



REQUEST FOR QUOTATION (RFQ)

Transportation of Employees

Perseus – Zeus 765kV Transmission Line, Section B

Title	Detail
RFQ Reference Number	MK/PEZEB/09
Issuer	Mkhulu Electro Distribution Projects (Pty) Ltd ("Mkhulu")
Client	National Transmission Company South Africa (NTCSA)
Date of Issue	11 August 2026
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Submission Deadline	25 August 2026, 16:00 (South African time)
Submission Email	rfq@mkhulu-edp.co.za
Email Subject Line (Must use exactly this)	RFQ – MK/PEZEB/09
Enquiries / Questions Email	rfq@mkhulu-edp.co.za (Subject: RFQ QUERY – MK/PEZEB/08)
Site Visit/Clarification Date (if applicable)	N/A
Query Cut-Off Date	20 August 2026, 12:00 — no queries will be answered after this time

1. Background

Mkhulu Electro Distribution Projects (Pty) Ltd has been awarded, through a competitive bidding process issued by NTCSA, the construction of the overhead transmission line in Perseus Zeus Section B.

The works involve the construction of a new 112 km Section B of the 765 kV single circuit overhead transmission line between Perseus Substation in the Free State Province, Tower 263 to Tower 526 near Virginia and Edenville in the Free State Province, forming part of the overall 434 km Perseus–Zeus 765 kV line.

This project is a key component of the Cape Phase 4 Strengthening Scheme, aimed at improving the stability and capacity of the national grid, while also providing a backup power transfer route (N-1 contingency) beyond 2028.



The full Perseus–Zeus line has been divided into four construction sections (A, B, C & D) and this advert covers Section B only.

2. Scope of Work / Services Required

Mkhulu Electro Distribution Projects (Pty) Ltd invites qualified service providers to submit proposals for the transportation of employees to and from designated pick-up points and the Mkhulu campsite/tower positions/work stations.

It is required that each seat should have a seat belt. The vehicle has to be roadworthy with valid license discs. Drivers must provide valid PDP licenses. Drivers cannot be changed without pre notification because a driver has to have medical certificate of fitness and has to go through induction to be able to operate on the project.

2.1 Daily Transport Service

- Transport employees from designated pick-up points to the project campsite and return at the end of the work shift.
- Ensure adherence to scheduled pick-up and drop-off times (approx. 06:00-06:20 AM departure and 17:00 PM return).

2.2 Vehicle Requirements and Operation Options

The following vehicle types may be considered:

- 15 – Seater Taxis
- 22 - Seater Taxis

Various transport solutions may be proposed and will be evaluated based on cost-effectiveness and operational suitability, for example:

2.2.1 Per Trip Basis:

- A taxi transporting 14–21 employees from 2–3 locations (maximum one-way distance of 10-60 km) to the campsite in the morning (approx. 06:00-06:20 am) and returning around 17:00 pm.
- Estimated usage: 3–4 hours per day, approximately 20-120 km (two round trips).

2.2.2 Full-Day Rental:

- Rental of a 15–22-seater taxi for 9–10 working hours per day, for 30 days a month, covering approximately 200 km per day.

2.2.3 Summary (Distances:

- Virginia to Campsite = 38km (Return 76km)
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- Pomolong to Campsite = 16km (Return 32km)
- Ventersburg to Campsite = 6km (Return 12km)
- Kroonstad to Campsite = 50km (Return 100km)
- Campsite to First Tower = 75km (Return 150km)
- Campsite to Last Tower = 90km (180km)

Please note:

- These are the worst-case scenarios, and does not reflect the distances for the full project duration, work will commence from first tower location and gradually move towards the last tower during the project, whereby daily distances will reduce.
- The transportation services required under this RFQ shall be provided on a *when-and-as-required* basis. Mkhulu Electro Distribution Projects (Pty) Ltd does not guarantee any minimum number of trips, vehicles, kilometres, working days. Services will be instructed according to the operational requirements of the project and will only be required when requested by Mkhulu through an authorised instruction or Purchase Order.

3. Location

At various locations along the servitude and or in proximity of the 112km line route. The line will run from close to Beatrix Mine near Virginia to Edenville in the Freestate. The normal route is from residential area to camp site and then to the servitude.

4. Duration

Submission Deadline:	25 August 2026
Estimated Contract Duration:	Approximately 12 months
Submission Validity:	4 weeks

Please note: The stated contract duration is an estimate only and is provided for planning purposes. The actual duration may be shorter or longer depending on project progress, construction schedules, operational requirements, weather conditions, client instructions, and other project-related factors. No guarantee is given regarding the continuous provision of services throughout the estimated duration.



5. Minimum Procurement Requirements

5.1 Minimum Procurement Requirements

- Legally registered company
- Valid Tax Clearance Certificate
- Valid B-BBEE Certificate or Sworn Affidavit
- Valid Letter of Good Standing / Registration with the Compensation Commissioner
- Company Bank Account Confirmation Letter

5.2 SHEQ Minimum Requirements

- Valid driver's license and PDP
- Medical fitness certificate issued by an occupational practitioner
- Police Clearance not older than 3 months
- Roadworthy vehicle (with valid roadworthy certificate)
- Vehicle insurance and registration documents (license discs)
- Functional safety belts for all seats
- Proven experience in staff transportation
- Vehicle maintenance records
- Breathalyzer checks (drug test)
- Registration with SATA or other recognized public transport association
- All appointed service providers will undergo further evaluation in line with legal and client requirements.
- Vehicle pre-use inspections to be conducted on a daily basis
- Mkhulu EDP will conduct its own inspections on the provided taxis. Taxis that are non-compliant will be removed from site
- Changing of drivers to be communicated with Mkhulu EDP in advance

6. Submission Requirements

Service providers are requested to submit quotations that include:

- Company Profile
- Pricing proposal (per trip and/or rental option)
- Proof of compliance and vehicle documentation
- References
- Safety compliance documents.

7. Payment Terms

1. Payment shall be made monthly, based on services successfully rendered during the applicable billing period and upon receipt of a valid tax invoice.
2. The Service Provider shall submit an invoice together with a trip register or attendance record, signed or verified by the Client's authorised representative.
3. The Client shall process payment within **7 days** of receiving a valid tax invoice



and all supporting documentation.

4. **No payment shall be made for services not rendered.** Any trips that were not completed or cancelled due to the Service Provider's failure to provide the service shall not be invoiced.
5. In the event of a vehicle breakdown, failure to provide transport, or significant service interruption, the Client reserves the right to:
 - Withhold payment for the affected trip(s) or day(s);
 - Deduct the cost of any alternative transport arranged by the Client from the Service Provider's invoice; and
6. Repeated service failures may result in the suspension of payments until the matter has been resolved or may constitute grounds for termination of the Agreement in accordance with the termination clause.
7. The Client reserves the right to dispute any invoice that does not accurately reflect the services rendered. Payment of the disputed amount may be withheld until the discrepancy has been resolved.

8. Procurement Preference Criteria

NB: Where similar services at similar rates can be provided, the preference criteria may apply as per Mkhulu procurement procedures and policies and PPPFA guidelines.

- Procurement Preference will be given to EME and QSE Suppliers
- Procurement Preference will be given to BWO and BYO
- Procurement Preference to Local site entities

All quotations will be evaluated based on the following:

- Compliance with minimum requirements
- Completeness of the quotation (all items priced)
- Relevant experience and capability
- Pricing competitiveness
- Ability to meet project timelines and requirements

9. RFQ Response Process

Email your full quotation and all supporting documents to: rfq@mkhulu-edp.co.za

The email subject line must read exactly: **RFQ – MK/PEZEB/09**

Your quotation must be received before 16:00 on **25 August 2026**. Quotations received after this time will not be considered, even by a few minutes, and even if the delay was caused by technical problems on your side.

Please be aware that we will not respond to queries submitted through other email addresses or by telephone. All queries must be sent via email to rfq@mkhulu-edp.co.za with the subject "RFQ QUERY – MK/PEZEB/09", before 12:00. Mkhulu will



issue written answers to all suppliers where the answer affects the scope or requirements of this RFQ.

For additional information that Mkhulu may publish, visit the website: www.mkhulu-edp.co.za. Any addendums, revisions, or further correspondence will be communicated through the website.

If Mkhulu does not contact you before your quotation's validity period ends, you should consider your quotation unsuccessful.

10. Contact Information

For all enquiries relating to this RFQ, email: rfg@mkhulu-edp.co.za

11. General Contract Terms

11.1 Subcontracting

Suppliers may not subcontract any part of this work to another company without Mkhulu's written permission first. If you subcontract without permission, Mkhulu may end your contract immediately.

11.2 Extension, Reduction, or Suspension

Mkhulu may extend, reduce, suspend, or change the volume of work at any time, based on project needs, budget, or performance. This will be communicated to you in writing. You will only be paid for work actually instructed and completed.

11.3 Ending the Contract

- Mkhulu may end the contract immediately, without notice, if the supplier commits a serious breach (for example: a serious safety incident caused by your negligence, fraud, dishonesty, working without a valid Purchase Order, or repeated non-compliance after being warned).
- For reasons other than a serious breach, either party may end the contract by giving the other party **14** (fourteen) calendar days written notice.
- If the contract ends for any reason, you will be paid for all correctly completed and approved work up to the date the contract ends, and for no other amount.

11.4 Confidentiality

You must keep all project information confidential, and may not share drawings, routes, schedules, or other project details with anyone outside your own company, without Mkhulu's written permission.



11.5 Anti-Bribery and Ethical Conduct

The supplier nor their employees are permitted to offer, give, or accept any bribe, gift, or improper benefit connected to this RFQ or any resulting work. Any breach of this may result in immediate termination and may be reported to the relevant authorities.

11.6 Compliance with Labour Laws

You must comply with all South African labour laws, including the Basic Conditions of Employment Act, the Labour Relations Act, and COIDA, for all of your workers on this project.

11.7 Force Majeure

Neither party will be held responsible for a delay or failure to perform caused by an event beyond their reasonable control (for example: a natural disaster, war, or a government-ordered shutdown), provided the affected party tells the other party in writing as soon as reasonably possible.

11.8 Disputes

If you disagree with a decision made by Mkhulu under this RFQ or any resulting contract, first raise it in writing with your Mkhulu site contact. If it cannot be resolved this way within 10 (ten) working days, either party may refer the matter to mediation or arbitration in South Africa before going to court.

11.9 Governing Law and Language

This RFQ and any resulting contract are governed by the laws of the Republic of South Africa. All documents, communication, and instructions will be in English

12. Additional Information and Disclaimer

Mkhulu Electro Distribution Projects (Pty) Ltd reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to award this RFQ in whole or in part, to one or more service providers, or not to award at all.

The issuance of this RFQ does not constitute a commitment to award any contract or to engage with any service provider.

Mkhulu further reserves the right to:

- Cancel or withdraw this RFQ at any time without prior notice
- Not award the lowest or any quotation received
- Request additional information, clarification, or supporting documentation from any service provider
- Negotiate with one or more service providers
- Appoint multiple service providers were deemed necessary

Only successful service providers will be contacted. If no communication is received within the validity period, the submission should be considered



unsuccessful.

Mkhulu may ask any supplier for more information, clarification, or documents at any time during evaluation.

All costs incurred by service providers in the preparation and submission of quotations shall be for their own account.

Further information, including the detailed scope of work and specifications, may be provided to shortlisted or selected service providers during the evaluation process.

By submitting a quotation, you confirm that you have satisfied yourself on all commercial, technical, operational, environmental, health & safety, legal, and site-related matters relevant to this work, and that you will not later claim you were unaware of something contained in, or reasonably to be understood from, this RFQ and its attachments.