



**Vanuatu Inter-Island Shipping Support Project
ADB Loan 2820/Grant 0273 – VAN
Request for Tenders for a Supported Shipping Service to Tafea
Province**

Date : Saturday, 1st February, 2014
Loan No. and Title : Loan 2820/Grant 0273 – VAN; Vanuatu Inter-island Shipping Support Project

Contract No. and Title : VISSP 2/14
: Provision of Shipping Services for Route VSSS-2 Tafea

Deadline for Bids : 2:00 PM on Monday 3rd March, 2014

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 payments under the contract named above. A contractor will be selected by competitive tender to provide one round-trip sailing per month 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 and is open to bidders from eligible member countries of the ADB.
3. The Ministry of Infrastructure and Public Utilities (“the Employer”) invites sealed bids from eligible bidders for the provision of shipping services from Port Vila to the islands of Tafea Province.
4. Bids are invited only from companies with the relevant experience and sound financial standing. Bidders will be required to demonstrate in their bids that they have a vessel that:
 - Has Near Coastal or higher safety classification;
 - Is certified for at least 50 passengers;
 - Has a minimum weight capacity of 50 tonnes and a minimum volumetric capacity of 50 cubic metres; and
 - Has a minimum speed of 7 knots.
5. To obtain further information, bidders should contact:
Mr Johnson Wabaiat,
Director, VPMU,
Telephone: +678 33240
Email: jwabaiat@vanuatu.gov.vu

To inspect /collect the bidding documents, bidders should contact:
VPMU Director
(Mr Johnson Wabaiat, as above)
Vila Mall
Rue de Paris
Port Vila

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

- Pay a non-refundable fee of Vatu 2,500 by Cash payable to Central Cashier , Government of the Republic of Vanuatu. Opening Hours are from 8:00am to 3:00pm Monday to Friday.
 - Visit the office of Vanuatu Project Management Unit, Vila Mall, Rue de Paris, Port Vila for collection of documents.
7. Deliver your bid:
- To the Tender Box, at the address below
Vanuatu Project Management Unit
Vila Mall, Rue de Paris
Port Vila
 - On or before the deadline: 2:00 PM, Monday 3rd March, 2014
 - All bids to be clearly marked with the contract no. and title as noted above.

Address for Submission of Bids:

Vanuatu Project Management Unit
Vila Mall
Rue de Paris
Port Vila