Chisinau Water Development

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INVITATION FOR TENDERS

Rehabilitation of Priority 60km of Water Network

This Invitation for Tenders follows the General Procurement Notice for this project which was published on the EBRD website, Procurement Notices *(www.ebrd.com)* on 2 March 2015.

S.A. "Apa-Canal Chisinau" hereinafter referred to as "the Employer", intends to use part of the proceeds of a loan from the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (the Bank), a loan from European Investment Bank (EIB) and a grant from EU's Neighbourhood Investment Facility (NIF) for the Chisinau Water Development Programme.

The Employer now invites sealed tenders from Contractors for the following contract to be divided into 2 lots for the "Rehabilitation of Priority 60km of Water Network" to be funded from part of the proceeds of the loans:

Lot 1: The replacement of existing distribution water networks and branch pipelines to multi-storey buildings in the residential areas located in the north-western part of Chisinau Municipality, generally in the size range of between 50 mm to 300 mm with an estimated total length of about 33 km. Also, replacement of about 7 km of individual service pipelines along the rehabilitated networks is included in the Lot 1.

Lot 2: The replacement of existing distribution water networks and branch pipelines to multi-storey buildings in the residential areas located in the south-eastern part of Chisinau

Municipality, generally in the size range of between 50 mm to 300 mm with an estimated total length of about 30 km. Also, replacement of about 13 km of individual service pipelines along the rehabilitated networks is included in the Lot 2.

Works under each lot are expected to be completed within 540 days, including a 2 months allowance to commence the detail design followed by 1-year defect liability period.

Tenders are invited for one or more lots. Each lot must be priced separately. Tenders for more than one lot may offer discounts and such discounts will be considered in the comparison of tenders.

Tendering for contracts that are to be financed with the proceeds of a loan from the Bank is open to firms from any country.

The Tenderer shall furnish, as part of its tender, documentary evidence of the Tenderer's qualifications to perform the contract if its Tender is accepted. Tenderers wishing to submit tenders for more than 1 lot should meet cumulative requirements equal to the sum of individual requirements for corresponding lots and establishing to the Employer's satisfaction that:

(i) an average annual turnover as prime Contractor (defined as billing for work in progress and completed) over the last three (3) years of Euro 3,000,000 for each separate lot or the equivalent.

(ii) successful experience as prime Contractor in 1 project of a nature and complexity comparable to the proposed contract over the last 5 years each with a value of at least Euro 500,000 for each separate lot or the equivalent and has undertaken work in the region in the last 5 years.

(iii) the Tenderer shall demonstrate that it has access to, or has available, liquid assets, unencumbered real assets, lines of credit, and/or other financial means sufficient to meet the construction cash flow for a period of 4 months estimated at not less than Euro 500,000 for each separate lot or the equivalent, taking into account the applicant's commitments to other contracts.

(iv) the Tenderer, and each partner in case of a joint venture, shall provide accurate information on any current or past litigation or arbitration resulting from contracts completed or under execution by him over the last five (5) years.

(v) Joint ventures (JVCA) must satisfy collectively all of the above mentioned qualification criteria, for which purpose the relevant figures for each of the partners shall be added to arrive at the joint venture's total capacity:

(a) The lead partner of the JVCA shall demonstrate that he acted as a main contractor on a project of a similar magnitude;

(b) The lead partner shall meet at least sixty (60%) percent of the minimum qualifying criteria for general experience and financial position required above

(c) Other partners shall meet at least twenty (20%) percent of the minimum qualifying criteria for general experience and financial position required above

The tenderer and each partner in case of JVCA shall demonstrate his strong financial position and long-term profitability by providing audited balance sheets and profit and loss statements for the last three years.

Tender documents may be obtained from the address below upon payment of a nonrefundable fee of Euro 200 or equivalent in MDL, following the National Bank of Moldova exchange rate for the date of publishing of the IFT, made to the following Employer's Bank Account:

MD28PR002224166792001978, BC "ProCreditBank", bd. Stefan Cel Mare 65, Chisinau, Moldova
PRCBMD22
S.A. Apa-Canal Chisinau, str. Albisoara 38, Chisinau, Moldova
1002600015876
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Cheque and bank transfer charges to be paid by the applicant.

Upon receipt of appropriate evidence of payment of the non-refundable fee, the documents will be promptly dispatched by courier; however, no liability can be accepted for their loss or late delivery. In addition, if requested, the documents can be dispatched electronically after presentation by the prospective Tenderer of appropriate evidence of payment of the non-refundable fee. In the event of discrepancy between electronic and hard copies of the documents, the hard copy shall prevail.

All tenders must be accompanied by a tender security in the amount of €42,000 for each separate lot or for the corresponding cumulative amount, depending on the number of lots offered by the Tenderer, or the equivalent in Moldovan Lei at the exchange rate published

by the National Bank of Moldova <u>http://bnm.md/medium_exchange_rates</u> on the day the IFT was published.

Tenders must be delivered to the office at the following address on or before 22 December 2015, 11:00 am local time, at which time they will be opened in the presence of those tenderers' representatives who choose to attend.

A register of potential tenderers who have purchased the tender documents may be inspected at the address below.

Prospective tenderers may obtain further information from, and also inspect and acquire the tender documents at, the following office:

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