ADDENDUM TO THE TECHNICAL EVALUATION CRITERIA FOR THE SINGLE-PHASE REMOVABLE OFF-LOAD DISCONNECTOR FOR MV APPLICATIONS (240-170000162)

Item	SAP Number	Product Description	D-DT
1	582355	SWITCH DISCONNECTOR, SINGLE PHASE, REMOVABLE, COASTAL, 22kV, 630A	3087
2	582362	BLADE, REMOVABLE SWITCHBLADE, 22kV, 630A	3087

TECHNICAL EVALUATION CRITERIA CLARIFICATION NOTES

This addendum clarifies some of the technical requirements for the above items and must be read in conjunction with 240-170000162: (Technical Evaluation Criteria for Outdoor Pole-Mounted Distribution Single-Phase Off-Load Disconnectors for MV Applications), D-DT-3087 and 240-68973356: (Outdoor, Pole-Mounted, Distribution Single-Phase, Off-load Disconnectors for MV Line Application with Removable Link for Nominal A.C. Voltages of 22 kV).

1. Technical Tender Methodology and Criteria

Only technical evidence that is clearly identifiable, complete, submitted in the prescribed format, and compliant with the technical requirements of each stage will be allowed to proceed to the next stage of the evaluation.

Tenderers must achieve a minimum score of 80% in Stage 2 to be considered for a factory evaluation.

2. Stage 3 Factory Evaluation

A Stage 3 Factory Evaluation will not be required if Eskom has conducted a technical evaluation for the above items at the Original Equipment Manufacturers' (OEM) premises within the past 60 months, and if all identified technical deficiencies have been resolved.

This exemption is subject to the OEM's technical representative providing a letter confirming that there have been no subsequent technical changes to the OEM's product, related manufacturing processes, sourcing of associated materials, suppliers, or services for the above items since Eskom completed the last technical evaluation within the past 60 months.

Notwithstanding this exemption, Eskom may, at its discretion, assess the OEM's premises to corroborate the information provided as part of the Stage 3 Factory Evaluation.

3. Evaluation of Resellers, Distributors, Agents or Third Parties (not OEM)

Tenderers that attained a minimum score of 80% in Stage 2 and who are not the Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) of the tendered product (i.e. resellers, redistributors, agents, or third parties) must attend a virtual meeting with Eskom, either via Microsoft Teams or an alternative platform.

The purpose of the meeting is to assess the compliance of the products tendered and the tenderer's involvement in the supply of the tendered products to Eskom.

Eskom may, at its discretion, assess the tenderer's premises to corroborate the information provided.

4. Requirements for the technical tender submission

For this tender, the technical tender submission/technical returnables shall only be submitted electronically. No hard-copy or USB submission will be required or accepted.

The electronic submission must comply with this addendum and the applicable requirements of the technical evaluation criteria standard (240-170000162), including those relating to language, file format, labelling, structure, separate files, avoidance of duplication, and minimum documentation.

Tenderers must ensure that the technical files are clearly labelled, named and logically structured to facilitate identification and evaluation. The electronic technical submission must be a complete copy of the tenderer's technical submission.

5. Training Requirements

Tenderers must indicate whether any training requirements accompany the products tendered. Tenderers should note that any potential training requirements must not be included in the tendered price of the products offered.

The submission of product training requirements is for information purposes only and will not affect the tenderer's Stage 2 scoring.

If no information is provided by the tenderer, it will be assumed that no specific training requirements apply to the products tendered.

6. Cost of Training Requirements

Tenderers must indicate the cost associated with the provision of training requirements for the products tendered. Tenderers should note that any potential costs associated with training for the products offered must not be included in the tendered price.

The submission of the cost of training requirements is only for information purposes and will not affect the tenderer's Stage 2 scoring.

If no information is provided by the tenderer, it will be assumed that no costs apply to the provision of training requirements for the products tendered.

7. Resolution of Technical Findings

Technical findings or deviations identified during the technical evaluation of the required product(s) must be resolved prior to contract award. The technical findings identified during the technical evaluation will be communicated to the tenderer, who will be required to respond to the technical findings in writing and/or by providing samples or other evidence.

Tenderers will be allowed two (2) calendar weeks from the date the technical findings are communicated, or by any other deadline stipulated by Eskom's commercial representative, to resolve the findings. Responses must be received no later than the stipulated deadline.

Tenderers may request further engagement via Eskom's commercial representative where clarity is required. However, if the technical findings are not resolved to Eskom's satisfaction by the stipulated deadline, the tenderer will be disqualified.

8. Annex B – Stage 1 Gatekeeper [Completed A&B Schedules]

For the Stage 1 Gatekeeper, fully completed A&B schedules must be submitted by the tender closing deadline. No version of the technical A&B schedules other than those provided with the tender and titled “A&B Technical Schedules”, will be accepted as part of the technical evaluation for this tender.

9. Annex B – Stage 1 Gatekeeper [Completed Technical Deviation Sheet]

For the Stage 1 Gatekeeper, a fully completed technical deviation sheet must be submitted by the tender closing deadline and signed by a duly authorised person. No version of the technical deviation sheet other than the one provided with this tender and titled “Technical Deviation Sheet” will be accepted as part of this evaluation.

10. Annex B – Stage 1 Gatekeeper [Technical Manual/Product Brochures]

For the Stage 1 Gatekeeper, evidence provided by the tenderer that clearly identifies the product tendered will be considered acceptable. Acceptable evidence includes an installation procedure, operations manual, product datasheet, product catalogue, or technical drawing of the product offered.