



OFFICE OF UTILITIES REGULATION

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL 2018/ELE/025/RFP.002 CONSULTANCY SERVICES TO CONDUCT ELECTRICITY SECTOR COSTING STUDY JAMAICA PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY LIMITED

The Office of Utilities Regulation (OUR) invites proposals from suitably qualified, experienced firms, ("the Consultant") to conduct a study on Electricity Sector costing.

Bidding for the Consultancy Services will be conducted through the International Competitive Bidding procedures and is open to all bidders.

SCOPE OF WORK

The scope of the study comprises the following tasks:

1. Review JPS' historical Capital and O&M costs for T&D projects:
The Consultant shall carry out a review of Jamaica Public Service Limited's accounting, budgeting and project records and collect information on project costs for its major T&D construction projects from 2014 to 2018.
2. Construct a database of the major equipment and components of the transmission, distribution and supply infrastructure:
The Consultant is required to construct a database that effectively covers major equipment and components of JPS transmission, distribution and supply system including meters that will guide the OUR in assessing the design of JPS projects.
3. Develop a comprehensive list of Unit Costs for both Construction and O&M equipment and components in the T&D infrastructure project database:
The Consultant shall establish a catalogue of efficient unit prices for major T&D equipment based on the database constructed to provide the OUR with an independent and objective source of evaluating JPS' project cost.
4. Identify key factors that determine the prices of major equipment in the database and estimate typical range within which such prices vary to facilitate regulatory discretion in the evaluation of JPS' projects.
5. Provide an assessment of some possible near-term developments that may affect equipment cost.

Full details on the scope of work is included in the Terms of Reference included in the Request for Proposal (RFP) document.

ELIGIBILITY

- Interested local firms must submit a valid Tax Compliance Certificate ("TCC") or Tax Compliance Letter ("TCL") issued by the Jamaican tax authorities with their Technical Proposal.
- Foreign firms, while not required to be in possession of the TCC/TCL at the time of submission, must provide a valid TCC/TCL at the time of contract signing.

Failure to adhere to these eligibility requirements will result in the disqualification of the bid. Consultants will be selected in accordance with the procedures set out in the Government of Jamaica Procurement Guidelines as stated in the Handbook for Public Sector Procurement (March 2014) (the Handbook) and is open to all eligible consultants as defined in the policies. The Handbook can be found at www.mof.gov.jm.

COLLECTION OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The Request for Proposal document may be accessed on the OUR's website www.our.org.jm or collected at the reception desk at the OUR's office at the address below as of 2019 January 2 between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Eastern Standard Time (EST) on weekdays only (excluding public holidays). There is no charge for the document.

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS

The deadline for submission of proposals is 11:00 a.m. Eastern Standard Time (EST) on 2019 February 18. Sealed submissions are to be placed in the Tender Box located in the lobby at the OUR's Office at the address below and clearly marked:

"CONSULTANCY SERVICES TO CONDUCT ELECTRICITY SECTOR COSTING STUDY"

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Tel: (876) 968-6053; Fax: (876) 929-3635 or
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Website: www.our.org.jm

OPENING OF PROPOSALS

Proposals will be opened publicly at 11:15 a.m. on 2019 February 18 in the OUR's main Conference Room. Bidders or their representatives are invited to attend this opening.

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