



Caribbean Community Climate Change Centre

June 14, 2017

Re: Invitation for Bids: Supply, delivery, installation, calibration of one (1) airborne bathymetric Light Imaging, Detection and Ranging (LIDAR) System:

Ref: ICB No. Contract # 14/2017/USAID/CCCCC: Correspondence #2 to Queries Raised

Dear Sirs,

We write with reference to *paragraph 7.1 of the Instructions to Bidders (ITB)* that addresses the subject of '*Clarification of Bidding Documents*'. In accordance with paragraph 7.1 of the ITB, a Bidder requiring any clarification of the Bidding Document shall contact the Centre in writing and the Centre shall respond in writing, provided the clarification is requested prior to the deadline for clarification. The Centre is also required to include in the response a description of the inquiry without identifying its source.

Additional queries together with the Centre's responses are as follows:

<u>Bidder's Query #3:</u> ITB 14.8(b) (i) and (c) (v): Place of Destination: Belmopan, Belize Will consideration be given to an addendum to change the country of delivery to one without export restrictions for certain bathymetric systems? OR Will bids providing for an alternate installation and delivery location in the United States be considered?	<u>Centre's Response #3:</u> <i>If it becomes necessary to change the country of delivery due to export restrictions or for any other reason, this could be addressed by way of a Change Order and Contract Amendment as provided for in General Conditions of Contract (GCC) Clause 33.1(c). Further, GCC Clause 33.2 provides for equitable adjustment in cost of the goods and time for Supplier's performance in the event of any change in the delivery location.</i> <i>At this stage Bids should not provide for delivery and installation in an alternative location.</i>
<u>Bidder's Query #4:</u> ITB 16.4: "Bidder shall furnish...available sources and current prices of spare parts, special tools, etc..." Bid Data Sheet (BDS) ITB 11.1 (j): "a list of the manufacturer's recommended spare parts and consumables" Can all references to this requirement be stricken or made optional?	<u>Centre's Response #4:</u> <i>Such list of spare parts, special tools, consumables etc. is required to also guide elements of Bidders' Financial Proposal (See BDS ITB 11.1 (j)), therefore this requirement should remain. As required by BDS ITB 11.1 (j), Bidders should include in their tender a description of any warranty conditions in accordance with Clause 28 of the GCC, applicable to scheduled repairs and maintenance to any component of the LIDAR system.</i>



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<p><u>Bidder's Query #5:</u> ITB 17.2 (b): "Bidder is or will be (if awarded the contract) represented by an Agent in the country equipped and able to carry out the Supplier's maintenance, repair and spare parts-stocking obligations..." This section is noted as "if required in the BDS" but I cannot find reference to it in the BDS. Is this required? If required, can all references be stricken or made optional?</p>	<p><u>Centre's Response #5:</u> <i>ITB 17.2 (b) is subject to any requirement set in the BDS. If the BDS is silent on this matter, then this is not a requirement.</i></p>
<p><u>Bidder's Query #6:</u> ITB 11.1 (j): "audited financial statements of the bidder for the last three years." Will financial statements provided under this bid be treated as confidential documents if so marked or will they be accessible to the public as part of the bid submission?</p>	<p><u>Centre's Response #6:</u> <i>Financial Information submitted by Bidders will be treated as confidential and will not be accessible by the public.</i></p>
<p><u>Bidder's Query #7:</u> BDS ITB 11.1 (j) "a proposal for after-sales service for 10 years" Can this be reduced to 5 years or include an allowable annual percentage increase for costs and inflation?</p>	<p><u>Centre's Response #7:</u> <i>Bidders are to be guided by the requirements outlined in ITB 11.1 (j) and the corresponding BDS on what documents must comprise their Bid. Such required documentation includes a financial proposal for maintenance service for 10 years. Bidders are to make their own judgment on whether to include an annual percentage increase for costs and inflation over this period.</i></p>
<p><u>Bidder's Query #8:</u> GCC 28.3 "The period of validity of the Warranty shall be: at minimum five (5) years" Please confirm you want 4 years of extended warranty coverage added to the bid proposal under the 10 years maintenance item.</p>	<p><u>Centre's Response #8:</u> <i>Section IX - Special Conditions to Contract (SCC) / GCC 28.3 – prescribes that the Warranty shall be <u>at minimum five (5) years</u>. Bidders are to make the necessary determination on what warranty offer will enhance their Bid.</i></p>
<p><u>Bidder's Query #9:</u> What the budget?</p>	<p><u>Centre's Response #9:</u> This information is not available to Bidders.</p>

Kind regards,

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