



Invitation for Bids (IFB)

The Government of the Kingdom of Lesotho

Metolong Dam and Water Supply Programme

MA-GOL-SA-AI-03

Construction of Roads and Stormwater drainage, Water distribution, Sewer reticulation and Wastewater Treatment Plant, Pedestrian bridge, Earthworks and associated works for Metolong Dam and Water Supply Programme Operational Facility.

1. The Government of Lesotho (the “Government”) has embarked on a strategy to secure potable water supply to the greater Maseru area and surrounding towns through the construction of the Metolong Dam and associated water supply infrastructure for the Metolong Dam and Water Supply Programme (MDWSP). As part of the programme, the Government, acting through the Metolong Programme Implementation Unit (MPIU) to be succeeded by the Metolong Authority (the “Employer”), intends to apply a portion of the funding provided by the Government of the Republic of South Africa to the implementation of the Advance Infrastructure Phase 2 for the Metolong Dam and Water Supply Programme. Any payments made under the proposed contract will be subject to all restrictions on the use of the Government of the Republic of South Africa funding and conditions to the disbursements of same funding. No party other than the Government and the Employer shall derive any rights from the funding or have any claim to the proceeds of the Government of the Republic of South Africa funding.
2. The Metolong Programme Implementation Unit (MPIU) to be succeeded by the Metolong Authority, now invites sealed bids from eligible and qualified bidders for the **“Construction of Roads and Stormwater drainage, Water distribution, Sewer reticulation and Wastewater Treatment Plant, Pedestrian bridge, Earthworks and associated works for Metolong Dam and Water Supply Programme Operational Facility”**, which include approximately 3700m of water distribution pipelines, 3100m of sewer reticulation, 70cubic meters per day package wastewater treatment plant, 2600m of gravel roads and stormwater drainage, 2600m of fencing, site preparatory earthworks and a pedestrian bridge and associated works.

3. Bidding will be conducted through the **open procedure (OP)** specified in the Government of Lesotho Public Procurement Regulations 2007 and is open to all interested eligible and qualified tenderers.
4. Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information and inspect the Bidding Documents which will be available starting from **Monday, 7th June 2010** at the address given below between **09:00 hours and 16:00 hours local time:**

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5. A complete set of Bidding Documents in **English** may be purchased by interested bidders starting from the date and at the address stated above on the submission of a written Application and upon payment of a non refundable fee of **M500.00 (Five hundred Maloti only)** or an equivalent amount in a freely convertible currency. The method of payment will be through Bank transfer to the following Bank account

Account Name: Metolong Authority
Account Type: Current Account
Account No. 021000051052
Bank Name: Nedbank Lesotho
Branch Name: Maseru
Branch Code: 390161
Swift Code: NEDLLSMX

6. Specific contractors' requirements and experience include **evidence of previously completed successful contracts of a similar nature.**
7. A margin of preference **will not** be applied.
8. A mandatory site visit will be held on **Wednesday, 23rd June 2010** at the Metolong Dam site commencing with a preliminary meeting at **9:00 hours** local time at Mmelesi Lodge, Thaba-Bosiu, which is situated along the main road to the Metolong dam.
9. All bids must be accompanied by a **Bid-Security** of **LSL 120,000.00** (One hundred twenty Thousand Maloti only) or an equivalent amount in a freely convertible currency, Tax clearance certificates (either original or copy certified at source) and trader's licence (either original or copy certified at source) where relevant.
10. Bids must be delivered to the address stated below before or on **Tuesday, 13th July 2010 at 11:00 hours local time.** Electronic bidding **will not** be permitted. Late bids will be rejected.

Bids will be opened in the presence of the bidders' representatives who choose to attend in person at the address below **immediately after the closing time the same day.**

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