

# Invitation for Bids

(Please refer to Corrigendum 1 IFB, published on 28 April 2023)

<b>Date:</b>	<b>26 April 2023</b>
<b>Loan/Grant No. and Title:</b>	52322-004-UZB: Digitize to Decarbonize - Power Transmission Grid Enhancement Project
<b>Contract No. and Title:</b>	OCB/EPC/HVTL-01: Design, Supply, and Installation of the high-voltage transmission lines in Uzbekistan Regions, comprising of 3 Lots
<b>Deadline for Submission of Bids:</b>	<b>20 June 2023</b> at 11:00 hours (Tashkent Time)

1. The Republic of Uzbekistan has applied for financing from the Asian Development Bank (ADB) toward the cost of **Power Transmission Grid Enhancement 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 the construction and completion of **OCB/EPC/HVTL-01: Design, Supply, and Installation of the high-voltage transmission lines in Uzbekistan Regions, comprising of 3 Lots** (“the Works”):
  - Lot-1 No.: OCB/EPC/HVTL-01/1: Design, Supply, and Installation of the high-voltage transmission lines in Tashkent and Ferghana Regions,
  - Lot-2 No.: OCB/EPC/HVTL-01/2: Design, Supply, and Installation of the high-voltage transmission lines in Kashkadarya and Surkhandarya regions,
  - Lot-3 No.: OCB/EPC/HVTL-01/3: Design, Supply, and Installation of the high-voltage transmission lines in Samarkand, Bukhara and Navoi regions,

The Works comprised of:

- Lot-1 - Modernization and reconstruction of **110-220 kV** overhead lines with a length of about **78.5 km** in the **Tashkent and Ferghana** region of Uzbekistan, by replacement of high-voltage line towers, wires, cables, insulators, fiber optic lines, etc.
- Lot-2 - Modernization and reconstruction of **220 kV** overhead lines with a length of about **159.7 km** in the **Kashkadarya and Surkhandarya** regions of the Republic of Uzbekistan, by replacement of high-voltage line towers, wires, cables, insulators, fiber optic lines, etc.
- Lot-3 - Modernization and reconstruction of **220 kV** overhead lines with a length of about **117.6 km** in the **Samarkand, Bukhara and Navoi** regions of Uzbekistan, by replacement of high-voltage line towers, wires, cables, insulators, fiber optic lines, etc.

Bidders may bid for one (1) or more contracts, as further detailed and specified in the Bidding Document. Bidders wishing to offer discounts in case they are awarded more than one (1) contract will be allowed to do so provided those discounts are included in the Letter of Bid.

3. **Open Competitive Bidding (International Advertisement)** will be conducted in accordance with ADB's [Single-Stage: One-Envelope](#) bidding procedure and is open to all Bidders from 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 defined in the Bidding Document may participate in this bidding:

Key Qualifications	Requirements
(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 <b>(3) years, 2019, 2020 and 2021</b> 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	Minimum average annual turnover of:  <b>Lot 1: \$11,000,000.00</b> <b>Lot 2: \$23,000,000.00</b> <b>Lot 3: \$22,000,000.00</b> calculated as total certified payments received for contracts in progress or completed, within the last <b>3 (three) years, 2019, 2020 and 2021.</b>  In case of Joint Venture Each Partner must meet minimum <b>25%</b> of the requirements; One Partner must meet minimum <b>40%</b> of the requirement and All Partners Combined must meet requirement.
(iii) Financial Resources	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 as follows: <b>Lot 1: \$1,500,000.00</b> <b>Lot 2: \$3,000,000.00</b> <b>Lot 3: \$2,700,000.00</b> In case of Joint Venture Each Partner must meet minimum <b>25%</b> of the requirements; One Partner must meet minimum <b>40%</b> of the requirement and All Partners Combined must meet requirement.
(iv) Bidder's Experience	Participation as a contractor, Joint Venture partner, or subcontractor, in at least one contract that has been successfully and substantially completed within the last 5 (five) years and that is

	<p>similar to the proposed contract, where the value of the Bidder's participation for each lot exceeds:</p> <p><b>Lot 1: \$ 7,000,000.00</b>  <b>Lot 2: \$ 15,500,000.00</b>  <b>Lot 3: \$ 14,500,000.00</b></p> <p>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).</p> <p>In case of Joint Venture any One Partner must meet the requirement.</p>
(v) Experience in Key Activities	<p>1. Development of at least one (1) Detailed Design for construction or modernization of:  Lot 1: 110 or 220 kV or above  Lot 2: 220 kV or above  Lot 3: 220 kV or above  Overhead Transmission Line (OHTL) Project.</p> <p>2. Construction or modernization of:  Lot 1: 110 or 220 kV or above  Lot 2: 220 kV or above  Lot 3: 220 kV or above</p> <p>Overhead Transmission Lines of the cumulative length of at least:  Lot 1: 78.5 km  Lot 2: 159.7 km  Lot 3: 117.6 km  (single or double circuit) on Concrete steel reinforced poles and self-supported lattice steel towers;</p> <p>3. Supply and installation of 110 kV 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</p>

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:

Lot 1 – 110 000.00 USD  
Lot 2 – 230 000.00 USD  
Lot 3 – 220 000.00 USD

It is highly recommended to confirm the bank guarantee via a SWIFT message from local banks.

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

Mr. Feruz Qurbonov, Deputy Chairman of the Board,  
Attn.: Mr. Umid Turaev, Project Management Unit,  
JSC “National Electric Grid of Uzbekistan”,  
Street address: 42, Osiyo str.,  
Floor/Room number: 408 (4th floor),  
City: Tashkent,  
ZIP code: 100 084,  
Country: Uzbekistan,  
Telephone: + 99871 236-66-16, +99871 208-56-07  
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6. To obtain the Bidding Documents in English free of charge, eligible Bidders should write to the address above requesting the Bidding Documents for OCB/EPC/HVTL-01: Design, Supply, and Installation of the high-voltage transmission lines in Uzbekistan Regions, comprising of 3 Lots, with indicating company name, contact details and representative names.

7. Deliver your bid:

- **to the following address:**

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Attn.: Mr. Umid Turaev, Project Management Unit,  
JSC “National Electric Grid of Uzbekistan”,  
Street address: 42, Osiyo str.,  
Floor/Room number: 408 (4th floor),  
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ZIP code: 100 084,  
Country: Uzbekistan,  
Telephone: + 99871 236-66-16  
E-mail address: [negupmu.adb@gmail.com](mailto:negupmu.adb@gmail.com), in cc. [negupmu.adb@uzbekistonmet.uz](mailto:negupmu.adb@uzbekistonmet.uz);

- on or before the deadline: **20 June 2023, at 11:00 hours (Tashkent time)**;
- **together with a Bid Security** as described in the Bidding Document.

Bids will be opened promptly after the deadline for bid submission in the presence of Bidders’ representatives who choose to attend. No liability will be accepted for failed or late delivery.