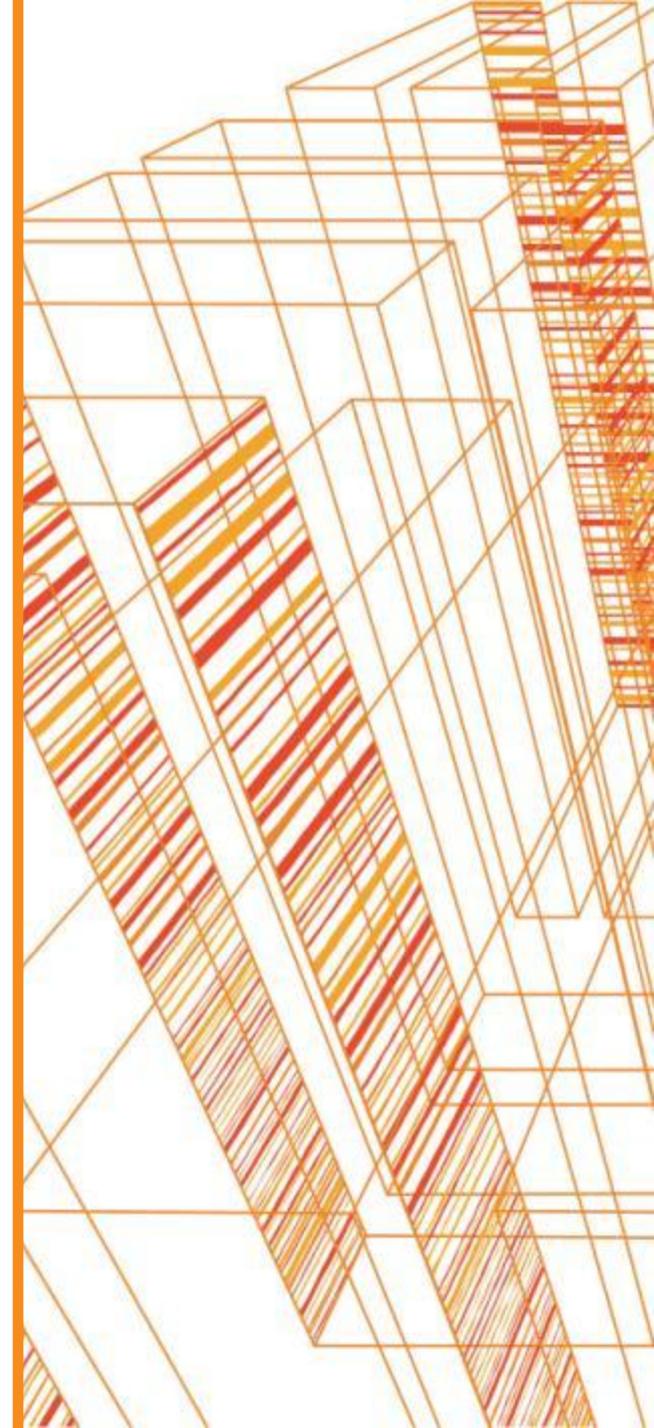


# **FUNCTIONAL DESCRIPTION OF THE HIGHVELD STEEL BULK RAW MATERIALS SIDING**

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# Introduction

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# Background

- ❑ Historically, Highveld Steel utilised the bulk siding to offload on a daily basis some 5,000 tons of iron ore, 2,500 tons of coal and 1,000 tons of dolomite from rail wagons with three rotating wagon tipplers. The materials were then transported via conveyor systems to the bulk storage facilities with overhead discharge points. The reclamation of the bulk materials was done with below stockpile ploughs onto conveyors and then into the production plant. The siding and associated equipment are currently under care and maintenance program, since September 2015 and we do not foresee utilising it for plant operations in the foreseeable future.
- ❑ The facility has thus become available on a rental or cost per ton basis to external users who are interested in loading, storing, blending and / or off loading of bulk raw materials.



# Equipment description

- ❑ Rail siding with a straight rail length of 1,200 metres.
- ❑ One electrified Transnet rail line connects the siding to the national grid and the Richards Bay coal line via the bypass line at the Clewer exchange yard.
- ❑ Two electrified Transnet lines running the entire length of the siding for staging of full or empty trains for seamless delivery and collection by Transnet locomotives.
- ❑ Two non-electrified rail lines running the entire length of the siding for purposes of loading and / or off loading of rail wagons, utilising Highveld diesel locomotives for movement purposes, tippers for off loading and requiring front end loaders for loading.
- ❑ Open air storage area of 50,000 square metres which was used for coal and iron ore storage.
- ❑ Under cover storage facilities of 6,000 square metres.

# Equipment description (continued)

- ❑ Two bunker facilities with 6 zones allowing blending of different grades of raw materials.
- ❑ Three rail wagon tipplers capable of discharging 60 ton payload rail wagons at a rate of 200 tons per hour each, i.e. 600 tons per hour in total.
- ❑ Two diesel locomotives capable of moving 10 loaded (900 ton dead weight) rail wagons each.
- ❑ A road weighbridge facility consisting of three weighbridges within 1,000 metres of the siding, capable of handling interlink type trucks connected to the Old Pretoria road at the Highveld Steel complex.
- ❑ The entire area is within the Highveld Steel security perimeter, served by 24 hour security.



# Proposed Use

- ❑ The siding facilities can be utilised by various groups for inter alia off loading, storage, blending and loading of rail wagons with various raw materials obtained from the Witbank and other areas, or for road to rail initiatives.
- ❑ It is likely that this will require the use of the road weighbridges, storage areas, locomotives for shunting and front end loaders for loading and blending purposes.
- ❑ It is possible for one party to operate the entire facility, or for such party or Highveld Steel to operate the facility and necessary equipment, and then making capacity available to other parties at a specified rate per ton, depending on actual services required.

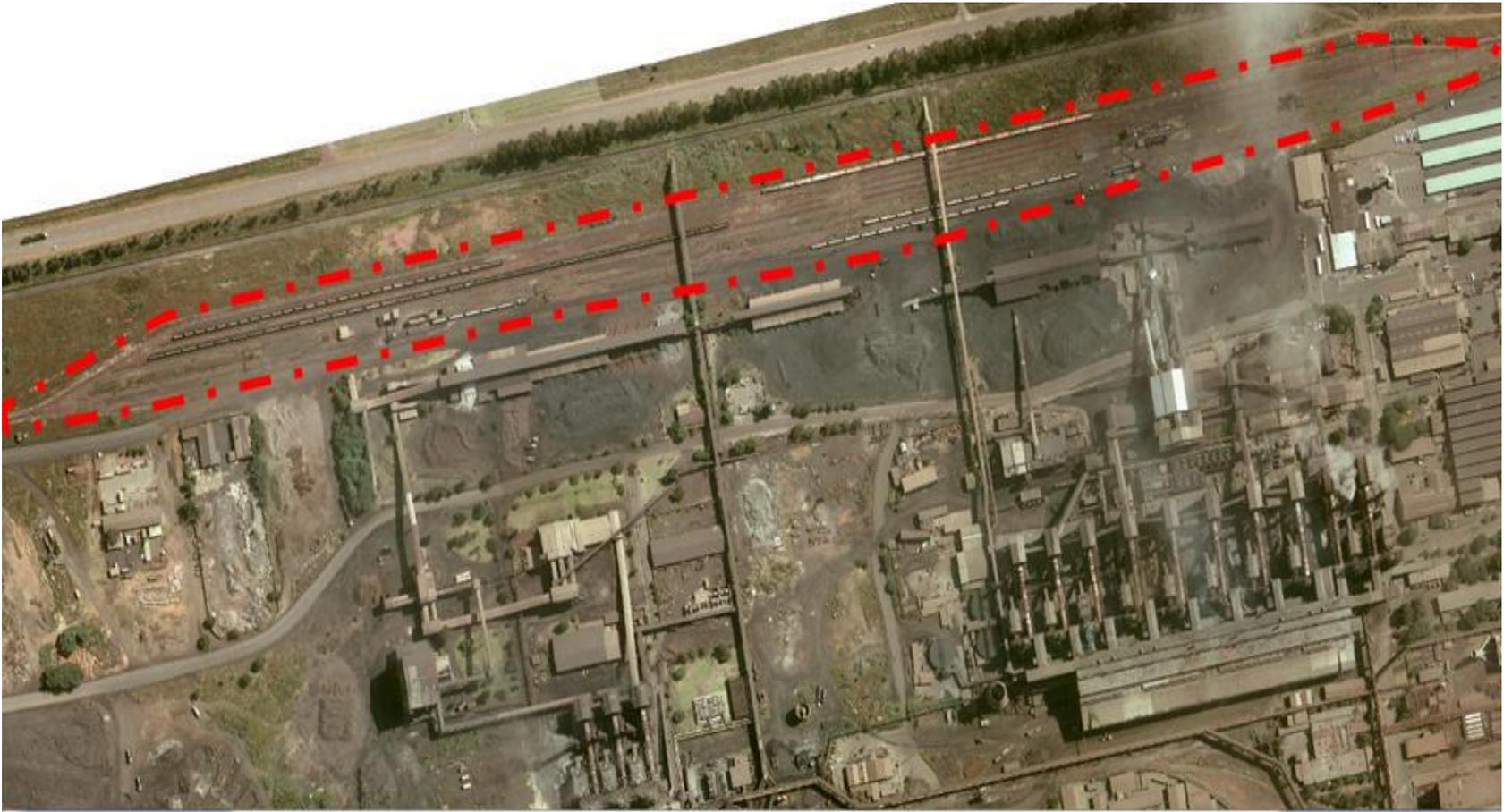


# Business Case

- ❑ **Utilising the siding for storage, blending, loading or off loading of rail wagons**
  - ❑ We are seeking proposals from interested business parties in utilising the siding for handling of raw materials - either loading or off loading on a cost per ton basis. The following information is required:
    - ❑ Type of material to be handled.
    - ❑ Envisaged monthly tonnage to be moved.
    - ❑ Facilities required – weigh bridge, storage, loading, off loading, blending, etc.
    - ❑ Proposed duration of contract.
    - ❑ Proposed rental fee per month / per ton fee.
    - ❑ Indication of scope of proposed contract – leasing entire facility or per ton rate only, which will allow for multiple parties to utilise the facility.
    - ❑ Parties to be contracted with.



# Photograph





## Environmental compliance

- The prospective bidder must determine all environmental legal responsibilities, in line with the prevailing legislation as may be amended from time to time, relating to the processes and activities to be undertaken by the prospective bidder and, if successful, to ensure full environmental compliance with such identified responsibilities. All planned processes and activities including any identified environmental responsibilities in relation thereto, will be made clear to Highveld in writing, as part of the bid process, to ensure a transparent relationship and agreement on the environmental compliance requirements. The prospective bidder must lead any discussions with the relevant environmental authorities and obtain the required environmental authorisations relating to the various environmental compliance requirements. The prospective bidder will carry all costs associated with such authorisations and discussions. Any supporting information required from Highveld relating to environmental concerns and compliance requirements must be identified by the prospective bidder and, if available, will henceforth be supplied by Highveld and not be unreasonably withheld, to support the drive of the prospective bidder towards environmental compliance.