



Ministry of Infrastructure and Public Utilities

Invitation for Bids Provision of Shipping Services to Tafea West

Date : Tuesday 26th May, 2015
Loan/Grant : Loan 2820/Grant 0273 – VAN; Vanuatu Inter-Island Shipping Support Project
Contract : MIPU-VISSP-SSS-006 Provision of Shipping Services for Route SSS2B-Tafea West
Deadline for Bids : Tuesday 7th July 2015

1. The Republic of Vanuatu has received a loan from the Asian Development Bank (ADB) and a grant from the New Zealand Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (NZMFAT) towards the cost of the Vanuatu Inter-Island Shipping Support Project. Part of the funding will be used for the provision of shipping services to remote areas. A contractor will be selected by competitive bidding to provide a monthly service between Port Vila and specified call points in Tafea Province.

2. Bidding will be conducted under Vanuatu procurement rules with minor amendments to comply with ADB Guidelines for National Competitive Bidding (NCB) using a Single-Stage One Envelope approach. Bidding is open to bidders from eligible member countries of the ADB.

3. The Ministry of Infrastructure and Public Utilities invites sealed bids from eligible bidders for the provision of a monthly passenger and cargo shipping service from Port Vila to Aneityum and specified call points on the west coasts of Erromango and Tanna. The contract period is one (1) year.

4. Bids are invited from companies offering vessels that meet the following requirements:

- a Near Coastal or higher safety classification,
- is certified for at least 60 passengers,
- has a cargo capacity of at least 80 weight tonnes or 80 cubic metres, and
- has a minimum speed of 7 knots.

5. To obtain further information, bidders should contact:
Ina Yasmine Kamasteia
Shipping Administrator, MIPU
Telephone: +678 22790
Email: ikamastela@vanuatu.gov.vu

To inspect or collect the bidding documents, bidders should contact:
Mr Johnson Wabaiat
Director VPMU
Vila Mall
Rue de Paris
Port Vila

6. To purchase the bidding documents, eligible bidders should:

Pay a non-refundable fee of Vatu2,500 by cash or bank cheque payable to *Government of the Republic of Vanuatu* at:
Ministry of Finance
Port Vila

Present their payment receipt at:
Vanuatu Project Management Unit
Vila Mall
Rue de Paris
Port Vila

7. All bids must be lodged in the tender box at the following address **on or before 2:00 pm Tuesday 7th July 2015 local Vanuatu time:**

Vanuatu Project Management Unit
Vila Mall
Rue de Paris
Port Vila

8. All prospective bidders are invited to attend a pre-bid meeting to be held at the VPMU Conference Room, Villa Mall, Rue De Paris, Port Vila, starting at 09:00 am on Tuesday 9th June 2015.