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<b>Description/ Scope of Work</b>	The prequalification of the suppliers to the manufacture, testing and supply of metering modems for Distribution Division
<b>Duration of the Project</b>	5 Years

### Section 1: Specific Goals (Applicable at RFQ stage and dependent on RFQ value)

A maximum of 20 / 10 points may be awarded to a tenderer for the specific goal specified for the tender. The points scored for the specific goal must be added to the points scored for price and the total must be rounded off to the nearest two decimal places. Subject to section 2(1)(f) of the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act, the contract must be awarded to the tenderer scoring the highest points.

B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor	Number of points (80/20 system)	Number of points (90/10 system)
1	20	10
2	18	9
3	14	6
4	12	5
5	8	4
6	6	3
7	4	2
8	2	1
Non-compliant contributor	0	0

#### **NB: The following documents are required to claim preference points,**

- Valid B-BBEE certificate issued by a SANAS accredited verification agency / sworn affidavit / CIPS affidavit
- Proof of ownership / shareholding (preferably CIPC documentation) inclusive of shareholding breakdown
- Certified ID copies of shareholder(s)
- Proof of Disability (where applicable)

#### **Tenderer failing to provide documentation for the allocation of preference points will not be disqualified, but'**

- May only score point out of 80 / 90 for price
- Scores 0 points out of 20 / 10 for specific goals

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## Section 2: Objective Criteria (Applicable at RFQ stage and dependent on RFQ value)

The inclusion of objective criteria is not mandatory but a condition for contract award. If the tenderer does not meet objective criteria; it may lead to the second-ranked tenderer being recommended for award.

### 2.1 National Industrial Participation Programme

Eskom will implement the NIPP requirement, which determines that the contractor/supplier must contact the Department of Trade, Industry and Competition (DTIC) to arrange for support and development of local businesses. Eskom is required to inform the tenderers of this requirement. NIPP will only be applicable for contracts with an FGN component or content of USD 5 million or more.

The following narrative must be captured in all tenders that have import/foreign content equal to or in excess of USD 5 million:

“NIPP is a programme that seeks to leverage economic benefits and support the development of South African industry by effectively utilising the instrument of government procurement. The NIPP programme is mandatory for all government and parastatal purchases or lease contracts (goods and services) with an imported content equal to or exceeding USD 5 million.

“The programme targets South African and foreign industries, enterprises, and suppliers of goods and services to government/parastatals, where the imported content of such goods and services equals to or exceeds USD 5 million. The first customer of NIPP is the South African industry that benefits through the NIPP business plans, which, when implemented, generate new or additional business activities through one or more of the following: investment, export opportunities, job creation, increased local sales, SMME and BEE promotion, R&D, and technology transfer.

“Companies with an NIPP obligation must sign this obligation agreement with the Department of Trade, Industry and Competition (DTIC) before the contract with Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd, as a purchasing entity, is signed. The obligation agreement governs the relationship between the DTIC and the supplier. It defines the NIPP obligation value(s), requirements to fulfil the NIPP obligation, performance milestones, performance monitoring processes, and the NIPP credit allocation criteria.

“All tenders with an import content that is equal to or exceeds the threshold of USD 5 million compels the winning bidder to negotiate and enter into a NIPP obligation agreement with the DTIC before signing the contract with Eskom.”

### NIPP Applicability

NIPP will be applicable at RFQ stage, where the value of the RFQ has an import content that is equal to or exceeds the threshold of USD5 million. Should this be the case, the winning bidder will be compelled to negotiate and enter into a NIPP obligation agreement with the DTIC before the awarding of the order by Eskom.

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### Section 3: SDL&I Objectives in line with Reconstruction and Development Programme (RDP) Goals

Tenderers who complete and submit the objectives as required, but who do not meet Eskom's targets, will not be disqualified. SDL&I objectives do not form part of scoring but commitments will form part of contractual obligations

#### 3.1 Transformation – BBEE Improvement or Retention Plan

Transformation remains an area of focus, where Eskom continuously strives to align itself with national transformation imperatives to unlock growth, drive industrialization, create employment and contribute to skills development.

Eskom encourages its suppliers to constantly strive to improve their B-BBEE rating. Whereas Tenderer/s will be allocated points in terms of a preference point system based on specific goals, Eskom also requests that tenderer/s submits their B-BBEE improvement or retention plan within 30 days of signing the contract.

Tenderer/s are therefore requested to indicate the extent to which they will maintain (only if the respondent is a Level 1) or may improve/maintain their B-BBEE status over the contract period if their B-BBEE status is level 2 or 3. Tenderer/s with a B-BBEE status level 4 at the time of contract award, shall migrate and achieve as a non-negotiable a milestone of B-BBEE Level 3 by the end of the first year of the contract and thereafter improve their B-BBEE status level or migrate by one level higher.

Tenderer/s with a B-BBEE recognition status of Level 5 to Level 8 or non-compliant at the time of contract award, shall migrate and achieve as a non-negotiable a milestone of Level 4 by the end of the first year of the contract and thereafter improve at least one B-BBEE Level higher of each year from the second year of the contract. Tenderer/s are requested to submit their B-BBEE Improvement Plan as an essential document within 30 days of signing the contract.

**NB:** A valid B-BBEE certificate or Sworn Affidavit is a condition for contract award, if your company's annual Total Revenue is R10 Million or less you qualify as an Exempted Micro Enterprise therefore you can submit Sworn Affidavit. If your annual Total Revenue is R50 Million or less, you qualify as Qualifying Small Enterprise and must comply with all of the elements of QSE score card relevant to your sector unless an entity is at least 51% Black owned you are required to obtain a Sworn affidavit. If your Annual Total Revenue is above R50m you need to submit a Valid B-BBEE certificate

#### 3.2 Local Procurement Content (Applicable at RFQ Stage)

"Local Procurement Content" refers to value added in South Africa by South African resources. Where a single contract involves a combination of local and imported goods and/or services, the tender response must be separated into its components as per the **Price Schedule** included with the tender documents. Local procurement content is total spending minus the imported component.

Tenderers will be required to submit their proposals in the table below.

<b>Tenderer's Local Procurement Content %</b>	To be completed at RFQ stage
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### 3.3 Skills Development (Applicable at RFQ Stage)

Tenderers will be required to submit proposals in the table below for developing the skills of unemployed candidates in the country. The composition of the candidates shall be representative of the population demographics of South Africa.

Skill Type / Occupation	Eskom's Target	Tenderer's Proposal
Electrical Technicians	To be set at RFQ stage	To be proposed at RFQ stage
Assemblers	To be set at RFQ stage	To be proposed at RFQ stage

The process of developing these skills shall involve the participation by tenderers directly and through their supply network. In certain cases, the SETA's accredited training providers can be approached to participate in developing critical and scarce skills.

**Note:** That these targets for skills development candidates categorically exclude Eskom employees and registered learners. The tenderers are required to take full responsibility for the total cost of developing the requisite skills, and Eskom shall not make any financial contribution towards the fulfilment of this obligation. Tenderers also are advised to approach their relevant SETAs to access grants, subsidies, and incentives as well as South African Revenue Services for tax rebates that are earmarked for skills development initiatives.

### 3.4 Job Creation

Tenderers will be required to indicate the number of jobs created and or retained as a result of being awarded an order / orders.

## Section 4: SDL&I Penalty and Performance Security

**Eskom will apply a penalty of 2.5% of the invoice amount for failure to meet SDL&I obligations.**

Eskom will apply a penalty of 2.5% of the order value for failure to meet SDL&I obligations. For the duration of the contract, Eskom will retain 2.5% of every invoice (excluding VAT) as security for the fulfilment of all SDL&I Obligations. The retained amounts shall only be released to the Contractor upon:

- Eskom receives the SDL&I progress report/s from the contractor.
- Fulfilment of all SDL&I obligations by the contractor.
- Submission of an approved compliance report by SDL&I Department.

## Section 5: Reporting and Monitoring

- The suppliers shall submit a report to Eskom in accordance with Data Collection Template on their compliance with the SDL&I obligations described above.
- Eskom shall review the SDL&I reports submitted by the suppliers within 30 (thirty) days of receipt of the reports and notify the suppliers in writing if their SDL&I obligations have not been met.
- Upon notification by Eskom that the suppliers have not met their SDL&I obligations, the suppliers shall be required to implement corrective measures to meet those SDL&I obligations before the commencement of the following report, failing which Retention clauses shall be invoked.
- Every contract shall be accompanied by the SDL&I Implementation Schedule, which must be completed by the suppliers and returned to SDL&I representative for acceptance 28 days after

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contract award. This will be used as a reference document for monitoring, measuring and reporting on the supplier's progress in delivering on their stated SDL&I commitments

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**Tenderer**

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**Tenderer's Representative**

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**Signature:**

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**Date**

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