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Vitebsk Region Clean Water Project Reference No.: 10455/61555

Selection of Consulting Services for:

Vitebsk Region Clean Water Project – Project Implementation Unit Support Including Engineering, Design and Contracts Supervision

Clarifications 1

N	Question	Answer
1	Chemical analysis of groundwater for	The information regarding
	all settlements (especially pH,	chemical analysis of
	alkalinity, Fe ions, etc.)	groundwater for all settlements
		will be provided to the
		consultant during inception
		stage of the Project. The
		technical information in the
		amount necessary for
		preparation of proposals is
		contained in the technical
		report, which was sent to all
		consultants upon request.
2	Water intake capacity for all 80	The information on water intake
	groundwater sources	capacity for all 80 groundwater
		sources is contained in the
		technical report, which was sent
		to all consultants upon request.
3	Any geodetic survey information for	The geodetic survey is not
	the settlements	available for all settlements.
		The geodetic surveys will be
		performed by the selected
		contractors.
4	To which stage of Belarusian	The consultant prepares project
	legislation does Clause 3.2.1.3 of	documentation in the amount of
	Technical Specifications (Preparation	pre-Project (pre-investment)
	of Detailed Designs and Technical	documentation and in a level of
	Specifications) correspond? Please	details sufficient for inclusion
	confirm, whether it corresponds to	in tender documentation (details

	Technical Code of Common Practice 45-1.02-298-298 "Construction. Predesign (pre-investment) documentation. Composition, order of development and approval"	are described under the chapter 3.2.1.4.2 of the terms of reference)
5	If the need arises in the cases as provided for in the legislation, is it necessary to develop EIA and/or should pre-design documentation undergo an examination by State Ecological Expertise? In this case, will the Expert review be separately paid by the customer or its cost should be included in the offer	The Contractors will be responsible for developing the design documentation of stage S and passing the State Environmental Expertise. The need to prepare EIA and undergo the State Environmental Expertise of the pre-investment documentation prepared by Consultant will be discussed with the Client on a case by case basis, depending on the risks associated with potential difficulties in obtaining necessary approvals by a selected Contractor within the timeframe specified in the tender documentation.
6	According to Belarusian legislation, pre-design documentation is not required to undergo an examination by the State Construction Expert Evaluation Board, but this procedure may take place at the request of the customer. Therefore, we are asking to confirm that there is no need for undergoing an examination by the State Construction Expert Evaluation Board.	The Contractors will be responsible for developing the design documentation of stage S and passing the State Construction Expertise. The need to obtain a positive resolution of the State Construction Expertise on the pre-investment documentation prepared by a Consultant will be discussed with the Client on a case by case basis, depending on the risks associated with potential difficulties in obtaining necessary approvals by the selected Contractor within the timeframe specified in the tender documentation.
7	ToR 3.2.1.4.1 (pg 62) Initial Data	The topographical, geotechnical

	Collection	and other surveys will be
	Please confirm that there is no need to	performed by the selected
	conduct topographical, geotechnical	Contractors.
	and other surveys as part of	Contractors.
	the Consultant's assignment	
8	Please specify the availability of the	Permissive documentation for
	initial data concerning all sites/objects,	design will be provided by the
	if possible as a list of the	Client, including water
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	initial data available, and explain what	analyses. The Consultant will
	initial data should be collected during	support the Client in collecting
	the work. Is it required to get	missing initial technical data.
	planning permission to design, for	The payments to respective
	example, conclusions of Executive	state authorities and agencies
	Committee, land act, technical	associated with collection of
	specifications? Should we conduct	initial data and obtaining
	water quality analysis with the	necessary permits will be
	involvement of the lab	covered by the Client.
9	According to Belarusian legislation,	The Consultant will perform the
	there are three types of construction	construction supervision
	supervision: design	services as specified in Annex 1
	supervision, technical supervision and	to the Terms of Reference. The
	state construction supervision. Please	scope of Construction
	confirm that the consultant	supervision services will inter
	should provide only technical	alia include technical
	supervision, while design supervision	supervision in accordance with
	will be further provided by the	the requirements of Belarusian
	contractor. Who will pay for the	construction legislation.
	services of State Construction	
	Supervision and Inspection Service	
10	ToR 3.2.1.10-3.2.1.11 (pg 65) refers to	The Consultant shall assist the
	«supervision of supply of goods	Client to review the
	contracts» and «supervision of	procurement plan, and
	works contracts» respectively. At the	recommend inter alia
	same time, Annex 1 a) Contract	procurement method for each
	Supervision (pg 75) states:	package.
	«The applicable conditions of contract	
	are the Conditions of Contract for	
	Plant and Design-Build for	
	Electrical and Mechanical Plant, and	
	for Building Works, designed by the	
	Contractor, or EBRD's Supply	
	and Install contract»;	

	We assume that the conditions of FIDIC Yellow Book or EBRD's Supply and Install contract are applicable for main contracts as outlined in the Indicative Procurement Plan (Phase 1, 2, 3). Please clarify if additional contracts for goods are foreseen to be procured as part of the scope of Consultant's work	
11	ToR 5. Reporting and Deliverable Operation & Maintenance Manual(s) is stated to be delivered within 16 weeks of the commencement date. Please clarify what this deliverable refers to	The Consultant shall develop the Operation & Maintenance Manuals for the facilities. The manuals shall cover the requirements for safe O&M of the facilities as may be detailed in the Environmental and Social Action Plan for the Project. The date for submission may be subject to revision during the contract negotiations.
12	Key Experts	The Client will accept
	Is it allowed to use one expert for 2	nomination of one expert for
	roles? We intend to have the same	two roles. Please, note that the
	expert for the role of the Key	expert will be evaluated against
	Expert 1. Project Manager and Key	the criteria for each role.
12	Expert 3. Water Engineer (design)	The Court 14 and the 11 has a 11 dec
13	Assignment Budget	The Consultant shall be guided
	Could you please clarify the reasons	by the Request for Proposals document. All additional
	for budget reduction from the estimates in the feasibility study of	documents, including feasibility
	EUR 700,000 to EUR 310,000 in the	study, are provided for
	ToR? We do not see the equivalent	reference only.
	reduction in the scope of work.	3
14	Since we have to submit the technical	Consultants are responsible for
	and financial proposal and all forms in	meeting the requirements to
	English and Russian	documentation stipulated in the
	language, it would help if you could	Request of Proposals, including
	provide us the standard forms such as:	translation of documentation to
	Form Tech 1A Technical	the required language(s).
	Submission Form Attachment 1 to the Proposal	
	Attachment 1 to the Proposal	
	Covenant of Integrity, Consultant	

	Contact Sheet	
	☐Financial Submission Forms FIN-1,	
	FIN-2, FIN-3	
17	Data Sheet 18.10	
	Please indicate telephone number	
	which is mandatory for delivery	
	service:	
	☐ Telephone number of	+375212680026,
	Vitebskoblyodokanal (Client) and	+375212680011,
	(22200)	+375212680019
		107021200019
	☐ Telephone number of EBRD,	+442073387921
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18	We understand that according to the	The evidence of sufficient
10	Priority Investments Program, it is	groundwater reserves is
	planned to drill new water wells.	available and will be shared
	Please clarify whether there is	with the selected Consultant at
	evidence of groundwater reserves in	the inception stage of the
	places where new wells are planned	Project.
19	Please clarify whether the cleaned	Purified water will be used for
1)	water will be used only for household	household and drinking needs
	and drinking needs or there is also a	only.
	need to use clean water for technical	omy.
	needs of industries	
20		There are problems of
20	Please clarify whether there are	There are problems of
	problems with keeping sanitary	compliance with the sanitary
	protection zones and zones with strict	protection zones of the artesian
	sanitary conditions at any water intake	well at some of the objects. The
	sites	pre-investment documentation,
		prepared by the Consultant shall
		take into account the
		requirements of Belarusian
		legislation to sanitary protection
		zones. The detailed design for
		sanitary protection zones will
		be prepared by the selected
		Contractor.
21	Please clarify whether there is a need	There is a need for construction
	to install additional pipelines and	of additional engineering
	networks (electricity, water, sewage) to	networks to the water intake
	any water intake sites	sites associated with installation
		of iron removal facilities.

22	Please clarify whether there is a need to re-calculate/re-design water supply schemes of settlements, which are supplied with water from water wells	The need to re-calculate/re-design water supply schemes of settlements will be discussed with the Client on a case by case basis taking into changes associated with installation of the iron removal facilities.
23	Please clarify whether is a problem with disposal of sediments received after regeneration of water treatment filters? Are there solid waste management landfills in Vitebsk Region that take this type of sediments	There are landfills suitable for final storage of sediments received after regeneration of water treatment filters in Vitebsk Region.
24	Please clarify whether the Consultant's services include preparation of the design Stage "A" for objects under construction/ reconstruction	The Consultant prepares project documentation in the scope of pre-Project (pre-investment) documentation and in a level of details sufficient for inclusion in tender documentation (details are described under the chapter 3.2.1.4.2 of the Terms of Reference)
25	Please clarify whether the Consultant's services include preparation of the design Stage "S" for objects under construction/ reconstruction	The Consultant prepares project documentation in the scope of pre-Project (pre-investment) documentation and in a level of details sufficient for inclusion in tender documentation (details are described under the chapter 3.2.1.4.2 of the Terms of Reference)
26	Please clarify whether preparation of a preliminary design with general/schematic drawings for objects under construction/reconstruction with details required for inclusion in a tender documentation will be sufficient	The Consultant prepares project documentation in the scope of pre-Project (pre-investment) documentation and in a level of details sufficient for inclusion in tender documentation (details are described under the chapter 3.2.1.4.2 of the Terms of Reference)
27	Please clarify whether the Consultant's services include preparation of	The Contractor will be responsible for developing the

	Environmental Impact Assessment according to standards of the Republic of Belarus	design documentation of stage S and passing the State Environmental Expertise. The need to prepare EIA and undergo the State Environmental Expertise of the pre-investment documentation prepared by Consultant will be discussed with the Client on a case by case basis, depending on the risks associated with potential difficulties in obtaining necessary approvals by a selected Contractor within the timeframe specified in the tender documentation.
28	Please clarify whether the Consultant's services include construction expertise according to standards of the Republic of Belarus	The Contractor will be responsible for developing the design documentation of stage S and passing the state construction expertise. The need to obtain a positive resolution of the State Construction Expertise on the pre-investment documentation prepared by a Consultant will be discussed with the Client on a case by case basis, depending on the risks associated with potential difficulties in obtaining necessary approvals by the selected Contractor within the timeframe specified in the tender documentation.
29	Please clarify at what stages of implementation the consultants are in the wastewater projects of Vitebsk, Orsha and Polotsk	This question is not related to the proposed Assignment.
30	Considering that the tendering period falls on a period with a large number of holidays, we kindly request to postpone the deadline for submission	Deadline for submission of proposals extended until June 7, 2019

	of proposals to June 7, 2019	
31	Instruction to Consultants, Data Sheet, Clause No. 15.1.3: Estimated Total Cost Considering the scope of work in the Terms of References and the staff's requirement to complete the assignment, the Consultant feels the estimated budget is too low. Please review and confirm, the Consultant can have their own estimate in the financial proposal, which may be beyond the specified cost estimate	The Consultant shall be guided by the Request for Proposals document. All additional documents, including feasibility study, are provided for reference only. The original budget envisaged the Consultant developing all stages of design documentation and passing the required state expertise as per the Belarusian legislation. The Consultants may base their Financial Proposal on their own estimates, however, the Client would still be majorly guided by the finite budget available for this Assignment.
32	Instruction to Consultants, Data Sheet, Clause No. 18.10: Proposal Submission Deadline The Consultants are required to submit the proposals in Russian language too, therefore, to prepare the proposal in English and get translated in Russian language may take some additional time, so we request you to extend the deadline of proposal submission by at least two weeks.	Deadline for submission of proposals extended until June 17, 2019 at 15:00 local time
33	Terms of Reference, Clause no. 3.2.1.3: Preparation of Detailed Design and Technical Specification The Consultant is supposed to review and collect missing data, therefore, to collect missing data the field investigations may be needed. The quantum of field investigation is difficult to determine at the proposal stage, so please allocate	The topographical, geotechnical and other surveys will be performed by the selected Contractors.

	the provisional sum for these components	
34	Terms of Reference, Clause no. 4: Duration of Implementation The total duration of implementation is 30 months, please specify the anticipated duration for the Supervision of the Works Contract	The Consultant is responsible for submission of the initial work schedule and planning for deliverables, including construction supervision stage, as part of the technical proposal (form TECH-5).
35	Terms of Reference, Clause no. 5: Payments on Deliverables and for Supervision It is understood the payment will be made on deliverables on lump-sum basis and during Supervision on time based on quarterly basis. Please specify the % of payment on each deliverable for the lumpsum basis with due consideration to the advance payment. For Supervision, please specify the advance payment amount	The Consultant is responsible for submission of the Staffing Schedule and Breakdown of Costs as part of the Financial proposal (form Fin-3). The mode of billing and payment is stipulated in the article 3.06a of the Appendix I to the standard Consultancy contract form. The detailed payment schedule will be negotiated with the selected Consultant. It is the responsibility of Consultant to estimate the payment amount for each deliverable depending on the work programme.
36	Terms of Reference, Clause no. 6: Profile of the Consultant, Indicative Man-months In above clause, the man month of Key Experts are not mentioned. We request you to kindly provide the indicative Man Months against all positions	It is the responsibility of Consultant to estimate the key and non-key experts' inputs for each deliverable as part of the technical proposal (form TECH-6).