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Clarification No.1

To: All Bidders

Supply of Cement Procurement Reference No. STC/C/01/Jan2022

Query 1

In Section A, point 22, the document mentions that bidder shall provide statement/ documentary evidence stating the below. We can provide the undertaking as per Annex I to this effect. Do you require us to provide copies of any specific documents as well? If yes, which documents?

- have the legal capacity to enter into a contract;
- not be insolvent, in receivership, bankrupt, subject to legal proceedings for any of these circumstances or in the process of being wound up
- not have had his business activities suspended
- have fulfilled his obligations to pay taxes and social security contributions;
- not have a conflict of interest in relation to this procurement requirement;
- not have been convicted for an offence involving fraud, corruption or dishonesty.

Reply 1

As stipulated at Section A, Clause 22 of the Instruction to Bidders, the Bidder shall have to provide documentary evidence deemed necessary as well as submitting a statement attesting the above.

Query 2

We understand that we need to send accredited third party Certificate of Quality along with cement sample. Can this be a quality certificate made by third-party surveyor (like SGS) for a prior shipment from the same source we propose for the tender?



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Reply 2

The required certificate of conformity / quality should be from an **accredited and independent third party** relating to the sample and forthcoming shipment, as per clause 6.1.1 of Section B of the conditions of contract.

Query 3

Can we have the agent details for the discharge port – Port Louis?

Reply 3

Mauritius Shipping Corporation Ltd

Phone number: +230 2172286/ +230 5 9415903

Contact person: Mr. Seeven Pillay

Email: seeven.pillay@mscl.mu

Query 4

Request STC to provide us guaranteed discharge rate instead of range for break-bulk shipments?



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Reply 4

In view of the fact that the discharge operation is not being done by STC, but instead by the Cargo Handling Corporation Ltd, STC is not in a position to give a guaranteed discharge rate.

Query 5

Is the bidder required to pre-register on the Mauritius e-procurement website to be able to participate in this tender?

Reply 5

Bidder is not required to pre-register on Mauritius E-procurement website for this bidding exercise as the said Bid shall have to be submitted on-line through the following secured email address: tender-cement@stcmu.com- as per Clause 4.1 Section A of the Instruction to Bidders.

Query 6

Is the packing of 25kg bags fixed or bidder has flexibility to supply in 40/50kg bags?

Reply 6

The Packing is strictly in bags of 25 kg bag- as per Clause 2 of instruction to Bidders.



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Query 7

Is the delivery schedule fixed as per the tender as one shipment of 7,500-10,000MT per month between May to October 2022 arriving Mauritius mid of each month (6 shipments in total). Is the shipment schedule subject to revision at a later stage?

Reply 7

Delivery parcel has been fixed in the range of 7,500 to 10,000 MT per shipment on monthly basis – as clearly mentioned at Clause 3.1 Section B of the conditions of contract.

Query 8

Will the entire quantity of the tender – 50,000MT+/-15% be awarded to a single bidder or there can be multiple?

Reply 8

As per provision made at Clause 19 Section A of the Bidding Document, STC reserves the right to split the contract.



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Query 9

We understand that Annex II and Annex IV are to be filled by the successful bidder after being awarded the tender. Please confirm if this is correct.

Reply 9

Indeed, Annex II and IV have to be filled by the successful bidder after being awarded.

State Trading Corporation

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