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EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI) FOR THE ENGAGEMENT OF DREDGING COMPANIES AS TECHNICAL PARTNERS FOR THE CHANNEL MANAGEMENT OF PILOTAGE DISTRICTS — INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING.

PUBLIC NOTICE NO: 4125

A. INTRODUCTION

Pursuant to the rights of the Authority as contained in the Port ACT, the Authority in 2006 entered into agreement with Technical Partners for the Management of Port Access Channels in Lagos & Bonny Pilotage District.

The objectives of the Channel Management contracts are to increase efficiency in the delivery of Port Services by injecting Private Sector expertise and finance, amongst others into the Channel Management functions. The Nigerian Ports Authority is in the process of profiling international dredging companies for consideration in future dredging and channel management for the Authority.

The proposed structure of partnership arrangement will be in the Ratio of (60:40) for Nigerian Port Authority (NPA) and the Technical Partners respectively.

Consequently, interested firms are hereby requested to submit Expression of Interest (EoI) documents for the provision of these services in the Pilotage Districts.

S/N	LOCATION	LOTS
1	Lagos Pilotage District	1
2	Bonny/Port Harcourt Pilotage District	2
3	Warri and Escravos Pilotage District	3

Bidders are not allowed to bid for more than one (1) lot. Note: For Lagos and Bonny Pilotage District, only prospective bidders with equivalent past experience in high volume dredging would be considered.

B. SCOPE OF SERVICES

The scope of Services includes but not limited to the following:

- a. Bathymetric Survey
- b. Capital/Maintenance Dredging
- c. Wreck Survey/Wreck Removal
- d. Aid to Navigation (Buoy Maintenance)
- e. Planning & Channel Management
- f. Training

More information on the scope of services is contained in the Request for Proposal to be issued to prequalified firms.

C. **ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**

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

- 1. Evidence of Certificate of Incorporation with the Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC) including Forms CO2 and CO7 or its equivalent.
- 2. Evidence of Company Tax Clearance Certificate for the last three (3) years (2017, 2018 & 2019) valid till 31_{st} December 2019 with minimum cumulative turnover of **N20 Billion.**
- 3. Evidence of Company's Audited Accounts for the last three (3) years (2017, 2018 & 2019) duly signed by ANAN/ICAN licensed Auditors.
- 4. Evidence of Current Pension Compliance Certificate valid till 31st December 2019.
- 5. Evidence of Current Industrial Training Fund (ITF) Compliance Certificate valid till 31st December, 2019.

- 6. Evidence of Current Nigeria Social Insurance Trust Fund (NSITF) Compliance Certificate valid till 31st December, 2019.
- 7. Evidence 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.
- 8. Sworn Affidavits disclosing:
 - That the Company does not have any Director who has been convicted in any Country for any criminal offence relating to fraud of financial impropriety or criminal misrepresentation or falsification of facts relating to any matter.
 - Whether or not any officer of relevant committees of Nigerian Ports Authority (NPA) or has any pecuniary interest in the bidder and confirm that all information presented in its bid are true and correct in all particulars.
 - That the Company is not in receivership, subject of any form of insolvency or bankruptcy proceeding or the subject of any form of winding up petition or proceedings.
- 9. All documents for submission must be transmitted with a Covering/Firm's Letter Head Paper bearing amongst others, the Registration Number (RC) as issued by the Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC) or its equivalent, contact address, telephone (preferably GSM No.), fax and e-mail address. The Letter Head Paper must bear the Names and Nationalities of the Directors of the Company/Firm at the bottom of the page.
- 10. Evidence of financial capability to execute the project by submission of reference letter from a reputable commercial bank indicating willingness to provide credit facility for the execution of the project when needed.
- 11. Evidence of ownership/availability of relevant equipment/machines.
- 12. Evidence of Two (2) similar projects with illustration of Channel Management expertise executed in the last Ten (10) years including Letters of Awards, Contract Agreements, Job Completion certificates etc. (Dredging, Channel management & other related works).
- 13. Company profile to include names, qualifications (copies of relevant academic and professional qualifications of such personnel must be attached) and experience of key personnel:
 - Key Operational Staff/Technical Staff must have at least first-degree certificate or its equivalent in Civil/Water/Geotechnical Engineering or related fields.
 - Each operational staff must have not less than five (5) years practical experience in service dredging & related works.
 - All staff must be fluent in English Language.
- 14. Failure to comply with items 1-13 above will lead to disqualification of the bid. (This is applicable for non-Joint Venture submissions)
- 15. For Joint Venture (JV)/Partnership, Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) should be provided. (Items 1 & 3 12 are compulsory for each national JV partner and items 1 and 8 are compulsory for each international JV partner, while items 2 & 13 can be provided by any of the JV partner.

D. SUBMISSION OF EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI) DOCUMENT

Interested bidders are to submit two (2) bound copies of EOI documents, paginated and arranged with dividers as indicated above. The prequalification 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 ENGAGEMENT OF DREDGING COMPANIES FOR PILOTAGE DISTRICTS" Specifying PUBLIC NOTICE NO: 4125 (with appropriate description of desired Lot) and dropped in the designated Tender Box located on the 3rd floor of NPA Annex Building, 1, Joseph Street, off Marina Lagos not later than 11.00 am on Wednesday 10th June, 2020.

E. OPENING OF EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI) DOCUMENT

All EOI documents received before the deadline for submission will be opened **immediately** at **11:00am** on **Wednesday 10**th **June 2020** in the Conference room, 1 Joseph Street, off Marina, Lagos in the presence of bidders or their representatives. **Representatives of Non-Governmental Organizations related to this procurement, transparency and anti-corruption Agencies are hereby invited to witness the bid opening in compliance with Section 19 (b)(ii) of the PPA, 2007**. Please, ensure that you sign the bid submission register in the bid submission office on the 3rd floor of NPA Annex Building, 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**.

F. GENERAL INFORMATION

- 1. Bids must be in English Language and signed by an official authorized by the bidder.
- 2. Late submission will not be entertained.
- 3. 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.
- 4. The Authority is not bound to pre-qualify any bidder and reserves the right to cancel the Procurement proceedings in the public interest without incurring liabilities to the bidders in accordance with the provisions of Section 28 of the Public Procurement Act 2007.
- 5. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic regulations by the Government, submissions may be made through courier service, in the stipulated format in (D) above and must not be later than the stipulated time.

SIGNED MANAGEMENT NIGERIAN PORTS AUTHORITY