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GOVERNMENT OF SINDH
SINDH PUBLIC PROCUREMENT
REGULATORY AUTHORITY
SERVICES, GENERAL ADMINISTRATION &
COORDINATION DEPARTMENT
Karachi, dated the 11th December, 2009

1. Additional Chief Secretary (Development), P&D Department,
2. Senior Member, Board of Revenue Sindh, Hyderabad (including all Members).
3. Principal Secretary to Governor Sindh, Karachi.
4. Secretary to Chief Minister Sindh, Karachi.
5. Administrative Secretaries to Government of Sindh (All).
6. Accountant General Sindh, Karachi.
7. Secretary to Provincial Ombudsman, Sindh, Karachi.
8. Chief Minister's Inspection Team, Karachi.
9. Chairman, Enquiries, Anti-Corruption Establishment, SGA&CD, Karachi.
10. Secretary, Sindh Public Service Commission, Hyderabad.
11. Provincial Police Officer, Sindh.
12. Director General, Public Private Partnership Unit, Finance Deptt. GoS, Karachi.
13. District Coordination Officers (All).
14. Heads of Autonomous / Semi-Autonomous Bodies, Sindh (All).
15. Project Director, Sindh (All).
16. Town/ Taluka Municipal Officers, Sindh (All).

SUBJECT: INVITING EXPRESSION OF INTERESTS IN LINE WITH THE RULE 16 OF PUBLIC PROCUREMENT RULES, 2004.

Public Procurement Rules provide a detailed procedure for undertaking pre-qualification of contractors & consultant(s)/ consulting firm(s) wherever required. The Rule 16 of Public Procurement Rules 2004 deserves a specific mention in this regard and its relevant portion is reproduced as under:


“16. Pre-qualification process.-

(1) The procuring agency engaging in pre-qualification shall announce, in the pre-qualification documents, all information required for pre-qualification including instructions for preparation and submission of the pre-qualification documents, evaluation criteria, list of documentary evidence required by suppliers or contractors to demonstrate their respective qualifications and any other information that the procuring agency deems necessary for pre-qualification.”

2. In view of above provision, the procuring agencies while prequalifying contractors/ consultants for specific task is mandated to supply prequalification documents containing a detailed and unambiguous evaluation criterion to the interested bidders.

3. It is, however, observed that Expression of Interests for hiring consulting firms invited by various Procuring Agencies are not in line with Rule 16 of the Public Procurement Rules, 2004.

4. Accordingly, it is, requested that the procuring committees under your administrative control may please be advised to ensure compliance of Rule 16 of the Public Procurement Rules 2004, while inviting Expression of Interest for prequalification of Contractors/ Consultants. This would not only provide best value for money to the procuring agencies, but would also ensure transparency and fairness in the procurement process.


(RIZWAN AHMED)
Managing Director

Copy forwarded for information and necessary action to:

1. Deputy Secretary (Staff) to Chief Secretary, Government of Sindh.
2. PS to Minister for Law, Parliamentary Affairs and Criminal Prosecution Service, Government of Sindh.