

IDB322-638/04

Country: GUYANA

Project: NEW AMSTERDAM - MOLESON CREEK ROAD REHABILITATION PROJECT

Sector: Miscellany

Abstract: GENERAL PROCUREMENT NOTICE

Loan No. 1554/SF-GY

The Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) has approved a loan to the Government of Guyana totaling US\$ 37 million as part of the financing for the Rehabilitation of the New Amsterdam – Moleson Creek Road. The total cost of the program is the equivalent of US\$ 41.45 million. The executing agency for the program will be the Ministry of Public Works and Communications. The main objectives of the project is to lower transport costs, reduce accident rates, improve access to an important agricultural area and facilitate regional integration between Guyana and Suriname. Additional objectives include providing support for the institutional strengthening of the Ministry of Public Works and Communications especially in the areas of transport planning. Feasibility studies for an improved Demerara River crossing as well as for rural transportation and an urban transportation study for Georgetown will also be financed under the loan over a five-year period which commenced in June 2004.

It is intended to apply the proceeds of the loan to the purchase of goods, services and works through international competitive bidding and other procurement procedures in accordance with the IDB procurement guidelines and the loan contract. Specific procurement notices (SPNs) for prequalification and invitation to bid are expected to occur as follows:

--Works - Rehabilitation of roadway (approximately 87 km) 3rd quarter 2004

--Consulting Services-- Supervision of construction
3rd quarter 2004

--Consulting Services – Feasibility study for the Demerara River Crossing
3rd Quarter 2004

--Consulting Services-- Rural Transportation Study
1st quarter 2005

--Consulting Services - Urban Transportation Study of Georgetown
1st quarter 2005

SPNs for the above will be placed in UN Development Business and at least one of the most widely circulated newspapers in Guyana.

In addition for works in excess of US\$ 1.0 million, supply of goods in excess of US\$ 250,000 and provision of consulting services in excess of US\$ 200,000, SPN's will be published in the Web site of UN Development Business as well as in the Bank's Web site.

Request for additional information should be sent to:

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