulters.

6.7 Companies associated with the person/s guilty of misconduct (i.e. entities owned, controlled or managed by such persons), any companies subsequently formed by the person(s) guilty of the misconduct and/or in existing company where such person(s) acquires a controlling stake may be considered for blacklisting. The decision to extend the blacklist to associated companies will be at the sole discretion of Transnet.

7 PREVIOUS TRANSGRESSIONS

7.1 The Bidder / Supplier hereby declares that no previous transgressions resulting in a serious breach of any law, including but not limited to, corruption, fraud, theft, extortion and contraventions of the Competition Act 89 of 1998, which occurred in the last 5 (five) years with any other public sector undertaking, government department or private sector company that could justify its exclusion from its registration on the Bidder's / Supplier's database or any bidding process.

7.2 If it is found to be that the Bidder / Supplier made an incorrect statement on this subject, the Bidder / Supplier can be rejected from the registration process or removed from the Bidder / Supplier database, if already registered, for such reason (refer to the Breach of Law Form contained in the applicable RFX document.)

8 SANCTIONS FOR VIOLATIONS

8.1 Transnet shall also take all or any one of the following actions, wherever required to:

- a) Immediately exclude the Bidder / Supplier from the bidding process or call off the pre-contract negotiations without giving any compensation the Bidder / Supplier. However, the proceedings with the other Bidders / Suppliers may continue;
- b) Immediately cancel the contract, if already awarded or signed, without giving any compensation to the Bidder / Supplier;
- c) Recover all sums already paid by Transnet;
- d) Encash the advance bank guarantee and performance bond or warranty bond, if furnished by the Bidder / Supplier, in order to recover the payments, already made by Transnet, along with interest;
- e) Cancel all or any other contracts with the Bidder / Supplier; and
- f) Exclude the Bidder / Supplier from entering into any bid with Transnet in future.

9 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

- 9.1 A conflict of interest includes, inter alia, a situation in which:
- a) A Transnet employee has a personal financial interest in a bidding / supplying entity; and
 - b) A Transnet employee has private interests or personal considerations or has an affiliation or a relationship which affects, or may affect, or may be perceived to affect his / her judgment in action in the best interest of Transnet, or could affect the employee's motivations for acting in a particular manner, or which could result in, or be perceived as favouritism or nepotism.

- 9.2 A Transnet employee uses his / her position, or privileges or information obtained while acting in the capacity as an employee for:
- a) Private gain or advancement; or
 - b) The expectation of private gain, or advancement, or any other advantage accruing to the employee must be declared in a prescribed form.

Thus, conflicts of interest of any bid committee member or any person involved in the sourcing process must be declared in a prescribed form.

- 9.3 If a Bidder / Supplier has or becomes aware of a conflict of interest i.e. a family, business and / or social relationship between its owner(s) / member(s) / director(s) / partner(s) / shareholder(s) and a Transnet employee / member of Transnet's Board of Directors in respect of a bid which will be considered for the bid process, the Bidder / Supplier:
- a) must disclose the interest and its general nature, in the Request for Proposal ("RFQ") declaration form; or
 - b) must notify Transnet immediately in writing once the circumstances has arisen.

- 9.4 The Bidder / Supplier shall not lend to or borrow any money from or enter into any monetary dealings or transactions, directly or indirectly, with any committee member or any person involved in the sourcing process, where this is done, Transnet shall be entitled forthwith to rescind the contract and all other contracts with the Bidder / Supplier.

10 MONITORING

- 10.1 Transnet will be responsible for appointing an independent Monitor to:
- a) Conduct random monitoring of compliance to the provisions of this Integrity Pact for contracts entered into between Transnet and the Bidder / Supplier for less than R100,000.000 (one hundred million Rand) in value;
 - b) Monitor compliance to the provisions of this Integrity Pact for contracts entered into between Transnet and the Bidder / Supplier for greater than R100,000.000 (one hundred million Rand) in value; and
 - c) Investigate any allegation of violation of any provisions of this Integrity Pact for contracts entered into between Transnet and the Bidder / Supplier, irrespective of value.
- 10.2 The Monitor will be subjected to Transnet's Terms of Conditions of Contract for the Provision of Services to Transnet, as well as to Transnet's Supplier Code of Conduct.

11 EXAMINATION OF FINANCIAL RECORDS, DOCUMENTATION AND/OR ELECTRONIC DATA

For the purpose of Monitoring, as stipulated above, the Monitor shall be entitled to:

- a) Examine the financial records, documentation and or electronic data of the Bidder / Supplier / Transnet. The Bidder / Supplier / Transnet shall provide all requested information / documentation / data to the Monitor and shall extend all help possible for the purpose of such examination.

12 DISPUTE RESOLUTION

12.1 Transnet recognises that trust and good faith are pivotal to its relationship with its Bidders / Suppliers. When a dispute arises between Transnet and its Bidder / Supplier, the parties should use their best endeavours to resolve the dispute in an amicable manner, whenever possible. Litigation in bad faith negates the principles of trust and good faith on which commercial relationships are based. Accordingly, following a blacklisting process as mentioned in paragraph 6 above, Transnet will not do business with a company that litigates against it in bad faith or is involved in any action that reflects bad faith on its part. Litigation in bad faith includes, but is not limited to the following instances:

- a) **Vexatious proceedings:** these are frivolous proceedings which have been instituted without proper grounds;
- b) **Perjury:** where a supplier makes a false statement either in giving evidence or on an affidavit;
- c) **Scurrilous allegations:** where a supplier makes allegations regarding a senior Transnet employee which are without proper foundation, scandalous, abusive or defamatory; and
- d) **Abuse of court process:** when a supplier abuses the court process in order to gain a competitive advantage during a bid process.

13 GENERAL

13.1 This Integrity Pact is governed by and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the Republic of South Africa.

13.2 The actions stipulated in this Integrity Pact are without prejudice to any other legal action that may follow in accordance with the provisions of the law relating to any civil or criminal proceedings.

13.3 The validity of this Integrity Pact shall cover all the bidding processes and will be valid for an indefinite period unless cancelled by either Party.

13.4 Should one or several provisions of this Integrity Pact turn out to be invalid the remainder of this Integrity Pact remains valid.

13.5 Should a Bidder / Supplier be confronted with dishonest, fraudulent or corruptive behaviour of one or more Transnet employees, Transnet expects its Bidders / Suppliers to report this behaviour directly to a senior Transnet official / employee or alternatively by using Transnet's "Tip-Off Anonymous" hotline number 0800 003 056, whereby your confidentiality is guaranteed.

The Parties hereby declare that each of them has read and understood the clauses of this Integrity Pact and shall abide by it. To the best of the Parties' knowledge and belief, the information provided in this Integrity Pact is true and correct.

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