

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Finance Management Specialist (Project Accountant)

Country: Independent State of Papua New Guinea (PNG)

Name of Project: Energy Utility Performance and Reliability Improvement Project (P167820)

Assignment Title: Finance Management Specialist (Project Accountant)

RFB Reference No.: *PG-PPL-364107-CS-INDV*

PPL Tender No.: 07/2023

1. The Independent State of Papua New Guinea (Borrower) has received financing from the World Bank towards the cost of the Energy Utility Performance and Reliability Improvement Project and intends to apply part of the proceeds for this consulting services.
2. The EUPRIP aims to improve operational performance of PPL. It will (i) urgently rehabilitate PPL's aging transmission and distribution network and control systems on the Port Moresby and the Ramu Grids so that the people connected to these two grids will experience less power outages; and (ii) implement measures to reduce power system losses and enhance revenue collection to continue transforming PPL into a commercial utility and a financially credible off-taker for independent power producers.
3. The consulting services ("the Services") include providing support to the Project Implementation Team (PIT) within PPL as the Finance Management Specialist (Project Accountant) is responsible to provide guidance and support on the financial aspects of the project and accurate financial management of Project funds. The FMS (PA) will ensure the project is in accordance with the financial regulations of PPL within agreed Project budget. The FMS (PA) will be responsible for review and verify invoices against contract millstones and deliverables before processing invoices. The FM - PA will prepare expenditure reports and provide continuous updates on financial related activities. Consultant will function full-time, housed under the PNG Power LTD, based in Port Moresby and may be required to travel to the provinces when required.
4. Duration of the Assignment: The estimated duration is approximate 4 years, but not later than 14 September 2027 when the project is scheduled to close. The position would be subject to a probationary period of six months. A performance appraisal will be undertaken every 12 months for confirmation of continuity.
5. The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found at the following website: <https://portal.tenderlink.com/pngpower>
6. PNG Power Ltd now invites eligible individuals ("Consultants") to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services (attach curriculum vitae with description of experience in similar assignments, similar conditions, etc.). Firms' staff may express interest through the employing firm for the assignment and, under such

situation, only the experience and qualifications of individuals shall be considered in the selection process. The criteria for selecting the Consultant are:

MANDATORY:

- Tertiary qualification in finance or accounting.
- CPA or equivalent. At least 5 years' experience in position with similar responsibilities (Financial management of a large-scale investment program).
- Knowledge of budgeting process and working with development projects.
- Excellent knowledge of the Oracle accounting software used under PPL or demonstrated experience in a similar accounting package.
- Ability to communicate effectively, orally and in writing.

DESIRABLE:

- Financial management of a large-scale investment program
 - Previous Experience with project(s) funded by World Bank or other donors.
7. The attention of interested Consultants (including firms) is drawn to paragraph 3.14, 3.16 and 3.17 of the World Bank's Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers July 2016, revised November 2017 and August 2018 ("the Regulations"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.
 8. Expressions of interest must be submitted through <https://portal.tenderlink.com/pngpower> on or before 12th January 2024 by 1600 Hrs. local time.
 9. For further information, the following contact details are provided:

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All expression of interest must be submitted through Tender link:
<https://portal.tenderlink.com/pngpower>
Registration on tender link is free through the same link.

TEMPLATE FOR CURRICULUM VITAE (CV)

Name of Expert: {Insert full name}

Date of Birth: {day/month/year}

Country of Citizenship/Residence

Education: {List college/university or other specialized education, giving names of educational institutions, dates attended, degree(s)/diploma(s) obtained}

Employment record relevant to the assignment: {Starting with present position, list in reverse order. Please provide dates, name of employing organization, titles of positions held, types of activities performed and location of the assignment, and contact information of previous clients and employing organization(s) who can be contacted for references. Past employment that is not relevant to the assignment does not need to be included.}

Period of employment, Employing organization and your title/position. Contact information for references and Country. Also include summary of activities performed relevant to the Assignment [e.g., May 2005-present] [e.g., Ministry of, advisor/consultant to...For references: Tel...../e-mail.....; Mr. Hbbbb, deputy minister]

Membership in Professional Associations and Publications:

Language Skills (indicate only languages in which you can work): _____

Adequacy for the Assignment:

Reference to Prior Work/Assignments that Best Illustrates Capability to Handle the Assigned Tasks

Expert's contact information: (e-mail, phone.....)

Certification:

I, the undersigned, certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief, this CV correctly describes myself, my qualifications, and my experience, and I am available, as and when necessary, to undertake the assignment in case of an award. I understand that any misstatement or misrepresentation described herein may lead to my disqualification or dismissal by the Client, and/or sanctions by the Bank.

Name of Expert

Signature

{day/month/year}

Date