

RFP Number: T15/03/24

Description: REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL TO APPOINT AN INDEPENDENT LENDERS TECHNICAL ADVISOR FOR A PLATINUM GROUP METALS MINE

Question and Answers Version 1

No.	Question	Type	Answer
1	We would like to enquire if an extension to the submission date is possible due to the significant resources and partners required to submit a competitive bid.	Technical	The Bid closing date and time was extended to the 27th March 2024 at 11am.
2	Is the assessment limited to the Feasibility Study only?	Technical	Refer to the bid document Section 2, paragraph 3: Scope of work/terms of reference page 12 / 33.
3	Please confirm if the review is limited to the underground development and/or if the review is to include the two open pits?	Technical	Refer to the bid document Section 2, paragraph 2 and 3.
4	Will an environmental (and social) review be required and if so, what are the battery limits of the environmental (and social) review to be completed? Alternatively, is it assumed all required permitting and authorisations are in place?	Technical	We won't require an environmental and social review because all the required Regulatory Permits and Authorisations are in place.
5	For the project experience, in some cases the costs and/or client details are confidential. Is it acceptable to not provide full information in these circumstances?	Procurement	In consultation with the Deputy Information Officer, the request for information is not in contravention of POPIA. According to POPIA is that when you collect the personal information, it must be for a specific purpose and must be used for the purpose for which it was collected for.
6	Our understanding is that the assessment is on all the business units i.e., process plant, underground workings, open cast (two pits), supporting infrastructure etc. To do that the feasibility study documents (mainly for the underground workings) and all the management reports will be made available in a virtual data room. Correct?	Technical	All required information will be made available to the preferred bidder.
7	During the meeting it was acknowledged that environmental' s must be added to the list. What about the Social & Labour Plan and community involvement? Those are specialist fields in its own right.	Technical	Social Labour Plan and Community engagement is excluded.
8	For the site visit, are we restricted to the: a.number of persons attending; b.specific date and time; c.duration allowed on site; d.will the department heads be available to be interviewed?	Technical	These arrangements will be facilitated with the IDC and preferred bidder.
9	Will the review of the feasibility study only be confined to the topics mentioned in the Scope of Work? Or will the feasibility study take shape of a typical feasibility study?	Technical	Refer to the answer as per question 2.
10	The bid stipulates that bidders must provide 3 references for similar work done in the past five (5) years. Would IDC accept references older than the prescribed period?	Technical	Bids will be evaluated in accordance with the bid document Section 2, paragraph 5, Technical Evaluation Criteria.
11	I have previously been with Nedbank's Mining and Resources team in a technical DD capacity. Can I quote references based on my Western Limb PGM experiences at the bank, including the client, for the past five years? Our references are older than 5 years, but applicable to Western Limb projects. I understand the terms of engagement, but could these also be used as references?	Technical	Refer to the answer as per question 10.