

**Individual Consultant’s Services to Review of Bids submitted  
for the Construction Works of Groundwater Wells (CP-1)**

**Procurement Ref: MCA-M/ICS/010**

**ANSWERS TO CLARIFICATION QUESTIONS (Questions 1-7)**

**November 4, 2020**

<b>Q1</b>	Could you please clarify GC Clause 8 (Insurance to be taken out by the Consultant)? Would you consider making the requirement for the Consultant to take out and maintain at its own cost adequate professional liability insurance as well as insurance against third party claims discretionary rather than mandatory? This is a relatively small contract covering bid evaluation in which the Consultant will serve as a member of a review panel. The cost of this insurance may be a significant cost factor.
<b>A1</b>	<b>A Consultant will be responsible for determining what s/he deems to be an adequate amount of insurance for each of the above-mentioned requirements, based on the risk s/he deems appropriate. For example, the Consultant as a panel member is providing recommendations upon the documentation, against the predetermined evaluation criteria established by MCA-Mongolia; thus, professional liability may <i>be deemed to be low risk</i>.</b>
<b>Q2</b>	Refer to RCQ document, section 2-Terms of Reference, item 2-Project summary, second paragraph, page 5. As part of the Bid Review Guidelines that will be provided by MCA-Mongolia, will additional documents be provided such as; Terms of Reference of works, related drawings & specifications, Technical Evaluation form, indicating scoring methodology to the Technical Criteria, sub-criteria, sub-weighting, etc.?
<b>A2</b>	<b>The successful Applicant when appointed to the Evaluation Panel shall be provided with all the documentation required to complete the evaluation.</b>
<b>Q3</b>	Refer to RCQ document, section 2-Terms of Reference, item 4-Qualifications for the Consultant, page 5. Is BSc degree in Civil Engineering considered as a relevant field?
<b>A3</b>	<b>No further details other than those set forth in the RCQ shall be provided.</b>
<b>Q4</b>	Refer to section 3-Evaluation Criteria, evaluation table, item 1-Educational Background:  a) Are well-drilling licenses part of the scoring points?  b) Refer to section 5-Condition of Contract and Contract, item 3, page 17, and item 16-Taxes and Duties, 16.1, page 25. Is this contract assignment tax exempted?
<b>A4</b>	<b>a) No further details other than those set forth in the RCQ shall be provided.</b>  <b>b) Any Contractor, Sub-Contractor and their respective Personnel, or individual Consultant are exempt from local taxes as per the procedures set in Section 2.8 of the Compact and Annex of the Program Implementation Agreements entered into by and between MCC and the Government of Mongolia.</b>

	<p><b>The Compact Agreement and the Program Implementation Agreements are directly linked below, but can also be found on the website of MCA-Mongolia:</b></p> <p><a href="https://www.mca-mongolia.gov.mn/en/">https://www.mca-mongolia.gov.mn/en/</a>.</p> <p><a href="https://cms.mca-mongolia.gov.mn/uploads/mca-mongolia/originals/2b48e1e7-4009-4a6d-aa50-fd1c3885ac10.pdf">https://cms.mca-mongolia.gov.mn/uploads/mca-mongolia/originals/2b48e1e7-4009-4a6d-aa50-fd1c3885ac10.pdf</a></p> <p><a href="https://cms.mca-mongolia.gov.mn/uploads/mca-mongolia/originals/603047a9-754a-4e52-907a-7f2913fd59ea.pdf">https://cms.mca-mongolia.gov.mn/uploads/mca-mongolia/originals/603047a9-754a-4e52-907a-7f2913fd59ea.pdf</a></p> <p><b>The above does not exempt the aforementioned parties from tax responsibilities in their home country.</b></p>
<b>Q5</b>	Refer to section 5-Condition of Contract and Contract, General Conditions of Contract, item 6-Obligations of the Consultant, (c)-Conflict of Interests, 6.7, page 23. If the Consultant is currently permanently employed by others (not MCA-Mongolia nor MCC), will be potential or reasonably be perceived as conflict of interest?
<b>A5</b>	<b>The individual must be available full time for the period of the evaluation. In addition, they may not receive funds from more than one MCC funded program at the same time.</b>
<b>Q6</b>	Refer to section 5-Condition of Contract and Contract, General Conditions of Contract, item 8-Insurance to be taken out by the Consultant, 8.1, page 24. Does the professional liability insurance requirement apply for the Individual Consultant?
<b>A6</b>	<b>Please refer to response to Question 1.</b>
<b>Q7</b>	Refer to section 4-Application Forms, Form3-Financial Proposal Submission Form, item 1-Daily Fee Rate, page 14. Is the Daily Fee Rate negotiable in line with benchmark rates of similar assignments?
<b>A7</b>	<b>Consultants must complete and submit Bid Form 4 - Bio Data Form with their full submission. MCA-Mongolia reserves the right to confirm these details for accuracy.</b>