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It is hereby notified that sealed tenders in duplicate are invited for Contract No. YL/2020/01, Development of Lok Ma Chau Loop: Main Works Package 1—Contract 1 Site Formation and Infrastructure Works inside Lok Ma Chau Loop and Western Connection Road Phase 1. The works mainly include:—

- (i) ground treatment and site formation works of about 75 hectares (ha) within Lok Ma Chau Loop (the Loop);
- (ii) construction of about 3 000 metres (m) long carriageway and associated footpaths and cycle tracks, and a public transport interchange within the Loop;
- (iii) construction of Western Connection Road Phase 1 through widening of existing Ha Wan Tsuen East Road of about 800 m long, associated ground treatment and site formation works, construction of cycle track, footpath, slopes and retaining walls, and construction of about 60 m long bridge over the old Shenzhen River meander;
- (iv) provision of other infrastructures, including a tertiary sewage treatment works and sewerage system, water supply system, drainage system, and other associated works; and
- (v) environmental mitigation measures including about 18 ha offsite wetland compensation and about 1.3 ha offsite woodland compensation.

The works are scheduled to commence in June 2021 and will take about 52 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, 26 February 2021. 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, 26 February 2021, 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/have 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, 26 February 2021, 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 Mr. Conrad NG, Vice President, AECOM Asia Company Limited on 12th Floor, Tower 2, Grand Central Plaza, 138 Sha Tin Rural Committee Road, Sha Tin, New Territories, Hong Kong (Tel No.: (852) 3922 9000, Fax No.: (852) 3922 9797).

Selective tendering is adopted. Contractors on the List of Approved Contractors for Public Works in Group C (confirmed) under the Roads and Drainage Category or joint ventures with participation of local and/or overseas contractors with one of the members being on the List of Approved Contractors for Public Works in Group C (confirmed) under the Roads and Drainage Category who also meet the following qualifications and other conditions for participation stipulated in the tender documents are invited to tender:—

- (i) In case of a joint venture tenderer,
 - (a) the total percentage participation of participant(s) or shareholder(s) who is/are contractor(s) included in the List of Approved Contractors for Public Works in Group C (confirmed) under the Roads and Drainage Category is at least 40%; and
 - (b) the percentage participation of the lead participant or major shareholder who is not a contractor included in the List of Approved Contractors for Public Works in Group C (confirmed) under the Roads and Drainage Category is no more than 60%.

(ii) The tenderer, or the lead participant or major shareholder in case of a joint venture tenderer, has completed at least one roads and drainage construction contract, with an adjusted contract value of not less than HK\$1,650 million, in or outside Hong Kong, within the past 10 years counting from the original date set for the close of tender. The adjusted contract value shall be the awarded contract value being adjusted to current price level as stipulated in the tender documents.

The detailed requirements on the tenderer's qualification and those for joint ventures with participation of local and/or overseas contractors, if applicable, are stipulated in the tender documents.

Contractors not yet on the List of Approved Contractors for Public Works in Group C (confirmed) for Roads and Drainage 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 29 January 2021 to Chief Engineer/West 5, West Development Office, Civil Engineering and Development Department, on 25th Floor, Tsuen Wan Government Offices, 38 Sai Lau Kok Road, Tsuen Wan, New Territories, 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 the tenders is based on a marking scheme or formula approach, the tender with the highest overall mark.

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).

24 December 2020

Ricky C.K. LAU Director of Civil Engineering and Development