

GOVERNMENT OF ST. KITTS AND NEVIS

NEVIS WATER SUPPLY ENHANCEMENT PROJECT

SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF BACKHOE WITH SPARE PARTS

Invitation for Bids

The Government of St. Kitts and Nevis (GSKN) has received financing from the Caribbean Development Bank (CDB) towards the cost of the Nevis Water Supply Enhancement Project and intends to apply a part of the funds to cover eligible payments under this contract. Payment by CDB will be made only at the request of GSKN and upon approval by CDB, and will be subject, in all respects, to the term and conditions of the Loan Agreement. The Loan Agreement prohibits a withdrawal from the Loan Account for the purpose of any payment to persons or entities, or for any import of goods, if such payment or import, to the knowledge of CDB, is prohibited by a decision of the United Nations Security Council taken under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations. No party other than GSKN shall derive any rights from the Loan Agreement or have any claim to the proceeds of the Loan.

The Nevis Island Administration (NIA) is the Executing Agency for the Project, and the Ministry of Communications, Works, Public Utilities, Posts, Physical Planning, Natural Resources and Environment, is responsible for the overall implementation of the project. A Project Management Unit has been established to coordinate the various activities within the Project. NIA now invites sealed bids from eligible bidders for a contract for the supply of one (1) Backhoe with spare parts for Nevis Water Department. Consideration will be limited to firms or joint ventures of firms, which are legally incorporated or otherwise, organised in, and have their principal place of business, in an eligible country and are either:

- (a) more than 50% beneficially owned by a citizen or citizens and/or a bona fide resident or residents of an eligible country, or by a body corporate or bodies corporate meeting these requirements; or
- (b) owned or controlled by the Government of an eligible country, provided that it is legally and financially autonomous and operates under the commercial law of an eligible country.

Eligible countries are CDB member countries.

Eligible bidders will be required to submit full qualification information with their bids establishing their eligibility to bid and qualification to perform the contract if the bid is accepted. Tender and qualification information are to be submitted in the English Language on the prescribed forms inserted in the Bid Documents. Submissions that do not provide the information required or that do not demonstrate the prospective contractor's ability to perform satisfactorily, will not qualify and will not be considered for further evaluation.

Bid Documents may be obtained from the first address below, by personal application or in writing. Written applications must be clearly marked: **“Request for Bid Documents for the Nevis Water Supply Enhancement Project, One Backhoe with Spare Parts.”** Applicants who request that documents be forwarded to them must submit an account number from a local courier agent that accepts freight collect charges. Documents will be promptly dispatched, but under no circumstance will NIA be held responsible for late delivery or loss of the documents so transmitted.

Submissions in sealed envelopes clearly marked “**Tender for the NEVIS WATER SUPPLY ENHANCEMENT PROJECT, ONE BACKHOE WITH SPARE PARTS**”, must be sent to the second address below on or before **14:00 hours on May 30, 2012**. Bid opening will take place at the second address immediately after the deadline for submission. Simultaneously, **qualification information only** must be submitted to the **third address** below.

NIA reserves the right to accept or reject any bid and to annul the process and reject all bids, at any time prior to award of contract, without thereby incurring any liability to the affected prospective bidder(s) or any obligation to inform the affected prospective bidder(s) of the grounds for NIA action. NIA will not defray any costs incurred by any bidder in the preparation of bids.

1. Address for correspondence

Project Coordinator
Project Management Unit
Ricaldo Caines Bld.
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2. Address for bid submission and bid opening

Permanent Secretary
Ministry of Communications, Works, Public
Utilities, Posts, Physical Planning, Natural
Resources and Environment
Government Headquarters
Charlestown
Nevis W.I.

**3. Address for completed qualification
Information only**

Procurement Officer
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