

KEBS/T009/2019-2021

27TH DECEMBER, 2019

TO: ALL INTERESTED BIDDERS

REF: ADDENDUM –NO. 6 KEBS/T009/2019-2021 - INTERNATIONAL TENDER FOR ENLARGEMENT OF PROVISION OF PRE-EXPORT VERIFICATION OF CONFORMITY (PVOC) TO STANDARDS

The Kenya Bureau of standards wishes to provide the following clarifications.

With reference to the above Tender No. KEBS/T009/2019-2021 for the Provision of Pre-Export Verification of Conformity (PVoC) to Standards Services for General Goods, we hereby seek clarification on the following:

1. Evaluation Preliminary clause 2.11.2(a) 10:

The tenderer must provide evidence of experience in offering "offer' conformity assessment to the required standard with competent staff having completed at least 1 and provide evidence to cater for scope of inspection required:

Question 1:

Conformity assessment activities include areas such as testing, surveillance, auditing, registration etc. Kindly confirm area of experience preferred by KEBS for purposes of this tender?

clarification

Conformity assessment activities to be provided under this tender are outlined in the description of service and include inspection, testing and product certification.

2. Criteria for evaluation of technical proposal clause 2.22.1 table item no. 7: contracted laboratories:

Ouestion 2.

Kindly confirm if a lab outside a country being bided for can be used.

Clarification

YES. Any laboratory that is accredited can be used for providing services under this tender.

3. Eligible tenderers: clause 2.1(iii);

The tenderer shall have financial capability to perform the contract and shall not have filed for bankruptcy or be under receivership.

Question 3.

How is a tenderer expected to demonstrate financial capability to perform the contract? Is there a minimum annual turnover required in the tenderer's audited account covering the last two years?

Clarification

There is no minimum turnover specified but the tenderer is required to provide audited financial accounts and shall not have filed for bankruptcy or be under receivership

4. Eligible Tenderer clause 2.1(i):

The tenderer must demonstrate existence and physical presence and must have the technical infrastructure and qualified personnel required for performing the required service.

Ouestion 4.

Can a tenderer demonstrate existence and physical presence and technical infrastructure by partnering with a third party or affiliation company (subcontractor)?

Clarification

No. The tenderer cannot demonstrate existence and physical presence by partnering with a third party or affiliation company (subcontractor).

5. Clause 5.5.2: Subcontracting of PVoC Services pg. 36 of 68

The Contractor may subcontract physical inspection in countries not listed in column 5 of the table given in Section VI (clause 6.3) provided the Contractor provides evidence that the body subcontracted has the requisite qualifications specified in this tender to do so.

Question 5:

The table is not provided in the bidding document. Can KEBS provide the table? As per the above statement it's clear that sub-contracting is allowed only in certain countries and not allowed in all countries, kindly clarify.

Clarification

Clause 5.5.2 Subcontracting of PVoC services is amended to read

The Contractor may subcontract physical inspection provided the Contractor provides evidence that the body subcontracted has the requisite qualifications specified in this tender to do so.

Please note there is no clause 6.3 as referred to on clause 2.9 on page 15 of 68 and 5.5.2 on page 36 of 68 of the tender document, since the tender has no reference to zones hence no table.

NOTE THIS ADDENDUM SHALL BE CONSTRUED TO FORM PART OF THE TENDER DOCUMENT

ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS REMAIN THE SAME

MANAGING DIRECTOR