Advance Contracting Notice

Date: 17 July 2012

Country/Borrower: People’s Republic of China

Title of Proposed Project:
Hubei Huangshi Urban Pollution Control and Environmental Management Project

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Brief Description of the Project:

1. The project aims to improve environmental, health and living conditions of urban residents in Huangshi Municipality, Hubei Province, the People’s Republic of China (PRC) through improvements to urban environmental infrastructure and management services, thereby supporting environmentally sustainable and socioeconomically inclusive urban development in Huangshi. The project will support wastewater collection and treatment, lake rehabilitation and hydraulic circulation, sludge treatment, solid waste management, and institutional strengthening and capacity development of related urban environmental services.

2. The project has five outputs:

   (i) **Wastewater collection and treatment**—(a) conducting a comprehensive network survey and developing a geographic information system database and online monitoring system for asset management, (b) rehabilitating and constructing 33 km of sewer network in the existing urban area, and (c) constructing 30,000 m$^3$/d WWTP, 27 km of sewer network and 2 associated pumping stations in the expanded urban area;

   (ii) **Lake Rehabilitation and Hydraulic Circulation Restoration**—(a) removing 1.55 million m$^3$ of contaminated sedimentary deposits from the Cihu, Qingshan, and Qinggang lakes, (b) constructing 2 engineered wetlands at 20 hectare (ha) each in Cihu lake, (c) constructing 15 km ecological embankment with 26.3 ha vegetated buffer strips, 4.5 ha wetlands, and restoring 63.5 ha aquatic vegetation, and (d) constructing 2 pumping stations and 7.5 km channels interconnecting the three lakes and the Yangtze River;

   (iii) **Sludge Treatment**—constructing 150 tons/d sludge treatment facilities;

   (iv) **Solid Waste Management**—(a) upgrading 3 existing collection stations and constructing 21 new collection and transfer stations, (b) purchasing vehicles for collection, transportation and
compaction, and rubbish bins, (c) and piloting sorting and recycling scheme involving community participation; and

(v) **Capacity Development and Institutional Strengthening**—providing (a) project implementation support to executing and implementing agencies on ADB procedures and guidelines, (b) institutional strengthening support to HMG on urban environmental management services and public awareness campaign on lake ecosystem, environmental protection, public health, and solid waste sorting and recycling, and (c) technical support to executing and implementing agencies for external resettlement and environmental monitoring.

**Brief Description of Goods and Related Services, Works or Consulting Services to be Procured:**

ADB has approved advance contracting and retroactive financing for smooth project implementation and early realization of project impact, outcome and outputs. Advance action includes (i) preparation and issuance of bidding documents for 7 civil works and 3 supply contract packages; and (iii) recruitment of consultants. Retroactive financing will cover eligible expenditures not exceeding $20 million, which equals 20% of the loan amount, incurred before loan effectiveness, but not earlier than 12 months before signing of the Loan Agreement. The advance procurement actions will be undertaken in accordance with ADB’s Procurement Guidelines and ADB’s Guidelines on the Use of Consultants.

**Date of Advance Contracting and Retroactive Financing Approval:** 19 June 2012