



mineral resources & energy

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Mineral Resources and Energy
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GENERAL NOTICE TO REGISTERED BIDDERS IN RESPECT OF THE SEVENTH BID WINDOW UNDER THE RENEWABLE ENERGY INDEPENDENT POWER PRODUCER PROCUREMENT PROGRAMME (REIPPPP BID WINDOW 7)

24 May 2024

1. On 14 December 2023 the Department of Mineral Resources and Energy (the Department) issued the Request for Proposal (RFP) to procure 5000 MW under the REIPPPP Bid Window 7.
2. The RFP contemplates a clarification process, following its release to the market, for registered Bidders to raise clarification questions in respect of the RFP. The Department considers such clarification questions and provides responses to the registered bidders and where appropriate issues Briefing Notes to amend the RFP. This process was concluded on 16 April 2024.
3. The Department notes that Eskom has applied to NERSA under Section 21(2) of Electricity Regulation Act (ERA) for the preservation / reservation of capacity for the IPP Procurement Programme. NERSA is currently considering Eskom's application and the timing of the NERSA Decision may affect the Bid Submission Date.
4. Furthermore, the Department has also received requests to postpone the Bid Submission Date in view of the implications of the process that NERSA is currently undertaking.
5. Should NERSA approve the Section 21(2) application by Eskom, there may be a need to amend the Cost Estimate Letters (CELs) issued by Eskom to Registered Bidders under the REIPPPP Bid Window 7.
6. Taking the above into account, the Department will be considering an extension to the Bid Submission Date of 30 May 2024.
7. Further communication will be provided as soon as the necessary approvals have been obtained.
8. Bidders should continue to prepare for bid submission.

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