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GENERAL PROCUREMENT NOTICE

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Abstract: **N/A**

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The Republic of Suriname has received financing in the amount equivalent to US$ 25,000,000 (Twenty Five million United States Dollar) from the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB), and it intends to apply part of the proceeds to payments for goods, works, related services and consulting services to be procured under the project *Water Supply Modernization Program* (WSMP). Bidding will be governed by the Inter-American Development Bank's eligibility rules and procedures.

The main objective of this project is to improve efficiency, quality, and financial and environmental sustainability of the potable water services provided by the Suriname Water Company (SWM). The specific objectives are to: (i) reduce NRW levels in the Central Region through the implementation of critical aspects of the 2015 NRW reduction strategy; (ii) increase availability of water supply services in Wanica through upgrading water production infrastructure; and (iii) modernize the operations and management of SWM through the implementation of key recommendations of the IP and the development of a water supply strategy for the interior.

The above objectives will be achieved through investments in three components:

Component 1: NRW reduction in Central Region (Paramaribo, Wanica and Para) (US$9 million). This component will be based on the 2015 NRW reduction strategy developed under 2451/OC-SU and lessons learned with a specific focus on the Central (Paramaribo, Wanica, and Para) Region of Suriname. Specific activities will include: (i) strengthening of the NRW unit through a technical assistance consultancy, which will develop the strategic requirements and plans for the establishment of the unit and ensure knowledge transfer to SWM while carrying out an updated water balance, a meter accuracy study, and a meter replacement plan; (ii) expansion of DMAs to help SWM establish and monitor at least five new DMAs, measures to reduce real and apparent losses in the selected DMAs through a systematic approach (The expansion of DMAs will include installation or replacement of water meters and service connections, active leak detection and repair, implementation of energy efficiency measures and smart water technologies for pressure management and meter reading); and (iii) updating of the customer database to ensure the current database information is accurate to facilitate SWM's informed decision making.

Component 2: Upgrading water production infrastructure (US$7.7 million). This component will finance infrastructure works to expand the Helena Christina pump station in order to increase the water treatment capacity and meet projected demands. A technical analysis of the alternatives for this component was financed under ATN/OC-17519-SU, which confirmed the feasibility, estimated costs, and cost-effectiveness of the selected area (OEL#2). Specific activities to be financed under this component include: (i) expansion and rehabilitation of the Helena Christina pump station (the expected works comprise: drilling of four wells, rehabilitation of two wells, installation of 8.5 km of transmission pipelines, expansion of production capacity, and installation of 12.5 km of distribution network (REL#3)); (ii) construction of two storage tanks at the Helena Christina pump station; and (iii) implementation of SCADA system for the Helena Christina pump station.

Component 3: Institutional strengthening and modernization of SWM (US$5.09 million). This component will finance the modernization of SWM operations and management, improvement of its planning, management and operations capacity, as well as prepare SWM for taking over responsibility for water supply in the interior. Specific activities to be financed by the loan operation include: (i) study for water supply solutions for the interior,22 including a focus on climate change impacts on water availability towards sustainable use of water; (ii) information technology consultancy to diagnose the current state and functionality of IT systems including an assessment of how the IT system can be updated to improve accessibility, including for people with disabilities, propose a strategy for improved integration and upgrading of IT systems and its implementation with considerations for cybersecurity,23 which will be crucial for SWM to respond to technological changes, allocate resources efficiently, and improve operational efficiency in view of potential seasonal changes in water availability due to climate variability and change; (iii) improved capacity of SWM's water quality laboratory towards accreditation and enhancing water quality monitoring capacity; (iv) design and implementation of a training program for women and men in water management, plumbing, and CC to raise awareness of the impacts and vulnerabilities that could put at risk water systems' operation, and to identify feasible adaptive water resources management options; (v) preparation of a cost study to determine the real cost of providing the service, which will empower SWM to request tariff adjustments based on reasonable costs; and (vi) assessment of the organizational structure and of the accessibility to SWM public offices.

Procurement processes of contracts financed by the Inter-American Development Bank will be conducted in accordance with the *Policies for Procurement of Goods and Works financed by the Inter-American Development Bank* (GN 2349-15), and is open to all eligible bidders as defined in the policies. Consulting services will be selected and contracted in accordance with the *Policies for the Selection and Contracting of Consultants financed by the Inter-American Development Bank* (GN 2350-15).

Specific procurement notices for contracts to be bid under the Inter-American Development Bank's international competitive bidding (ICB) procedures, will be published as they become available. For consulting services expected to cost an amount equivalent to US$. 200,000 or more, a request for expressions of interest contracts will be advertised in *UN Development Business*[i] *and Inter-American Development Bank's* Web Site and local newspapers where the request for expressions of interest will also be advertised.

Interested eligible bidders and consultants who wish to be included on the mailing list to receive invitations to prequalify/bid under ICB procedures, and interested consultants who wish to receive a copy of advertisement requesting expressions of interest for consultancy contracts, or those requiring additional information, should contact the address below:

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