**MINE WIDE SHUTTLE BUS SERVICE**

1. **Background:**

Palabora Copper (Pty) Limited is located on the Palabora Igneous Complex south of the town of Phalaborwa. Phalaborwa is situated in the Limpopo Province, approximately 500km northeast of Johannesburg.

The igneous complex contains major copper, vermiculite, magnetite and phosphate deposits as well as a number of minor elements. Palabora Copper (Pty) Limited mines copper and vermiculite, with magnetite as a major secondary product.

The copper process consists of mining, milling, smelting and refining operations, whilst the vermiculite process consists of mining, size grading and winnowing operations. Magnetite is separated as part of the ore beneficiation process

Palabora Copper (Pty) Ltd operates on a 24hrs basis whilst majority of the employees are dependent on using bus service as a mode of transport which collects them from their respective pick up points within the communities and drop them at the main gate.

The shuttle bus transporter picks them up and drops them at their respective work place.

Therefore the following scope of work details the expectations on the mode of transport that will require to be met by the employee transport service provider.

1. **License to operate**

The service provider and dedicated personnel must be relevantly licensed to operate in the prescribed routes by PC

1. **Mine Wide Areas:**

* Smelter and Refinery
* Underground
* Finance / Human Resources Bus Stop
* Vermiculite Operations

1. **Requirements:**

* 4 X Buses
* Not older than 5 years old from the registration date.
* The buses Must be readily available at the commencement of the contract.
* Break down contingency plan must be provided.
* Each bus travels approximately 32 kilometers from the Main Gate to the drop off areas and back per day.

**The Shifts are as follows:**

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| **Shifts** | **Pick Up - Time** | **Collect and Drop off time** |
| Morning | 6am | 6h30 to 7h20 |
| Mid- Day | 14h10 | 14h50 |
| Afternoon | 18h00 | 18h30 |
| Night | 22h10 | 23h20 |

1. **Technical specifications:**

A mode of transport that should be able to accommodate approximately 60 employees per given trip. The employees are to be seated and fastened to a safety belt during the trip. No standing employees will be allowed whilst in motion.

1. **Risks**

All risks associated with road transport are to be carried by the service provider. Proof of Passenger and 3rd Party /Public – Liability Cover (Insurance) is to be provided by the service provider for cover of at least R10 million per single event.