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CLARIFICATIONS ON PRE-BID QUERIES-1

Sub: Procurement of Paraffin Based New Insulating Oil for Transformers & Switchgears (280kL) and Unused Uninhibited Naphthenic Based High Grade Mineral Insulating Oil (4200kL) for R&M Works during Financial Year 2024-25 & 2025-26 under Rate Contract valid for Two (02) Years against e-Tender No. SP/T-0526/1024 (RFx 5000001300), Submission and Opening Due on 24.10.2024- 1st Call

Ref: Pre-Bid Meeting scheduled on 10.10.2024 at 'Prakashganga', MSETCL, Mumbai

Bidders are requested to refer the Annexure-A attached herewith for Clarifications on Commercial and Technical Pre-Bid Queries against the subject e-Tender and submit their Bids accordingly.

This is issued without prejudice to all other Terms & Conditions of the subject e-Tender.

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Encl: Annexure-A

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Annexure-A
Clarifications on Pre- Bid Queries-I

Sr.No.	Reference	As per Tender document	Pre- Bid Query of Bidder	MSETCL's Clarifications
1	2	3	4	5
1	Section-III Clause No. 3 (c) Price & Price Variation	A Ceiling / Capping of Twenty Percent (20%) on Positive Price Variation and no Ceiling / Capping on Negative Price Variation shall be applicable for the purpose of Payment of Price Variation.	<p>The clause reads as a Ceiling/Capping of Twenty Percent (20%) on Positive Price Variation and no Ceiling/Capping on Negative Price Variation.</p> <p>We wish to highlight that it is not feasible to quote prices with ceiling/capping limit for two-year contract for Naphthenic Base Oil, suggest to remove cap on the applicable price variation. As you are well aware that most of the suppliers are importing Transformer Oil Base Stock from the international market, the prices of these base stocks are volatile and keep on fluctuating on a regular basis. Further we wish to add that under the current global scenario there is an uncertainty in availability of the required Base Oils which may lead to varied pricing, to predict the future availability and pricing of Naphthenic base oils for a period of more than two years is difficult.</p> <p>We suggest incorporation of IEEMA's Price Variation Clause without any ceiling limit in the subject tender enquiry as being done by MSETCL in all their previous tender enquiries, which will be beneficial to both the parties.</p> <p>A ceiling/capping of twenty percent (20%) on positive price variation and no ceiling/capping on negative price variation has been made applicable. As this contract is for longer period of two years, prices of raw material i.e. TOBS are highly susceptible to various domestic and international factors. These factors may cause price variation beyond the upper ceiling limit mentioned by you. Oil supplier has no control over those factors and can not get covered from such risks. Also, to ensure tender conditions are fair to both the parties, as there is no ceiling limit on negative price variation, we request you to kindly remove the clause of ceiling/capping of 20% on positive side of Price variation.</p>	NO CHANGE
2	Clause No. 6.0 of Technical Specification	<p>The new (unused) uninhibited naphthenic based high grade mineral insulating oil of above shall be supplied in non-returnable brand new steel barrels, confirming to I.S. 1783 (Part –I) 1993 amended upto date, covering the requirement for Grade 'A' Steel Drums of 209 litres nominal capacity with fixed ends with the following type of construction.</p> <p>The New Insulating Oil of above specification shall be supplied in standard packing of 209 litres capacity, non-returnable, brand new steel barrels (Drums, 'A' grade type-2) conforming to IS:1783 (Part-I)-1993 as amended upto date as per Annexure 'A'.</p>	<p>Quantity Tolerance:</p> <p>You are requested to kindly incorporate +/- 0.5 % quantity tolerance clause in the subject tender enquiry, since the standard packing size for Transformer Oil drums is in multiples of 209 Ltrs supplied to various consignee, hence to deliver exact DI quantity to each stores is not possible. To give an example the DI for one major stores is issued for 50 Kls, the quantity supplied by us shall be 50.160 Kls (240 Drums x 209 Ltrs). While making the payment the accounts department shall make payment for 50 Kls only instead of the actual supplied quantity of 50.160 Kls. You shall appreciate by incorporating quantity tolerance, we shall be eligible to obtain 100% payment of the supplied quantity.</p> <p>RFx No. 5000001300 - Total tender quantity is mentioned as 280KL for Paraffinic Base and 4200KL for Naphth base. The drum capacity as per IS standard in which Transformer Oil is offered is 209 Liters. As there are various sites to which quantity gets divided which is not in multiples of 209 liters, we request you to please include +/- 5 % tolerance on PO quantity. Please include this clause in PO so that we can get the full payment against the actual material supplied.</p> <p>Please revise the quantity in RFx quantity in the multiples of 209 Liters which will help us to offer complete quantity without any shortage /excess. Also, please provide quantity division, in case of PO placement, in the multiple of 209 Liters each.</p>	NO CHANGE

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