

## **OFFICE OF UTILITIES REGULATION**

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# EXPRESSION OF INTEREST SPECIALIST CONSULTANCY SERVICES

### **REQUEST FOR CLARIFICATION NO. 1**

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We are a UK based organisation without a local presence in Jamaica. We understand from past processes with the OUR that it is generally acceptable for a foreign- based applicant to obtain a TCC prior to contract execution, rather than upon submission of the RFP response. Could you please confirm whether that will also be acceptable in this instance?

#### Answer No. 1

As indicated in the Government of Jamaica Handbook of Public Sector Procurement Procedures (Volume 2 - Section 1.3.3.1), which is also applicable to consulting services, "Tax Compliance is not a requirement for foreign Bidders to participate in procurement opportunities. However, where the contract will be executed in Jamaica, the foreign contractor will be required to obtain a valid Tax Compliance Certificate (TCC) before the contract award." Application forms may be obtained from the Tax Administration Jamaica website at www.jamaicatax.gov.jm".