

# **Invitation for Prequalification**

(Identification No. PQ/ CASA1000/ HVDC)

## ***FOR TURNKEY CONSTRUCTION OF MULTI-TERMINAL HVDC CONVERTER STATIONS IN PAKISTAN, AFGHANISTAN AND TAJIKISTAN WITH RELATED O&M SERVICES, ASSOCIATED WITH CASA 1000 PROJECT***

### ***(INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING)***

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Date: November 11, 2013

This invitation for prequalification follows the general procurement notice for this project that appeared in Development Business No: P145054 of November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2013 on-line and Bank's External website.

The countries of Pakistan, Afghanistan, Tajikistan and Kyrgyz Republic intend to apply for a loan/credit from the International Development Association, International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD), Islamic Development Bank (IsDB) and other banks toward the cost of the CASA 1000 Project, and they intend to apply part of the proceeds of this loan/credit to payments under the contract for "Turnkey construction of Multi-terminal HVDC Converter Stations in Pakistan, Afghanistan and Tajikistan with related O&M Services, associated with CASA 1000 Project" (the Package). The IGC - CASA Secretariat acting as the bid process coordinator for and on behalf of the Inter-Governmental Council (IGC) of the aforesaid countries, intends to prequalify contractors and/or firms for the said Package with the scope of work including but not limited to the following:

A. Engineering, design, manufacturing, testing, supply, installation and commissioning of the following:

- 1300 MW Converter Station at Sangtuda in Tajikistan.
- 300 MW Converter Station at Kabul in Afghanistan
- 1300 MW Converter Station at Peshawar in Pakistan.
- Repeater Stations at required locations for communication link through OPGW
- Electrode Stations at Sangtuda, Kabul and Peshawar.
- AC line bays in the existing Sub Stations (S/S) mentioned below:

In Tajikistan

- One number ICT bay at New Sangtuda 500 kV SS
- Supply, installation and commissioning of one 3x 167 MVA 500kV/220kV Transformer at Sangtuda (New-HVDC Pooling point)
- 500 kV line bay at Sangtuda(New HVDC Pooling point)
- 220 kV Yard at New Sangtuda 500 kV SS
- One 220 kV line bay and one 220 kV transformer bay at New Sangtuda 500 kV SS
- One 220 kV line bay at existing 220 kV SS

In Afghanistan

- Two numbers 220 KV AC line bays at existing Kabul 220 kV SS

- Two numbers 220 kV line bays at Kabul (New HVDC Pooling point).

In Pakistan

- Two numbers 500 kV AC line bays at 500 kV Peshawar New SS for accommodating LILO of 500 kV AC Tarbela Sheikh Muhammadi line.

B. Operation and Maintenance of the following for 15 years after successful commissioning:

- a) Converter Stations , Repeater Stations and Electrode Stations at A above
- b) Sangtuda – Kabul – Peshawar +/- 500 kV HVDC line (construction proposed under separate contract) .
- c) Electrode lines and Electrode Stations at Tajikistan, Afghanistan and Pakistan.

It is expected that invitations for bid will be made around first Quarter 2014.

Prequalification will be conducted through prequalification procedures specified in the World Bank's Guidelines: Procurement of Goods, Works and Non-consulting Services under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits and Grants by World Bank Borrowers dated January 2011, and is open to all bidders from eligible source countries, as defined in the guidelines.

The Pre-Qualification Documents (PQD) in English with Russian translation (in case of any discrepancy, the English version shall prevail) are available in PDF format at website [www.casa-1000.org](http://www.casa-1000.org) for free download. Interested applicants can download the PQD. The clarifications/amendments if any will also be posed in the PDF format for free download in the same website.

Interested eligible Applicants may obtain further information from and inspect the prequalification document at the IGC – CASA Secretariat (address below) from 0900 to 1600 Hours between November 11, 2013 and December 20, 2013.

Applications for prequalification should be submitted in sealed envelopes, delivered to the address below by December 23, 2013 (15:00 hours Almaty time), and be clearly marked "Application to Prequalify for "Turnkey construction of Multi-terminal HVDC Converter Stations in Pakistan, Afghanistan and Tajikistan with related O&M Services, associated with CASA 1000 Project". Electronic submission of applications is not permitted. Late applications will be rejected.

IGC reserves the right to cancel / withdraw this Invitation for Pre-qualification without assigning any reason and shall bear no liability whatsoever consequent upon such a decision.

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