

ADVANCE CIVIL ENGINEERING WORKS FOR PUBLIC HOUSING
DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS BATCH 8 (2017–2019)
NOTICE OF PRE-QUALIFICATION OF TENDERERS

Pre-qualification of tenderers is hereby invited for the 'Advance Civil Engineering Works for Public Housing Development Projects Batch 8 (2017–2019)' Contract at various sites at Kwai Tsing District and Sha Tin District.

The contract mainly comprises the following works:—

- (a) road improvement and associated works; and
- (b) drainage connection, improvement and associated works.

The contract is expected to commence in Q4/2017 with a contract period of approximately 24 months.

Only contractors satisfying the following criteria are eligible for the pre-qualification:—

- (i) They must be currently Group B or C contractors in the 'Roads and Drainage' category on the Development Bureau's 'List of Approved Contractors for Public Works' and Registered General Building Contractors with the Buildings Department;
- (ii) They must be undertaking or have completed at least one local contract on roads and drainage works with a value over HK\$20M, with experience in traffic/utilities diversion and excavation permit application, for the Hong Kong Housing Authority (HKHA), other government departments, quasi-government bodies or private employers in the past 3 years (counting from the date of this Gazette Notice). The contract under consideration must have been carried out in built-up areas;
- (iii) They must have less than 10% of 'Adverse' reports for all their current or completed HKHA or other government 'Roads and Drainage' category projects in the past 3 years (counting from the date of this Gazette Notice);
- (iv) They must have achieved ISO 9001 certification with scope of certification covering roads and drainage works;
- (v) They must meet the capital requirements set out in 'Notes for Submission of Financial Information for Financial Evaluation' collected separately from the office of Civil Engineering Section 2, 6th Floor, Block 3, Housing Authority Headquarters, 33 Fat Kwong Street, Ho Man Tin, Kowloon from Friday, 17 February 2017;
- (vi) They are not being restricted or suspended from tendering or removed from the Development Bureau's 'List of Approved Contractors for Public Works' in the 'Roads and Drainage' category when being considered for admission to the pre-qualified tenderers list and tender out; and
- (vii) They must be able to demonstrate reasonable understanding of the contract requirements and capability of delivering quality works in a timely manner during the pre-qualification interview to be invited separately after they have expressed interest to tender.

Contractors who are interested in the pre-qualification to tender for the above-mentioned contract are requested to submit the following information with their application, in duplicate:—

- (I) Their company profiles including management structures;
- (II) Details of their contract(s) mentioned in item (ii) of the pre-qualification criteria, including nature and scope of the contract(s), commencement and completion dates of the contract(s), sum of the contract(s), names and contact details of the employer(s);
- (III) Records of HKHA and other government departments' performance assessment on all their current and completed 'Roads and Drainage' category projects in the past 3 years (counting from the date of this Gazette Notice);
- (IV) Certified true copy of their ISO 9001 certification indicating scope of certification covering roads and drainage works; and
- (V) Schedules of information for financial evaluation. The set of schedules entitled 'Submission of Financial Information for Financial Evaluation' can be collected from the office of Civil Engineering Section 2, 6th Floor, Block 3, Housing Authority Headquarters, 33 Fat Kwong Street, Ho Man Tin, Kowloon from Friday, 17 February 2017. The completed

schedules are to be enclosed in a separately sealed and confidential envelope addressed to 'Finance Sub-division, Risk Management Unit of the Hong Kong Housing Authority'.

Contractors must confirm:—

- (A) their compliance with the 'related company restriction' when accepting the pre-qualification invitation. For related companies with relationship falling within the meaning of 'related parties' as defined in the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (HKICPA)—Hong Kong Accounting Standard (HKAS 24) (Revised), only one of these companies is allowed to submit a tender for this Contract;
- (B) their agreement to abide by this expression of interest to Pre-qualification of tenderers for the period of 6 months from the date fixed for receiving the same and it shall remain binding upon them and may be accepted at any time before the expiry of this period; and
- (C) in writing their acceptance of 'tender irregularity restriction' when accepting the pre-qualification invitation, as follows:—
'Without prejudice to the rights and remedies which we may have, should you fail to submit tender after you have committed to do so or withdraw your tender after submission, your participation in future pre-qualification/tendering exercise will be adversely affected, as such failure has reflected the poor attitude and sincerity of a tenderer in preparing and submitting a tender.'

Application in writing including completed schedules mentioned in item (V) above shall be labelled with the title of this Contract and reference number: 20160058, addressed to the Chairman, Tender Opening Committee, Hong Kong Housing Authority, by 10.00 a.m. Friday, 17 March 2017 in one of the following ways:—

- (1) be deposited personally in the Hong Kong Housing Authority Tender Box situated at Ground Floor, Block 2, Housing Authority Headquarters, 33 Fat Kwong Street, Ho Man Tin, Kowloon, Hong Kong, or
- (2) be sent by post or courier to:—
The Chairman, Tender Opening Committee,
c/o Receipt and Dispatch Unit,
The Hong Kong Housing Authority,
Basement 1, Block 2,
Housing Authority Headquarters
33 Fat Kwong Street, Ho Man Tin, Kowloon
Hong Kong

Late submissions shall not be considered. Only those contractors who can satisfactorily demonstrate possession of the necessary experience and capability as well as fulfillment to the pre-qualification criteria above will be allowed to tender. Inclusion in the list of tenderers will be at the entire discretion of the Hong Kong Housing Authority.

17 February 2017

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