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**CHENNAI METROPOLITAN WATER SUPPLY
AND SEWERAGE BOARD**



Letter No: CMWSSB/SE(Desal)/400 MLD Plant/PMC-025/2020

Dt: 15.10.2020

To

M/s. SMEC International Pty Limited, Australia in consortium
with M/s. NJS Engineers India Pvt Ltd., Pune,
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Sir,

Sub: CMWSSB- SE (Desal) - Project for Construction of Chennai Sea Water Desalination Plant (I) - Consultancy for "Design, Preparation of Bid Documents & Evaluation of Bids for the Proposed Construction of 400 MLD Capacity Seawater Reverse Osmosis Desalination Plant at Perur along East Coast Road, South of Chennai, Tamil Nadu and Construction Management & Supervision for the Proposed Desalination Plant and its Product Water Conveyance Pipeline from the Plant and upto Porur and all allied works – Replacement of Expert Requested - Reg.

Ref: 1. Lr.No.CMWSSB/CNT/CON/DESAL/ICB/Gol/016/2018-19 dated 06.11.2019
2. Lr.No.SMEC/CMWSSB/5061185/158, Dt 08.10.2020

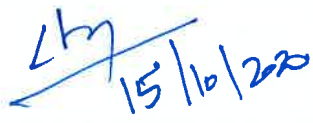
The work of Consultancy for "Design, Preparation of Bid Documents & Evaluation of Bids for the Proposed Construction of 400 MLD Capacity Seawater Reverse Osmosis Desalination Plant at Perur along East Coast Road, South of Chennai, Tamil Nadu and Construction Management & Supervision for the Proposed Desalination Plant and its Product Water Conveyance Pipeline from the Plant and upto Porur and all allied works was commenced by your firm on 13.01.2020.

As per the contract, the PMC service has to utilize the inputs from International Experts - 20 Nos (Both Key and Non Key Experts) and Local Experts 21 Nos (Both Key and Non Key Experts).

In this regard, it is to state that the PMC is requesting for Replacement of Experts frequently reasoning out the current worldwide corona pandemic. So far 2 Key International Expert and 9 Non-Key Local Experts had been requested for replacement. Though, it is already informed that no replacement of the Expert is allowed in future, now another request for Replacement of the Non – Key International Expert (Specification Specialist - Desal) has been submitted stating that "*Specification Specialist (Desal) opted not to take part in the Current Project owing to his personal health reasons and due to current worldwide COVID-19 Pandemic*".

Further, it is to state that, as per the contract, the role of the Specification Specialist - Desal is to prepare Technical Specifications for CP1 and the expert's man months has been allocated for 4 Man months ie., 3 Complete Man Months (for the period of July 2020 to September 2020) and 1 Intermediate man month during May 2021 as per the contract wherein the role of the specified expert is almost completed and it is to mention that so far the expert has not been mobilized. As such, the necessity of mobilizing/request for replacing the Specification Specialist (Desal) at this stage has to be clarified.

Moreover, since the Government has relaxed the lockdown rules extensively and all the offices are functioning normal, the expert replacement citing corona pandemic is not a valid reason. Hence, it is requested to mobilize the experts as per the contract.


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