REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA ROAD SECTOR PROGRAM SUPPORT PROJECT

CLARIFICATION TO QUESTIONS ON THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

CONSTRUCTION SUPERVISION OF CIVIL WORKS UNDER CONTRACTS RSPSP/W2/01 AND RSPSP/W2/05

1. Will there be one or two contractors?

There are 2 works contracts to be supervised on the R14 Road as mentioned in the Request for Proposals. Tenders for Contract RSPSP/W2/01 are under evaluation and the Invitation to submit Tenders for Contract RSPSP/W2/05 will be published / issued soon. It is not known whether one contractor will be awarded both contracts.

As far as contract administration is concerned, the contracts will be administered separately. Consultants should base their proposals on supervising two separate contracts.

2. Are the time schedules for the contracts available – planned starting dates?

It is planned to award both works contracts in time for the full 2011 working season.

3. The Consultant will be provided 2 offices, one for each contract. Could they be combined?

In the event that a single contractor wins both contracts, any changes to be considered, such as combining the offices, will be decided at the time.

4. According to the construction contracts the contractor shall provide the Engineer with copies and licenses of any specialized software he is using. Could the Engineer direct the Contractor to get special software for terrain models and volume calculations to be used by both parties?

The Tender Documents require the Contractor to provide two licensed copies of any proprietary software that he intends to utilize for the design, control, planning and operation of the works. The Engineer could only direct alternative software in the event that the software proposed by the Contractor does not meet the requirements of the Contract (in the same way that Contractor's Equipment is his choice).

5. The list of posts and time required for the Key Personnel is given in the Terms of Reference (5 positions, 90 man-months). At the same time the Consultant is free to propose an alternative supervision structure as long as the basic minimum requirements are met. Does this mean that the Consultant is free to purpose alternative staffing within the 90 manmonths allocated? What about man-months input for short-term experts – how many manmonths input is required as a minimum?

The Consultant will be required to provide the services detailed in the Request for Proposals. It is expected that each Consultant's will use his experience to decide the structure and allocation of the team to provide the services. 90 man-months for Key Personnel is considered to be a minimum figure.

Regarding short-term experts, this is a contingency provision and cannot be decided beforehand. Consultants are requested to base their proposals on 5 man-months per works contract being required.

6. What is meant by either the Team Leader or his Deputy shall be available until the Works are complete, i.e. shall either be physically present during the Defects Liability Period or just available at home office with regular visits given say one day notice?

It is not anticipated that full-time cover will be required during the Defects Liability Period, and Consultants should use their experience to decide how to provide the services required during this time.

7. We could so far not find the documents related to the facilities to be provided to the Consultants for RSPSP/W2/05. Could you please provide a copy of volume 3 Procurement Documents for RSPSP/W2/05.

The attachment provides a extract of the Engineer's Facilities from the draft Technical Specifications, which are subject to "no objection" from the funding bank.

The draft Technical Specifications is generally similar in other respects to the Contract RSPSP/W2/01 Technical Specifications.

8. The standard forms included in the RFP are older version. Could we use latest version of those forms that are included in the EBRD's Procurement Policies and Rules? (The same latest version of the standard forms that you included in the Consultancy services for supervision of works of M2 road – RFP).

The Consultants shall use the Forms provided in Request for Proposals, based on EBRD's Procurement Policies and Rules