

Invitation for Bids

Date **5 February 2024**

Loan/Grant No. and Title: Loan 4347-UZB: 56231-UZB: Distribution Network Digital Transformation and Resiliency Project

Contract No. and Title: Engineering, Procurement and Construction Contracts for Rehabilitation and Modernization of Substations (OCB/EPC-004), comprising of 3 Lots

Deadline for Submission of Bids: **25 March 2024**

1. The Government of Republic of Uzbekistan has received financing from the Asian Development Bank (ADB) toward the cost of Distribution Network Digital Transformation and Resiliency Project. Part of this financing will be used for payments under the contract named above. Bidding is open to Bidders from eligible source countries of ADB.
2. The Joint Stock Company (JSC) “Regional Electrical Power Networks” (“the Employer”) invites sealed bids from eligible Bidders for the: Engineering, Procurement and Construction Contracts for Rehabilitation and Modernization of Substations (“the Facilities”), comprising of 3 Lots as detailed and specified in the Bidding Document.

The Works comprised of:

- Lot-1: Engineering, Procurement and Construction Contract for Rehabilitation and Modernization of Substations: SS Malikchul and SS Karmana, Navoi Region
- Lot-2: Engineering, Procurement and Construction Contract for Rehabilitation and Modernization of Substations: SS Gilamchi and SS Bagat, Khorezm Region
- Lot-3: Engineering, Procurement and Construction Contract for Rehabilitation and Modernization of Substations: SS Khalkabad, Republic of Karakalpakstan

Bidders may bid for one (1) or more contracts, as further detailed and specified in the Bidding Document. Bidders wishing to offer discounts in case they are awarded more than one (1) contract will be allowed to do so provided those discounts are included in the Letter of Bid.

3. Open competitive bidding (International Advertisement) will be conducted in accordance with ADB's Single-Stage, One-Envelope bidding procedure and is open to all Bidders from eligible countries as described in the Bidding Document.

The Works under the Contract shall be completed within 540 days from the date of contract effectiveness.

4. Only eligible Bidders with the following key qualifications defined in the Bidding Document may participate in this bidding:

Key Qualifications	Requirements
(i) Historical Financial Performance	Submission of audited financial statements or, if not required by the law of the Bidder's country, other financial statements acceptable to the Employer, for the last three (3) years, 2020, 2021 and 2022 to demonstrate the current soundness of the Bidder's financial position. As a minimum, the Bidder's net worth for the last year calculated as the difference between total assets and total liabilities should be positive.

	In case of Joint Venture Each Partner must meet the requirement
(ii) Minimum average annual turnover	<p>Minimum average annual turnover of:</p> <p>Lot 1: \$17,700,000.00 Lot 2: \$17,300,000.00 Lot 3: \$9,000,000.00</p> <p>calculated as total certified payments received for contracts in progress or completed, within the last 3 (three) years, 2020, 2021 and 2022.</p> <p>In case of Joint Venture Each Partner must meet minimum 25% of the requirements; One Partner must meet minimum 40% of the requirement and All Partners Combined must meet requirement.</p>
(iii) Financial Resources	<p>The Bidder must demonstrate that its financial resources defined in FIN - 3, less its financial obligations for its current contract commitments defined in FIN - 4, meet or exceed the total requirement for the Subject Contract as follows:</p> <p>Lot 1: \$2,300,000.00 Lot 2: \$2,200,000.00 Lot 3: \$1,200,000.00</p> <p>In case of Joint Venture Each Partner must meet minimum 25% of the requirements; One Partner must meet minimum 40% of the requirement and All Partners Combined must meet requirement.</p>
(iv) Bidder's Experience	<p>Participation as a contractor, Joint Venture partner, or subcontractor, in at least two (2) contracts that have been satisfactorily and substantially completed within the last seven (7) years and that is similar to the proposed contract, where the value of the Bidder's participation in each contract submitted exceeds:</p> <p>Lot 1: \$10,700,000.00 Lot 2: \$10,500,000.00 Lot 3: \$5,500,000.00</p> <p>The similarity of the Bidder's participation shall be based on the physical size, nature of works, complexity, methods, technology or other characteristics as described in Section 6 (Employer's Requirements). One contract should have been completed outside the Bidder's home country.</p>

	In case of Joint Venture any One Partner must meet the requirement.
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In addition to above, more detailed description of the Evaluation and Qualification criteria are given in the Bidding Document.

The Bid shall be submitted in a separate envelope with its corresponding bid security in the amount of:

Lot 1 – 135,000.00 USD

Lot 2 – 130,000.00 USD

Lot 3 – 70,000.00 USD

It is highly recommended to confirm the bank guarantee via a SWIFT message from local banks.

5. To obtain further information and inspect the Bidding Documents, Bidders should contact:

Attention: **Mr. Khurshid Avalbaev, Chief Specialist**
JSC “Regional Electrical Power Networks”
Street address: **6, Amir Temur Avenue, Data Center ASKUE**
Floor/Room number: **3/8**
City: **Tashkent**
ZIP code: 100 000
Country: Uzbekistan
Telephone: +99871 207 23 75
E-mail: pmu@het.uz

6. To purchase the Bidding Documents in English, eligible Bidders should:

- write to the address above requesting the Bidding Documents for Engineering, Procurement and Construction Contract for Rehabilitation and Modernization of Substations, comprising of 3 Lots, with indicating company name, contact details and representative names, and
- pay a nonrefundable fee of 300.0 USD by cash or bank transfer to the following account:

JSC “Regional Electrical Power Networks”

JSCB “Uzsanoatqurilishbank” bank” Labzak branch, Tashkent, Uzbekistan

INN: 306 350 099

SWIFT: UJSIUZ22

MFO: 00440

Correspondent account:

Account in USD: 2021 0840 9050 6317 2001

Account in UZS: 2260 4000 5050 6317 2001

Upon receiving a nonrefundable fee, the Employer will promptly dispatch the Bidding Documents by email to the interested Bidders. No liability will be accepted for failed or late delivery.

7. Deliver your bid:

Attention: **Mr. Alvar Gaybullayev, First Deputy Chairman,**

JSC “Regional Electrical Power Networks”
Street address: **6, Amir Temur Avenue, Data Center ASKUE**
Floor/Room number: **3/8**
City: **Tashkent**
ZIP code: 100 000
Country: Uzbekistan
Telephone: +99871 150 11 54
E-mail: pmu@het.uz

- on or before the deadline: **25 March 2024, at 15:00 hours (Tashkent time)**;
- **together with a Bid Security** as described in the Bidding Document.

Bids will be opened promptly after the deadline for bid submission in the presence of Bidders' representatives who choose to attend.