

3rd April 2024

REF: GDC/MS/005/23-24/pk-im

TO: ALL BIDDERS

Dear Sir,

ADDENDUM 1 – CLARIFICATION

RE: REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) FOR PROVISION OF CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR UPDATE OF SUSWA GEOTHERMAL DRILLING PROJECT ESIA REPORT, PREPARATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL & SOCIAL SAFEGUARD DOCUMENTATION (SEP, LACLRP, IPP & CDF) AS PER THE IFC PERFORMANCE STANDARDS - GDC/SHE/RFP/057/2023-2024.

In response to bidder's request for clarification, GDC wishes to provide the following response;

Item No.	Reference No.	Issue	Clarification	GDC Response
1.	Section 5: Terms of Reference , Clause 5.8 (Timing of the Assignment), pg. 32	Timing of the Assignment	According to Clause 5.8 you stated that, "Due to the limited time frame for the assignment, it is projected that the Consultant shall deliver these tasks/services over a period of 30 months and submit final reports ideally by 30th June 2024." However, due to the extensive nature of the project, we wish to seek an additional One Month (30 days) extension to enable the experts to undertake their tasks effectively, including meaningful fieldwork, and prepare a comprehensive report.	We wish to confirm that due to the limited time frame for the assignment, it is projected that the Consultant shall deliver these tasks/services over a period of 3.0 months , and submit final reports ideally by 30th June 2024 . Extension of the said period is not possible since the report has to undergo the licensing process at NEMA which takes another 3.0 months . Being a legal requirement that no development activities should commence without an ESIA license, therefore extension of the period will delay commencement of this key project.



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				We advise you to organize your experts in order to draw maximum benefits from synergies and interfaces between the different tasks and work within the given timeline.
2.	Section 5: Terms of Reference , Clause 5.8 (Timing of the Assignment), pg. 32	NEMA Certification	<p>According to Clause 5.9 you stated that, "Team Leader (Project Manager) must be registered by NEMA with a valid practicing license." Also, the "ESIA expert for Environmental & Occupational Health Issues must be registered by NEMA/DOSHS with a valid practicing license."</p> <p>We would like to seek clarification on whether a foreign equivalent to a NEMA and/or NEMA/DOSHS certificates will be acceptable for the above experts who are not Kenyan based.</p> <p>We wish to further state that the Team Leader and ESIA expert would be fully supported by a respected Kenyan-based NEMA registered expert and view this combination as further enriching the roles.</p>	<p>Clause 6.0 states that,</p> <p>"Consultants may constitute joint-ventures to enhance their chances of qualification"</p> <p>Therefore, yes the foreign equivalent can get into a joint venture with the Kenyan – based NEMA registered expert for Team Leader (Project Manager) and ESIA Expert respectively.</p>
3.	Section 1: Instruction to Bidders , Clause 19 (Currency of Proposal) & Clause 20 (Currency of Payment), pg. 11.	Preferred Currency	There is contradiction on what currency/currencies are allowed for this bid when reading Clause 19 & 20 against the following:	Bidders are required to quote in Kenya Shillings Only.