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Contract notice

Works

Directive 2014/24/EU

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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UNITED KINGDOM
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Main address: <http://www.westernpower.org>

I.2) Joint procurement

I.3) Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at: <http://www.westernpower.org>
Additional information can be obtained from the abovementioned address
Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the abovementioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Other type: commercial entity voluntarily complying with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title:

Providing engineering, procurement and construction of an expected 40-60MW run of river hydropower plant and associated facilities including connection to the Zambian grid

II.1.2) Main CPV code

45251120

II.1.3) Type of contract

Works

II.1.4) Short description:

Seeking a contractor with the relevant experience and capacity for the engineering, procurement and construction (EPC) contract for the design, manufacture, supply, assembly, testing, installation, commissioning and inter-connection of an expected 40-60 MW run of river hydropower plant in rural Zambia.

Candidates must either be main contractors acting on behalf of themselves and a team of sub-contractors, or form consortia.

The EPC contract will be based on FIDIC Silver Book, allowing modifications for any additional works, services or supplies relevant to the project to be carried out. It will be a fixed price, date-certain, full turnkey wrap contract.

Western Power will separately shortlist mechanical and electrical contractors and the winning tenderer will select from these.

The contract price will be in US\$ (with possible kwacha element for items procured in Zambia) inclusive of taxes (on and off-shore).

Further details can be found in the Descriptive Document.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: 200 000 000.00 USD

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: no

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title:

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

09310000

45111200

45000000

31200000

71000000

45247000

71242000

71320000

71300000

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS code: 00

Main site or place of performance:

Zambia - located on the Zambezi River in the Western Province of Zambia close to the township of Sioma, some 345 km upstream of the Victoria Falls and 120 km upstream of Sesheke.

II.2.4) Description of the procurement:

Following pre-qualification and the selection of short-listed candidates, those candidates to be invited to participate in the dialogue phase will be notified and asked to sign confidentiality agreements (CAs). On receipt of signed CAs, candidates will be invited (at the same time) to submit outline solutions. These will be submitted following a site visit, review of data room documents and a chance to seek further clarification from Western Power. The first outline solution submitted will be followed by a period of dialogue. All or some candidates may be invited to submit a further solution or solutions, which will be followed again by dialogue.

Once this phase is concluded, all or some candidates will be invited to submit a tender.

In addition, candidates will work with the M&E contractors, shortlisted separately by Western Power to complete the mechanical and electrical aspect of the project, to develop solutions for the project, and the winning EPC Contractor will select from among them to provide the M&E aspect of the project.

Further details are set out in the Descriptive Document available as per Section I.

The winning contractor will be responsible for complete procurement of all works and services related to the EPC contract, including mechanical and electrical, and inter-connection.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: 2 000 000.00 USD

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Duration in months: 36

This contract is subject to renewal: no

II.2.9) Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited

Envisaged minimum number: 3

Maximum number: 5

Objective criteria for choosing the limited number of candidates:

As set out in the Pre-qualification Questionnaire

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: yes

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: no

II.2.12) Information about electronic catalogues

II.2.13) Information about European Union funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: no

II.2.14) Additional information

With regard to Part IV.2.6) "Minimum time frame...", the winning tenderer will be required to maintain its tender price for at least 12 months from initialling of the EPC contract but is expected to maintain its overall commitment until execution of the full EPC contract should financial close take longer than 12 months to achieve. As further described in the Descriptive Document.

Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions for participation

III.1.1) Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers

List and brief description of conditions:

Stated in the Pre-qualification Questionnaire

III.1.2) Economic and financial standing

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

III.1.5) Information about reserved contracts

III.2) Conditions related to the contract

III.2.2) Contract performance conditions:

III.2.3) Information about staff responsible for the performance of the contract

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1) Description

- IV.1.1) **Type of procedure**
Competitive dialogue
- IV.1.3) **Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system**
- IV.1.4) **Information about reduction of the number of solutions or tenders during negotiation or dialogue**
Recourse to staged procedure to gradually reduce the number of solutions to be discussed or tenders to be negotiated
- IV.1.6) **Information about electronic auction**
- IV.1.8) **Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**
The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: no
- IV.2) **Administrative information**
- IV.2.1) **Previous publication concerning this procedure**
- IV.2.2) **Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**
Date: 26/02/2016
Local time: 17:00
- IV.2.3) **Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates**
Date: 14/03/2016
- IV.2.4) **Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted:**
English
- IV.2.6) **Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender**
Duration in months: 14 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)
- IV.2.7) **Conditions for opening of tenders**

Section VI: Complementary information

- VI.1) **Information about recurrence**
This is a recurrent procurement: no
- VI.2) **Information about electronic workflows**
Electronic invoicing will be accepted
Electronic payment will be used
- VI.3) **Additional information:**
Economic operators invited to participate in dialogue following shortlisting will be required to sign a confidentiality agreement before receiving any further information.
Further information is set out in the Pre-Qualification Questionnaire and Descriptive Document available from the website described in Section I.
- VI.4) **Procedures for review**
- VI.4.1) **Review body**
N/A
London
UNITED KINGDOM
- VI.4.2) **Body responsible for mediation procedures**
- VI.4.3) **Review procedure**
- VI.4.4) **Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained**
- VI.5) **Date of dispatch of this notice:**

22/01/2016