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Transmission Directorate

Grid Development Department

Kusaha-Biratnagar 132kV Transmission Line Project

Invitation for Bids (ICB)

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Procurement of Plant Design, Supply, Installation, Testing, Commissioning and Handover of Kusaha -Biratnagar 132 kV D/C Steel Monopole Transmission Line Contract Identification No: **KB/ICB/TL-074/075-01**

1. Nepal Electricity Authority (NEA) has received a fund from Government of Nepal (GoN) towards the cost of **Kusaha-Biratnagar 132 kV Transmission Line Project**, NEA and intends to apply part of the funds to cover eligible payments under the Contract for **Procurement of Plant Design, Supply, Installation, Testing, Commissioning and Handover of Kusaha-Biratnagar 132 kV D/C Steel Monopole Transmission Line, IFB No KB/ICB/TL-074/075-01**. Bidding is open to all eligible Nepalese and Foreign Bidders (For Foreign Bidders, JV with Nepalese Bidder is Mandatory).
2. Nepal Electricity Authority (NEA) invites sealed bids or electronic bids from eligible bidders for the Procurement of Plant Design, Supply, Installation, Testing, Commissioning and Handover of **Kusaha -Biratnagar 132 kV D/C Steel Monopole Transmission Line**, under International Competitive Bidding (ICB) – Two Envelope Bidding procedures.
3. Only eligible bidders with the following key qualifications should participate in this bidding:
 - a. Minimum Average Annual Construction Turnover of the best 3 years within the last 10 years: 5.6 MUSD
 - b. Experience of similar Size and Nature: The Bidder shall have successfully executed as a prime contractor, management contractor, or subcontractor of transmission line contracts involving supply, erection/ installation, testing and commissioning, of at least 2 (two) transmission line contracts of 110kV or above voltage class on Steel Monopole towers within last five years. The total route length of above line shall not be less than 23km.
4. Detailed qualification criteria of the bidder, sub-contractors (manufacturers) and construction period are more elaborately described in the bidding documents. The contract duration is Eighteen (18) months.
5. Interested Eligible Bidders may obtain further information and inspect the Bidding Documents at the address given below during office hours Sunday through Friday or may visit NEA website www.eproc.nea.org.np.
6. A complete set of Bidding Documents may be purchased from the office address given below during office hours by eligible Bidders on the submission of a written application, along with the copy of company/firm registration certificate, and upon payment of a non-refundable fee of NRs. 20,000.00 (In words, Nepalese Rupees Twenty Thousand only) or USD 200.00 (In words, US Dollars Two Hundred only) deposited in the current Account No.: **04400105200508** of **Kusaha-Biratnagar 132kV Transmission Line Project, Nepal Electricity Authority** at Everest Bank Limited, Bagbazar Branch, Kathmandu or in the form of draft drawn in favor of the "**Kusaha-Biratnagar 132kV Transmission Line Project, Nepal Electricity Authority**". The document will be handed over to the bidder upon production of evidence of payment of the fee.
7. Bidders, who wish to receive the bidding document by post/courier, may send a request to the Employer with a payment of additional fee of **USD 200.00** in a form of bank draft in favor of "**Kusaha-Biratnagar 132kV Transmission Line Project, Nepal Electricity Authority**". If so requested, NEA will send the document to the address requested by them. However, the Employer will not be responsible for delay or non-delivery of the documents so sent.
8. Bidder who chooses to submit their bid electronically may purchase the hard copy of the bidding documents as mentioned above or may download the bidding documents e-submission from NEA's Web Site www.eproc.nea.org.np. Bidders, submitting their bid electronically, should deposit the cost (as specified above) of bidding document as specified above and the scanned copy (pdf format) of the Bank deposit voucher shall be uploaded by the bidder at the time of electronic submission of the bids
9. Pre-bid meeting shall be held at Kusaha-Biratnagar 132kV Transmission Line Project Office Kharipati, Bhaktapur, Nepal at 12:00 pm on, January 22, 2018 to clarify to the bidders the exact scope of the work, the basic data available and other issues in accordance with relevant clause of the bidding documents.
10. Bids must be purchased on February 06, 2018 within the office hour and submitted to the office address given below by hand/courier on or before 12:00 noon on February 07, 2018. Bids received after this deadline will be rejected.
11. The bids will be opened in the presence of Bidders representatives who choose to attend at 13:00 Hrs. on February 07, 2018 at the office address given below. Bids must be valid for a period of 120 days after bid opening and must be accompanied by a bid security, amounting to a minimum of NRs. 16,500,000.00 or USD 165,000.00, which shall be valid for 30 days beyond the validity period of the bid.
12. If the last date of purchasing and/or submission falls on a government holiday, then the next working day shall be considered as the last date. In such case the validity period of the bid security shall remain the same as specified for the original last date of bid submission.
13. In the comparison of Bids, Domestic Preference Scheme will be applied in accordance with the provisions stipulated in the Bidding Document.
14. The bidder shall bear all costs associated with the preparation and submission of its bid, and NEA will in no case be responsible or liable for these costs, regardless of the conduct or outcome of the bidding process.
15. NEA reserves the right to accept or reject any bid, and to annul the bidding process and reject all bids at any time prior to award of contract, without thereby incurring any liability to the affected bidder(s) or any obligation to inform the affected bidder(s) of the grounds for NEA's action.
16. **The office address of the Employer:**

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