

Nigerian Agip Exploration Limited

Tender Opportunity: Provision of Environmental Studies/Services in NAE Deep Offshore

1. Introduction

Nigerian Agip Exploration (NAE) the operator of deep offshore blocks OML 125 and OML 134 (hereinafter called Company); intends to put in place a contract for the provision of environmental studies and services

NAE therefore uses this medium to inform suitable and reputable companies who possess suitable cognate experience in environmental studies and services; and with suitable equipment, premises and qualified employees to register or update their registration with NipeX for consideration in the subject opportunity.

2. Scope of Service

The required services will be for duration of twenty-four (24) months with option to extend for twelve (12) months starting from August 2012; and shall apply in the following water depths;

- Deep Offshore blocks – in water depths ranging between 150m to 1300m

The high level scope of required services includes but not limited to the following;

- Preliminary Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA)/Environmental, Health and Social Impact Assessment (EHSIA) Studies
- Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA)/Environmental, Health and Social Impact Assessment (EHSIA) Studies
- Environmental Evaluation Report
- Environmental Sensitivity Index Mapping

- Effluents Monitoring
- Air Quality Monitoring
- Ecological Seabed Survey

All work must be conducted in compliance with applicable regulations of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, as administered by the Federal Ministry of Environment (FME) and the Department of Petroleum Resources (DPR) per relevant requirements and guidelines governing environmental issues, impacts and their management.

With respect to facilities the following will be required – a dedicated survey vessel and suitable laboratory. All other equipment required for this service shall meet applicable statutory requirements, codes of practice and specifications

3. Mandatory Requirements

a) To be eligible for this tender exercise, interested Contractors are required to be pre-qualified in the 3.03.05 – Safety and Environmental (R & D) Services (Product/Services) in NipeX Joint Qualification System (NJQS) database. All successfully pre-qualified suppliers in this category will receive Invitation to Technical Tender (ITT).

b) To determine if you are pre-qualified and view the product/service category you are listed for: Open www.nipexng.com and access NJQS with your log in details, click on continue Joint Qualification Scheme tool, click check my supplier status and then click supplier product group.

c) If you are not listed in a product/service category you are registered with DPR to do business, contact NipeX office at 30, Oyinkan Abayomi Street, Ikoyi Lagos with your DPR certificate as evidence for verification and necessary update.

d) To initiate the JQS pre-qualification process, access www.nipexng.com to download application form, make necessary payments and contact NipeX office for further action

- e) To be eligible, all tenders must comply with the Nigerian Content requirements in the NipeX system.

4. Nigerian Content

Bidders are invited to express complete understanding, willingness and commitment to develop in-country capability and capacity for related work packages in compliance with the Nigerian Oil and Gas Industry Content Development Act (NOGICD Act 2010) and Cabotage Act.

Pursuant to the above, bidders' submissions shall be evaluated strictly with the minimum evaluation criteria defined in the NOGICD and the Cabotage Act.

Only bidders whose submissions are in compliance shall proceed to the next stage of the tendering process.

The information/documentation that will be required to be submitted by bidders at the ITT stage among others are as follows:

1. Preparation of Nigerian Content Plan that addresses utilization of Nigerian labour, services, materials and equipment for this service in order to achieve a minimum target as set out in line with the requirements of the NOGICD Act 2010.

2. Demonstrate that entity is a Nigerian company as defined in the NOGICD Act 2010. Where capacity is inadequate, genuine alliances with multinational companies for the purpose of technology transfer will be acceptable; the alliance or Joint venture will demonstrate with binding memorandum of agreement signed by chief executives of the entities evidences clear work share ratio among the parties and time frame for growth or transfer to be achieved.

3. Details of Applicant's company ownership and shareholding structure with certified true copies of CAC Forms Co2 and Co7, including company memorandum and article of association and other evidence of applicants incorporation.

4. Contact details (name, email and phone number) of Applicants key personnel

5. Evidence (personnel list and positions with organization chart to substantiate) of percentage of Nigerian nationals and the percentage of the total workforce that are Nigerians.

6. Evidence that 50% of the equipment deployed is owned by the Nigerian subsidiary if applying entity is NOGICD Act) if not the case provision of concrete plan to comply in the next 3 years.

7. Detail past experience/present commitment to staff training and development of Nigerian personnel. Furnish detailed training plan for the service.

8. Evidence of ownership of laboratory to be used for analyses or duly signed MOA (Memorandum of Agreement) for retained laboratory with contacts of laboratory owner representatives that can be contacted for verification purposes.

9. Describe specific programmes in place to transfer technology and skills to Nigerians.

10. Detailed training plan to target 10% of contract spend for training

11. Detailed description of the location of in-country committed facilities & infrastructure (assets, equipment laboratory, etc) in Nigeria to support this contract or submit a credible and verifiable plan towards setting up.

12. Provide Copy of Nigerian Content Equipment Certificate (NCEC) or evidence of application to NCDMB for the issuance of the certificate

Note: Failure to meet the Nigerian Content requirements is a "FATAL FLAW"

5. Closing Date

Only tenderers who are registered with NJQS Product/Service category 3.03.05 – Safety and Environmental (R & D) Services as on or before **31st July 2012** being the advert closing date shall be invited to submit Technical Bids.

6. Additional Information

This advertisement of “Tender Opportunity” shall not be construed as a commitment on part of NAE, nor shall it entitle. Applicants to make any claim whatsoever and/or seek any indemnity from NAE and/or any of its Partners by virtue of such Applicants having responded to this Advert.

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