

ELECTRICITY SUPPLY CORPORATION OF MALAWI LTD



REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (REOI)

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR THE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF NATIONAL CONTROL CENTER OFFICE EXTENSION AND REHABILITATION PROJECT

PROCUREMENT REFERENCE NO.: ESC005/REOI/W/FY2020-21

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1. Background

The Electricity Supply Corporation of Malawi Limited (ESCOM) is a public utility which was incorporated as a private company on 29th July 1998 under the Companies Act (Cap 46:03) of the Laws of Malawi.

ESCOM's National Control Centre (NCC), which falls under the System and Market Operator (SMO), is at its Chichiri premises. The NCC building has got two floors, being the ground floor and the first floor. The National Control Centre (NCC) occupies the first floor in which there are Five (5) rooms housing the SMO Manager, The Manager's Secretary, SCADA Training room, SCADA Server rooms, and the NCC Desk Room.

On 1 January, 2018 ESCOM went through a restructuring process which among other things, resulted into increased responsibilities for the SMO function. As a result of this, the System and Market Operator (SMO) had to go through transformation in its operations to realign itself with its new mandate and obligations. In this process, some new positions were created to enable the SMO effectively fulfill its new mandate in the liberalized electricity market. In view of this development, there has been need to create office spaces for the officers occupying the new positions, so that they would execute their daily duties with minimum interference.

ESCOM therefore seeks to solicit Expressions of Interest (EOI) from a well experienced engineering contractor to design and build an office extension to the existing NCC with specific objectives as outlined herein.

2. Objectives of the Assignment

The purpose of this project is mainly to provide an extension to the existing NCC building so as to create more rooms to accommodate the new positions, a boardroom for the SMO, a kitchen, eating area, as well as designing and carrying out associated face-lifting activities for the existing building. The full scope of the NCC extension shall be detailed in the conceptual drawings at an appropriate time.

The contractor so appointed shall be expected to bring in a team of experts such as Architects, Civil/Structural engineers, Surveyors, Electro-Mechanical Engineers etc. to enrich the team and bring in required competencies. The firm will however be responsible for all contract deliverables under the effort. The plans and designs shall be guided by the Conceptual Schemes (Conceptual Drawings) and the general site development and building design requirements as shall be prescribed in the Request for Proposals (RFP) for this assignment. The building and site shall be developed to comply with generally-accepted design standards for office buildings and shall be built fit for purpose.

The Electricity Supply Corporation of Malawi Limited now invites eligible and competent engineering contractors to indicate their interest in providing the “Design and Build Services” for the NCC Building Extension. Interested firms should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services.

3. Qualification/Shortlisting Criteria

The following criteria shall be used to shortlist firms which shall subsequently be invited to submit their proposals;

- a) Core business of the firm(s), number years in business (minimum 10 years) and registration status
- b) Relevant similar experience, which should specifically include experience in Design and Build services related to office building complexes or in similar assignments in similar environment

- c) Technical and Managerial capability of the firm/association (Provide the structure of the organization, general qualifications, and number of relevant key staff available. (Do not provide CV of the staff. Only names, qualifications and experience as in number of years. Experts will not be evaluated at the shortlisting stage).

The detailed Terms of Reference (TORs) for the assignment is available on ESCOM website, www.escom.mw or can be obtained by mail upon request at the addresses (a) below during office hours from 08:00 to 16:30, local time, from Monday to Friday.

Expressions of interest in a sealed envelope clearly marked “**Expression of Interest the Design and Construction of National Control Center Office Extension and Rehabilitation Project**” must be deposited in the Tender Box situated at IT Reception at ESCOM House or submitted electronically at the address (b) below on or before **Friday, 7th August, 2020 at 10:00 hours (local time)**. Late Bids will be rejected and returned to the bidder unopened.

Addresses referred to above are:

- a) For information and clarifications

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- b) Clearly labelled and sealed expression of interest (with procurement reference number and description) should be addressed to:

The Chairperson, Internal Procurement and Disposal of Assets (IPDC)
ESCOM House Annex Building
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Attention : The Procurement Manager

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