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REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

The City of Matamoros, Tamaulipas, will receive funding from the North American Development Bank (NADB) through its Project Development Program (PDP) to finance the final designs and updates necessary for the West Zone Wastewater Treatment Plant Project, based on a system of lagoons stabilization of approximately 1000 lps. under the Official Mexican Specification NOM-001-SEMARNAT-1996.

In order to carry out the comprehensive project mentioned above, final designs need to be developed for relocating and equipping the transfer station and for closing the sites currently used to dispose of municipal solid waste. In addition, the cost of executing the final design for the new cell in the sanitary landfill needs to be updated. The City of Matamoros intends to contract the services of a consultant to carry out the concepts indicated above. Firms interested in providing consulting services for developing the necessary final designs and cost updates are hereby invited to submit expressions of interest in participating in this selection process. The selection process for consultant contracts financed with NADB funds will be carried out in accordance with NADB Procurement Policies and Procedures, and is open to firms from any country. The contract will be between the consultant and the City of Matamoros, Tamaulipas. A short-list of qualified firms will be drawn up and formally invited to submit proposals following this invitation.

Bid documents and terms of reference will be published in Spanish only.

Interested companies must have at least five (5) years experience in Mexico, the U.S. or another similar country, with consulting assignments related to the development and execution of municipal solid waste management projects.

In order to determine the capability and experience of consulting firms seeking to be short-listed, the following information should be provided:
-- A brief description of the company, its organization and services.
-- Details concerning the experience required for the work requested, during the last five years, including a brief description of the activities performed, contract amount, duration of the work and staff who participated.
-- Contact name and phone number as references for at least three of these projects, which have been completed within the last five years.
Curriculum vitae of staff available to work on this project, using the forms available on the Internet at: http://www.nadb.org/pdfs/bios.pdf. Only companies that submit CV’s for persons with direct experience in the activities described above and with the ability to work in Spanish will be considered. All CV’s must be signed by the person described therein and by the legal representative of the company.

Demonstrated ability to work in Spanish, since the bid documents, work product and reports will be delivered in Spanish.

Four copies of the above information must be submitted to the City of Nogales at the address indicated below, in an envelope marked “Expressions of Interest, Matamoros, West Zone Wastewater Treatment Plant Project”, no later than 5:00 P.M. (local time), on Monday, July 21, 2007.

The City of Matamoros cannot be held liable for the loss or late delivery of documents, whether by the firm or a courier service. Every company is responsible for delivering its documents on time.

For more information about this project, contact: Ing. Rodolfo Cazares Garza, Junta de Aguas y Drenaje de la ciudad de Matamoros. Address: Ave. Virgilio Garza Ruiz S/N, Acceso al Fracc. Puerto Rico, H. Matamoros Tam, Mx. C.P. 87344 Telephone (868) 1502130, Fax (868) 1502126, E-mail: rodcasz@jad.com.mx

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NORTH AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK
Comisión Estatal del Agua de Tamaulipas
Falcón – Matamoros Aqueduct Project
Cd. Victoria, Tamaulipas, Mexico

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

The Tamaulipas state water agency, Comisión Estatal del Agua de Tamaulipas (CEAT), has requested funding from the North American Development Bank (NADB) through its Project Development Program (PDP) to perform studies required for the development of the Falcón – Matamoros aqueduct project.

CEAT intends to engage the services of a consultant with legal, financial and economic expertise to provide support during the prefase, project development and construction bidding phases of the Falcón – Matamoros aqueduct project.

The studies are scheduled to begin on September 10, 2008 and will take an estimated 150 days to complete.

Interested firms are hereby invited to submit expressions of interest in submitting proposals for these consulting services. The selection process for contracts financed with NADB funds will be carried out in accordance with NADB Procurement Policies and Procedures, and is open to firms from any country. The contract will be between the consultant and CEAT. A short-list of the most qualified firms will be drawn up and formally invited to submit proposals following this invitation. The bid documents and terms of reference will be published in Spanish only.

Interested firms may participate by forming a consortium; however, they must comply with the following requirements:
1. At least one of the consortium members must have a minimum of ten (10) years in existence.

2. At least one of the consortium members and/or their directors of national and international repute as supported by important national and international publications on similar topics, must have a minimum of ten (10) years of experience in the design and evaluation of social programs and/or socioeconomic studies of utility services or similar work.

3. At least one of the consortium members of national and international repute must have experience in providing legal advisory services in the following areas:
   a. Infrastructure projects, with a minimum of ten (10) years of experience in this area.
   b. Water utilities, having provided consulting services for at least two (2) projects involving national and international bidding for construction of water works.

4. At least one of the consortium members must have experience in providing financial advisory services in the following areas:
   a. Water collection and transmission.
   b. Mexican federal states, having provided consulting services for at least ten (10) Mexican states and, in particular, the State of Tamaulipas.
   c. Amendments to legal ordinances in at least five (5) Mexican states.
   d. Implementation of financial schemes with private sector participation in the form of Build-Operate-Transfer (BOT), service, or similar contracts, in at least five (5) Mexican states.

In order to determine the capability and experience of the interested firms, the following information must be provided in Spanish:
1. A brief description of the company, its organization and services.
2. Details concerning experience and similar assignments undertaken in the past five years, including a description of the activities performed, place, contract amount, duration of the work and names of staff who participated, as well as a contact name and phone number for at least three of the completed projects as references, which will be verified.
3. Curriculum vitae of key staff with direct experience in the aforementioned areas who would work on this project, signed by the individual and the legal representative of the company.
4. Demonstrated ability to work in Spanish, since the bid documents, work product and reports will be in Spanish.

Six copies of the above information must be submitted to CEAT at the address indicated below, in an envelope marked “Expresión de interés, Acueducto Falcón-Matamoros,” by 2:00 p.m. (local time), on July 18, 2008. Cd. Victoria, Tamaulipas, México.

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For more information about the selection process and submission of documents, interested firms should contact:

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Cd. Victoria, Tamaulipas, Mexico, June 23, 2008

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