G.N. 5645 Housing Authority

TENDER FOR SUPPLY AND INSTALLATION OF SPLIT TYPE ROOM COOLER TERM CONTRACT (2020/21 TO 2021/22) FOR HOUSING AUTHORITY ESTATES, AREAS AND BUILDINGS (CONTRACT NO.: 20199084)

NOTICE OF PRE-QUALIFICATION OF TENDERERS

It is intended to invite tenders in Year 2019 from pre-qualified tenderers for supply and installation of split type room cooler term contract with contract period from 2020 to 2022 for Housing Authority Estates, Areas and Buildings. The contract is expected to commence in July 2020.

Contractors meeting the following requirements are now invited to apply for pre-qualification for tendering:—

- (a) The Contractor must be a local registered limited company;
- (b) The Contractor must be the sole agent/authorized dealer in Hong Kong of the product manufacturer. In case the sole agent and the authorized dealer of the same models of split type room coolers belong to the same company group, only one of them is allowed to tender;
- (c) The Contractor must possess valid ISO 9001 certificate;
- (d) All split type room coolers supplied by the Contractor must be in compliance with the Electrical Products (Safety) Regulation and the requirements of Environmental Protection Department (EPD);
- (e) The maximum noise level emitted by the proposed split type room coolers must not exceed 55 dB(A) and 60 dB(A) when measured at indoor and outdoor respectively at a distance of 1.5 metre from the unit;
- (f) The Contractor must have supplied, installed and maintained at least 300 split type room coolers in the past three years;
- (g) The Contractor must be a Registered Supplier of Regulated Electrical Equipment in compliance with the producer responsibility scheme on waste electrical and electronic equipment or in short 'WPRS' under the Product Eco-responsibility Ordinance (Chapter 603) and the Waste Disposal Ordinance (Chapter 354) and comply with the relevant requirements of EPD;
- (h) The split type room coolers supplied by the Contractor shall be Energy Efficiency Grade 1 or Grade 2 under Mandatory Energy Efficiency Labelling Scheme for room coolers administered by the Electrical and Mechanical Services Department. For those ceiling mounted type room coolers as detailed in Code of Practice on Energy Labelling of Products, the Contractor shall undertake to offer split type room coolers of Energy Efficiency Grade 1 or Grade 2 under 'The Hong Kong Voluntary Energy Efficiency Labelling Scheme for Room Air Conditioners' in pre-qualification stage and the Contractor shall produce the certificates for authentication after award of the contract(s);
- (i) For split type room coolers supplied by the Contractor having cooling capacity exceeding 4.8 kW, it shall be at least Energy Efficiency Grade 3; and
- (j) Not being imposed any regulatory action by HA for works of similar nature when being considered for admission to the pre-qualified tenderers list, tender invitation, tender return and tender assessment.

Contractors' application letters expressing their interest in being pre-qualified shall be labelled with the title of this Contract and Contract number: 20199084, addressed to the Chairman, Tender Opening Committee, Hong Kong Housing Authority, on or before 10.00 a.m. Friday, 4 October 2019 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, 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, Kowloon Hong Kong

Companies who do not register before the due date will not be considered for the pre-qualification, and their names will not be put on the list of tenderers.

Companies who have shown their interest will be required to complete and submit a questionnaire in due course. The eligibility of contractors to tender for the above Term Contracts shall be assessed based on the above requirements and their proven capability and performance. Selected contractors will then be separately invited to tender.

The tender to be invited will be covered by the Agreement on Government Procurement of the World Trade Organization and is anticipated to be issued in fourth quarter of 2019.

The contractors will be required to confirm their compliance with 'related company restriction' Note 1, when accepting pre-qualification invitation. For related companies, only one of these companies is allowed to submit a tender for each contract.

The contractors will be required to confirm in writing their acceptance of the following 'tender irregularity restriction', when accepting 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.'

The Hong Kong Housing Authority reserves the right to reject any application.

Note 1 Companies are deemed to be related if their relationship falls within the meaning of 'related parties' as defined in the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (HKICPA—Hong Kong Accounting Standard (HKAS 24), on Related Party Disclosures.

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