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BRIEFING SESSION BID RT70-2026v: SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF AUTOMOTIVE DIESEL FUEL, AVIATION FUEL (JET A-1 AND AVGAS), HEAVY FURNACE OIL (HFO), ILLUMINATING PARAFFIN (IP), MARINE GAS OIL (MGO) AND UNLEADED PETROL FOR A PERIOD OF SIXTY (60) MONTHS TO THE STAT		
#	Questions	Answers
1.	Does the bid allow Joint Ventures (JVs), particularly for small or big suppliers that may not independently meet all the required capacity or documentation?	<p>Yes. Joint Ventures are permitted under this bid. Bidders may enter a JV arrangement provided that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All JV partners submit the required mandatory documentation. (consolidated BBBEE) • The JV agreement clearly outlines roles, responsibilities, and capacity contributions; and • The JV complies with all bid conditions and regulatory requirements.
2.	The pricing schedule does not include a line item for Heavy Furnace Oil (HFO). How should bidders who wish to bid for HFO proceed?	The pricing schedule will be updated to include HFO line items. Bidders are advised to use the updated price schedule when submitting their bids.
3.	What information must be completed under item number TCD 13.1 in the Third-Party Undertaking template?	<p>Bidders must clearly indicate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The letter must list the Item(s) number, item description, and brand name offered by the third-party manufacturer.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In terms of services offered by a third party (sub-contracted partners), the bidder must list the type of service to be offered by the relevant third-party - partner/sub-contractor. • The letter must be on the original third-party letterhead, dated and signed. • The letter must not be older than the date of the bid advertisement. • The letter must have the third-party contact person's name, physical and postal address, telephone, and email details, and the capacity with which a person is signing the letter. • All the information on the letter must be in English. <p>13.1 List of Product</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brand • Manufacturer • Address of the Manufacturer
4.	Should the bid price include delivery and all other related costs?	<p>Yes, All prices submitted must be all-inclusive, covering:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Product cost; • Delivery and logistics; • Handling and any other related expenses. <p>No additional costs will be paid outside of the quoted bid price.</p>

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5.	Is it permissible to submit a letter of intent, proof of initiation, or audit confirmation instead of an ISO 9001 certificate at bid closing	No. Where an ISO 9001:2015 certificate is required, bidders must submit a valid ISO 9001:2015 certificate on/before the closing date and time of the bid.
6.	Will alternative international quality management standards be accepted instead of ISO 9001, particularly for jet fuel suppliers?	No, Bid requirements remains.
7.	There appear to be multiple pricing-related documents (pricing schedule, billing schedule, quotation). Which one must be submitted?	Only one official pricing schedule is required. All other pricing documents previously included have been removed. Bidders must submit pricing using the current pricing schedule only.
8.	What happens if there are no participating departments listed for a bidder's preferred province?	This bid is a transversal contract, and departmental participation is optional, not mandatory. As such, some provinces may not currently have participating departments. Bidders must decide independently whether to participate under these circumstances.
9.	In a Joint Venture, can one partner's ISO certificate be used if the other partner does not have one?	The bidder (or JV entity) must submit its own ISO 9001 certificate; and bidder who is a non-refining wholesaler is required to submit a valid ISO 9001:2015 Quality Management System certificate as part of their bid submission by the bid closing. The bidder who is a manufacturer is required to submit a valid ISO 9001:2015 Quality Management System certificate as part of their bid submission by the bid closing date and time.

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		At least one member of the joint venture must possess the ISO certification specified in the tender.
10.	If a bidder does not supply all products listed (e.g. does not supply heavy furnace oil (HFO), must they still price for those items?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bidders may offer any item in any province for which they choose to tender.
11.	Can ISO 9001 certification be submitted after award, given that the award process may take up to 180 days?	No, it has to be submitted with the bid at closing date and time of the bid.
12.	Must the Customs / Section 37A certificate be issued in the bidder's own name?	Yes. The Customs / Section 37A certificate must be issued in the name of the bidder. Certificates issued in the name of third parties or suppliers are not acceptable.
13.	If a bidder has received a letter allowing them to trade diesel while awaiting the final licence certificate, will this be accepted?	This matter will be confirmed with the Department of Mineral Resources and Energy (DMRE). As a general rule, trading without a valid licence certificate is not permitted. Bidders may submit the letter for verification, and feedback will be provided through formal clarification.
14.	Must bidders bid for all products, provinces, or line items?	No. RT70-2026 is a transversal contract. Bidders may: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Select specific products.

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15.	Should the bid price include delivery to all locations, including remote and rural sites?	<p>Yes. The bidder bears full delivery risk, including delivery to remote and rural areas.</p> <p>All pricing must be all-inclusive, and bidders must factor all logistics and risk costs into their pricing.</p>
16.	Can bidders insert formulas into the pricing schedule?	<p>Yes. Bidders may insert their own formulas for internal calculation.</p> <p>Evaluation will be conducted using submitted values only.</p>
17.	What are the applicable payment terms for pricing purposes?	<p>Government payment terms are 30 days from statement date.</p>
18.	The pricing Schedule template combines ULP 93 and ULP 95 into one line. Will this be corrected?	<p>Yes. This issue has been noted and will be reviewed.</p> <p>Any correction will be communicated through a formal update.</p>
19.	According to E-tender portal SBD 5 document number 7 is not attached	<p>Noted, will be attached</p>

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20.	Some product codes appear duplicated or incorrect in the Special Conditions of Contract. Will this be addressed?	Yes. Errors in product codes have been identified and will be corrected through an official amendment.
21.	What is the base month for pricing?	The bid document currently refers to November 2025 as the base month. This has been noted for review, and any adjustment will be communicated formally. We can use January and update the SCC- Include the update in the notice that you will publish.
22.	Only a limited number of departments are listed as participating. Will more departments join later?	Yes. Participation in transversal contracts is optional. Departments often join after award, and participation may increase over time.
23.	Will successful bidders supply nationally or be limited to certain provinces and items?	Awards will be specific to provinces and products. Details will be confirmed in the contract circular issued after award and during final offer engagements.
24.	How will purchasing outside the contract be managed under the continuity of supply clause?	Any purchasing outside the contract will be managed by the contract management team; and Conducted through a consultative process with appointed suppliers.
25.	When bidding as a JV, must documentation be submitted separately for each entity?	No. A JV is treated as one bidding entity. All mandatory documents must be submitted under the JV structure, and the JV must meet requirements collectively.

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26.	Must a JV submit a joint B-BBEE certificate?	Yes. Where bidding as a JV, a JV B-BBEE certificate is required.
27.	How does the minimum order requirement align with wholesale licence conditions?	Minimum delivery quantities are designed to accommodate small-volume users such as hospitals. Where regulatory minimums apply, orders may be managed through aggregate purchase orders with multiple deliveries.
28.	Is manual or handwritten submission allowed?	No. Submissions must be made electronically via the eTender portal only. Manual or hard-copy submissions will not be accepted. Bidders are encouraged to submit early to avoid system congestion