

INVITATION FOR BIDS

Sululta-Gebreguracha Power Transmission Project

Issuing Date: 06 August, 2013

Name of Country: The Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia

Project Title: Sululta-Gebreguracha Power Transmission Project

Scope of project: Procurement of Plant Design, Supply, and Installation of Sululta-Gebreguracha Power Transmission Project on Turnkey Basis

Project Tender No. EEPKO-SG/G-001/13

Loan/Credit No. ETH-1

1. The Government of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia has received Loan from the Export-Import Bank of Korea from the resources of the Economic Development Cooperation Fund (EDCF) of the Republic of Korea toward the cost of the Sululta-Gebreguracha Power Transmission Project and intends to apply a portion of the proceeds of this loan to payments under the contract on Procurement of Plant Design, Supply, and Installation of Sululta-Gebreguracha Power Transmission Project on Turnkey Basis.

2. The Project Executing Agency (EEPCO) now invites sealed bids from eligible bidders for Tender No. EEPKO-SG/G-001/13 on Procurement of Plant Design, Supply, and Installation of Sululta-Gebreguracha Power Transmission Project on Turnkey Basis.

3. Bidding will be conducted through Competitive Bidding procedures. Single stage and one envelope specified in the Guideline for Procurement under EDCF Loans, and is open to all eligible bidders that meet the following minimum qualification criteria.

► This invitation for Bids is open to only bidders from the Republic of Korea as defined in the Loan Agreement. A Bidder shall be deemed to have the nationality of the Republic of Korea if the Bidder is a national or is constituted, incorporated, or registered and operates in conformity with the provisions of the laws of that country.

► Bidders must have experience under construction contracts in the role of contractor, subcontractor, equipment manufacturer or management contractor for at least the last five (5) years prior to the submission deadline.

► Participation as contractor, management contractor and subcontractor in at least two(2) contracts for complete overhead transmission line construction and two(2) contracts for complete substation construction of 220kV and/or above within the last ten (10) years up to the submission. At least one (1) Contract in the above should have value of not less than Thirty million US Dollars (30 million US Dollars).

► The sum of route length of overhead transmission line contract(s) of 220kV and/or above should not be less than twenty five(25)km, and sum of capacity of power transformers of substation contract(s) of 220kV and/or above should not be less than fifty (50) MVA that have been successfully completed on turnkey basis within the last ten (10) years up to submission.

► At least one (1) overhead transmission line and one (1) substation contracts in the above including engineering, procurement, construction and commissioning on turnkey basis of 220 kV and/or above outside of bidder's country have been in satisfactory operation

► Submission of audited balance sheets and income statements or, if not required by law of the Bidder's country, other financial statements acceptable to the Employer, for the last three (3) years to demonstrate the current soundness of the Bidder's financial position and its prospective long-term profitability. As a minimum, a Bidder's net worth calculated as the difference between total assets and total liabilities should be positive.

► The average annual turnover and the cash-flow requirement for the Bidder's organization or Joint Venture, Consortium or Association shall not be less than the following:

i) Average annual turnover: US\$ 58 million with the last three (3) years.

* The partner in charge in case of JV, Consortium, or association shall meet not less than 50% and each

partner shall meet not less than 30% of this minimum criteria.

ii) Cash-flow requirement: US\$ 19million.

* The partner in charge in case of JV, Consortium, or association shall meet not less than 50% and each partner shall meet not less than 30% of this minimum criteria.

4. Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information from Ethiopian Electric Power Corporation, Sululta-Gebreguracha Power Transmission Project Office, Mexico Square, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. 132/230kV FTP Team-A, e-mail: destalemballu@gmail.com, Tel. +251115526519, Fax, +251115527069.

5. A complete set of bidding documents may be purchased by any interested bidder on the submission of a written application to the address indicated below and upon payment of non-refundable fee of ETB 2,000, the amount not included mailing or shipping costs. The method of payment will be cash, the document in soft copy (in CD) may be collected by hand from the office mentioned below or on request, the Bidding Documents may be sent by Courier Services for overseas delivery on bidder's own arrangement and cost. EEPKO shall not be responsible for any postal delay.

6. Site visit and Pre-bid meeting will take place at the following date, time and place. Site visit will be defined by mutual consent of bidders and EEPKO on Pre-bid meeting and Pre-bid Date: 26 August, 2013 at 10:00 a.m., Place EEPKO Electric Club, Mexico Square, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. However, all the expenses in this respect will be borne by each bidder.

7. All bids must be accompanied by a bid security of not less than 2% of bid price. Late bids shall be rejected. Bids will be opened in the presence of the Bidder's representatives, who choose to attend at the address below immediately.

8. The Ethiopian Electric Power Corporation (EEPCO) will not be responsible for any cost and expenses incurred by bidders in connection with the preparation or delivery of bids.

9. For the purchase and submission of Bidding Documents.

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Bidding document in soft copy will be available starting from 06 August 2013 and it may be obtained at the address below from 08:00 a.m to 12:00 a.m. and from 1:00 p.m. -5:00 p.m. local time (Monday to Friday) exclusive of public holidays

► **The deadline for bid submission is:**

Date: 23 September 2013

Time: 11:30 a.m. local time

► **Opening will be held on the following date, time & Venue**

Date: September 23, 2013

Time: 2:00 P.M. Local time

Place: Mexico Square, Electric Club, Addis Ababa

NB: Bidders shall be required to submit 'Anti-Corruption and Malpractice Declaration' with their bids in the format provided in the bidding document. The original signed 'Anti-Corruption and Malpractice Declaration' in the bid document must be delivered to the Export-Import Bank of Korea, 38, EUNHAENG-RO, YEONGDEUNGFO-GU, SEOUL 150-996, KOREA by mail or in person at or before the deadline for bid submission in the BDS and one copy of the original signed form must be submitted to Employer along with the Bid upon the submission of the Bid

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