

## CLARIFICATIONS FOR THE PROCUREMENT CONSTRUCTION OF 16 UNIT 3-BED FLATS AT KANDA REFERENCE: 5140900-07/IFB/CB/04/20

Date of Update: 6<sup>th</sup> May, 2020

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1.	Section V – Works Requirements: Technical Specifications- Technical Data Schedule (TDS)	No link was given for the Technical Data Schedule (TDS) in the Works Requirements. MiDA should provide us so we can complete.	Please, go to page 116, where it is mentioned that "These (TDS) are provided in the link <b>immediately below for the Specifications</b> ". On page 117, you will find 'The Specifications' are provided in a link in light blue fonts. Hover over the link, ctrl + click to follow the link. This action will lead you directly to the Specifications in three (3) different folders. Select Technical Data Schedule Folders to access information. Bidders are strongly advised to revisit the updated link at: TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS MS WORD.zip Open
			If any Bidder continues to have trouble opening any link in the IFB, they should email <a href="mailto:paghana@charleskendall.com">paghana@charleskendall.com</a> immediately so they can be provided with an alternative solution.

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2.	Section V – Works Requirements: Technical Specifications- Technical Data Schedule (TDS) & BOQs	There is mention of 120sq.mm Hard Drawn AAC Conductor in the list of Technical Data Schedule (TDS) but BoQ do not show this item. We want to find out whether this item will indeed be used anywhere in the project.	This may be a typographical error in the respective Technical Data Schedule (TDS) to mention "120sq.mm Hard Drawn AAC Conductor". It should instead read "150sq.mm Hard Drawn AAC conductor". The BOQ correctly captures the item described as 150sq.mm Hard Drawn AAC conductor.
3.	Section V – Works Requirements: Technical Specifications	MiDA has not given the specifications for 150mm2 alu bare conductor. Can MiDA please specify for us to follow?	The technical specifications for the 150mm2 Alu bare conductor are given in the Technical Data Sheet (TDS) in Excel format. Please check the Technical Specifications zip folder.
4.	Section III: Bidder Qualification requirements	General Experience: For purpose of Joint venture, we think All Members put together should meet qualification and not each member. This makes qualification difficult for Joint ventures. Can MiDA change experience to All members put together should meet general experience????	<ul><li>All JV members to ensure they have the necessary General Experience to meet the IFB qualification requirements.</li><li>MiDA expects all Bidders, whether stand alone or in a JV or Association, to have a minimum level of experience in order to ensure that they have the requisite qualifications to complete the assignment.</li></ul>
5.	Section III: Qualification requirements	Similar experience- For purpose of Joint venture, we think All Members put together should meet and not each member. This makes qualification difficult for Joint ventures. Can MiDA change experience to All members put together should meet similar experience????	As per SI 4 above, all Bidders must ensure they have the necessary Similar Experience to meet the IFB qualification requirements.
6.	Section III: Qualification requirements	Equipment for construction works- Can MiDA show us how many water pump should a contractor have? MiDA should show the horsepower also.	The Quantity for the Water Pump is 1No. and the capacity is 2.0HP.

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7.	Section III: Qualification requirements	Will MiDA give contractor free electricity and water for the construction work at the site?? Please inform.	No. Contractors shall be required to provide their own electricity and water for the work and the pricing of the work must include electricity and water.
8.	Section II- BDS 1.2: Intended Completion Date	Construction Completion time in bid data sheets shows <b>Ten (10) calendar months</b> but Form of Particular Conditions of Contract and Annex to the Contract shows <b>Twelve (12) calendar months</b> from the Start Date. Can MiDA please tell us which duration is intended.?	At the bidding stage the BDS supersedes the form of PCC & Annex to the Contract in priority of documents, and we hereby confirm the Intended Completion Date of Ten (10) calendar months in BDS ITB 1.2. The error of "Twelve (12) calendar month" in the PCC GCC 1.1 (hh) of the form of PCC & Annex to the Contract, is hereby deleted and replaced with " <b>Ten (10) calendar months</b> ".
9.	Section IV- Bidding Forms	We have still not been able to access the BoQs and drawings via the links provided as directed in your mail below.	Please see Answer to S1 above.
10.	Section IV- Bidding Forms	The MiDA People said the blank BOQ was added the information sent to us. Below is the effect to that and where we can find so please try and see if you can see. I have tried but can't see	Please see Answer to S1 above.
11.	Section IV- Bidding Forms	Within the document, I find the page with indicator of Blank BOQ, but failed to open or download it. So please if you could send me the blank BOQ to me separately.	Please see Answer to S1 above.
		Additionally, we would be much grateful if you could send me a mobile number with whom I can contact directly.	At the moment, we are in confidential process and all your clarification requests must come by mail through official channels in accordance with BDS ITB 8.1 of the IFB, and responses shall be circulated to all prospective Bidders who have asked for the Bidding Document.

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12.	Section I: ITB.20 Bid Security	I would like to seek clarification on the Bid Security to be attached to the bid documents. From the Bid data sheets, bidders are to submit a bid security valued at US\$25,000. I would like to know if this bid security can be sourced from insurance companies.	<ul> <li>Please refer to ITB Clause 20.2 which states:</li> <li>"Unless otherwise specified in the BDS, the Bid Security shall be a demand guarantee at the Bidder's option, in any of the following forms:</li> <li>(a) an unconditional bank guarantee; or</li> <li>(b) an irrevocable letter of credit, from a reputable source in an eligible country.</li> <li>Bid Securities must be issued by a Bank.</li> </ul>
13.	Section II- BDS 1.2: Intended Completion Date	<b>Intended Completion Date</b> : Section II under Bid Data Sheet clause ITB 1.2 stated <b>ten (10) calendar</b> months as Intended Completion Date whereas Section VIII under PCC clause GCC 1.1 (hh) stated <b>twelve (12) calendar</b> months. Kindly clarify which of the Intended Completion Date is applicable.	Please see answer to SI 8 above.
14.	Section II: BDS ITB 21.1 Electronic submission	Access to Electronic Bid Submission portal: We reached out to you on 20th April 2020 regarding our intention to submit bid and a request for access to the portal. Can we please know when our representative will be given access to the Electronic Bid Submission portal?	When the IFB was issued, Accra was in a COVID-19 lockdown and thus the requirement for electronic submissions. Given that the COVID-19 lockdown in Ghana has since been lifted, MiDA are currently considering whether or not to revise the submission requirements from an electronic (soft) copy to the normal 1 original plus 4 hard copies in line with all other MiDA IFB/RFP Procurements. However, the change will depend on the Ghana Government's position regarding COVID-19 which is under continual review. Therefore, MiDA will communicate a decision on this matter, to all Bidders who have received the IFB, no later than Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> May 2020.

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15.	General Requirements	<ul> <li>Please clarify if bidders are required to provide the following as part of their bid:</li> <li>1. Tax Clearance Certificate</li> <li>2. SSNIT Clearance Certificate</li> <li>3. Labour Certificate</li> </ul>	No. Bidders are not required to provide these documents as part of the Bid.
16.	Section V	<b>1. Local Taxes:</b> The works requirement stated under Section V of the tender document indicates that the Fully Loaded Rates in the Bill of Quantities shall be exclusive of Local Taxes and Custom Duties. Kindly confirm if the following taxes should be included in the tender price. Thus VAT, NHIL and GETFUND.	No. These taxes should not be included in the pricing of the work. Please refer to GCC Clause 47.0 of the Form of Contract of the IFB which states in part that: "most services performed under and activities undertaken in furtherance of the Contract, including in connection with the execution of the Works, are exempt from taxes, duties, levies, contributions or other charges imposed under Laws currently or hereafter in effect in the Employer's Country".
		2. Please clarify also whether Contractor will be provided with exemptions in order not to incur the above mentioned costs if it is not included in the tender price	Yes. Contractors will be provided with documentation necessary to access the exemptions mentioned.
17.	Section V – Works Requirements	I write to ask if we can have access to the drawings ? This is for us to better understand the project and be able to provide the best quotation possible.	Please see answer to SI 1 above.