

Transnet Freight Rail issues invitation to mining right holders to apply for Export Manganese rail and port capacity

[Johannesburg, 12 January 2022]. Transnet has announced that it has made available 2 million tons per annum of export manganese capacity, which it seeks to allocate to new entrants (emerging miners) who hold valid mining rights and have existing manganese mining operations as at the date of application.

Transnet hereby invites all interested parties who meet the criteria highlighted above to apply to obtain access to its rail and port export capacity. A detailed application process document can be obtained from the National Treasury e tender portal or on the following link transnetetenders.azurewebsites.net.

All applications will be assessed in line with Transnet's requirements as set out in the application process document post the closing date. Transnet is not bound to accept any application that does not meet its requirements and reserves the right to engage with parties before finalising the list of successful applicants for purposes of clarifying any details submitted. Submission of the information requested will in no way guarantee any entity being allocated capacity.

Entities that do not currently have mining rights as confirmed by the Department of Mineral Resources and Energy (DMRE) will not be considered.

Current or existing Transnet export manganese customers do not need to reapply for capacity as they would have already been assessed and engaged with directly for capacity allocation.

The closing date for submission is 20 January 2023.

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