

NIGERIAN PORTS AUTHORITY 26/28, MARINA LAGOS

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PUBLIC NOTICE NO: 4039

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI) FOR THE PROVISION OF TOWAGE SERVICES IN EASTERN PILOTAGE DISTRICTS — INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING

A. INTRODUCTION

In an effort to ensure availability of Towage Vessels, the Authority seeks to issue licenses to reputable and competent firms for the Provision of Towage Services in the Eastern Pilotage Districts. To this end, interested firms are hereby requested to submit EOI documents for the Provision this Service in the following Pilotage Districts:

S/N	LOCATION	LOT
1	Onne Pilotage District	1
2	Port Harcourt/Bonny Pilotage District	2
3	Calabar Pilotage District	3
4	Delta Pilotage District	4

Bidders are not allowed to bid for more than two (2) lots.

B. SCOPE OF SERVICES

The scope of Services shall include but not limited to the provision of Towage Vessels to ensure that the Authority's operations are optimally sustained and in compliance with International Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) and as per International Regulations (IMO).

C. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Interested companies should submit bound bid documents duly signed, paginated, separated by dividers and arranged in the order outlined hereunder:

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST REQUIREMENTS

- 1. Evidence of Certificate of Incorporation with the Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC) including Form CO2 and CO7.
- 2. Evidence of Company Tax Clearance Certificate and Audited Account for the last three (3) years (2014, 2015 & 2016), duly signed by ANAN/ICAN licensed Auditors.
- 3. Evidence of Current Pension Clearance Certificate from National Pension Commission (PENCOM).
- 4. Evidence of Current Compliance Certificate with Industrial Training Fund (ITF) Act No. 19 of 2011.
- 5. Evidence of Current Compliance Certificate with the Employees Compensation Act which requires that all employers of labour must remit 1% of the total annual emolument of their workers to the Nigerian Social Insurance Trust Fund (NSITF).
- 6. Evidence of Current Certificate of registration on the National Data Base of Contractors, Consultants and Service Providers by the Bureau of Public Procurement (BPP) or copy of interim Registration report (IRR) as evidence of compliance with the requirement.
- 7. Bids must be in English Language and signed by an official authorized by the bidder.

- 8. All bids must be accompanied with a sworn affidavit disclosing that they do not have any Director who has been convicted in any Country for any criminal offence relating to fraud or financial impropriety or criminal misrepresentation or falsification of facts relating to any matter;
- 9. All bidders must accompany every bid with an affidavit disclosing whether or not any officer of the relevant committees of the Nigerian Ports Authority (NPA) or Bureau of Public Procurement (BPP) is a former or present director, shareholder or has any pecuniary interest in the bidder and confirm that all information presented in its bid are true and correct in all particulars.
- 10. Key personnel must be an accredited member(s) of any or all of the following professional bodies (provide evidence):
 - a. International Marine Contractors Association (IMCA)
 - b. Association of Marine Engineers and Surveyors (AMES)
 - c. International Association of Classification Societies (IACS)
 - d. Council for the Regulation of Engineering in Nigeria (COREN)
- 11. Evidence of Current Registration with Special Control Unit against Money Laundering (SCUML) in accordance with the provision of Section 5(1)(a) and (4) of the Money Laundering (Prohibition) Act, 2011 of the EFCC.
- 12. Company profile to include names, qualifications (including copies of relevant academic/professional qualifications) and experience of key personnel.
- 13. Evidence of successful completion of at least 3 (three) Towage projects, vessels chartering, with Towage Vessels for not less than ten (10) years including letters of award, completion certificates, contract agreements, etc.
- 14. Evidence of Financial Capability from a reputable bank/Letter of commitment.
- 15. For Joint Venture (JV)/Partnership, Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) should be provided (Items 1-10 are compulsory for the Lead national JV partner while 1, 7 10 are applicable to the Lead international JV partner).
- 16. All documents for submission must be transmitted with a Covering/Forwarding letter under the Company/Firm's Letter Head Paper bearing amongst others, the Registration Number (RC) as issued by the Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC), contact address, telephone (preferably GSM No.), fax and e-mail address. The Letter Head Paper must bear the Name and Nationalities of the Directors of the Company/Firm at the bottom of the page.

NOTES ON ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

- i. **Items 1-6** above are applicable to <u>National companies only.</u>
- ii. **Items 7- 10** are <u>applicable to both National and International Companies.</u>
- iii. Failure by National companies to comply with **items 1-10** above will lead to disqualification.
- iv. International Companies are to provide the following additional Requirements:
 - a. Evidence of Certificate of Incorporation or company's registration in the country of origin/home country.

D. SUBMISSION OF EXPRESSION OF INTEREST DOCUMENT

The Expression of Interest (EOI) documents are to be submitted in duplicate bounded hard copies (One (1) soft and two (2) hard copies of each), paginated and arranged with dividers as indicated above. The expression of interest documents should be submitted in sealed envelopes and addressed to the "SECRETARY TO THE TENDERS BOARD, NIGERIAN PORTS AUTHORITY" and clearly marked "EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI) FOR THE PROVISION OF TOWAGE SERVICES IN EASTERN PILOTAGE DISTRICTS" Specifying PUBLIC NOTICE NO: 4039, LOT and dropped into the designated Tender Box located on the 1st floor Headquarters Building, 26/28, Marina Lagos not later than 11.00am on Wednesday, 22nd November 2017.

All received proposals will be opened **immediately** at the close of submission in the Conference room, 3rd Floor, 1 Joseph Street, off Marina, Lagos in the presence of bidders or their representatives who avail themselves. Please ensure that you sign the bid submission register in the office of the General Manager, Procurement as the Authority will not be held liable for misplaced or wrongly submitted bids. For further enquiries, please contact the "General Manager, Procurement" on e-mail: info.procurement@nigerianports.org

E. GENERAL INFORMATION

- 1. Late submission would not be entertained.
- 2. All costs incurred as a result of this tender invitation and any subsequent requests for information shall be borne by the bidding companies and only short-listed companies will be contacted.
- 3. The Authority is not bound to pre-qualify any bidder and reserves the right to annul the Procurement process at any time without incurring any liabilities in accordance with Section 28 of the Public Procurement Act 2007.

SIGNED
MANAGEMENT
NIGERIAN PORTS AUTHORITY