

RFP 23/2014 The Supply and Delivery of Two Category B Vessels and Related Services for SARS Customs

Communication #3

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1. Answers to questions posed by Bidders.

This communication is issued in terms of paragraph 2 of the SARS RFP 23-2014 RFP Main Document.

The information contained in the table below is issued subject to the provisions of paragraph 8.8 of the SARS RFP 23-2014 RFP Main Document.

These questions and answers as well as issued / reissued documents referred to in this document can be found on SARS's website at www.sars.gov.za.

Question and Answer

| No | Question | Answer |
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| 1. | Would SARS consider the construction of the haul to be Aluminium? | SARS requires bidders to keep to SARS requirements as stated in the SARS RFP 23-2014 Business Requirements Specification s. |
| 2. | 3.2 Cabin Interior What is the purpose of the genuine leather on the seats? Will a durable vinyl be accepted? | SARS requires bidders to keep to SARS requirements as stated in the SARS RFP 23-2014 Business Requirements Specification s. Recommendations made by prospective bidders will be discussed and considered by SARS at contract negotiation stage, with the successful bidder(s). |
| 3. | 3.3 Wheel house: Not recommend to have the front window tinted if the boat will be used at night. Why this requirement? | SARS requires bidders to keep to SARS requirements as stated in the SARS RFP 23-2014 Business Requirements Specification s. |

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| 4. | <p>3.4 Deck area</p> <p>Why must the deck surface be finished in textile vinyl type carpet?</p> <p>Floor surface – Non slip? Inside or outside of cockpit?</p> | <p>SARS requires bidders to keep to SARS requirements as stated in the SARS RFP 23-2014 Business Requirements Specification s. Recommendations made by prospective bidders will be discussed and considered by SARS at contract negotiation stage, with the successful bidder(s).</p> <p>The floor area, stated in the SARS RFP 23-2014 Business Requirements Specifications, should be considered to be both in and outside of the cockpit.</p> |
| 5. | <p>3.6 Fuel system</p> <p>To use Canisters on this size boat and engines will be a safety risk, will recommend built in Alum tanks? Will a total of 500liters be acceptable?</p> | <p>SARS requires bidders to keep to SARS requirements as stated in the SARS RFP 23-2014 Business Requirements Specification s. Recommendations made by prospective bidders will be discussed and considered by SARS at contract negotiation stage, with the successful bidder(s).</p> |
| 6. | <p>3.9 Wheel house equipment</p> <p>Brand preference with regards to Navigation equipment?</p> | <p>As this is an open tender, SARS cannot put a brand name to any equipment or parts used in the manufacturing of the vessels.</p> |
| 7. | <p>3.10 Boat trailer.</p> <p>With the dimensions of this craft the trailer will not be road legal. I will recommend a dolly trailer for use in the harbor only.</p> | <p>SARS requires bidders to keep to SARS requirements as stated in the SARS RFP 23-2014 Business Requirements Specification s. Recommendations made by prospective bidders will be discussed and considered by SARS at contract negotiation stage, with the successful bidder(s).</p> |
| 8. | <p>3.11 Other</p> <p>Boat cover will be extremely heavy to put on and off, I will recommend designated covers for certain areas only?</p> | <p>SARS requires bidders to keep to SARS requirements as stated in the SARS RFP 23-2014 Business Requirements Specification s. Recommendation that bidders quote SARS on the entire vessel cover, even if the cover comes in pieces that can be joint together to cover the entire vessel.</p> |
| 9. | <p>The 4 skippers to be trained are they day skippers and do they have at least 50 hours logged sea service on a Category C or higher vessel of the appropriate length?</p> | <p>These will be newly appointment members within the Marine Unit. They will have to be trained in the basic qualification as a skipper for the specific boat. The 50 hours day and night can be obtained via existing qualified skippers. The vessel supplier is to arrange for onsite introduction training of the boat (Operating Procedures for period of one week), examination and qualification via SAMSA. Current skippers are already category C day skippers with logged hours.</p> |

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| 10. | As there is no specific deck hand training for vessels <9m what training is required for the deck hands? | <p>The basic deck hand or Sea Familiarisation course via SAMSA (Safety Procedures to be included in the training for Skippers and Crew).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pre sea and safety familiarization as per SAMSA requirements. • Rope work. • Boat care and maintenance as well as crew responsibilities and maintenance of vessel. |
| 11. | To what level must the navigation training be conducted and is the training to include electronic systems? | Training will be required on the correct utilisation of all electronics on the vessel. |
| 12. | As there is no specific Boatman course under the SAMSA Code, what training is required? | <p>Safety and Sea Familiarisation course including the maintenance of all electronics and basic maintenance of the Boat Motors and Operating Procedures.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pre sea and safety familiarization as per SAMSA requirements. • Rope work. • Boat care and maintenance as well as crew responsibilities and maintenance of vessel. |
| 13. | <p>How many members are to be trained in the following:</p> <p>15.1 Navigation training –</p> <p>15.2 VHF Radio (Short Range)</p> <p>15.3 First Aid Training</p> | <p>15.1 12 (Skippers & Deck Hands)</p> <p>15.2 12 (Skippers & Deck Hands)</p> <p>15.3 12 (Skippers & Deck Hands)</p> |

Additional Documents Issued

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| 1 | RFP 23-2014 - Briefing Session Slides |