INVITATION FOR BIDS

Date : 5 June 2014

Grant No. and Title : ADB GRANT NO 0258-TIM (SF)
ADB Project Number : 44130-01
District Capitals Water Supply Project

Contract No. and Title : ICB/09/MPW-2014
The Expansion and Rehabilitation of Pante Makassar Water Supply System

Deadline for Submission of Bids : 6 August 2014

1. The Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste has received a grant from the Asian Development Bank (ADB) towards the cost of the District Capitals Water Supply Project. Part of this grant will be used for payments under the contract named the Expansion and Rehabilitation of Pante Makassar Water Supply System. Bidding is open to bidders from eligible source countries of the ADB.

2. The National Directorate for Water Supply of the Ministry of Public Works (MPW) through the National Procurement Commission (NPC) of Timor-Leste now invites sealed bids from eligible bidders for the Expansion and Rehabilitation of Pante Makassar Water Supply System. The works typically comprise the following:
   a. Drilling of additional production borehole in Bairo Samoro;
   b. Rehabilitation of two (2) Intake Structures and construction of two (2) new intake structures;
   c. Installation of electro-mechanical equipment complete with accessories, pump house and generator set, chlorination house and disinfection facilities;
   d. Construction of two (2) slow sand filtration plants of capacity each 15 l/s;
   e. Construction of three bolted steel tanks – one (1) of capacity 350 cu.m and two (2) of capacity 250 cu.m;
   f. Installation of transmission and distribution pipelines complete with appurtenances ~ about 46 km in length including road, culverts and river crossings;
   g. Installation of service connections with water meters ~ about 1,400 nos;
   h. Construction of Operation & Maintenance Building, Warehouse, Chlorination House and four (4) Public Toilets with site developments;

   The time for completion of the contract will be eighteen (18) months.

3. The bidding is open to all eligible Bidders that meet the following criteria:
   a. Soundness of the Bidder’s financial position showing long-term profitability demonstrated through audited financial statements (balance sheet, income statement and cash flow) or, if not required by the law of the Bidder’s country, other financial statements acceptable to the Employer, for the last three (3) years. As a minimum, the Bidder’s net worth for the last year calculated as the difference between total assets and total liabilities should be positive. In the case of a Joint Venture Bidder, each partner must meet this requirement.

   b. Minimum average annual turnover of US $ 4.00 Million defined as the total payments received by the Bidder for contract completed or under execution over the last three (3) years. In case of a Joint Venture Bidder, one partner must meet 40% of the requirement, each partner must meet 25% of the requirement, and all partners combined must meet 100% of the requirement.

   c. The Bidder must have liquid assets and lines of credit to meet the cash flow of US$ 0.50 Million for the execution of the Contract being bid for. The Bidder’s liquid assets and lines of credit must also meet its other current commitments for other contracts. In case of a Joint Venture Bidder, one partner must meet 40% of the requirement, each partner must meet 25% of the requirement, and all partners combined must meet 100% of the requirement.
d. The Bidder individually or as a joint venture shall demonstrate that they have successfully implemented at least one (1) similar contract for a total value in excess of US$3.00 Million within the last five (5) years.

e. The Bidder individually or as a Joint Venture shall have successfully completed and under implementation within the last 5 years, a minimum construction experience in the following key activities in one calendar year: 1. At least 5 boreholes 80m deep 15 l/s yield, 2. At least 5 storage tanks of capacity at least 250 cum, 3. Pipeline and pipework of length at least 30 Km.

f. All pending claims, arbitration, other litigation shall represent in total not more than 50% of the Bidder's net worth.

g. Each key person must meet the minimum requirements indicated in Section 6 of the Bidding Documents.

h. The Bidder individually or as a Joint Venture shall meet the minimum equipment requirements indicated in Section 6 of the Bidding Documents.

4. International Competitive Bidding will be conducted in accordance with ADB's Single Stage Two Envelope Bidding procedure and is open to all bidders from eligible source countries.

5. To obtain further information and inspect the bidding documents, bidders should contact:

Mr. ANICETO DO ROSARIO  
National Procurement Commission  
Rua dos Direitos Humanos, Dili, Timor-Leste  
Email: mkefan@cna.gov.tl copy to trillo@cna.gov.tl and psarma@cna.gov.tl and adrosario@cna.gov.tl

6. To purchase the bidding documents in English, eligible bidders should:

a. Write to the address above requesting the bidding documents for the Expansion and Rehabilitation of Pante Makassar Water Supply System.

b. Pay a non-refundable fee of USD 150.00 in cash or by Bank demand draft in favor of the Ministry of Finance, payable at Banco Nacional Ultramarino (BNU), Timor-Leste with the following bank details:
   1. Account Number: 021080740
   2. Beneficiary: Central Bank of Timor-Leste
   3. SWIFT Code: FRNYUS33
   4. Bank: The Federal Reserve Bank of New York, 33 Liberty Street, New York, NY 10045

7. Deliver your bid in the Tender Box located at the same address specified below:

National Procurement Office  
Attn: Mr. Aniceto do Rosario  
Member, National Procurement Commission  
Rua dos Direitos Humanos, Dili, Timor-Leste

on or before the deadline: 6 August 2014 before 1500 hours (Timor-Leste Time)

a. together with a Bid Security of US Dollars Sixty Thousand (US$ 60,000)

b. Technical bids will be opened immediately after the deadline in the presence of bidders' representatives who choose to attend, as this is a single stage two envelope procedure.

8. The Employer will not be responsible for any costs or expenses incurred by bidders in connection with the preparation or submission of their bids, including costs and expenses related to site visit.

9. Domestic preference is not applicable to this bid invitation.