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“Bid submission deadline for 480MW of power draws near”

The Office of Utilities Regulation (OUR) is reminding prospective bidders for the supply of 480MW of generating capacity that the bid submission deadline is this Friday April 29, 2011.

The successful bidders are to provide new Generating Capacity amounting to 480MW net to the national grid of Jamaica on a Build Own and Operate Basis (BOO). This is required to be commissioned in two parts, 360MW by 2014 and a further 120MW by 2016.

This new capacity shall be base-load and is intended for the displacement of approximately 292 MW of aged plants with the remainder to provide for load growth.

Entities may provide one or more plants of varying configurations up to 480MW as per guidelines in the RFP.

Following completion of the negotiation of the project agreements in March next year, construction is then expected to begin a month later in April 2012 with commissioning of the first tranche scheduled for April 2014.

The complete RFP and addenda are still available on the OUR's website at www.our.org.jm

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