

INVITATION FOR TENDER

Ukraine

Modernization of the centralized heating system of Nizhyn City

NIZ-1: Design, supply, and installation works on reconstruction (unification) of local district heating networks in one combined and replacement of main underground DH pipelines of diam.150 and diam.200 mm.

This Invitation to Tender follows the General Procurement Notice for this project, published on *May 1, 2024*, on the NEFCO website under Procurement Notices (<http://www.nefco.int>).

Department of Housing and Communal Services and Construction of Nizhyn City Council (EDRPOU code 32009931), hereinafter referred to as the "Purchaser," intends to use a portion of the funding received from the European Union (hereinafter "EU") through the Nordic Environment Finance Corporation (NEFCO), to cover expenses for the project "Modernization of the Centralized Heating System of Nizhyn City."

The project is financed under the EU program "Restoration of Critical Infrastructure, Component 2."

The Purchaser hereby invites Contractors to submit their sealed tender proposals for the Contract: **NIZ-1 Design, supply, and installation works on reconstruction (unification) of local district heating networks in one combined and replacement of main underground DH pipelines of diam.150 and diam.200 mm.**

Tender proposals must be submitted in Euros without VAT.

The expected contract budget is up to 1,716,000 Euros without VAT.

For the Works to be supplied under this project and financed by the grant, tax exemptions are provided in accordance with the procedure established by the Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine dated February 15, 2002 No. 153 "On the creation of a single system for attracting, using, and monitoring international technical assistance." The Contractor(s) awarded the contract(s) will be required to monthly, by the 20th day, submit to the State Tax Service (in written and electronic form), where registered as a taxpayer, information confirming the purchase of goods, works, and services under the preferential regime using international technical assistance funds, in accordance with the Contract terms.

Tenders for contracts financed by NEFCO are open to firms/individuals from any country.

To qualify for contract award, Tenderers must meet the following minimum requirements:

- Tenderers must meet the eligibility requirements outlined in the Instructions for Tenderers;
- The average annual income for **the last four (4) years (2020-2023)** must exceed **1,500,000 euros** or equivalent. In case of a consortium, the lead partner must demonstrate at least 50% compliance with this criterion;
- The Tenderer must demonstrate that they have access to or possess liquid assets, unencumbered real assets, credit lines, or other financial instruments sufficient to meet working capital requirements for executing the Contract, evaluated at a **minimum of thirty percent (30%) of the Tenderer's proposal price**, taking into account the Tenderer's obligations under other contracts already awarded and/or to be awarded. In case of a consortium, the lead partner must demonstrate at least 50% compliance with this criterion;
- The combined value of at least **three (3) best similar contracts** completed fully and successfully by the Tenderer in the last five (5) years (2019-2023) amounts to **at least 1,500,000 euros**, with each individual contract being no less than **400,000 euros**.

In the case of a joint venture (JV) submission, the lead partner must demonstrate at least 50% compliance with this criterion and submit 2 contracts, while the partner/member of the JV must submit at least one (1) contract in accordance with criterion C.

- The Tenderer (including consortium partners/members if the Tenderer is represented by a consortium) has not defaulted on a contract within the last **three (3) years (2021-2023)**, based on information provided in Section III, Tender Forms (the Purchaser reserves the right to verify the accuracy of the information provided using other sources);
- All legal proceedings against the Tenderer pending (including consortium partners/members if the Tenderer is represented by a consortium) **should not exceed thirty percent (30%)** of the Tenderer's total net worth, based on information provided in Section III, Tender Forms (the Purchaser reserves the right to verify the accuracy of the information provided using other sources);
- The Tenderer must demonstrate that they (as a legal entity or consortium partner/member or relevant Subcontractor) have the necessary personnel for performing the required works;
- The Tenderer must demonstrate that they have personnel for key positions that meet the Qualification requirements stated in the Tender documents;
- The Tenderer must demonstrate that they have equipment and machinery that meet the Qualification requirements and quantity specified in the Tender documents.

Tender documents can be obtained free of charge from the office at the address below, upon receipt of a written request from the potential tender participant. Upon receipt of a written request from the potential tender participant, the documents will be promptly sent via email in PDF and MS Word formats; however, the sender shall not be liable for loss or late delivery of the dispatch. In case of discrepancies between the versions of the documents in PDF and MS Word formats, the PDF version shall prevail.

All tenders must be accompanied by a Tender-Securing Declaration. The form of Tender-Securing Declaration is provided in the Tender documents. The main purpose of providing Tender-Securing Declaration is to ensure that the tenderers are serious about their participation.

When preparing the tender proposal, participants should consider that the work under this contract is tentatively scheduled to begin in September 2024 and must be completed no later than September 2025.

Tender proposals must be sent to the address specified below, by **11:00 AM (Kyiv time), August 14, 2024**, after which they will be opened in the presence of those representatives of the tender participants who wish to attend.

A Pre-Tender meeting for Tenderers with Employer representatives to discuss technical and procedural issues will be held in the building of the Nizhyn City Council at 1 Ivan Franko Sq., 16600, Nizhyn City, Chernihiv Region, at **11:00 AM (Kyiv time), on July 24, 2024**. Also, it will be possible to join the meeting via video conference (a link to the online platform will be provided in advance to all participants who have requested and received the Tender Document from the Employer and have pre-registered for participation in Pre-Tender meeting). The purpose of the meeting will be to clarify issues and to answer questions on any matter that may be raised at that stage.

To pre-register for participation in Pre-Tender meeting please contact us.

Potential tender participants may obtain additional information and familiarize themselves with and obtain tender documentation at:

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