

TRANSNET NATIONAL PORTS AUTHORITY

an Operating Division of **TRANSNET SOC LTD**

[hereinafter referred to as **Transnet**] [Registration No. 1990/000900/30]

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL [RFP]

SUPPLY, DELIVERY, TESTING AND COMMISSIONING OF CLASSIFICATION SOCIETY REGISTERED GRAB HOPPER DREDGER WITH A HOPPER CAPACITY OF 750M3, MOUNTED WITH A MARINE EXCAVATOR CAPABLE OF LIFTING AN 8M3 BUCKET FILLED WITH SPOIL AT A MINIMUM RADIUS OF 20M.

RFP NUMBER:

TNPA/2023/11/0021/50266/RFP

Questions and Responses: Set 1

Respondent's Signature

Date & Company Stamp



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No.	Tenderers Questions	TNPA Responses
1	<p>We are writing to formally request an extension of the closing date for above mentioned tender of the closing date by at least 4 months.</p> <p>We need this time because the order of magnitude and effort required to prepare a comprehensive and competitive proposal for this tender is substantial. The grab hopper dredger in question involves a customized, non-standard design, necessitating planning and collaboration across the supply chain and several key departments within our organization, including design, procurement and production.</p> <p>Normally it will take us at least 3 months to deliver such a comprehensive proposal. However, we face the challenge of the upcoming summer holiday period, during which time the availability of key personnel will be limited. To account for this, we respectfully request an additional month to finalize our proposal.</p> <p>Taking the magnitude of this Tender, the tender requires a reasonable amount of time to calculate the best possible offer with the best possible price and quality and to maximize the possible local South African buying and building for this project in order to align with TNPA and dti's local industry goals. This preparation work requires substantial feedback and communication from local suppliers and commercial calculations, and we therefore request your consideration to extend this tender deadline to 15 September 2024</p>	<p>TNPA have noted the request but due to the critical nature of this project, TNPA is only able to offer a 3-week extension until the 21 August 2024.</p> <p>Tenderers must refer to Addendum 1 as published on 18 July 2024.</p>
2	<p>May we ask that in addition to an extension request for 15 September we also ask if you would extend the Q&A period until a later date, currently the date is 19 July and we kindly ask that this be extended to the last week of August if possible? The extension of the Q&A period will allow all bidders to go through the tender and clarify and ambiguity that may exist and clarify any concerns and it will allows all bidders to put forward the best possible solution</p>	<p>Extension has been granted, due date for clarifications is now 31 July 2024.</p> <p>Tenderers must refer to Addendum 1 as published on 18 July 2024.</p>