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**MD-Ceadîr-Lunga: BERD - Ampliación del sistema de aguas residuales en Ceadîr-Lunga
2011/S 231-375233**

INVITATION FOR TENDERS

Project name: Moldova - Water Utilities Development Programme

Country: Moldova

Business sector: Municipal and environmental infrastructure

Project ID: 6534-IFT-40267

Funding source: EBRD, EIB, NIF

Type of contract: Works

Type of notice: Invitation for Tenders

Issue date: 24 November 2011

Closing date: 27 January 2012 at 12:00 noon, Chisinau time

This Invitation for Tenders follows the General Procurement Notice for this project which was published on the EBRD website, Procurement Notices (www.ebrd.com) on 7 July 2011.

JSC "APA TERMO", hereinafter referred to as "the Employer", intends using part of the loan from the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (the Bank), European Investment Bank and a grant from the EU's Neighbourhood Investment Facility towards the cost of: Extension of wastewater system in Ceadir Lunga.

The Employer now invites sealed tenders from contractors for the following contract to be divided into 4 lots and to be funded from part of the proceeds of the loan:

The overall contract objective is: to extend the sewer system with 38.2 km of sewer with diameter between 75 mm - 300 mm, to design and build 4 wastewater pumping stations and to rehabilitate 1 wastewater pumping station. Lot 1 comprises new sewers of some 9.4km, lot 2 12km of new sewer and a small below ground sewage pumping station, lot 3 8km of new sewer and 3 small below ground sewage pumping station and lot 4 10km of new sewer and the refurbishment of an existing sewage pumping station. The contract duration is 30 months, including 12 months for Defects Notification Period.

Tendering for contracts to be financed with the proceeds of a loan from the EBRD is open to firms, joint ventures, consortia or other unincorporated groupings of two or more persons from any country or countries.

The Tenderer shall furnish, as part of its tender, documentary evidence of the Tenderer's qualifications to perform the contract if its Tender is accepted. Tenderers wishing to submit tenders for more than 1 lot should meet cumulative requirements equal to the sum of individual requirements for corresponding lots and establishing to the Employer's satisfaction that:

- (i) an average annual turnover per lot as main contractor (defined as billing for work in progress and completed) over the last three (3) years of €1,000,000.
- (ii) successful experience as prime contractor in a 3 projects of a nature and complexity comparable to the proposed contract over the last 5 years, each with a value of at least €400,000 per lot.
- (iii) has executed at least one construction project of a similar nature in the region (Eastern Europe) within the last five (5) years.
- (vi) The Tenderer shall demonstrate that it has access to, or has available, liquid assets, unencumbered real assets, lines of credit, and/or other financial means sufficient to meet the construction for a period of 3 months estimated at not less than €100,000 equivalent for each lot, taking into account the applicant's commitments to other contracts.
- (vii) The Tenderer, and each partner in case of a joint venture, shall provide accurate information on any current or past litigation or arbitration resulting from contracts completed or under execution by him over the last five (5) years.

(viii) Joint ventures must satisfy the following minimum qualification criteria:

(a) The lead partner shall meet at least fifty (80%) percent of the minimum qualifying criteria for general experience and financial position required above;

(b) Other partners shall meet at least twenty (20%) percent of the minimum qualifying criteria for general experience and financial position required above

The Tenderer shall submit audited balance sheets for the last three (3) years which should demonstrate the soundness of the Tenderer's financial position by showing long-term profitability.

Tender documents may be obtained from the office at the address below upon payment of a non-refundable fee of 200 Moldovan Lei

Payment may be made by cheque to JSC "APA TERMO", in cash directly to the cashier of IM "APA TERMO", or by inter-bank transfer to JSC "APA TERMO" bank Sociala account no. in MDL: BSOCMD2X861222486100201101 Cheque and bank transfer charges to be paid by the applicant.

Upon receipt of appropriate evidence of payment of the non-refundable fee, the documents will promptly be dispatched by courier; however, no liability can be accepted for their loss or late delivery. In addition, if requested, the documents can be dispatched electronically after presentation by the prospective Tenderer of an appropriate evidence of payment of the non-refundable fee. In the event of discrepancy between electronic and hard copies of the documents, the hard copy shall prevail.

All tenders must be accompanied by a tender security in the amount of €10,000 for each individual lot or for the corresponding cumulative amount, depending on the number of lots offered by the Tenderer, or the equivalent in Moldovan Lei at the exchange rate published by the National Bank of Moldova http://bnm.md/medium_exchange_rates on the day the IFT was published.

Tenders must be delivered to the office at the address below on or before 27 of January 2012, 12:00 hrs local time, at which time they will be opened in the presence of those tenderers' representatives who choose to attend.

A register of potential tenderers who have purchased the tender documents may be inspected at the address below.

Prospective tenderers may obtain further information from, and inspect and acquire the tender documents at, the following office:

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