



**MCA-M/CF/WSSA/CS/09**  
**Consultant's Qualification Based Selection (CQS)**

**Consultancy Services for Water Utilities Consumer Database  
Population and Systems Development for Mongolia Water Compact**

**ANSWERS TO CLARIFICATION QUESTIONS – ISSUE No. 1 (Questions 1-3)**  
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<b>Question 1:</b>	<p>Are the results of following two announced procurements, interlinked or not:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <i>“Consultancy Services for Water Utilities Consumer Database Population and Systems Development” (RQI # MCA-M/CF/WSSA/CS/09) and;</i></li> <li>2. <i>“Consulting Services for Development of Water Utilities Consumer Services Digital Platform” (RQI # MCA-M/CF/WSSA/CS/10)?</i></li> </ol>
<b>Answer 1:</b>	<p>Yes, as indicated under the sub-chapter titled Phase 2.1 “General systems structure and core functionality requirements of the water utilities consumer database system” of the Terms of Reference: “The key elements for the design sketch shall include data structure, user interface, security protocols, and plan for integrating the "Consumer Database System” with the “Water Utilities Consumer Services Digital Platforms”. MCA-Mongolia plans to start the development of the “Water Utilities Consumer Services Digital Platforms” simultaneously with the "Consumer Database System” development. Therefore, it is important for the two consultants to ensure the plans are consistent with each other.</p> <p>However, please note that the detailed description of the required services is indicated in the Terms of Reference. The selected Consultant will be required provide the services according to the requirements of the Terms of Reference.</p>
<b>Question 2:</b>	<p>Is it possible to bid and implement the following two contracts at the same time by the MCA procedures? Would you please clarify whether there are any restrictions for one entity (one firm) to participate in both procurements?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <i>“Consultancy Services for Water Utilities Consumer Database Population and Systems Development” (RQI # MCA-M/CF/WSSA/CS/09) and;</i></li> <li>2. <i>“Consulting Services for Development of Water Utilities Consumer Services Digital Platform” (RQI # MCA-M/CF/WSSA/CS/10)</i></li> </ol>

<b>Answer 2:</b>	The interested Consultants can submit the required Qualification Information for any of the above listed procurements, as well as for both procurements. The evaluation of the submitted Qualification Information for each of the above procurements will be conducted separately in strict accordance with the criteria, sub-criteria, and point system for the evaluation of Qualification Information indicated in the RFA Documents of each procurement. If one firm is selected as a Consultant under the both procurements, the Contracts will be awarded and executed separately.
<b>Question 3:</b>	Please clarify if the qualification requirement in the document, "proof of registered entity/firm, as required by the applicable Mongolian laws" pertains to a firm registered under the government of Mongolia and/or is a Mongolian firm? Or is this opportunity open to international firms, as long as they are registered in their country of operations?
<b>Answer 3:</b>	The procurement is open to international firms, which will be required to include in a Qualification Information a proof of registered entity/firm as required by the applicable laws of their country of operations.