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**Taelefaga Hydro Power Station Replacement of Alternator of Generator 2
Bid SAM EPC 24/2017, and
Replacement of 2MW alternator of Generator No 2
Prebid Meeting on 19th June 2017**

Attendance:

- 3 companies were represented at the meeting; MPower, Pacific Engineering Projects Ltd, Techange Power Electric.
- A sign-up sheet was signed by all those attending.
- Representatives of a 4th overseas company, HNAC Technology Co. Ltd arrived a day later and also met with project manager and visited project site.

Meeting started at 10am.

Project Manager chaired meeting.

PM explained there are two bids issued at same time and involving same hydro power station in Taelefaga. He will conduct pre bid meeting for two bids one after the other because both involves work in same hydro station. The two bids are:

- Bid 1 - SAM PSEP TAEL / 03A: 2017 - Install a 3rd 2MW in station,
- Bid 2 – SAM EPC 24/2017 – Replace 2MW alternator of Generator No 2

Bid 1 is funded by ADB, JICA, AusAid, GoS and EPC under Power Sector Expansion Project.

Bid 2 is funded by EPC under its local capital budget.

He went over the whole bid document from Invitation for Bid, and all 9 sections of bid document.

Attendees asked questions as PM explained documents; submission of bids, evaluation, information to be provided, bid form, bid security, performance bond, qualification of bidders, technical specification of equipment to be supplied and installed, contract, special and general conditions of contract, and payment terms.

There are two bids involving Taelefaga hydro plant.

- 1) Bid 1 is supply and installation of an additional 3rd generator of capacity 2MW, Bid No. SAM PSEP Tael/03A - 2017
- 2) Bid 2 is replacement of old 2MW alternator of Generator No 2 with a new one; Bid No SAM EPC - 24/2017.

Following questions were asked, applicable to both bids:

- a) What taxes should be included or excluded in bid price

Answer: For ADB funded project in Bid 1, VAGST and duty of imported equipment and materials are exempted from two taxes. For Bid 2, both taxes are included to be paid by successful bidder.

- b) Provide as built drawings of plant layout, and installation of generator and all associated equipment.

Answer: Will submit later


- c) Question was raised if bids are awarded to 2 separator contractors, there will problem with working space with two contractors working in same congested area.

Answer: PM responded that this will be well coordinated between EPC and two contractors during construction so that there is no problem. PM stressed the importance of completing two projects concurrently at shortage time possible.

- d) Question was asked related to Clause 30.1 Limitation of Liability in Section 8: 'Special Conditions' of contract. Request was made to reduce limitation of liability to just 1 times contract price instead of 3 times as stated in this Clause 301.

Answer: PM responded that this is a standard requirement of Samoa Government's contracts and has been used in earlier contracts for ADB's Power Sector Expansion Project. PM also mentioned that Attorney General's Office always raise this matter when conducting legal clearances of contracts, when EPC did not specify limit of liability of 3 times during bidding. This often delays clearance of contracts by them.

Prepared and submitted by



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