



CONTRACT NO. 30540-5W

**PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR THE FEASIBILITY OF THE REPLACEMENT OF
THE RISING MAIN PIPELINES FROM THE DURBAN HARBOUR TUNNEL EXIT
TO THE CENTRAL WASTEWATER TREATMENT WORKS**

18 November 2024

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Tenderers invited for the above-mentioned contract are hereby notified of the following summary of received queries from bidders and our corresponding responses.

Query No.	Query	Answer
1	<u>Page 10:</u> “Similar Nature” implies projects where the Scope of Works contains experience with the FIDIC suite of documents, elevated large (>500mm) dia pipes and/or tunnelling between 1m and 6m dia. EWS to confirm whether company experience with FIDIC is restricted to pipeline and/or tunnelling projects or may also include other infrastructure projects like roads and stormwater?	Company experience is restricted to elevated pipeline and/or tunnelling projects only.
2	Please assist with the following clarifications:	

	1. <u>Extension of Time:</u> The tender calls for a team of experts in tunnelling and specialised pipeline design works. Tenderers will likely need to form joint ventures and/or engage international experts to meet the necessary requirements for eligibility. We kindly request an additional week of time to secure the necessary international staff required for this project. 2. <u>Professional Registration:</u> The personnel requirements lists PrEng or PrTechEng. Please advise whether internationally-registered personnel will be considered and what supporting information is required in this regard. 3. <u>Years of Experience:</u> The tender requirements do not mention a minimum number of years of experience for the required professionals. Please advise if there is any limit in this regard.	Noted. EWS will engage SCM to extend the closing date to the 29th November 2024 and communicate if it has been approved. Internationally registered personal will be considered if the country they are registered are part of the Washington accord for engineering with the required supporting documentation. No limit on years for the Lead the essential element is the required relevant experience and confirmation that the personal was the lead for the applicable experience submitted.
3	We have assessed the program and note that the 16-week program includes a feasibility study, geotechnical investigations, and a geotechnical baseline report. However, we are concerned that this program may be too short to obtain, execute, and report on tunnel geotechnical investigations. Please consider a longer duration for the scope, given that physical tunnel geotechnical investigations are required before a geotechnical report may be finalised?	Noted. We will extend the duration of the project by 4 weeks. Amendment in the document will be sent in due course.
4	We have the following query we would like to have clarified: T1.2.3.5: Functionality Specification: Will projects that have successfully been completed up to least Feasibility stage be considered as “Successfully Completed” in terms of the definition under T1.2.3.5: Functionality Specification?	Successfully completed is defined to projects completed as a <u>minimum</u> up to stage 2 “Concept and Viability” of normal services for the scope related to the project.

	T1.2.3.5: Functionality Specification: Key Personnel: Will you accept the same resource in the position of Project Lead: Tunnelling and Project Lead: Elevated Pipe? Will we penalised if the methodology runs slightly longer than 6 pages?	Yes the same resource can be both Project Lead Tunnelling and Project Lead Elevated pipe. No there is no penalising for the length of submission at all if the essential points are raised in the submission as required
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