

THE BAHAMAS
NEW PROVIDENCE ROAD TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM
Roadways
COMPLETION OF NEW PROVIDENCE ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT
Loan No. 1320/OC-BH

The Government of the Commonwealth of the Bahamas has received a loan, currently in the amount of US\$ 43,400,000 equivalent, from the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) toward the cost of the New Providence Road Transportation Program, and it intends to apply a portion of the loan proceeds to payments for goods, works, and related services to be procured under the roadway development component hereinafter referred to as the Completion of New Providence Road Improvement Project (CNPRIP). The project comprises the rehabilitation, improvement and expansion of the road network in predominantly urban areas on the island of New Providence in the Bahamas.

Procurement of contracts financed by the loan will be conducted through the procedures specified in the IDB's *Guidelines: Basic Procurement Policies and Procedures*, (1995, as amended by the addendum of 1998), and is open to all bidders from eligible IDB member countries as defined in the Guidelines.

The CNPRIP has been divided into several slices and the works to be constructed and completed under this program include two individual contracts as described below:

*Slice No. 1: Rehabilitation, improvement and expansion of (i) Corridor 10 (Baillou Hill Road from Independence Highway to Carmichael Road), (ii) Corridor 11A (Baillou Hill Road from Robinson Road to Duke Street), (iii) Corridor 11B (Market Street from Robinson Road to Duke Street), (iv) Corridor 12 (East Street from Soldier Road to Robinson Road), (v) Corridor 18 (West Bay Street, road realignment at Saunders Beach), and (v) Section 24 (John F. Kennedy Drive from Farrington Road to Bethel Avenue) – approximate length 6 miles

*Slice No. 2: Rehabilitation, improvement and expansion of (i) Corridor 13A (Robinson Road from Baillou Hill Road to Claridge Road), (ii) Corridor 13B (Robinson Road - Prince Charles Drive from Marathon Road to Fox Hill Road), (iii) Corridor 15 (Marathon Road from Robinson Road to Wulff Road), (iv) Corridor 16 (Wulff Road from Marathon Road to Bernard Road/Village Road), and (v) Section 23 (from Claridge Road to Marathon Road) – approximate length 7 miles

Bidders may bid for the two works contracts individually (Slice No. 1 or No. 2) or as a package (Slice No. 1 and No. 2). Bidding is open to all bidders from eligible IDB member countries.

The Ministry of Works and Utilities of the Commonwealth of the Bahamas now invites construction firms wishing to bid for the completion of the construction and rehabilitation of CNPRIP Slice No. 1 and/or Slice No. 2 that have started under a previous contract (the original contractor having gone into Receivership) to submit their respective bids in sealed envelopes, with proof of their legal status and technical and financial capacity for the provision of construction services. Interested parties may inspect the prequalification/bidding documents and obtain further information, including eligibility to participate, at the address below.

The two-envelope procedure shall be followed, whereby Envelope No. 1 ("Qualification") contains the qualification details and Envelope No. 2 ("Bid") contains the bid price itself. Bidders must be qualified to undertake the work for which they are bidding. Details of the qualification requirements are given in the bidding documents.

Interested parties may obtain the bidding documents at the third address below, between 0930 and 1630 hours, Monday through Friday, starting on 18 January 2006, upon payment of a non-refundable fee of B\$ 500 for each set. Prior payment is required at the second address below, and copy of the receipt shall be presented to Mott MacDonald Limited representative for release of bidding documents. A set shall comprise bidding documents for Slice No. 1 or Slice No. 2. Bidders wishing to bid for both slices individually or as a package must purchase both sets of documents. Payments may be made either in cash or by certified check, bank draft or money order issued by a bank operating in the Bahamas and made payable to the Public Treasury of the Bahamas. The documents may be collected by hand. However, it will not be necessary to make the request in person to receive a set of bidding documents as these can be sent via mail or courier service at the bidder's risk. Postage or courier costs shall be paid in advance.

Completed bidding documents must be enclosed in a sealed envelope for each slice clearly marked "Confidential - Completion of New Providence Road Improvement Project – Slice No. 1 and/or Slice No. 2". The original plus three copies of the bid(s) in sealed envelopes must be submitted to the Chairman, Tenders Board at the first address below, no later than 1000 hours on or before 20 March 2006. Submitted bids will be opened in the presence of the bidders who wish to attend and only Envelope No. 1 shall be opened at this time, immediately after the bid closing at the first address below. Bids shall include a bid security of US\$ 400,000 for each slice. Late applications will not be accepted and will be returned unopened.

For any enquiries, interested parties may contact Mr. Khader Alikhan, Special Projects Coordinator, Ministry of Works and Utilities (telephone and fax at the second address below).

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