
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

APPOINTMENT OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICE PROVIDER TO CONDUCT AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT FOR THE 1000MW GAS TO POWER PLANT IN ZONE 13 OF THE COEGA SEZ

CONTRACT NO. CDC/321/23

The Coega Development Corporation (CDC) is headquartered in Nelson Mandela Bay Municipality, South Africa, with a strategic operational footprint in South Africa and beyond the borders in the African continent. The CDC's vision is to be the leading catalyst for the championing of socio-economic development. This it seeks to achieve through the development and operation of the 9 003 hectares Coega Special Economic Zone (SEZ), a transshipment hub and a leading investment destination in Africa, providing highly skilled competence and capacity for the execution of quality complex infrastructure and related projects throughout South Africa and selected markets on the African continent, and advisory on the development of industrialization and logistics zones. The CDC's advanced capabilities are successful enablers in economic zone development and management, real assets management, infrastructure planning and development for National, Provincial, Local Government Departments and State-owned Entities, technology integration while realising related socio-economic impact areas such as skills and SMME development. The foundational culture of the CDC's approach, backed by core values, is innovation and continuous improvement.

INVITATION AND SCOPE OF WORK

The CDC invites suitably qualified Environmental Assessment Practitioners (EAPs) to respond to this Request for Proposal (RFP) to conduct an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) for a 1000MW Gas to Power plant in Zone 13 of the Coega SEZ. The EIA must include all relevant specialist studies and be conducted in accordance with the terms of reference contained in the Request for Proposal. The appointment will be for two (2) years.

Project scope of work

The National Environmental Management Act (NEMA) (Act No. 107 of 1998 and subsequent amendments) and the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014 (as amended in 2017) (promulgated in terms of NEMA) warrant that listed activities require Environmental Authorisation (EA). The Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment (DFFE) is the competent authority for projects supplying energy to the national grid. A Scoping and Environmental Impact Reporting (S&EIR, also referred to as an EIA) process is required to support an application for EA.

The scope of work is inclusive of the following:

- a) Conduct the EIA for the proposed 1000MW air-cooled Gas to Power Plant in Zone 13 of the Coega SEZ, including a Public Participation Process, with due consideration of the previous work that has been completed;
- b) Apply for an Air Emissions License (AEL) for the proposed power plant;
- c) Review of all previous specialist studies conducted and ensure that all necessary specialist investigations have been provided for, conducted and incorporated in the EIA. This includes obtaining Letters of Confirmation / Validity from all previous specialists, where relevant. Specialist studies must be guided by the DFFE Screening Tool;
- d) Compile Construction and Operational Environmental Management Plans (EMP) as part of the EIA process;
- e) Make four (4) in-person presentations to the Coega Environmental Liaison Committee (ELC) during the EIA process;
- f) Submit the necessary environmental reports via the online e-portal to the lead authority (DFFE) and all members of the Coega ELC, for consideration;
- g) Obtain a decision from the DFFE for the proposed 1000MW air-cooled Gas to Power Plant in Zone 13 of the Coega SEZ; and
- h) Pre-Construction Phase: Update, finalise and submit the Final EMPR's to DFFE for approval.

TERMS & CONDITIONS OF TENDER

- a) The CDC's Procurement Policy and Procedures shall apply.
- b) The following shall apply:
 - (i) Public Finance Management Act (PFMA);
 - (ii) *National Treasury Regulations*;
 - (iii) *National Environmental Management Act (107 of 1998)*
 - (iv) Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act, 2000;
 - (v) Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2022;
 - (vi) Occupational Health and Safety Act and Regulations, Act (85 of 1993);
 - (vii) Compensation for Occupational injuries and disease Act (130 of 1993);
 - (viii) B-BBEE Act Number 53 of 2003 (as amended by Act number 46 of 2013); and
 - (ix) Any other applicable legislation.
- c) Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act (PPPFA) 2000: Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2022 will apply.
- d) The 80/20 preference point system will apply, where:
 - Price - 80,00
 - Specific Goals - 20,00
- e) Bidders must be VAT registered and bids must be submitted VAT inclusive. Non-VAT vendors who submit bids for contracts that would, if successful, take their annual turnover above the threshold of

R 1 million are obliged to include VAT in the prices quoted and must therefore immediately upon award of the contract register with the South African Revenue Services (SARS) as VAT vendors. The award of contract would be conditional pending the successful bidder submitting proof of registration as a VAT vendor with SARS.

- f) Bidders (all the members in the Bidding Team in the case of Consortia or Joint Ventures) must provide proof of registration on the National Treasury's Central Supplier Database (CSD) or provide a Treasury CSD registration number e.g. MAAA0...
- g) CDC will only award the tender to a bidder who is tax compliant. The tax compliance status of the bidders (and all the members in the Bidding Team in the case of Consortia or Joint Ventures) will be verified through CSD and South African Revenue Services (SARS) website.
- h) Bidders with less than 51% black shareholding (QSEs & Generics) are to submit a valid SANAS Accredited B-BBEE Verification Certificate (with the full applicable B-BBEE elements). Bidders with more than 51% black shareholding (EMEs & QSEs) are to submit a sworn affidavit stamped and signed by the Commissioner of Oaths as per the DTI B-BBEE template. In case of a JV, a consolidated B-BBEE certificate must be submitted as well as individual B-BBEE Certificates/affidavit of their entities to confirm the type of enterprise.
- i) Bidders and all its Consortium/JV members if any, must confirm their company registration with Companies and Intellectual Property Commission (CIPC) (formerly CIPRO) as CDC will not award any bid to any business that appears on the CIPC List of de-registered businesses. The CDC may verify company registration with CIPC through BizPortal.
- j) In case of JVs/Consortia the Bidder must include the JV Agreement to enter into a JV/Consortium Agreement.
- k) The CDC will not award more than five (5) active projects to one bidder, unless one project has reached 80% completion stage and beyond. Capacity assessment may be conducted in an event that the recommended bidder is the only responsive service provider and has already been awarded two contracts.
- l) Bidders will be evaluated on functionality and are expected to meet the minimum of 60 points threshold to be evaluated further. The evaluation criteria for measuring functionality and weight of each criterion are provided in Table A1 & A2 of the RFP document.
- m) The successful bidder will be required to comply with the Occupational Health and Safety Act and Regulations, Act 85 of 1993, Compensation for Occupational Injuries and Disease Act 130 of 1993, all relevant and applicable legislation throughout the duration of the contract.
- n) Public servants are prohibited from doing any form of business with organs of state, whether in their own capacity as individuals or through companies in which they are directors. Verification will be done, and bidders will be disqualified should they be found to be in contravention with the regulations.
- o) It is incumbent upon and the responsibility of the Prospective Bidders to submit their full and correct contact details when they download the RFP Document to enable any communication that the CDC might need to issue to all the Prospective Bidders during the bidding process to be realised. The CDC will not be accountable for any such omission or failure by the Prospective Bidders.

- p) Incomplete RFP Document will result in the submissions being deemed null and void and shall be considered non-responsive.
- q) Any misrepresentation of information will lead to immediate disqualification of the Bidder's Submission. It is imperative that the duly authorised person conducts quality control on all the documentation to be submitted to the CDC as part of this RFP and signs the submission as a correct and sound documentation that the CDC could put its reliance on
- r) The tender validity period for this project is **twelve (12) weeks** form closing date(08 January 2024).

The RFP documents will be available for download from the CDC website (www.coega.co.za) from **Friday, 22 September 2023** at no cost. Potential bidders will be required to provide their email addresses in the system before downloading the documentation for correspondence purposes. Potential bidders must therefore ensure that the email addresses are correct.

A **Non-Mandatory Virtual Briefing Meeting** will be held on **Tuesday, 03 October 2023 at 10h00-12h00** via Microsoft Teams. The link to join the meeting is as follows: [Click here to join the meeting](#). The briefing notes will be packaged and published on the CDC website.

Queries relating to this RFQ may be addressed to Ms. Zine Mtanda, Unit Head: Supply Chain Management e-mail: tenderscdc32123@coega.co.za between the period of **22 September 2023 to 09 October 2023**. No new queries received after 09 October 2023 will be considered.

The closing date and time for the receipt of complete bid documents is **12h00, Monday, 16 October 2023**. **One original completed bid document** shall be placed in a sealed envelope clearly marked: **"CDC/321/23 – APPOINTMENT OF A SERVICE PROVIDER TO CONDUCT AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT FOR THE 1000MW GAS TO POWER PLANT IN ZONE 13 OF THE COEGA SEZ"**.

Bids are to be placed in the tender box at the CDC's Main Office located at the **Coega Business Centre, Cnr Alcyon Rd and Zibuko Street, Zone 1, Coega SEZ, Gqeberha**. RFP documents will not be opened in public. No late submissions will be considered.

Failure to provide mandatory information required in this bid will result in the submissions being deemed null and void and shall be considered non-responsive.

Telegraphic, telexed, tippexed, facsimiled submissions will not be accepted.

The CDC reserves the right not to accept the lowest proposal in part or in whole or any proposal.