

It is hereby notified that sealed tenders are invited for the following contract:—

Tender Reference *Subject*

RR22001 The Pilot Scheme on Application of Reverse Vending Machines—Stage 3

Tenders are invited for the provision of Reverse Vending Machine (RVM) services under Stage 3 of the pilot scheme for collecting plastic beverage containers, subject to and in accordance with the terms and conditions as set out in the Tender Document. The contract is scheduled to commence in Quarter 3 of 2023 (tentative) for a period of thirty-two months.

(For paper-based tendering) Completed Tender Documents and all accompanying documents must be completed, signed in SIX identical copies (one original and five copies) and enclosed in a sealed plain envelope 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 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 (Hong Kong Time) on 31 March 2023. Tenders must be deposited in the tender box as specified in this tender notice ('Specified Tender Box') before the tender closing time. Late tenders or tenders not deposited in the Specified Tender Box will not be accepted.

(For electronic tendering) The tender shall be submitted in accordance with the requirements specified in the tender document, the terms and conditions of use and participation of the e-Tendering System ('e-TS') (<https://www.gov.hk/en/theme/etendering/terms/>).

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 (Hong Kong Time) on 31 March 2023, the tender closing time will be postponed to 12.00 noon (Hong Kong Time) 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 (Hong Kong Time) on 31 March 2023, 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 following website of Information Services Department (<http://www.info.gov.hk/gia/general/today.htm>).

The tender documents and further particulars are obtainable from the Supplies Section, Environmental Protection Department at 5th Floor, Chinachem Exchange Square, 1 Hoi Wan Street, Quarry Bay, Hong Kong (Tel. No.: (852) 2963 9472; Fax No.: (852) 2856 5587).

You may access e-TS through (https://www.ets.gov.hk/eTp_ext/views/tenderDtlsDirect.zul?token=18ce918ba32855ebb3466bf3e384f343d8ed3d4c4338d2c1f60c842b1266c148) to download tender documents and/or submit tenders electronically for this tender before the tender closing time. Please visit (<https://www.gov.hk/tc/theme/etendering/downloads/video/Introduction.mp4>) for the introduction video of e-TS for more details. User manuals and videos are also available in e-TS to guide you through the operating process. If you encounter any technical problems on the use of e-TS, please contact the helpdesk of e-TS through email at (info@ets.gov.hk) or by phone at 6310 9329.

Additional information is available on the Internet at the following address:—

https://www.epd.gov.hk/epd/english/business_job/business_opp/tender.html

Open tendering is adopted. All interested contractors/suppliers/service providers are invited to tender. The qualifications/conditions for participation and other tender requirements are stipulated in the Terms of Tender and Terms of Tender (Supplement) in the tender document.

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.

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, as the assessment of the tenders is based on a marking scheme, the tender has the highest combined score of financial offer and technical proposal, and reserves the right to negotiate with any tenderer about the terms of the offer.

Details of the award of the contracts will be published on the Internet at:—

<https://pcms2.gld.gov.hk/iprod/#/scn00101?lang-setting=en-US>

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