

RESPOINSE TO QUERIES

Supply, Installation, Commissioning and Training 30 kW Photovoltaic Systems at Two DOWASCO Water Pumping Stations” Contract #71/2020/Italian/Dominica/CCCCC

Q1. Question: Are separate prices required for installation for each of the two sites?

A1 Response: No

Q2. Question: Are there generators on site at each location?

A2. Response: Yes

Q3. Question: Are batteries required for a backup system or self-consumption system? (If so what is the required battery capacity?)

A3 Response: Batteries are not required. This was an option presented by the Consultant, but can't be supported under present budget.

Q4. Questions: Can you advise if site visits are planned?

A4. Response: DOWASCO will arrange.

Q5 Question: Is it possible to get locations/photos/drawings of sites?

A5 Response: See Supplementary Information provided.

Locations for each site, based on WGS 1984 coordinate system are as follows:

- *Jimmit: 15d 22' 28.18" North, 61d 24' 4.39" West*
- *Tete Morne: 15d 14' 10.98" North, 61d 19' 39.59" West*

Q6 Question: Can a choice be made regarding number of modules and inverters in each design?

A6 Response: The number of inverters should not be changed. Small variations in the number of modules are acceptable, based on the exact ratings of each module, however, the overall system power output and other minimum performance standards must be satisfied as stated.

Q7. Question: Please confirm ITB 14.6 (b) Incoterms CIP.

A7 ***The price of the Goods, quoted CIP named place of destination: Project Site - DOWASCO Water Pumping Stations, Jimmit and Tete Morne, Commonwealth of Dominica***

Q8 Should Commonwealth of Dominica mean any port or Roseau?

A8 ***Response: Roseau***

Q9. Question: Please confirm which is correct ITB 4.1 or ITB 35.1?

A9. ***Both are correct:***

ITB 4.1 - in the event that more than one company is equally technically complaint and have similar financial proposals, and one or more of those companies are registered in Dominica, preference will be given to the companies registered in Dominica.

ITB 35.1 - Domestic preference shall not be a bid evaluation factor and additional points will not be awarded to firms registered in Dominican. The nationality of the firm will only be considered after the technical and financial evaluations are completed.

Q10. Question: Please confirm system warranty is 2 years?

A10. ***The mechanical structures, electrical works including power conditioners/inverters /maximum power point tracker units/distribution boards/ digital meters/switchgear, etc. and overall workmanship of the PV system must be guaranteed or warranted against any manufacturing/material/design/installation defects for a minimum period of five (5) years.***

The PV modules must have a multi-year guarantee/warranty to maintain ninety percent (90%) of their initial rated output for fifteen years (15 yrs.) and eighty-five percent (85%) of their initial rated output for twenty-five years (25 yrs.). These performance guarantees/warranties must be on the DC power rating. The contractor must provide certification from approved bodies, for example, UL 1741, TUV or internationally recognized equivalent standard.

Q11. Question: Please confirm requested inverter warranty is 15 years?

A11 Response: Yes.

Q12. Question: Please confirm GCC 28.3 – “ The period of validity of the Warranty on equipment and labor shall be 5 years”

A12. Response: The mechanical structures, electrical works including power conditioners/inverters /maximum power point tracker units/distribution boards/ digital meters/switchgear, etc. and overall workmanship of the PV system must be guaranteed or warranted against any manufacturing/material/design/installation defects for a minimum period of five (5) years.

Q13. Question: Is there any possibility of amending the payment schedule?

A13. Response: This is generally discussed during Contract Negotiations.

Q14. Question: Can further details be provided for power purchase agreement which would be necessary for your request under details of payback -Qualifications section 2F

A14. Response: This is not a required condition. It was inadvertently included in the Evaluation Table in the RFP and will be deleted at the time of evaluation.

Q15 Question: Can load profiles of each side be provided?

A15 Response: See Supplementary information

Q16. Will suppliers be responsible for storage of the goods to be supplied?

A16. Suppliers will be responsible for the storage and security of the items to be supplied prior to installation.

The Deadline for the submission of Proposals has been extended: **New date and time for submission: on or before 2:00pm (GMT-6), Monday 31 August 2020.**