STATE TRADING CORPORATION

Supply of Fortified Wheat Flour for the Period 01 October 2023 to 30 September 2024

Procurement Ref.: STC/FWF/2023/01

Clarification No. 1

Query 1(a)

Section A – Clause 4 – Submission of Bids: Will there be a confirmation from the STC once the bid is received at tender-flour@stcmu.com?

Reply 1(a)

The bidder receives a confirmation email once the bid is received by STC on the email address tender-flour@stcmu.com

Query 1(b)

Is there a limit on the size of the file of the bid submission to the above-mentioned email?

Reply 1(b)

The maximum limit on the size of the file of the bid submission is 30 MB. In case the size of file exceeds 30 MB, the bidder is required to send part of the documents in another email on the same email address tender-flour@stcmu.com and mentioning the bid it forms part.

Query 1(c)

Given that we must submit the Bid Security and Flour Samples, may we also submit a hard copy of our bid?

Reply 1(c)

As per Clause 4 of Section A of the bidding document dated 14 June 2023, bidders shall submit their bids online through the secured email address in PDF format. There is no provision to submit a hard copy of the bid to STC.

Query 1(d)

The constitutive documents of our company require two (2) signatories on all documents which bind our company. We have noted that at clause 9 of Section A it states that bids shall be signed a person duly authorised. Will it be an issue if our bid is signed by two (2) duly authorised signatories? We will of course submit the relevant documents certifying that our two (2) signatories are duly empowered to sign on behalf of our company.

Reply 1(d)

The signing of the bid by two duly authorized signatories is acceptable.

Query 2

Section A – Clause 7: Should we substitute our original bid by a new one before the 11/07/23 @ 13h30. We would like a confirmation as to whether the original bid will be disregarded in its entirety?

Reply 2

In case of substitution of the original bid, the bidder shall submit a written notice duly signed by the authorised signatory together with the new bid on the same email address tender-flour@stcmu.com prior to the deadline for submission of bids.

Query 3

Section A – Clause 10.3: Given that non-submission or non-compliance of the bid security will be cause the Bid to be rejected. We would like to know whether the Bid Security will be opened and examined before the opening of the Bids themselves?

Reply 3

The sealed envelope marked "Bid Security – Supply of Fortified Wheat Flour for the period 01 October 2023 to 30 September 2024 – Bid Reference: STC/FWF/2023/01" as required at Clause 10.1 of Section A of the bidding document shall be opened during Opening of Bids. The bid security shall be examined after Opening of Bids.

Query 4(a)

Could you please specify at which address the samples of flour need to be delivered to?

Reply 4(a)

The bidder is requested to submit samples of flour to the Registry Section of the State Trading Corporation, 55, Business Zone, Ebene Cybercity 72201, Ebene, Reduit, Mauritius.

Query 4(b)

Is there a specific date and time for the submission of the samples?

Reply 4(b)

The bidder is requested to submit the samples of flour by the deadline for submission of bids, that is, on 11 July 2023 at 13 30 hours (Mauritian Time).

Query 4(c)

Please confirm that these samples of flour do not need to be fortified?

Reply 4(c)

The samples of flour to be submitted to STC with the bid may be without fortification. However, the successful bidder(s) will be required to provide samples of flour for fortified wheat four at time of award of the contact/prior to delivery of first consignment.

Query 5

Section B – Clause 1.7 (d) – Could you please clarify what is meant by origin of the enzymes?

Reply 5

Origin of the enzymes should not be from animal origin and insect source.

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