

JAMAICA

MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND YOUTH PRIMARY EDUCATION SUPPORT PROJECT

Education

FIRM TO PROVIDE AND INSTALL NETWORK

LOAN No. 1264-OC/JA

Deadline: 31 July 2007

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The Government of Jamaica (GOJ) has secured a loan No. 1264/OC-JA, from the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) to finance the Primary Education Support Project (PESP). The project will support the development and implementation of activities aimed at improving the delivery of primary level education in Jamaica. One of the main objectives of the project is to strengthen planning, evaluation and administrative capacity and to renovate outdated information systems at the central and regional levels of the Ministry through the implementation of an Education Management Information System (EMIS). In addition, it is thought that education results may be limited by inefficiencies in the system. The near-term actions focus on providing key persons in the central ministry and all regional offices with online access to mission-critical information relating to personnel, infrastructure, finance, school census, and National Assessment results. This requires a consistent, dependable network, integrated local area networks (LANs) at each location. It is envisioned that the LANs will be implemented on a phased basis.

The Ministry now invites international firms to provide and install LANs involved in improving the electrical infrastructure to support installation of computer equipment at its various locations as detailed below:

- Regional Offices (Region 2, Passley Gardens, Portland; Region 3, Huntley Avenue, Brown's Town, St. Ann; Region 4, 4 Kerr Crescent, Montego Bay, St. James; Region 5, 15-16 Nashville Subdivision, Main Street, Mandeville, Manchester; Region 6, Sucaba Glades, Old Harbour, St. Catherine)
- Caenwood Complex, 37 Arnold Road, Kingston 4 (details to be provided)

Locally based firms who are interested must be registered with the National Contracts Commission (NCC) and must be able to submit a valid Tax Compliance Certificate (TCC) at the time of tender. Foreign firms will be required to register with the NCC and obtain a valid TCC if selected for award. All interested firms must be from a member country of the IDB. The successful bidder will be required to provide a manufacturer's certificate for equipment supplied. Tender document will be available at a cost of J\$1,000 from the date mentioned below until one day prior to the closing date.

The availability of bid documents and the date and time of closing of the bid is indicated below.

- (i) Availability of documents: June 11, 2007
- (ii) Closing date: July 31, 2007 at 2:00 p.m.
- (iii) Tender opening: July 31, 2007 at 2:10 p.m.

For clarification (which should be submitted in writing) and deposit of bids, please see address below.

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