

GUYANA
UNSERVED AREAS ELECTRIFICATION PROGRAMME – HINTERLAND PROJECT PREPARATION
COMPONENT
Power
PROCUREMENT OF SOLAR HOME SYSTEMS AND ACCESSORIES
1103/SF-GY; NCB – G-01-2006
Invitation for Bids

This invitation for bids follows the general procurement notice for this project that appeared in *UN Development Business* No. 578 of 16 March 2002.

The Government of Guyana has received financing from the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) toward the cost of the Unserved Areas Electrification Programme, which includes a Hinterland Project Preparation Component. As part of its Hinterland Strategy, the Government intends to conduct several demonstration projects and to apply part of the loan proceeds to payments under the contract for the procurement of solar home systems. This contract will be financed from IDB loan resources. Bidding will be governed by the IDB's eligibility rules and procedures.

The office of the Prime Minister now invites sealed bids from eligible and qualified bidders for the supply of approximately 61 solar home systems, including batteries, cable, charge controller and photovoltaic panels to be delivered at Capoey, Region 2, with related installation services. The delivery period is 15 to 30 days from the award of contract.

Bidding will be conducted through the national competitive bidding procedures specified in the IDB's *Policies for the Procurement of Works and Goods* and is open to all bidders from eligible source countries as defined in the policies.

Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information from the office of the Project Implementation Unit at the office of the Prime Minister and inspect the bidding documents at the first address below from 2 to 30 October 2006, Monday through Friday, during the hours of 0800 to 1630.

Qualifications requirements include: bidder's financial capacity, experience and technical capacity, delivery schedule, responsiveness to all lots. A margin of preference for eligible national contractors shall not be applied. Additional details are provided in the bidding documents.

A complete set of bidding documents, in English, may be purchased by interested bidders in person or on the submission of a written application to the first address below and upon payment of a non refundable fee of \$6,000 Guyana dollars. The method of payment will be by cash or manager's check. The bidding documents may be sent to interested eligible bidders outside of Guyana in electronic format at no extra cost. Request for bidding documents may be sent to the e-mail address below.

All bids must be accompanied by security in the amount of US\$ 4,250 or G\$ 850,000 and be delivered to the second address below at or before 0900 hours on Tuesday, 31 October 2006. Late bids will be rejected. Electronic bidding will not be permitted. Bids will be opened immediately thereafter, in the presence of the bidders' representatives or anyone who choose to attend in person.

Bidders registered in Guyana must submit the relevant Guyana Revenue Authority and National Insurance Scheme Compliance Certificates indicating that they have met their Income Tax and NIS obligation.

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