Invitation for Bids

1. The Republic of Uzbekistan has received financing from the Asian Development Bank (ADB) towards the cost of the (Uzbekistan Power Transmission Rehabilitation Project (formerly Northwest Region Transmission Line 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 ADB.

2. The Joint Stock Company (JSC) “National Electric Grid of Uzbekistan” (the Employer) invites sealed bids from eligible bidders for engineering, procurement, and construction of Plant, Design, Supply and Installation of 2 x 220kV HVL Syrdarya TPP - Zafarabad Substation (the "Works"), as detailed and specified in the Bidding Document.

3. International competitive bidding (ICB) will be conducted in accordance with ADB’s Single-Stage: One-Envelope (1S1E) procedure and is open to all bidders, from ADB eligible countries as described in the Bidding Document.

The Works under the Contract shall be completed within 730 days from the date of contract effectiveness

4. Only eligible Bidders with the following key qualifications should participate in this bidding:

(i) Historical Financial Performance: Submission of audited financial statements or, if not required by the law of the Bidder’s country, other financial statements acceptable to the Employer, for the last three (3) years, 2018, 2019 and 2020 to demonstrate the current soundness of the Bidder’s financial position. As a minimum, the Bidder’s net worth for the last year calculated as the difference between total assets and total liabilities should be positive. In case of Joint Venture Each Partner must meet the requirement.

(ii) Minimum average annual turnover of $ 25,000,000.00 calculated as total certified payments received for contracts in progress or completed, within the last three (3) years: 2018, 2019 and 2020. In case of Joint Venture Each Partner must meet minimum 25% of the requirements; One Partner must meet minimum 40% of the requirement and All Partners Combined must meet requirement.
(iii) Financial Resources:

For Single Entities:
The Bidder must demonstrate that its financial resources defined in FIN - 3, less its financial obligations for its current contract commitments defined in FIN - 4, meet or exceed the total requirement for the Subject Contract of $ 5,800,000.00.

For Joint Ventures:
(1) One partner must demonstrate that its financial resources defined in FIN - 3, less its financial obligations for its own current contract commitments defined in FIN - 4, meet or exceed its required share of forty (40%) from the total requirement for the Subject Contract.

AND

(2) Each partner must demonstrate that its financial resources defined in FIN - 3, less its financial obligations for its own current contract commitments defined in FIN - 4, meet or exceed its required share of twenty-five (25%) from the total requirement for the Subject Contract.

AND

(3) The joint venture must demonstrate that the combined financial resources of all partners defined in FIN - 3, less all the partners' total financial obligations for the current contract commitments defined in FIN - 4, meet or exceed the total requirement for the Subject Contract of $ 5,800,000.00.

(iv) Bidder’s Experience: Participation in at least two (2) contracts that has been successfully completed within the last seven (7) years and that is similar to the proposed contract, where the value of the Bidder’s participation exceeds each $ 24,000,000.00. The similarity of the Bidder’s participation shall be based on the physical size, nature of works, complexity, methods, technology or other characteristics as described in Section 6 (Employer’s Requirements).

In case of Joint Venture must meet requirement as follows: Either one partner must meet requirement, or any two partners must each demonstrate one (1) successfully completed contract of similar size and nature, with total value of $ 24,000,000.00.

(v) Experience in Key Activities:

1. Development or review of at least one (1) Detailed Design for construction of 220 kV or above Overhead Transmission Line (OHTL) Project.
2. Construction of 220 kV or above Overhead Transmission Lines of the cumulative length of at least 250 km (single or double circuit) on Concrete steel reinforced poles and self-supported lattice steel towers;
3. Supply and installation of 220kV or above OHTL with minimum completion rate of 15 or more concrete steel reinforced poles or towers erected per month, equivalent to 200 towers erected in any 12-month period in any one year within the specified period

In addition to above, more detailed description of the Evaluation and Qualification criteria are given in the Bidding Document.

The Bid shall be submitted in a separate envelope with its corresponding bid security in the amount of USD 700,000.00. It is highly recommended to confirm the bank guarantee via a SWIFT message from local banks.

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5. To obtain further information and requests that need clarifications on the Bidding Documents, bidders should contact:

Mr. Feruz Qurbonov, Deputy Chairman of the Board,
JSC “National Electric Grid of Uzbekistan”
Street address: 42, Osiyo str.
Floor/Room number: 410 (4th floor)
City: Tashkent
ZIP code: 100 084
Country: Uzbekistan
Telephone: + 99871 236 68 49
Fax: + 99871 208 68 49
E-mail address: northwest220g3@gmail.com, in cc. grp_l507@uzbekistonmet.uz

6. To obtain the Bidding Documents in **English**, eligible bidders should

- Write to the above address requesting the Bidding Documents for the bid No. OCB/EPC-003-Z - Design, Supply and Installation of 2 x 220kV HVL Syrdarya TPP - Zafarabad Substation

- The electronic version of the Bidding Document will be sent by email to address indicated in the request.

7. Deliver your bid:
   - to the address above
   - on or before the deadline: **4 February 2022, 11:00 am, Tashkent time**
   - together with a Bid Security as described in the Bidding Document. Late bids will be rejected. Bids will be opened immediately after the deadline in the presence of Bidders’ representatives who choose to attend.

8. JSC “National Electric Grid of Uzbekistan” will not be responsible for any costs or expenses incurred by bidders in connection with the preparation or delivery of bids.