

SADC SECRETARIAT RESPONSES TO REQUESTS FOR CLARIFICATIONS

REFERENCE NUMBER: SADC/3/5/1/49

REQUEST FOR SERVICES TITLE: PROPOSED SADC STANDBY FORCE REGIONAL LOGISTICS DEPOT AT RASESA, BOTSWANA, TO ATTAIN INITIAL OEPRATING CAPABILITY,

DATE OF ISSUE OF RESPONSES: 03 August 2022

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1	Submission of Bids: Considering the difficulty of submitting the mega sized bid documents electronically, you are requested to allow companies to alternatively submit their bids in hard copy by hand to your office in Botswana.	Request rejected. Submission to remain as per the conditions of tender. Bidders are referred to Page 5 of Volume 1 of the tender documents.
2	Performance Bond: Is the value required for Performance Bond 5% of the Contract Value?	Performance Bond to be 10% of the Contract Value.
3	Clause 3.5 - Insurance to be Taken out by the Contractor: Clause 3.5 under SC: "The Contractor is requested to provide insurance cover for Professional Indemnity Insurance as specified in Appendix A." We believe that P I Insurance shall apply to Consultant instead of Contractor.	The insurance to be taken by the contractor shall be Contractor's All Risks insurance which covers the works, property damage, third party injury or damage claims, and contractor's personnel. The

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	Is this Insurance specified in Clause 3.5 calling for Contract All Risk Insurance to cover full Contract Value?	value of insurance cover shall be contract sum + 15%.
4	 Bill of Quantities for Builder's Work: Volume 2, Part 2A-Carpentry and Joinery, page 2A/98, item B, C, D, E, F, G and page 2A/99, item B, C Please provide the mentioned/related drawings for those cupboards for the supplier/specialist to do their assessment. 	PDF copies of all drawings referred to in the work descriptions in the Bills of Quantities have been shared with you via email dated 01 August 2022 and will be floated in SADC Website
5	 Bill of Quantities for Builder's Work: Volume 2, Part 2A- Structural Steelwork, page 2A/128-2A/137 We did not see any structural steelwork (truss) measured in this section for Warehouse and Vehicle Maintenance Workshop, also no truss/rafter structure is measured in any part of the bill, may you please clarify? 	The consultant quantity surveyor has reviewed this query. Supplementary pages of the Bill of Quantities incorporating the requisite steelwork measurements have been sent to the bidders via email on 03 August 2022. And the same will be floated in SADC Website Bidders are to price Addendum No. 2 which contains structural steelwork quantities for Warehouses and Vehicle Maintenance Workshop. Addendum No. 2 to the Bill of Quantities for Builder's Work and the revised Final Summary have been shared with you via email on 03 August 2022 and will be posted on the SADC website .
6	Bill of Quantities and Drawings:	PDF copies of all drawings referred to in the work descriptions in the Bills of quantities have been

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	Volume 2, Part 2A- Ceilings, Partitions and Access Flooring, page 2A/105, "ALUMINIUMFRAMED GLAZED OFFICE PARTITION SYSTEM IN ADMINISTRATION BLOCK Tenderers are referred to the Architect's drawing No. SADC/ARCH/2/022/1-406 Rev. A for typical internal wall types."	compiled and have been issued to the bidders via email on 01 August 2022
	As mentioned in the bill may you please provide the mentioned drawing?	
7	 Bill of Quantities and drawings: Volume 2 -Part A BoQ for Electrical service installation Part B BoQ for Mechanical service installation May you please provide all mentioned drawings in above mention bills for our electrical/mechanical subcontractor to do their assessment. 	PDF copies of all drawings referred to in the work descriptions in the Bills of Quantities have been compiled and have been issued to the bidders via email on the 01 August 2022 and will be posted in SADC website.
8	Tender drawings and Bills of Quantities: If possible, please provide all tender drawings and a copy of the BOQ in excel format.	For security reasons, we cannot issue all the tender drawings. However, PDF copies of all drawings referred to in the work descriptions in the Bills of Quantities have been compiled and have been issued to the bidders via email on 01 August 2022 and will be posted in SADC Website.
		Microsoft Excel copies of the BoQs have been prepared and have been issued to the bidders on 01 August 2022. The Excel copy have been issued to assist the bidders in compiling their bids, but

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		submission of the bids shall be as stipulated in Volume 1 of the tender document.
		Please note that the MS Excel copy of the BoQ is not a returnable document, it is issued to assist the bidder with the compilation of the bid only. It is recommended that the Tenderer checks the MS Excel copy carefully. This MS Excel copy is not to be used as replacement, in any way, for the OFFICIAL TENDER DOCUMENTS, which are to be submitted in accordance with the Tender Requirements.
9	Tender drawings: Please provide us with drawings including architectural, structural, civil, electrical, mechanical designs in PDF Version to assist us to price BoQs, make proposals etc. to enable prepare tender documents soonest	For security reasons we cannot issue all the tender drawings. However, PDF copies of all drawings referred to in the work descriptions in the Bills of Quantities have been compiled and have been issued to the bidders via email on 01 August 2022 and wil be posted in SADC Website
10	Plant and Equipment for execution of the works: Kindly provide us with the type of equipment's we should avail for this tender.	The scope of work for this tender is outlined on Page 85 of Volume 1 of the bidding documents and prospective tenderers were shown the site for the works on 27 th July 2022. Based on the above information the tenderer shall determine the type of plant and equipment that will be suitable for the proposed works.

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11	Submission Method: From page 5 it is stated that "Bidders shall be submitting their bids electronically using the email address provided" Still on the same page you stated that "Tender offers received after 1000hrs on the closing date, and telegraphic, faxed or emailed submissions will not be accepted. Also on Page Number 9 item 1.10 it states that "Telephonic, telegraphic, telex, facsimile or emailed tender offers will not be accepted kindly clarify submission method.	Bidders shall submit their bids electronically in PDF format using the email address provided <u>rasesadepot@sadc.int</u> , as stated on Page 5 of Volume 1 of the bidding documents.
12	Bills of Quantities: Can you please provide us with the editable soft copy of the bill of quantity?	Microsoft Excel copies of the Bills of Quantities have been issued to the bidders via email on the 01 AUGUST 2022, and will be posted in SADC Website. Please note that the MS Excel copy of the BoQ is not a returnable document, it is issued to assist the bidder with the compilation of the bid only. It is recommended that the Tenderer checks the MS Excel copy carefully. This MS Excel copy is not to be used as replacement, in any way, for the OFFICIAL TENDER DOCUMENTS, which are to be submitted in accordance with the Tender Requirements.



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13	Drawings for Engineer's offices and houses: May you please provide us with Drawings for the Engineer's offices, houses for pricing purposes.	Drawing for consultants' site offices has been included in Volume 1 of the bidding documents, under Section 3 (Drawing No. G649- SADC/ARCH/2/00 / 1-026). Engineer's housing is NOT in the scope of work for this project.
14	BoQ for Mechanical Works: We noted that the Mechanical Bill Items for Solar Water Heating – 100-Men Acc Hangers is repeated. Could you confirm that there are four similar systems?	Yes, there are 4No. Thermodynamic Solar Water Systems of 1500 liter capacities for the block.
15	BoQ for Mechanical Works: Some Kitchen Equipment Items are not shown as per the following schedule: - Page 199 item P, Page 200 item M, Page 201 item H	 Yes, the pdf file did not show complete details of the equipment. The details were shown on the excel BOQ but erroneously was hidden when we saved the pdf. Page 199 item P – 2.5 underbar fridge c/w splash back 1780x690x900, 15Amp, 230/1/50Hz, Page 200 item M - 2.5 underbar fridge c/w splash back 1780x690x900, 15Amp, 230/1/50Hz, Page 201 item H – 2, Deck 3-pan baking deck oven c/w under steam, 1945x1050x1720, 35.2kW, 380/3/50Hz.



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16	Submission of multiple bids: Kindly clarify if two different companies with same Shareholders can bid for the above tender?	Two companies with the same shareholders cannot participate through any other bid for the same tender. Please refer to the DECLARATION FORM FOR TENDERING PURPOSES on Page 23 of Volume 1 of the bidding documents.
17	Citizen Economic Empowerment (CEE) policy: Is the Botswana Government citizen economic empowerment (CEE) policy applicable to this tender. Will the main contractor be expected to subcontract 30% of tender works to 100% citizen-owned contractors?	Botswana Government CEE policy does not apply to this tender.
18	Proposed key personnel: In terms of Key Personnel, for Contracts Manager can you confirm if the qualification of construction management engineering with ERB Professional Engineer practicing certificate and bachelors degree is qualified for the contracts manager's position?	Proposed Contracts Manager with bachelor's degree in construction management engineering, ERB Practicing Certificate (Professional Engineer) and and a minimum of 7 years post-graduation experience in construction related fields will meet the requirements.
19	Single line diagrams: May we request for the single line diagram for distribution boards, mini substations, feeder pillars and 11 kV switchgear?	 Distribution Boards-All DB one-line drawings have been issued. to the bidders via email on 01 August 2022 and will be posted in SADC Website Feeder Pillars-All feeder pillar one-line drawings have been issued. to the bidders via email on 01



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		 3. Mini-Substations-Please follow the description in the BOQ and particular specifications. to the bidders via email on 01 August 2022 and will be posted in SADC Website 4. 11 kV Switchgear- Please follow the description in the BOQ and particular specifications to the bidders via email on 01 August 2022 and will be posted in SADC Website
20	Tender Drawings: Kindly provide us with Architectural Drawings, Structural Engineer's Drawings, Civil Engineer's Drawings, Electrical Engineer's Drawings and Mechanical Engineer's Drawings.	Drawings that are referred to in the Bills of Quantities have been issued to the bidders via email on the 10 August 2022. Please note that the MS Excel copy of the BoQ is not a returnable document, it is issued to assist the bidder with the compilation of the bid only. It is recommended that the Tenderer checks the MS Excel copy carefully. This MS Excel copy is not to be used as replacement, in any way, for the OFFICIAL TENDER DOCUMENTS, which are to be submitted in accordance with the Tender Requirements.

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