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**OUR Names Preferred Bidders for 115MW Electricity  
Generation Project**

**(KINGSTON, Jamaica; October 01, 2013):** The Office of Utilities Regulation (OUR) has selected three preferred bidders for the supply of up to 115 MW of Electricity Generation Capacity from Renewable Energy Based Power Generation Facilities on a Build, Own and Operate (BOO) basis.

The evaluation of the bids was conducted by a panel comprising two local consultants and an OUR team and was chaired by the OUR.

From the proposals for Energy only, the evaluation panel has recommended three entities as preferred bidders with capacity amounting to 78MW. These comprise two projects offering energy from wind amounting to 58MW, and one offering solar amounting to 20MW. The proposed delivery price to the grid for these projects ranged from US\$0.1290 to US\$0.1880.

The preferred bidders who have been advised of the outcome are:

1. Blue Mountain Renewables LLC, to supply 34MW of capacity from wind power at Munro, St. Elizabeth;
2. Wigton Windfarm Limited, to supply 24MW of capacity from wind power at Rose Hill, Manchester; and
3. WRB Enterprises Inc., to supply 20MW of capacity from Solar PV from facilities in Content Village, Clarendon.

They have been directed to provide the OUR with the applicable proposal security by 15<sup>th</sup> October 2013.


The Request for Proposal (RFP) invited bids for both Firm Capacity (37MW) and Energy only (78MW). None of the bids submitted in respect of Firm Capacity, made it through all the stages of the evaluation process to be accorded preferred bidder status. The OUR notes that the absence of qualified proposals offering Firm Capacity will mean an early return to the market.

**Background:**

On June 3, 2013, the OUR received 28 bids from 20 interested entities who submitted proposals to supply renewable energy electricity generation of greater than 100kW and up to 115 MW to the national grid. The bids were tendered by both local and international entities. Eight of the proposals were received from local companies. Two proposals were received for wind, one for biomass and 25 for solar energy.

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