

INVITATION FOR TENDERS

Ukraine

Energy efficiency improvements of the water supply and sewage systems:

Reconstruction of sewage pump stations Nos. 2,7,12 in Khmelnytskyi city

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Plant and Related Works for reconstruction of WWPS-2, WWPS-7 and WWPS-12 with replacement of pumps. Additional works.

This Invitation for Tenders follows the General Procurement Notice for this project which was published on the the Procurement Notices section of NEFCO's website (<http://www.nefco.int/procurement>).

The City Municipal Utility "Khmelnyskvodokanal" hereinafter referred to as "the Employer", intends to use part of the proceeds of financing from the Nordic Environment Finance Corporation (NEFCO), the European Union (EU) and own co-financing towards the cost of the project "Energy efficiency improvements of the water supply and sewage systems: Reconstruction of sewage pump stations Nos. 2,7,12 in Khmelnytskyi city". The project is co-financed by the EU Neighborhood Investment Platform (NIP) an EU facility stemming from the financing options offered by the European Neighborhood Instrument (ENI) Regulation, that approved a grant to support the NIP Ukraine Water Modernisation Programme (NIP grant).

The Employer now invites sealed tenders from Contractors for the following contracts to be funded from part of the proceeds of the financing:

- *Reconstruction of WWPS-2 with replacement of pumps (Additional works);*
- *Reconstruction of WWPS-7 with replacement of pumps (Additional works);*
- *Reconstruction of WWPS-12 with replacement of pumps (Additional works).*

Tendering for contracts that are to be financed with the proceeds of NEFCO financing is open to firms/individuals from any country.

The Contract is co-financed by NEFCO's loan, NIP grant and the co-financing of city and/or vodokanal.

The Tender Document is issued in Ukrainian. If foreign contractors are interested in participating in the tender, the English version of the tender documentation will be provided upon written request.

Tenders are invited for the complete scope of works; tenders for a part of works will be rejected. The successful Tenderer will be required to sign two contracts, one for each source of financing – the NIP grant; and co-financing from the local budget, including NEFCO loan financing. The value of each contract will be determined by the Employer after identifying the winner by grouping its proposed prices into respective price schedules for each contract. The total value of both contracts will be equal to the total price of the successful tender (without VAT).

Tenders should be priced in Euro. The value of the contract to be financed by the municipal budget will be converted into Hryvnia at the exchange rate of the National Bank of Ukraine at the date on the Employer's Letter of Award and VAT will be added.

The contract that is to be financed by the NIP grant will be tax exempt, therefore, the respective amount of VAT will be excluded from this contract's price.

To be qualified for the award of a contract, tenderers must satisfy the following minimum criteria:

- Tenderers shall meet the eligibility requirements set forth in Instructions to Tenderers (ITT) 4 (as evidenced from Letter of Tender):
 - not having conflicts of interests as described in ITT 4.3;
 - not having been declared ineligible due to non-compliance with requirements described in ITT 4.4;
 - not having been banned from tendering by NEFCO for the period, during which this contract is planned to be awarded;
- the Tenderer, has the financial, technical and production capability and capacity necessary to perform the Contract, and Tenderer's average annual revenue in the previous **three (3) years exceeded EUR 700,000 equivalent**. In case of tender submitted by JVCA, the leading partner should demonstrate at least 50% compliance with the requirement;

- the Tenderer has satisfactorily supplied similar plant and works to other purchasers and completed at least **two (2)** similar contracts in the recent **five (5)** years;
- Non-performance of contract by Tenderer (including members of JVCA, if appropriate) did not occur during the last **2 years** based on information provided in Section III, Tender Forms (the Employer reserves the right to check the correctness of the reported information by using other sources);
- All pending litigation against Tenderer (including members of JVCA, if appropriate) shall in total not represent more than 30% of the Tenderer's net worth, as based on information provided in Section III, Tender Forms (the Employer reserves the right to check the correctness of the reported information by using other sources);
- the Tenderer or its agent will be able to carry out warranty obligations;
- the Tenderer is not bankrupt or under bankruptcy procedures according to the national legislation or regulations;
- in the case of a Tenderer offering to supply plant under the Contract which the Tenderer does not manufacture or otherwise produce, the Tenderer has been duly authorised by the plant's manufacturer or producer to supply the plants in the Employer's country.

In preparation of their offers, the Tenderers should take into account that the works in this contract will tentatively start in **February 2023** and end in **November 2023**.

Tender documents may be obtained from the office at the address below free of charge upon a written request from a prospective Tenderer.

Upon receiving the written request from prospective Tenderer, the documents will be promptly dispatched electronically in PDF and MS Word format, however, no liability can be accepted for their non-delivery or late delivery. In case of discrepancies between the PDF and Word versions of the document, the PDF version shall prevail.

All tenders must be accompanied by a tender security in the form of tender-securing declaration whose form is provided in Tender Document. The purpose of tender security is to ensure the tenderers are serious about their participation.

The winning tenderer will have to provide performance security from a reputable bank acceptable to NEFCO.

Tenders must be delivered to the office at the address below on or before **15:00 p.m. 31.01.2022**, at which time they will be opened in the presence of those tenderers' representatives who will be willing to be present at the opening.

Pre-tender meeting of Tenderers with the Employer and discussion of technical and logistical issues will be held via online call on **28.12.2022 at 11.00 a.m.** Meeting for visiting the project site will be held per preliminary agreement.

For arrangement of visit to the project site please contact: Oleksii Shvets, Project Manager, email: shvets.alex@ukr.net.

For registration to pre-tender meeting please contact: Oleksii Shvets, Project Manager, phone: +38 0382 787506, email: shvets.alex@ukr.net.

Prospective tenderers may obtain further information from, and also inspect and acquire the tender documents at, the following office:

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