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BID IDENTIFICATION NO: AEGCL/DGM/LAC/TT/TLS-69/2024/718; Dated: 04.03.2024

Bidding Document For

Procurement of C category materials for 132KV Double Main Bus scheme strengthening maintenance works at 132/33 kV Kahilipara GSS, AEGCL.

DEPUTY GENERAL MANAGER, LOWER ASSAM T&T CIRCLE, AEGCL NARENGI, GUWAHATI-26.

SECTION - 1

INSTRUCTION TO BIDDER

1.1.0 INTRODUCTION :-

- 1.1.1. The **Deputy General Manager, Lower Assam, T&T Circle, AEGCL** on behalf of **Assam Electricity Grid Corporation Ltd,** hereinafter referred to as AEGCL or Purchaser invites sealed tenders in prescribed form, from reputed firms/ contractors/ manufacturers with sound technical and financial capabilities for the following work. A single-stage two envelope procedure (**Techno-Commercial and Price Bid**) will be adopted for this tender.
 - a) Name of Work :- Procurement of C category materials for 132KV Double Main Bus scheme strengthening maintenance works at 132/33 kV Kahilipara GSS, AEGCL.
 - b) Delivery Destination :- 132/33 kV Kahilipara GSS, AEGCL, Guwahati-19.
 - c) Estimated Value for Work :- Rs. 7,29,635.00 (Rupees Seven Lakh Twenty Nine Thousand Six Hundred and Thirty Five) only including taxes.
 - d) Fund: O&M HQ (LAR) for FY 2023-24
 - e) Key Dates: Refer to NIT.
 - f) Bidders may obtain further information from the office of the Deputy General Manager, Lower Assam T&T Circle, AEGCL, Narengi, Guwahati 781026, Assam.

1.2.0 BIDDING PROCEDURE :-

- 1.2.1 The bidders must register themselves at https://assamtenders.gov.in as per the guidelines laid in the website.
- 1.2.2 The bidder shall submit the techno commercial & price bid through the e-tendering portal https://assamtenders.gov.in. All documents as required by this bidding document shall be scanned and uploaded in the portal.
- 1.2.3 Price schedule should be submitted in the format provided in the online portal. Bidders are also requested to submit the information in the format provided in this bidding document where applicable.
- 1.2.4 AEGCL has the right to cancel the tender at any moment, without assigning any reason thereof. Bidder will not be entitled to claim any expenses and AEGCL will not be responsible for any costs or expenses incurred on the preparation and submission of the Bids.
- 1.2.5 In addition to the online bid submission, Bidder should submit hard copies of the documents mentioned above alongwith (i) Original copy of EMD BG(or receipt of online payment), (ii) Duly filled and signed Letter of technical bid and (iii) Authorization letter of bid signatory must be submitted in a sealed envelope superscribed with the name of bidder, full address, Bid Identification reference, name of work etc. at the office Deputy General Manager, Lower Assam T&T Circle, AEGCL, Narengi, Guwahati 781026, Assam, one hour prior to bid submission end date and time.

1.3.0 TENDER PAPER COST AND MODE OF PAYMENT:-

- 1.3.1 The Bidder shall bear all costs associated with the preparation and submission of its Bid, AEGCL shall not be responsible or liable for those costs, regardless of the conduct or outcome of the bidding process.
- 1.3.2 The tender document can be downloaded from AEGCL website (www.aegcl.co.in). For tender documents downloaded from AEGCL website, tender paper cost (in the form of A/C payee DD/Bankers Cheque) has to be submitted along with tender quotation. The cost of the tender paper is **Rs. 1000/- (Rupees One Thousand) only** to be pledged in favour of the "AEGCL, Guwahati

1.4.0 SCOPE OF WORK :-

- 1.4.1 The brief description of the scope of work covered under this bidding document is furnished below:
 - a. Design, manufacture and supply of various clamps & connectors for 132KV Double Main Bus scheme strengthening maintenance works at 132/33 kV Kahilipara GSS, AEGCL as per the technical parameters given below and Bill of Quantity.
 - b. Loading at manufacturer's works, transportation and delivery at the substation site, including unloading at destination site.
 - c. Freight & Transit Insurance, storage at site and site insurance of all materials at site shall be in the scope of the contractor.

- d. Arrangements of any permits required for transportation and movement of supplied materials. However, AEGCL shall assist as far as practicable in the process.
- 1.4.2 The Bill of Quantities for indicative purposes is furnished in Price Schedules.
- 1.4.3 The bidder on its own responsibility may visit and examine the Site of Works and its surroundings and obtain information that may be necessary for preparing the bid. Any permits or licenses that may be required to execute the works should also be obtained by the contractor.

1.5.0 TIME SCHEDULE:

The successful bidder will be expected to complete the works within **3 (three) weeks from the date of work commencement.** Bidders should note that time is the essence of this bid.

1.6.0 ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA OF THE BIDDER:

1.6.1 A Bidder may be a private entity or a government-owned entity or any combination of such entity with the intent to enter into an agreement supported by a letter of intent or under an existing agreement in the form of a joint venture, consortium or association.

1.6.2 Joint venture bid will not be accepted

- 1.6.3 A Bidder shall have Indian nationality. A Bidder shall be deemed to have the nationality of a country if the Bidder is a national or is constituted, incorporated, or registered and operates in conformity with the provisions of the laws of Republic Of India.
- 1.6.4 AEGCL considers a conflict of interest to be a situation in which a party has interests that could improperly influence that party's performance of official duties or responsibilities, contractual obligations, or compliance with applicable laws and regulations, and that such conflict of interest may contribute to or constitute a prohibited practice under Anticorruption Policy of Government of India and Government Of Assam. In pursuance Anticorruption Policy's requirement that Employer as well as bidders, suppliers, and contractors observe the highest standard of ethics. AEGCL will take appropriate actions if it determines that a conflict of interest has flawed the integrity of any procurement process.
- 1.6.5 A firm that is under a declaration of ineligibility by the AEGCL or any Government Entity or PSU at the date of the deadline for bid submission or thereafter i.e. on or before contract signing date shall be disqualified. Bidders shall provide such evidence of their continued eligibility satisfactory to the AEGCL, as the Employer shall reasonably request.

1.7.0 FINANCIAL CAPABILITY

- 1.7.1 Bidder will require to submit along with the bid the audited balance sheets and other legal financial statements acceptable to AEGCL, for the last 3 (three) years to demonstrate the current soundness of the Bidders financial position and its prospective long term profitability. As a minimum, an Applicant's net worth calculated as the difference between total assets and total liabilities should be positive. Wherever necessary the Employer may make enquiries with Bidder's bankers.
- 1.7.2 <u>Average Annual Turnover</u>: Minimum average annual turnover INR 3,64,817.00 calculated as total certified payments received for contracts in progress or completed, within the last 3 (Three) Years.
- 1.7.3 <u>Financial Resources</u>: Bidder need to demonstrate access to, or availability of, financial resources such as liquid assets, unencumbered real assets, lines of credit, and other financial means, other than any contractual advance payments to meet:
 - (1) the cash-flow requirement of atleast 50% of the work value and
 - (2) the overall cash flow requirements for this contract and its current works commitment.
- 1.7.4 Bidder must keep GST liabilities up to date and non-payment of GST liabilities and non-filing of relevant GST return more than 3 (three) months shall be reckoned as GST defaulter and this may be considered a cause for disqualification of a bidder and the bid may be rejected.
- 1.7.5 The Contractor must furnish their Bank Solvency Certificate to show the bidder's financial position indicating the amount by concerned authority in necessary format as per their banks

1.8.0 EXPERIENCE:

- 1.8.1 Experience in similar nature of works under contracts in the role of manufacturer, contractor, subcontractor, or management contractor for at least the last 7 (seven) years prior to the bid submission deadline.
- 1.8.2 Participation as manufacturer/ contractor Experience having successfully completed similar works during last 7 years ending last day of the month previous to the one in which applications are invited should be either of the following:
 - (a) Three (3) similar completed works costing not less than 40% of total estimated cost.
 - (b) Two (2) similar completed works costing not less than 50% of total estimated cost.
 - (c) One (1) similar completed works costing not less than 80% of total estimated cost.

- 1.8.3 Bidder may be manufacturer of the offered products or a firm/company having authorisation from a manufacturer. In case the bidder is <u>not</u> a manufacturer of the offered products, a manufacturer's authorisation for that purpose Form-MA provided in Section-3 Bidding forms has to be submitted. The successful bidder may submit the manufacturer's authorisation prior to award of work order.
- 1.8.4 The Bidder must have experience executing work of similar nature previously in any Govt. organization/ PSU. The bidder must submit experience and completion certificate for scrutiny by AEGCL. Each of such project/ works should consist of completion certificate.

1.9.0 LITIGATION HISTORY

Bidders shall submit details of all litigation, arbitration or other claims, whether pending, threatened or resolved in the last five years, with the exception of immaterial claims with a cumulative impact of not more than 10% of their total assets. The Employer may disqualify bidders in the event that the total amount of pending or threatened litigation or other claims represent more than 50% of their total assets.

1.10.0 DOCUMENTS COMPRISING THE BID

1.10.1 The bid submitted by the bidder shall comprise two envelopes submitted simultaneously, one containing only the technical proposal and the other the price proposal.

1.10.2 The Technical Bid submitted by bidders shall contain the following:

- a) Bid Submission Sheet
- b) Documentary evidence to establish that the Bidder meet the qualifying requirements in accordance with Clause 1.5.0.
- c) Documents to be furnished as per Clause 1.9.3
- d) The Bid Guarantee (Bid Security) in accordance with Clause 1.20.0 & its sub clauses of this Section.
- e) All Bidding Schedules properly filled up including Price Bid Schedules.
- f) All other information and documents such as Guaranteed and Technical Particulars, type test reports, drawings, technical leaflets etc, as required in the Technical Specification
- 1.10.3 To establish its eligibility and qualifications to perform the contract, the bidder shall provide along with the above mentioned documents the following additional documents (mandatory) on qualifying requirements such as:
 - a) Copies of original documents defining the constitution or legal status, place of registration, and principal place of business, written power of attorney of the signatory of the Bid to commit the Bidder.
 - b) Copies of valid Trade License issued by competent authority in the State of Assam or in the State where the bidder's business is registered.
 - c) Copies of PAN, GST Registration Certificate as per Goods & Services Tax laws.
 - d) Total monetary value of similar work performed by the bidder in each of the last three years.
 - e) Experience in works of a similar nature and volume for each of the last three years, and details of works under way or contractually committed in AEGCL or any other Govt. entity/PSU who may be contacted for further information on those contracts.
 - f) Qualifications and experience of key site management and technical personnel proposed for the Contract.
 - g) Reports on the financial standing of the Bidder, such as profit and loss statements and audited annual accounts certified by CA of the company for the last three years including IT return duly acknowledged by the tax department for the last three years.
 - h) Evidence of adequacy of working capital for this contract (access to line (s) of credit and availability of other financial resources).
 - i) Information regarding any litigation, current or during the last five years, in which the Bidder is involved, the parties concerned, and disputed amount.
- 1.10.2 Even though the bidders meet the above qualifying criteria, they are subject to be disqualified if they have made misleading or false representations in the forms, statements and attachments submitted in proof of the qualification requirements.
- 1.10.3 Notwithstanding anything stated herein above, AEGCL reserves the right to assess the capacity and capability of the bidder to execute the work, should the circumstance warrant such assessment in the overall interest of AEGCL.

1.11.0 DOCUMENTS ESTABLISHING CONFORMITY OF THE GOODS AND SERVICES

- 1.11.1 The documentary evidence of the conformity of the goods and services to the Bidding Document may be in the form of literature, drawings and data, and shall furnish:
 - a) A detailed description of the essential technical and performance characteristics of the goods and services, including the

functional guarantees of the Goods, in response to the Specification;

b) A commentary on the Purchaser's Specification and adequate evidence demonstrating the substantial responsiveness of the plant and services to those specifications. Bidders shall note that standards for workmanship, materials and equipment designated by the Purchaser in the Bidding Document are intended to be descriptive (establishing standards of quality and performance) only and not restrictive. The Bidder may substitute alternative standards, brand names and/or catalog numbers in its bid, provided that it demonstrates to the Purchaser's satisfaction that the substitutions are substantially equivalent or superior to the standards designated in the Specification.

1.12.0 SITE VISIT

The interested bidders are advised to visit any grid substation of AEGCL and examine the site of works and its surroundings and obtain for itself on its own responsibility all information that may be necessary for preparing the bid. The costs of visiting the Site shall be at the bidder's own expense.

1.13.0 AMENDMENT OF BIDDING DOCUMENTS

- 1.13.1 At any time prior to the deadline for submission of bids, the AEGCL may, for any reason, whether at its own initiative or in response to a clarification requested by a prospective bidder, modify the bidding documents by issuing addenda.
- 1.13.2 Any addendum thus issued shall be part of the bidding documents pursuant to Sub-Clause, and shall be communicated in writing or by fax to all purchasers of the bidding documents. Prospective bidders shall acknowledge receipt of each addendum by fax to AEGCL.

1.14.0 LANGUAGE OF BID

1.14.1 The bid, and all correspondence and documents related to the bid, exchanged between the bidder and AEGCL shall be written in the English language. Supporting documents and printed literature furnished by the bidder shall also be in English language.

1.15.0 BID PRICES

- 1.15.1 Bidders shall give a breakdown of the prices in the manner and detail called for in the **Schedules of Prices**.
- 1.15.2 In the Schedules, Bidders shall give the required details and a breakdown of their prices, including all taxes, duties, levies, and charges payable as of twenty eight (28) days prior to the deadline for submission of bids, as follows:
 - (a) Plant and equipment (Schedules of Prices) shall be quoted on an EXW (ex-factory, ex-works, ex-warehouse or offthe-shelf, as applicable). All taxes and duties taxes as applicable and freight and insurance shall be indicated separately.
- 1.15.3 <u>Price Adjustment</u>: Prices quoted by the Bidder shall be FIRM during performance of the contract. Duties and Taxes shall be adjusted, except there is variation due to changes in legislation of the Country.

1.16.0 INSURANCE

The Bidder shall insure the Works/Materials (in transit and at the site) in accordance with the requirements of General Conditions of Contract. The Bidder shall provide details of the policies that he intends to take out as part of his Bid submission. The bid price shall include all costs in pursuance of fulfilling insurance liabilities under the contract.

1.17.0 BID VALIDITY

- 1.17.1 Bids shall remain valid for a period of **180 (One Eighty)** days after the date of opening of Technical Bids.
- 1.17.2 In exceptional circumstances, prior to expiry of the original bid validity period, AEGCL may request that the bidders extend the period of validity for a specified additional period. The request and the responses thereto shall be made in writing. A bidder may refuse the request without forfeiting its bid security. A bidder agreeing to the request will not be required or permitted to modify its bid, but will be required to extend the validity of its bid security for the period of the extension, and in compliance with Clause 1.19.0 in all respects.

1.18.0 CLARIFICATION OF BIDS

To assist in the examination, evaluation, and comparison of the Technical and Price Bids, and qualification of the Bidders, the Purchaser may, at its discretion, ask any Bidder for a clarification of its bid. Any clarification submitted by a Bidder that is not in response to a request by the Purchaser shall not be considered. The Purchaser's request for clarification and the response shall be in writing. No change in the substance of the Technical Bid or prices in the Price Bid shall be sought, offered, or permitted, except to confirm the correction of arithmetic errors discovered

1.19.0 BID SECURITY (EARNEST MONEY)

- 1.19.1 The Bidder shall furnish, as part of its bid with the Technical Proposal, a bid security in the amount of **Rs. 14,500.00** (Rupees Fourteen Thousand Five Hundred) only.
- 1.19.2 For participation in the bidding procedure, participants must compulsorily pay the Bid Security / Earnest Money Deposit in the form of DD/Fixed Deposit/bank Guarantee/Banker's Cheque in favour of "AEGCL, Guwahati". The bid security shall remain valid for 30 days beyond the original validity period for the bid, and beyond any period of extension subsequently requested.
- 1.19.3 Any bid not accompanied by an acceptable bid security shall be rejected as non-responsive.
- 1.19.4 The bid securities of unsuccessful bidders will be returned as promptly as possible, against written request from the unsuccessful bidders.
- 1.19.5 The bid security of the successful bidder will be returned when the bidder has signed the Contract Agreement and furnished the required performance security.
- 1.19.6 The bid security may be forfeited
 - (a) if the bidder withdraws its bid, except as provided in Sub-Clause 1.24.1;
 - (b) if the bidder does not accept the correction of its bid price, pursuant to Sub-Clause 1.24. or
 - (c) in the case of a successful bidder, if it fails within the specified time limit to
 - (i) sign the Contract Agreement,
 - (ii) furnish the required performance security.
- 1.19.7 No interest shall be payable by AEGCL on the above bid guarantee.

1.20.0 ALTERNATIVE PROPOSALS BY BIDDERS

1.20.1 Bidders shall submit offers, which comply with the Bidding Documents, including the basic AEGCL's Requirements as indicated in the bidding documents. Alternatives will not be considered. The attention of bidders is drawn to the provisions of Clause 1.29.0 regarding the rejection of bids which are not substantially responsive to the requirements of the bidding documents.

1.21.0 FORMAT AND SIGNING OF BID

- 1.21.1 The bidder shall prepare one original and two copies of the bid proposal, clearly marking each one as: "ORIGINAL- BID PROPOSAL, etc as appropriate. In the event of discrepancy between the original and any copy, the original shall prevail.
- 1.21.2 The original and all copies of the bid shall be typed or written in indelible ink (in the case of copies, Photostats are also acceptable) and shall be signed by a person or persons duly authorized to sign on behalf of the bidder. All pages of the bid where entries or amendments have been made shall be initialed by the person or persons signing the bid.
- 1.21.3 The bid shall contain no alterations, omissions or additions, except those to comply with instructions issued by AEGCL, or as necessary to correct errors made by the bidder, in which case such corrections shall be initialed by the person or persons signing the bid.
- 1.21.4 The Bidders must submit the Bid Guarantee in separate sealed envelope, super-scribed as under:

"BID GUARANTEE (Name of the Package)"

- 1.21.5 The Bid must contain the name, residence and place of business of the person or persons making the Bid and must be signed and sealed by the Bidder with his usual signature. The names of all persons signing should also be typed or printed below the signature.
- 1.21.6 Bids by Corporation / Company must be signed with the legal name of the Corporation/Company by the President, Managing Director or by the Secretary or other person or persons authorized to Bid on behalf of such Corporation/Company in the matter.
- 1.21.7 A Bid by a person who affixes to his signature the word 'President', 'Managing Director', 'Secretary', 'Agent', or other designation without disclosing his principal will be rejected.
- 1.21.8 Satisfactory evidence of authority of the person signing on behalf of the Bidder shall be furnished with the Bid.
- 1.21.9 The Bidder's name stated on the proposal shall be exact legal name of the firm
- 1.21.10 Bids not conforming to the above requirements of signing may be disqualified.
- 1.21.11 If the outer envelope is not sealed and not marked as above, AEGCL will assume no responsibility for the misplacement or premature opening of the bid.
- 1.21.12 The Bid must be accompanied with requisite BID SECURITY in a separate sealed cover.
- 1.21.13 The Bidders have the option of sending the Bids by post/courier or in person. Bids submitted by Telex/ Telegram/Fax will not be accepted. No request from any Bidder to AEGCL to collect the proposal from Airlines/Cargo Agents etc shall be entertained by AEGCL.

1.22.0 DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF BIDS

1.22.1 Bids must be received by AEGCL at the address specified above no later than refer to NIT.

1.22.2 AEGCL may, at its discretion, extend the deadline for submission of bids by issuing an addendum in accordance with Clause 1.13.0, in which case all rights and obligations of AEGCL and the bidders previously subject to the original deadline will thereafter be subject to the deadlines extended.

1.23.0 LATE BIDS

1.23.1 Any bid received by AEGCL after the deadline for submission of bids prescribed in Clause 1.22.0 will be rejected and returned unopened to the bidder.

1.24.0 WITHDRAWAL OF BIDS

- 1.24.1 The bidder may withdraw its bid after bid submission, provided that written notice of the withdrawal is received by AEGCL prior to the deadline for submission of bids.
- 1.24.2 The bidder's withdrawal notice shall be prepared, sealed, marked and delivered with the envelopes additionally marked "WITHDRAWAL".
- 1.24.3 Withdrawal of a bid during the interval between the deadline for submission of bids and the expiration of the period of bid validity specified in Sub-Clause 1.18.0 may result in the forfeiture of the bid security pursuant to Sub-Clause 1.19.6.

1.25.0 OPENING OF BIDS

1.25.1 The Purchaser shall conduct the opening of Technical Bids through online process at the address, date and time specified in the BDS. Bidders at their discretion may attend the techno-commercial bid opening. Price bid of those bidders shall only be opened whose techno-commercial bids are found to be responsive to the requirement of the bidding document.

1.26.0 PROCESS TO BE CONFIDENTIAL

1.26.1 Information relating to the examination, clarification, evaluation and comparison of bids and recommendations for the award of a contract shall not be disclosed to bidders or any other persons not officially concerned with such process. Any effort by a bidder to influence AEGCL's processing of bids or award decisions may result in the rejection of the bidder's bid.

1.27.0 PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION OF BIDS AND DETERMINATION OF RESPONSIVENESS

- 1.27.1 The Purchaser shall examine the Techno-commercial Bid to confirm that all documents and technical documentation requested in this bidding document have been provided, and to determine the completeness of each document submitted. If any of these documents or information is missing, the Bid may be rejected.
- 1.27.2 The Purchaser's determination of a bid's responsiveness is to be based on the contents of the bid itself. A substantially responsive Techno-commercial Bid is one that meets the requirements of the Bidding Document without material deviation, reservation, or omission. A material deviation, reservation, or omission is one that, a) if accepted, would: (i). Affect in any substantial way the scope, quality, or performance of the plant and services specified in the Contract; or (ii). Limit in any substantial way, inconsistent with the Bidding Document, the Purchaser's rights or the Bidder's obligations under the proposed Contract; or b) If rectified, would unfairly affect the competitive position of other Bidders presenting substantially responsive bids. The Purchaser shall examine the Techno-commercial Proposal, to confirm that the requirement of the bidding document have been met without any material deviation or reservation. If a bid is not substantially responsive to the requirements of the Bidding Document, it shall be rejected by the Purchaser and may not subsequently be made responsive by correction of the material deviation, reservation, or omission

1.28.0 CLARIFICATION OF BID PROPOSALS AND CONTACTING AEGCL

- 1.28.1 To assist in the examination, evaluation and comparison of Bids, AEGCL may, at its discretion, ask any bidder for clarification of its bid. The request for clarification and the response shall be in writing or by mail, but no change in the price or substance of the bid shall be sought, offered or permitted except as required to confirm the correction of arithmetic errors discovered by AEGCL in the evaluation of the bids.
- 1.28.2 Subject to Sub-Clause 1.28.1, no bidder shall contact AEGCL on any matter relating to its bid from the time of opening Bids to the time the contract is awarded. If the bidder wishes to bring additional information to the notice of AEGCL, it should do so in writing.
- 1.28.3 Any effort by the bidder to influence AEGCL in AEGCL's evaluation of price proposals, bid comparison or contract award decisions may result in the rejection of the bidder's bid.

1.29.0 CORRECTION OF ERRORS

1.29.1 Price Proposals determined to be substantially responsive will be checked by AEGCL for any arithmetic errors. Arithmetic errors will be rectified on the following basis. If there is a discrepancy between the unit rate and the total cost that is obtained by multiplying the unit rate and quantity, the unit rate shall prevail and the total cost will be corrected unless in the opinion of AEGCL there is an obvious misplacement of the decimal point in the unit rate, in which case the total cost as quoted will govern and the unit rate corrected. If there is a discrepancy between the total bid amount and the sum of total costs, the sum of the total costs shall prevail and the total bid amount will be corrected.

1.29.2 The amount stated in the Form of Bid for Price Proposal will be adjusted by AEGCL in accordance with the above procedure for the correction of errors and, shall be considered as binding upon the bidder. If the bidder does not accept the corrected amount of bid, its bid will be rejected, and the bid security may be forfeited in accordance with Sub-Clause 1.19.6 (b).

1.30.0 EVALUATION AND COMPARISON OF BID PROPOSALS

- 1.30.1 AEGCL will evaluate and compare only the bids determined to be substantially responsive in accordance with Clause 1.27.0.
- 1.30.2 AEGCL will carry out a detailed evaluation of the bids in order to determine whether the bidders are qualified and whether the technical aspects are substantially responsive to the requirements set forth in the bidding documents. In order to reach such a determination, AEGCL will examine the information supplied by the Bidders and other requirements in the bidding documents, taking into account the following factors:
 - (a) Qualification
 - the determination will take into account the Bidder's financial and technical capabilities and past performance; it will be based upon an examination of the documentary evidence of the Bidder's qualifications submitted by the Bidder, well as such other information as AEGCL deems necessary and appropriate; and
 - (ii) an affirmative determination will be a prerequisite for AEGCL to continue with the evaluation of the proposal; a negative determination will result in rejection of the Bidder's bid.
 - (b) Technical
 - (i) overall completeness and compliance with AEGCL's Requirements; the technical merits of materials and equipments offered and deviations from AEGCL's Requirements; suitability of the facilities offered in relation to the environmental and climatic conditions prevailing at the site; quality, function and operation of any process control concept included in the bid;

(c) Commercial

- (i) Deviations and omissions from the contractual and commercial conditions as identified in the Bid.
- (ii) compliance with the time schedule called for in the Bidding Document and evidenced as needed in a milestone schedule provided in the bid; and
- (iii) the functional guarantees of the facilities offered against the specified performance criteria of the plant and equipment.
- 1.30.3 The Purchaser shall use the criteria and methodologies listed in this Clause. No other evaluation criteria or methodologies shall be used. To evaluate a Price Bid, the Purchaser shall consider the following:
 - a) The bid price excluding taxes as quoted in the Price Schedules;
 - b) Price adjustment for correction of arithmetical errors.

c) The following methodology will be practiced for identification and treatment of the Abnormally Low Bids (ALB) in this tender process of AEGCL:

(a) Identification:

For the identification of the Abnormally Low Bids, two approaches as applicable shall be adopted:

- i. **Absolute Approach** when there is fewer than five substantially responsive bidders and if the bid price is 20% or more below AEGCL's cost estimate then AEGCL's tender evaluation committee should clarify the Bid price with the bidder to determine whether the Bid is abnormally low.
- ii. **Relative Approach** is a statical comparison method which will be applied when there are more than five nos. of substantially responsive bids. A potential ALB is identified where the low Bid is more than one standard deviation below the average of substantially responsive bids received.

In this approach first the Average bid price is determined and then by deducting the standard deviation from the average bid price, potentially ALB may be determined.

(b) In case of ALB, the tender evaluation committee of the respective tenders shall undertake the following three stage review which are as follows:

- i. Identify ALB as per the step mentioned in Clause No.(a).(i) and 10.b).(ii) whichever is applicable.
- ii. Clarify and analyse the bidders resource inputs and pricing, including overheads, contingencies and profit margins. In that respect committee may seek the reference of the guidelines of World Bank, AIIB, ADB etc.
- iii. Decide whether to accept or reject the tender.

(c) Additional Performance Security in case of acceptance of ALB:

i. If any abnormally low bid is accepted under point no. (b) (iii), after taking of additional performance security as per the assessment of the committee, however the total performance security should not have to exceed 20% of the total contract value.

- ii. The additional performance security shall be treated as part of the original performance security and shall be valid for a period coextensive with the applicable defect liability period of the contract.
- iii. Non submission of the additional performance security shall constitute sufficient ground to rejection of the bid and similar assessment shall be initiated for the next ranked bidder identified as ALB.
- 1.30.6 AEGCL reserves the right to accept or reject any variation or deviation. Variations, deviations, and other factors which are in excess of the requirements of the bidding documents or otherwise result in the accrual of unsolicited benefits to AEGCL shall not be taken into account in bid evaluation.

1.31.0 AWARD CRITERIA

1.31.1 AEGCL will award the Contract to the bidder whose bid has been determined to be the lowest substantially responsive bid provided that such bidder has been determined to be qualified in accordance with the provisions of the Bid. However, the AEGCL reserves the right to not award contract to the lowest substantially responsive bidder without thereby incurring any liability to Bidders

1.32.0 EMPLOYER'S RIGHT TO ACCEPT ANY BID AND TO REJECT ANY OR ALL BIDS

1.32.1 Notwithstanding Clause 1.31,0, AEGCL reserves the right to accept or reject any bid, and to annul the bidding process and reject all bids, at any time prior to award of Contract, without thereby incurring any liability to the affected bidder or bidders or any obligation to inform the affected bidder or bidders of the grounds for AEGCL's action. AEGCL is not bound to accept the offer of the lowest bidder.

1.33.0 NOTIFICATION OF AWARD

- 1.33.1 Prior to expiration of the period of bid validity prescribed by AEGCL, AEGCL will notify the successful bidder by fax, confirmed by letter, that its bid has been accepted. This letter (hereinafter and in the Conditions of Contract called the "Letter of Acceptance") shall name the sum which AEGCL will pay the Contractor in consideration of the execution, completion and maintenance of the Works by the Contractor as prescribed by the Contract (hereinafter and in the Conditions of Contract called "the Contract Price").
- 1.33.2 The notification of award will constitute the formation of the Contract.

1.34.0 SIGNING OF CONTRACT AGREEMENT

- 1.34.1 At the same time that it notifies the successful bidder that its bid has been accepted, AEGCL will send the bidder the Form of Contract Agreement incorporating all agreements between the parties.
- 1.34.2 Within 15 (fifteen) days of receipt of the Form of Agreement, the successful bidder shall sign the Form and return it to AEGCL.

1.35.0 WARRANTY

- 1.35.1 The contractor warrants that all goods are new, unused and of the most recent or current models, and that they incorporate all recent improvements in design and materials, unless provided otherwise in the Contract. The term period of warranty shall mean the period of **18 months** from the date of the materials are received at site in good and acceptable condition. If during the period of warranty, any defect is found, the Contractor shall rectify all defects in design, materials and workmanship that may develop under normal use of the equipment upon written notice from the Purchaser who shall indicate in what respects the equipment is faulty. The rectification / free replacement must be carried out within a reasonable time period and at free of cost.
- 1.35.2 In the event of any emergency, where in the judgment of AEGCL, delay would cause serious loss or damages, repairs or adjustment may be made by the engineer or a third party chosen by the engineer without advance notice to the contractor and the cost of such work shall be paid by the contractor. In the event such action is taken by the engineer, the contractor will be notified promptly and he shall assist wherever possible in making necessary corrections. This shall not relieve the contractor of his liabilities under the terms and conditions of the contract.
- 1.35.3 If it becomes necessary for the contractor to replace or renew any defective portions of the works, the provision of this clause shall apply to portion of the works so replaced or renewed until the expiry of eighteen (18) months from the date of such replacement or renewal.
- 1.35.4 The repaired or new parts will be furnished and erected free of cost by the contractor. If any repair is carried out on his behalf at the site, the contractor shall bear the cost of such repairs.
- 1.35.5 The acceptance of the equipment by the Employer shall in no way relieve the contractor of his obligation under this clause.
- 1.35.6 In the case of those defective parts, which are not repairable at site but are essential for the commercial operation of the equipment, the contractor and the engineer shall mutually agree to a programme of replacement or renewal, which will minimize interruption to the maximum extent in the operation of the equipment.

1.36.0 PERFORMANCE SECURITY (Contract Performance Guarantee)

- 1.36.1 As a Contract Performance Security, the successful Bidder, to whom the work is awarded, shall be required to furnish a Performance Guarantee from a Nationalized Bank, in the form attached with the Bidding Document (Section –5) in favour of the AEGCL. The guarantee amount shall be equal to ten percent (10%) of the Contract Price and it shall guarantee the faithful performance of the contract in accordance with the terms and conditions specified in these documents and specifications. The guarantee shall be valid up to 90 (ninety) days after the end of Warranty Period.
- 1.36.2 In case the bidder fails to submit the Performance Security in the form of Bank Guarantee, an amount equivalent to 10% of the Contract Price shall be retained as Security Deposits which shall be retained up to 90 (ninety) days after the end of Warranty Period
- 1.36.3 The performance guarantee shall cover additionally the following guarantees to the owner:
 - a) The successful Bidder guarantees the successful and satisfactory operation of the equipment furnished and erected under the contract, as per the specifications and documents.
 - b) The successful Bidder further guarantees that the equipment/material provided and installed by him shall be free from all defects in design, material and workmanship and shall upon written notice from the Owner fully remedy must be guaranteed.
- 1.36.4. The Contract performance Guarantee will be returned to the Contractor without any interest at the end of warranty period and written request from the contractor.

1.37.0 TERMS OF PAYMENT

The terms of payment for the supply and erection work shall be as follows

- i. No advance payment shall be made in this contract.
- ii. No claim for interest shall be entertained by AEGCL
- iii. The price is firm and no price variation shall be applicable.
- iv. Final bill must contain the original site register.
- v. Payment shall be made from the O/o the DGM. Lower Assam T&T Circle, AEGCL on delivery of the items in full and good condition and duly verified by the Site Engineer.
- vi. Payment shall be released subject to receipt of specific fund. The Bidder / Firm will have to be submitted the following Net Banking details.
 - a) Banker's Name & Branch
 - b) Account No
 - c) Banker's address
 - d) Banker's IFSC Code
 - e) Banker's RTGS Code

1.38.0 CORRUPT OR FRAUDULENT PRACTICES

- 1.38.1 It is required that bidders/suppliers/contractors observe the highest standard of ethics during the procurement and execution of the contracts. In Pursuance of this Clause AEGCL;
 - (a) defines, for the purposes of this provision, the terms set forth below as follows:
 - (i) "corrupt practice" means behavior on the part of officials in the public or private sectors by which they improperly and unlawfully enrich themselves and/or those close to them, or induce others to do so, by misusing the position in which they are placed, and it includes the offering, giving, receiving or soliciting of anything of value to influence the action of any such official in the procurement process or in contract execution; and
 - "fraudulent practice" means a misrepresentation of facts in order to influence a procurement process or the execution of a contract to the detriment of the Borrower, and includes collusive practice among bidders (prior to or after bid submission) designed to establish bid prices at artificial non-competitive levels and to deprive the Borrower of the benefits of free and open competition;
 - (b) will reject a proposal for award if it determines that the bidder recommended for award has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for the contract in question;
 - (c) will declare a firm ineligible, either indefinitely or for a stated period of time, to be awarded a contract by AEGCL if it at any time determines that the firm has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for, or in executing, a contract.

1.39.0 PENALTY FOR DELAYED EXECUTION

In the event of delay in completing the work extending beyond the date of completion or beyond the extended date, if any, permitted by the Board, the contractor shall pay as agreed liquidated damage and not as a penalty a sum equal to 1% of the contract price under this contract for each week of delay or part thereof subject to a maximum of 10% of the contract price.

1.40.0 FORCE MAJEURE

Force Majeure shall be considered as any circumstances beyond the reasonable control of the party claiming relief, including but not limited to strikes lockout, civil commotion, riot, insurrection, hostilities, war, fire, flood, earthquake, delay in delivery of equipments or part thereof by AEGCL, would entitle contractor to extension of time.

1.41.0 SETTLEMENT OF THE DISPUTE & ARBITRATION

Any dispute arising out of the contract will first be discussed and settled bilaterally between the Assam Electricity Grid Corporation Limited and firms/ contractors. In case, the dispute cannot be settled bilaterally, it will be referred to arbitration by an arbitrator to be appointed by the AEGCL. The contractor shall not stop the work during settlement of any arbitration case. All disputes arising out of the agreement so made shall be subjected to the jurisdiction of district court of Kamrup District.

SECTION-2

PURCHASER'S REQUIREMENTS

2.1.0 SCOPE OF WORK:

- 2.1.1 This section of the specification deals with the technical information & criteria for "Procurement of C category materials for 132KV Double Main Bus scheme strengthening maintenance works at 132/33 kV Kahilipara GSS, AEGCL
- 2.1.2 Arrangements of any permits required for transportation and movment of supplied materials. However, AEGCL shall assist as far as practicable in the process.
- 2.1.3 It is not the intent to specify completely herein all details of design and construction of the equipment and accessories. However, the equipment and accessories shall conform in all respects to high standards of engineering, design and workmanship and be capable of performing in continuous operation up to the bidder's guarantees in a manner acceptable to the Purchaser. The Purchaser will interpret the meaning of drawings and specifications and shall be entitled to reject any work or material, which in his judgment is not in full accordance therewith.
- 2.1.4 The various items of supply are described very briefly in the schedule of Bid Form, Prices & Other Schedules and annexure. The various items as defined in these schedules shall be read in conjunction with the corresponding section in the technical specifications including amendments and, additions ifany.

2.2.0 STANDARDS

- 2.2.1 The equipment covered under this bidding document shall, unless otherwise stated be designed, constructed and tested in accordance with the latest revisions of relevant Indian Standards and shall conform to the regulations of local statutory authorities. In case of any conflict between the standards and this specification, this specification shall govern.
- 2.2.2 Equipment conforming to other international or authoritative Standards which ensure equivalent or better performance than that specified under clause above shall also be accepted. In that case relevant extracts of the same shall be forwarded with the bid.

2.3.0 SERVICE CONDITIONS

The materials supplied shall be suitable for operation under the following climatic and other conditions:

- a) Peak ambient day temperature in still air: 45 °C
- b) Minimum night temperatures : 0 °C
- c) Ground temperatures: 40 °C
- d) Reference ambient day temperature : 45 °C
- e) Relative Humidity i). Maximum : 100 % ii). Minimum : 10 %
- f) Altitude : Below 1000 M above MSL
- g) Maximum wind pressure : As per IS: 802
- h) Seismic Intensity: ZONE-V as per IS 1893.

2.4.0 **TESTS**

2.4.1 The materials to be supplied shall be subjected to the tests before dispatch, in accordance with the relevant standards. Materials which have never been tested for critical performance, shall not be accepted

2.5.0 GUARANTEED TECHNICAL PARTICULARS

- 2.5.1 The Guaranteed Technical Particulars of the various items shall be furnished by the Bidders with the Technical Bid in the prescribed Schedules of the bidding document. The Bidder shall also furnish any other information's as in their opinion is needed to give full description and details to judge the item(s) offered by them.
- 2.5.2 The data furnished in Guaranteed Technical Particulars should be the minimum or maximum value (as per the requirement of the specification) required. A Bidder may guarantee a value more stringent than the specification requirement. However, for testing purpose or from performance point of view, the material shall be considered performed successfully if it achieves the minimum/maximum value required as per the technical specification. No preference what so ever shall be given to the bidder offering better/more stringent values than those required as per specification except where stated otherwise.

2.6.0 TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION FOR CLAMPS:

2.6.1 T Clamps, UPG clamps :

1. Standard Specification and tests shall be as per IS:5561.

2. For connecting ACSR conductor alluminium alloy extruded conforming as per latest relevant IS.

3. Bolts, nuts and washers shall be made of mild steel and hot dip galvanized as per IS 2629. Small fittings like spring washers, nuts etc. may be electrogalvanised.

4. The quality of HDG ferrous components shall be determined by the test given in IS:2633 and shall satisfy the requirement of that standard.

5. The rated short time current shall be one of the standard values laid down in Indian Standards for the associated circuit breakers, Switches etc.

6. Current carrying capacity same as conductor full current rating. For two different conductors, conductor with smaller rating shall be considered.

7. No part of a clamp shall be less than 12 mm thick for fittings suitable upto size of ACSR conductor.

8. All sharp edges and corners shall be blurred and rounded off.

9. For bimetallic connectors, copper alloy liner of minimum thickness of 2 mm shall be cast integral with aluminium body.

10. From outermost hole edge to nearest edge of any clamps and connectors the distance shall not be less than 10 mm.

2.6.2 Equipment Clamps (CVT, CB, ISOLATOR, CT and PT):

1. Standard Specification and tests shall be as per IS:5561.

2. For connecting ACSR conductor alluminium alloy extruded conforming as per latest relevant IS.

3. Bolts, nuts and washers shall be made of mild steel and hot dip galvanized as per IS 2629. Small fittings like spring washers, nuts etc. may be electrogalvanised.

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SECTION – 3

BID SUBMISSION SHEET, BID FORMS AND SCHEDULES

1. Bid Submission Sheet

(To be submitted in Bidder's Letterhead)

Name of contract:

Τo,

The Deputy General Manager, Lower Assam, T&T Circle, AEGCL, Narengi.Guwahati-26

Sir:

We have examined the General Conditions of Contract, Technical Specification, Schedules, and Addenda Nos _____(if any). We have understood and checked these documents and have not found any errors in them. We accordingly offer to execute and complete the said Works and remedy any defects fit for purpose in conformity with these documents and the enclosed Proposal (Price Offer)

We accept your suggestions for the appointment of the Dispute Adjudication Board, as set out in the Bidding Document.

We agree to abide by this Bid until ______ and it shall remain binding upon us and may be accepted at any time before that date.

If our bid is accepted, we will provide the specified performance security, commence the Works as soon as reasonably possible after receiving the notice to commence, and complete the Works in accordance with the above-named documents within the time stated in the Bidding Document.

Unless and until a formal Agreement is prepared and executed this Bid, together with your written acceptance thereof, shall constitute a binding contract between us.

We understand that you are not bound to accept the lowest or any bid you may receive.

Commissions or gratuities, if any, paid or to be paid by us to agents relating to this Bid, and to contract execution if we are awarded the contract, are listed below:

Yours faithfully

Signature ______ in the capacity of _____ duly authorized to sign bids for and on behalf of

Address

2. Form-BG

Form of Bid Security (Bank Guarantee)

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3. Form-MA Form of Manufacturer's Authorization (To be submitted in Manufacturer's Letterhead)

Bid No .:

To,

The Deputy General Manager, Lower Assam, T&T Circle, AEGCL, Narengi.Guwahati-26

WE [insert: name of Manufacturer] who are established and reputable manufacturers of [insert: name and/or description of the Goods] having production facilities at [insert: address of factory] do hereby authorize [insert: name & address of Bidder] (hereinafter, the "Bidder") to submit a bid the purpose of which is to provide the following goods, manufactured by us, and to subsequently negotiate and sign the Contract:

1. ------

2. -----

We hereby extend our full guarantee and warranty in accordance with *Clause 1.35.0* of the Special Conditions of Contract, for the above specified Goods supporting the Supply of specified Goods and fulfilling the Related Services by the Bidder against this Bidding Documents, and duly authorize said Bidder to act on our behalf in fulfilling these guarantee and warranty obligations. We also hereby declare that, we will furnish the Performance Guarantee in accordance with *SCC Clause 1.36.0*.

Further, we also hereby declare that we and, *[insert: name of the Bidder]* have entered into a formal relationship in which, during the duration of the Contract (**including related services and warranty / defects liability**) we, the Manufacturer or Producer, will make our technical and engineering staff fully available to the technical and engineering staff of the successful Bidder to assist that Bidder, on a reasonable and best effort basis, in the performance of all its obligations to the Purchaser under the Contract.

For and on behalf of the Manufacturer

Common Seal and Signature of the authorised person: Name:

Designation:

NOTE:

This MA should be signed by a person having either of the following-

1) Valid Power of attorney

- 2) Authorised by Managing Director
- 3) Member of Board of Directors

4. Guarantee Declaration

We declare that the ratings, specifications and performance figures of the various plants and equipments /material furnished by us in the Bid are guaranteed. We further declare that in the event of any deficiencies in meeting the guarantees in respect of the characteristics mentioned in Guaranteed Technical Particulars, of Technical Bid as established after conducting the factory test, you may at your discretion, reject or accept the equipment/material after assessing the liquidated damages as specified in relevant clause of Bid Document.

Date:

Place:

(Signature)	
(Printed Name)	

(Common Seal).....