**SECTION 8: RFI CLARIFICATION REQUEST FORM**

**RFI No: HOAC-HO-49860**

Deadline for RFI clarification submissions: Before **12:00 pm on** 20 March 2025

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DATE: 3rd March 2025

FROM:

RFI Clarification No [to be inserted by Transnet] ……..

**REQUEST FOR RFI CLARIFICATION**:

With reference to ’Annexure F RFI Class 20E 21E and 22E Locomotive Fleet Recovery and Upgrade Amended’:

1. Could Transnet please clarify at which stage of the process tax compliance will need to be proven?
2. Our understanding is that South African companies would prove tax compliance via a SARS PIN and companies based outside of South Africa would do so via a letter / form from their accountant / auditor or tax authority translated into English. Is this correct?
3. We understand that each entity would need to register on the Central Suppliers Database but assume this is a requirement post preferred bidder announcement and prior to Contract Award. Is this correct?

**Transnet Reply:**

* + - 1. This will be required during the tender stage
      2. Foreign Bidders who do not have South African tax obligations and have no history of conducting business in South Africa must complete a pre-award questionnaire on SBD 1 for their tax obligation categorisation. Where a recommendation for award of a bid has been made to a foreign bidder, Transnet must submit the bidder’s completed SBD 1 to SARS. SARS will issue a confirmation of tax obligations letter to Transnet confirming whether or not the foreign entity has tax obligations in South Africa.
      3. This is a requirement for all suppliers who conducts business with Transnet and will be checked and verified during the substantive responsiveness check of the tender process.