

Questions and Answers

Webinar on Planned Works Procurements of MCA-Mongolia under the Downstream Wells Activity

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No.	Questions	Answers
1.	Where we can find out more details about the program and information about funding opportunities for various projects? There will be a link or any mailing?	The specific solicitation documents of MCA-Mongolia are usually announced by Specific Procurement Notices posted on: • MCA-Mongolia's Website – www.mca-mongolia.gov.mn ; • Local newspapers (and Regional Newspapers); • dgMarket - www.dgmarket.com ; • UNDB Online – www.devbusiness.com ; • Other media; Procurement Notices will also be sent to the long list of potential bidders identified during the planning stage of the procurements. Once a procurement notice is published, the Procurement agent of MCA-
		Mongolia will directly send the procurement notice and all procurement related public information to all companies which are included in the mailing list. In order to be included in the mailing list of the Procurement Agent of MCA-Mongolia, interested companies need to send a request to the Procurement Agent. Contact details: PA-Mongolia@charleskendall.com procurement@mca-mongolia.gov.mn

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		Information that is publicly available for potential applicants and bidders for works procurements under Downstream wells activity can be found in the "Preliminary Information Package for Applicants" provided as part of the Pre-Solicitation Notice which is available on the MCA-Mongolia's website: https://mca-mongolia.gov.mn/en/news/press-news/pre-sol-notes . To download the "Preliminary Information Package for Applicants", please register with the following link: https://bit.ly/2AMjlvh
2.	Can you run through the full project timeline as it currently stands?	The Compact duration is 5 years and all projects should be completed within the Compact period. The specific details will be provided in the specific solicitation document, once issued by MCA-Mongolia.
		There will be a pre-qualification process for each of the two large works procurements in the Downstream Wells Activity, which will be followed by competitive bidding process. Duration of the procurement processes depends on many factors. However, MCA-Mongolia plans to finalize the pre-qualification process for Construction Package 2 (Advanced Water Purification Plant and SCADA Controls) within the 3 rd quarter of 2020, and the pre-qualification process for Construction Package 3 (Construction of Conveyance and Well Pump-houses, (Raw Water and Finished Water Piping, Network, Flow Monitoring and Controls)) within the 4 th quarter of 2020.
		As a result of the pre-qualification process, we will obtain a shortlist of pre-qualified bidders. We will then invite bids from the pre-qualified applicants.
		As for the expected timeline of the Construction Timelines, Construction Package 1 (Wells) is expected to start in March, 2021. For Construction Package 2 (AWPP), we expect the construction to begin in April, 2021. For Construction Package 3 (Conveyance), we expect the construction to start in March, 2021 as well.
3.	Are there any specific EPC works the project is tendering currently?	Currently, MCA-Mongolia does not have any open works procurements. However, MCA-Mongolia plans to start the pre-qualification process for the Construction Package 2 (Advanced Water Purification Plant and SCADA Controls) by issuing the Specific Procurement Notice by the end of June, 2020.

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4.	With regards to opportunities for British companies - today you are focused on procurements of major works contracts. Please, could you let us know if MCA-Mongolia intends to procure consulting services.	MCA-Mongolia intends to procure certain consultant services in future. Information on these procurements can be found in the General Procurement Notice of MCA-Mongolia, which is posted on the MCA-Mongolia's website.
5.	Is the AECOM involvement from US office? And is the main desktop study headed by US office?	MCA-Mongolia has established a contract with AECOM. AECOM is leading the development of all design documents for the Downstream Wells Activity. The Feasibility Studies have been completed in 2018 and there have been additional field investigations as part of the detailed design services. AECOM has an office in Mongolia and is supported by local sub-contractors.
6.	Who is going to be operating the plant, once it is complete?	The Pre-Qualification and Bidding documents will include the detailed requirements and technical specifications regarding the operation and maintenance of the plant. The contract will include the requirements for the contractor to operate the plant for at least one year. Ultimately, the plant will be operated by the Ulaanbaatar Water Supply and Sewage Authority (USUG).

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