

It is hereby notified that sealed tenders in duplicate are invited for **Contract No. 5/WSD/19—Improvement to Dongjiang Water Mains P4 at Sheung Shui and Fanling (Public Works Programme Item No. 9368WF)**. The works mainly comprise the replacement of about 5 kilometres of the aged glass reinforced plastic (GRP) pipes of Dongjiang water mains P4. The works are scheduled to commence in March 2020 and will take about 24 months to complete.

Tenders must be clearly marked with the tender reference and the subject of the tender on the outside of the envelope (but should not bear any indication which may relate the tender to the tenderer) addressed to the Chairman, Central Tender Board and placed in the Government Secretariat Tender Box situated at the lobby of the Public Entrance on the Ground Floor, East Wing, Central Government Offices, 2 Tim Mei Avenue, Tamar, Hong Kong, before 12.00 noon on Friday, 17 January 2020. Tenders must be deposited in the tender box as specified in this tender notice ('Specified Tender Box') before the tender closing time. Late tenders and tenders not deposited in the Specified Tender Box will not be accepted. If tropical cyclone signal No. 8 or above is hoisted, or a black rainstorm warning signal or 'extreme conditions after super typhoons' announced by the Government is/are in force at any time between 9.00 a.m. and 12.00 noon on Friday, 17 January 2020, the tender closing time will be postponed to 12.00 noon on the first working day after the tropical cyclone signal No. 8 is lowered, or the black rainstorm warning signal or the 'extreme conditions after super typhoons' announced by the Government has/has ceased to be in force. In case of blockage of the public access to the location of the Specified Tender Box at any time between 9.00 a.m. and 12.00 noon on Friday, 17 January 2020, the Government will announce extension of the tender closing time until further notice. Following removal of the blockage, the Government will announce the extended tender closing time as soon as practicable. The above announcements will be made *via* press releases on the website of Information Services Department (<http://www.info.gov.hk/gia/general/today.htm>).

Forms of tender and further particulars are obtainable from Water Supplies Department, 44th Floor, Immigration Tower, 7 Gloucester Road, Wan Chai, Hong Kong (Telephone No.: (852) 2829 4591, Fax No.: (852) 2507 5847).

Selective tendering is adopted. Contractors on the List of Approved Contractors for Public Works in Group C (confirmed) for Waterworks Category or joint ventures with participation of local and/or overseas contractors with the lead participant or the major shareholder being on the List of Approved Contractors for Public Works in Group C (confirmed) for Waterworks Category who also meet the following requirement and the qualifications and conditions for participation stipulated in the tender documents are invited to tender:—

The tenderer has completed in the past 6 years at least 1 mainlaying contract in or outside Hong Kong with an adjusted contract sum of not less than HK\$300 million, counting from the original date set for the close of tender. The adjusted contract sum shall be the awarded contract sum adjusted to current price level as stipulated in the tender documents. In the case of tender submitted by a joint venture tenderer, all participants or shareholders of the joint venture tenderer shall be collectively assessed as one entity as specified in the tender documents.

Contractors not yet on the List of Approved Contractors for Public Works in Group C (confirmed) for Waterworks Category may also submit a tender if they submit a request for participation together with a duly completed application for inclusion in the above-mentioned approved list/category by 24 December 2019 to Chief Engineer/Design, Water Supplies Department, on 46th Floor, Immigration Tower, 7 Gloucester Road, Wan Chai, Hong Kong, meet the qualifications and conditions for participation, and the application for inclusion is duly approved on or before the tender closing date. Details for making the application are available at:—

http://www.devb.gov.hk/en/construction_sector_matters/contractors/index.html

Contractors will be liable to have their names removed from the approved list(s) if they fail or refuse to implement an accepted tender.

This tender is covered by the Agreement on Government Procurement of the World Trade Organization and will not involve electronic auction. This notice also serves as a summary notice required under the Agreement on Government Procurement of the World Trade Organization.

A charge will be levied for delivery of tender documents where the delivery of tender documents is requested by a tenderer. A written request must be made.

The Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region does not bind itself to accept any tender irrespective of whether the tender is the lowest bid or where the assessment of tenders is based on a marking scheme or formula approach, the tender with the highest overall score.

The Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region reserves the right to negotiate with any tenderer about the terms of the offer.

Details of the award of this contract will be published in the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Gazette and made available on the Internet at (http://www.gld.gov.hk/eng/services_2_c.htm).

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