Invitation for Bids

1. The Government of Nepal has received financing from the Asian Development Bank (ADB) toward the cost of the Tanahu Hydropower Project. Part of this financing will be used for payments under the contract named above. Bidding is open to Bidders from eligible source countries of the ADB.

2. Tanahu Hydropower Limited (“the Employer”) invites sealed bids from eligible bidders for the Design, Supply and Installation of 220 kV Transmission Line Project of Tanahu Hydropower Project from switchyard of Tanahu Hydropower Project to 220 kV New-Bharatpur substation of NEA.

3. International Competitive Bidding (ICB) will be conducted in accordance with ADB’s Single-Stage: Two-Envelope bidding procedure and is open to all Bidders from eligible countries as described in the Bidding Document.

4. Only eligible Bidders with the following key qualification shall participate in the Bidding:
   a) Bidders shall have minimum average annual turnover of US$ 9.2 Million.
   b) Bidders are required to have satisfactory experience of at least 2 (two) contracts wherein the Bidder has Designed, Supplied, Installed and Commissioned 220 kV and above Double Circuit Transmission Line of a complete length of not less than 32 km and having bundled conductors of diameter not less than 350 sq. mm within the last 5 (five) years, with a contract value of at least US$ 14 Million each.

5. To obtain further information and inspect the Bidding Documents, bidders should contact:

   Tanahu Hydropower Project  
   Trade Tower Building, Fourth Floor, Thapathali, Kathmandu, Nepal  
   Telephone: +977-1-5111117, 5111118  
   Facsimile number: +977-1-51111121  
   Electronic mail address: info@thl.org.np

6. To purchase the Bidding Documents, eligible bidders should:

Date: 17 July 2018  
Loan No. and Title: 2990-NEP: Tanahu Hydropower Project  
Deadline for Submission of Bids: Extended to 18 September 2018, 12:00 Hours (Nepal Standard Time)
• write to the address above requesting the Bidding Documents of THL/03-P3/2074/075:
  Package 3: “Design, Supply and Installation of 220 kV Transmission Line Project of
  Tanahu Hydropower Project
• Pay a non-refundable fee of NRs. 25,000.00 (Twenty-Five Thousand Rupees only) or
  240.00 USD (Two Hundred Forty US Dollars) to the Current Account No
  062300000022524 at the Bank of Kathmandu, New Baneshwor, Kathmandu, Nepal or
  any of its branches.

7. A pre-bid meeting will be held at the office of the Employer in Kathmandu on 2 August
   2018 at 1:00 pm (NST) to explain the bidding procedures and the scope of works of the Project.

8. Deliver bids:
   • to the address above
   • on or before the deadline: 18 September 2018, 12:00 Hours (Nepal Standard Time)
   • together with a Bid Security in the amount indicated in Bidding Document Section 2, Bid
     Data Sheet, Clause ITB 21.1 or an equivalent amount in a freely convertible currency.
     For the purpose of determining the equivalent amount of the required Bid Security in a
     freely convertible currency, the exchange rates published by Nepal Rastra Bank
     prevailing on the date 28 days prior to the deadline for bid submission shall be applied.
   • Electronic submission of bids is not allowed.

9. Technical bids will be opened on 18 September 2018 at 13:00 Hours (NST) in the
   presence of Bidders’ representatives who choose to attend, whereas the Financial Bids shall
   remain sealed and unopened and shall be placed locked. The Financial Bids of only Technically
   Responsive and Qualified Bidders shall be opened after Technical Bid Evaluation, whereas, the
   Financial Bids of those Bidders whose Technical Bids are not responsive and qualified shall be
   returned unopened after the contract is awarded.

10. If the last date for submission of the Bid falls on a public holiday, the next consecutive
    working day shall be applicable at the same time and venue without further announcement.

11. When comparing the Bids, ADB’s Domestic Preference Scheme will be applied in
    accordance with the provisions stipulated in the Bidding Document.

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