

Specific Procurement Notice

Request for Bids Goods

(One-Envelope Bidding Process)

Country: *Republic of Tajikistan*

Name of Project: *Dushanbe Water Supply Wastewater Project*

Contract Title: *Procurement of Household Water Meter Units for Cold Water*

Loan No./Credit No./ Grant No.: *IDA Grant D4780-TJ*

RFB Reference No.: *DWSWPG-01*

1. The Republic of Tajikistan has received a Grant financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Second Dushanbe Water Supply Project , and intends to apply part of the proceeds toward payments under the Contract *DWSWPG-01 “Procurement of Household Water Meter Units for Cold Water”*, the Borrower shall process the payments using the Direct Payment disbursement method, as defined in the World Bank’s Disbursement Guidelines for Investment Project Financing, except for those payments, which the contract provides to be made through letter of credit.
2. The State Unitary Enterprise “Dushanbevodokanal” now invites sealed Bids from eligible Bidders for household watermeters (40000 pcs) and appurtenance, which are certified in Tajikistan (*delivery period 21.5 months*).
3. Bidding will be conducted through international competitive procurement using a Request for Bids (RFB) as specified in the World Bank’s “Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers” (*World Bank Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers*”, dated July 2016, revised November 2017 and August 2018), and is open to all eligible Bidders as defined in the Procurement Regulations.
4. Interested eligible Bidders may obtain further information from **State Unitary Enterprise “Dushanbevodocanal”, Mr. Sharif Alizoda, the Head of PIU, dwspcu@gmail.com** and inspect the Bidding Documents at the address:

State Unitary Enterprise “Dushanbevodocanal”

Address: **14-A Ayni Street, 4th floor, Room 4**

City: **Dushanbe**

Postal Code: **734042**

Country: **Republic of Tajikistan**

Telephone: **(+992-37)-222-20-49**

Facsimile number: (+992-37)-222-20-47

from October 15, 2020, from 09:00 to 16:00 o'clock Dushanbe time Monday to Friday.

5. The bidding document in English may be purchased by interested Bidders upon the submission of a written application to the address below.

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Mr. Sharif Alizoda, the Head of PIU

E-mail: dwspcu@gmail.com

6. *The procedures for submission of bids through email shall be:*

The Bidder must archive and encrypt its folder in a separate ZIP archive. Bidders shall use password that should be kept securely for the entire procurement process and only be disclosed to the Client as per instructions below. Disclosure of password by the Bidder is compromising the confidentiality principle and may result in the rejection of its proposal.

We recommend using the free 7-Zip (<https://www.7-zip.org>) (Archive format: zip) with AES-256 (Encryption method: AES-256). For security reasons the password shall have at least 12 characters.

Prior to the Bid Submission Deadline, Bidder sends the Bid (Bid.zip; Bid-HASH.txt) as attachment(s) to the e-mail procurement.scispm@gmail.com; with copy to dwspcu@gmail.com. The e-mail message including all attachments must not exceed 20MB. The subject line of the e-mail message should specify the Name of the Bid and Name of the Bidder. Password must NOT be sent at this stage. Bids containing passwords are compromising the confidentiality principle and are subject to rejection. Bidders must safely store the zip archives as submitted for the entire procurement process.

Important Note: If for technical reasons the archived bid exceeds the recommended size (20MB), then the archives must be split in volumes when archiving with each volume hashed separately and submitted in individual e-mails. In this case e-mails shall be numbered and all volumes be received by the Client not later than the bid submission deadline.

The Client shall confirm the receipt of each bid by e-mail with verification of integrity of the bids in the following 8 working hours. Therefore, the Bidders are recommended to send their bids in advance to allow the Client to confirm the receipt before the submission deadline. If such confirmation is not received by the Bidder in the specified timeframe, the Bidder shall contact the Client for clarifications.

The Bidder shall be available to interact with the Client via e-mail, phone and online conferencing tool proposed by the Client for at least 2 hours starting with the bid submission deadline.

Both Client and Bidders should check Inbox and SPAM folders for the receipt of electronic Bidding Documents, Bids and any related communication.

Original documents may be requested as part of the evaluation process and will be verified by the Purchaser before the signing of the contract.

7. *The online opening procedure shall be:*

At the bid submission deadline, the Client starts online conference for opening bids through the link [\[https://us04web.zoom.us/j/78899335312?pwd=N2VNZlYzTzY2STlrYVVLVVBsRjd6UT09\]](https://us04web.zoom.us/j/78899335312?pwd=N2VNZlYzTzY2STlrYVVLVVBsRjd6UT09) with Zoom. All bidders may join the conference either in person or through the link. Bidders must send the password of their bids encrypted file (Bid.zip) to the Client by email at the address specified in the ITB 20.2(a) not later than 30 minutes. If the Bidders have technical difficulties submitting the password for bid, they shall immediately inform the Client to get further instructions on alternatives on submitting the password. Bids that cannot be decrypted due to a corrupt file or invalid password but having the correct hash, or those for which the Bidders have not submitted/provided the passwords in the specified time, are subject to rejection.

Minutes of bids opening signed by the members of the opening committee will be promptly shared with all Bidders who submitted bids by email.

The opening shall take place at:

Street Address: **State Committee on Investment and State Property Management
of the Republic of Tajikistan, Shotemur 27**

Floor, room number: first floor, room 22

Dushanbe, Republic of Tajikistan

Date: November 30, 2020

Time: 03:00 PM (Dushanbe time)

8. All Bids must be accompanied by a “Bid-Securing Declaration”.
9. “Attention is drawn to the Procurement Regulations requiring the Borrower to disclose information on the successful bidder’s beneficial ownership, as part of the Contract Award Notice, using the Beneficial Ownership Disclosure Form as included in the bidding document.”

