Advance Contracting Notice

Date: 16 October 2013

Country/Borrower: Papua New Guinea

Title of Proposed Project: Highlands Region Road Improvement Investment Program (HRRIP) – Project – II

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Brief Description of the Project:

The Highlands region comprising of seven provinces is considered as the country’s key source of national income and export earnings. These include major gold, oil and gas reserves and agricultural exports such as coffee, tea and vegetables. The road network in the Highlands region provides the lifeline for exports as well as supplies to the resource enclaves and the general population.

A Highlands Region Roads Improvement Investment Program (HRRIP) was proposed for 2010 to 2018 period. This proposed Program will address 2,500 km of major national, provincial, and some district roads and improve the capacity of NRA and DOW to deliver their required services. The objective of the Program is to increase economic development and reduce poverty in PNG by improving and ensuring the ongoing maintenance of the core road network of the Highlands region.

The Project 2 of this Program will consist of improvement works for three contract packages totalling 118km.
Brief Description of Goods and Related Services, Works, or Consulting Services to be Procured:

(i) through international competitive bidding
   - civil works associated with Improvement works (3 packages) including Performance Based Maintenance works which will be financed by the Government of Papua New Guinea

(ii) through quality and cost based selection
   - Supervision consultants
   - Long term maintenance and capacity development of NRA

(iii) through individual consultant selection
   - Support to DOW
   - Support to National Road Safety Council

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