

Amendment No 2

(Request for Proposal)

Solicitation Number: RFP #1016-002 Lining, Rehabilitation & Construction of Baghe Pahlawan Main Canal and Its Structures

Dear Offerors:

AECOM/SWIM hereby amends subject Request for Proposal as follows:

Bidders Meeting Date/Time: 20th November 2019 at 2:00 PM Local Kabul Time.

All other terms and conditions of the RFP remain unchanged.

The following are the questions and answers from the Bidders Meeting to be published for all interested applicants.

No	Questions/Request	Answers
1	In project RFP #1016-001, it shows 36 turn outs but in the BOQ indicated as 72 turn outs, please clarify which one is correct?	Correct numbers: 37 turnouts and 74 steel gates.
2	The project is unit price, hence any change in the quantities will be considered, right?	Yes, there is negotiation process. The price will be negotiated.
3	SWIM has mentioned in the RFP as (No subcontractor will be awarded more than one subcontract), Does that mean that the applicants can only bid for one of the lots or can bid for all 5 lots? If the applicants can bid for more than 1 lots, we need to submit proposal individually considering all the requirements or we can submit bid together?	It is up to the applicants. It depends on the capacity of the company. If you think you can provide a solid package and apply for one- please do it. If you would like to apply for all 5, you have the right to do it too. But SWIM is not going to give 2 contracts to one vendor.
4	In RFP , it is mentioned in page 6 that similar past performance project shall be during the last 3 years, but in page # 8 , it is not mentioned for the years numbers and only mentioned 3 similar project, also, in Page # 25, it is mentioned as past 5 years, please clarify which of them is correct?	Similar past performance should be the past 3 years.
	In RFP, it is mentioned as similar project as past performance, can we propose our construction projects as well in the past performance of similar projects or not?	No, only similar projects will be considered. Please see the SoW on the RFPs.
5	What is the contract construction duration time for each lot? As it is not mentioned, and it is also related to the bank statement to be during performance period.	As the period of performance of each project depends on the capacity of the company. Each company has different capacity. So, this is what we need to hear from companies.
6	How to coordinate the mandatory site visit? Please give us contact details and confirm the time and date again to schedule them with our team.	The meeting places for (Asyabad, Joy kariz and Ghaznigak Secondary canals in will be in DAIL) and (Kohna Ayaback and Baghe Pahlawan Main Canals will be in RBA) more details will be shared with all companies.
7	What is the "Right of Way access" mechanism, if the canal cuts the public property such as highway, Irrigations Schemes, central water supply pipe ...etc? According to the maps, canal of these project crosses the public way; a- Asyabad Secondary Canal b-Ghaznigak Secondary Canal c- Aybak Main Canal	Go to page No1 of Asya bad. Passing under the bridge. Vendor is not going to do extra excavation. Additionally, if you have any recommendation, put it as part of your recommendation doc and we can go through that.

8	In the corridors which these canals pass through, are the lands private or public property? If it is private, is acquisition process applied? and what is the socio-project problems solution mechanism between the Implementing partner (IP) and the community?	Before we enter to the implementation stage, there will be inauguration conference at each site. Regarding community matters and issues, we can talk in details in that conference.
9	Are the supplying sources defined for the canals, to irrigate the targeted land efficiently?	Source is already available there
10	Site visits, Samangan 4 canals- is it possible to see all canals in the same day?	There is enough time and team. You have two days to visit the canals in Samangan, not one day. We can coordinate and arrange this.
11	Financial part. You were talking about the bank statement. The balance and statement- is that possible to provide international bank statement and or only local bank statement is acceptable.	Only local bank statement is acceptable.
12	BoQ, warranty insurance, in the BOQ there is no space for the warranty costs to put.	The applicants need to distribute and embed their indirect costs in the unit costs of the BoQ. Put them in. SWIM don't want to see applicants' indirect costs in a separate template.
13	What is firm fixed price contract?	It's a fixed priced based on the deliverable on the award. When the contract is countersigned, SWIM gives the money and the subcontractor gives us canal.
14	What if the vendor implemented the canal which canal lining is less than what is in the drawing- whose responsibility is this as the contract is fixed price contract?	It should be in the unit price. For example, In the BoQ the stone masonry is 100 and it is about 80 in the reality. Your unit price is not changed because it is fixed. In the reality it is less than what you have but the unit price is fixed. SWIM will go according to the unit price.
15	It is mentioned in the BoQ- Proof of good standing with the Afghanistan Revenue Department, what that means? And what documents should we submit to SWIM?	A good standing with the Afghanistan Revenue Department means that a company that is paying all the taxes and is clear with the government of Afghanistan. The company should have a good standing with government. Clearance report for taxes and anything else you have in this regard you can submit.
	Natural disaster, flood etc. if damage the canal, whose responsibility is this? Vendor or SWIM?	Every company should have their own insurance. When something happens, the vendor must go back to insurance company to claim the loss. SWIM will not pay for any cost related to natural disaster. SWIM encourages applicants to have insurance. It is different from warranty insurance. Applicants must insure the canal for 1 year. SWIM is not holding responsibility for any damage.
16	Can applicants insure their companies by themselves?	Unfortunately, no. The applicants must be insured by an Insurance company.
17	Can applicants come up with Joint venture?	Yes, if both companies are legally registered and the joined venture is legal but cannot subcontract to another vendor.
18	Is this IDIQ or different from that?	This is not IDIQ- this is different. It's full and open competition for all applicable companies.
19	Bank statement in USD, is it possible to provide?	No- AFN only.
20	There might be Community, security and government problems. What is SWIM responsibility?	It is up to vendors how to respect the community, how to build good relationship with the community. What SWM can do is that SWIM will include these topics and will explain to all parties during the inauguration ceremony at each site. In terms of security issues, SWIM will be monitoring the situation on daily basis.
21	Warranty insurance duration	12 months after the handover of the canal.

End of RFP