

RFP Number: T39/09/24

RFP description: APPOINTMENT OF A SERVICE PROVIDER TO CONDUCT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENTS AND SPECIALIST STUDIES FOR THE LIQUEFIED NATURAL GAS (LNG) TERMINAL AT THE PORT OF NGQURA EASTERN CAPE PROVINCE

Question and Answers Version 1

No.	Question	Type	Answer
1	Addendum - Project timelines, studies to be undertaken and costing model	Admin	The documents were shared with bidders on the 20 September 2024
2	Is it possible to get soft copies of the proposed land area? I am referring to a shapefile / kmz / DWG format	Technical	Coordinates and shapefile included as an attachment.
3	Email Response Capacity for this Submission is 50MB, is it permissible to submit more than one email for the same bid? For example, if your Document is 300MB, can't I divide that into six email submissions	Admin	The submission can be splitted into different emails however these need to come through before the cut off time (11h00 am)
4	Based on the tender briefing and documents, it is our understanding that the RFQ requires quotations for EIA's (and associated EA's) for both Solution A (marine infrastructure +FSRU + gas connectors + on-shore gas distribution hub) and B (marine infrastructure + on-shore regasification and storage facility+ gas connectors + on-shore gas distribution hub). Solution A and B must be assumed to be developed / phased, and they are NOT to be regarded as alternatives. At the end of the process there will be two separate EA's. Please confirm that this understanding is correct?	Technical	The EIA must cover 2 (two) applications for Solution A and Solution B. It is mandatory to assess both solutions A and B as per the RFP.
5	What coastal effluent discharges are currently anticipated to be released (e.g. dredged materials for the berth, effluent from the FSRU?; any other discharges?).	Technical	Detail design has not commenced. TNPA is currently undertaking Pre-feasibility, refer to Section 9, 2016 PRDW prefeasibility report for anticipated volumes, however this must be validated and confirmed through detailed design. Additional information will be available upon commencement of the EIA process.
6	It is our understanding that the berth dredged material will be deposited within the existing Port offshore discharge/ spoil area. Please confirm whether such discharge falls within the current port permitting or whether we are expected to obtain the relevant disposal permit?	Technical	The current discharge is for maintenance dredging. Therefore a separate capital dredging permit will be required which must form part of the EIA process.
7	Please confirm whether additional dredge modelling must be included?	Technical	Kindly provide clarity. Dredging modelling will commence through the prefeasibility study and be finalised through the detailed design. The prefeasibility studies are anticipated to be completed by June 2025. Additional information will be available upon commencement of the EIA process.
8	Please confirm whether our scope relating to other permits includes review and confirmation only , or review, confirmation, and submission of other permit applications (e.g. AEL, coastal discharge permits, disposal at sea permissions, etc)?	Technical	All applicable permits must be reviewed, confirmed, submitted and obtained. It is mandatory that the EAP provides all applicable and relevant regulations applicable to the project.
9	There is a requirement to "review and confirm the need for a CWDP", but I do not see a requirement to specifically submit a CWDP application – please can you confirm that I am correct in my understanding here, and please confirm that this work will not include the requirement to submit a CWDP should it be required	Technical	All applicable permits must be reviewed, confirmed, submitted and obtained. It is mandatory that the EAP provides all applicable and relevant regulations applicable to the project.
10	A specific FSRU discharge was not included in the PRDW modelling study that was undertaken for the pipeline servitude project – discharge of 'heated water' (from the FSRU process) was included within the Port, but it was in combination with 'cooling water' (from power station cooling). No specific FSRU only discharge was modelled – please can you confirm that no additional modelling work is being undertaken for the LNG project?	Technical	Appointed tenderer for the EIA must ensure that all applicable modelling studies are undertaken within this EIA process, focusing to solution A and B of the proposed project.
11	Given that the LNG project has a 6-month turnaround time frame, I assume that no additional dredge modelling will be undertaken, and that TNPA is happy for all dredged material to be dumped on an existing dump site.	Technical	The current discharge is for maintenance dredging. Therefore a separate capital dredging permit will be required.
12	Are we assessing the development and operation of the land-based regasification plant itself with regards to marine ecology and avifauna impact assessment?	Technical	Yes, all specialist studies that must be conducted for Solutions A and B of the project, are listed in the RFP document (a total of 16 specialist studies).
13	Please explain the difference between Solutions A and B. The difference between Solution A's Phase 1 and Phase 2 is clear, but the scope and battery limits for Solution B are not clear. A drawing such as those for Phases 1 and 2 would be useful.	Technical	See presentation pack, battery limits and technical concepts.
14	In terms of the PRDW report, dated June 2016, please confirm that only Layout 1, with a dredge material volume of 68 000 m3, is the go-forward option for the permitting process, as opposed to layout 2 (dig-out basin), which has a dredge material volume of over 1 million m3.	Technical	Go forward option is layout 1, however, the volume will be firmed up during detailed design. 68000m3 is a preliminary estimate.
15	Please confirm that the existing dredge disposal site will be used for the project and no provision must be made for a new site.	Technical	The current discharge is for maintenance dredging. Therefore a separate capital dredging permit will be required which must form part of the EIA process.
16	Please confirm if an outfall/ discharge from the regasification facility to sea needs to be included in the assessments. Please confirm if there are any other anticipated discharges.	Technical	Yes, it must be included. All specialist studies that must be conducted for Solutions A and B of the project, are listed in the RFP document (a total of 16 specialist studies).
17	Please confirm if there is likely to be any blasting on/offshore as part of the development's construction.	Technical	This cannot be confirmed at this stage. Service provider must cater for the worst case scenario.
18	Please confirm if sand winning needs to form part of the assessments.	Technical	This cannot be confirmed at this stage. Service provider must cater for the worst case scenario.
19	Confirm the location of where the Project Steering Committee Meetings will be held (ref section 3.3 of the RFQ Doc)? Will these be held at the Port or in Johannesburg?	Technical	Meetings will be done online, however the bidder must factor a minimum of two trips per quarter (disbursement) which will allow for some meetings being held at the Port of Ngqura.

The bid closing date remains 03 October 2024. Bidders are advised to carefully review the advertised RFQ issued by the IDC for all relevant details regarding the bid. Please disregard any other statements or information disseminated by other parties.