

Rural Electrification Agency

Ministry of Energy and Mineral Development

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (CONSULTING SERVICES - FIRMS)

FEASIBILITY STUDIES FOR FUTURE RURAL ELECTRIFICATION LINES

UGANDA RURAL ELECTRICITY ACCESS PROJECT REPUBLIC OF UGANDA

Sector: Project ID No.: Procurement Reference No.: Energy P-UG-FA0-006 REA/SRVCS/15-16/00160

The Government of Uganda has received financing from the African Development Bank (AfDB) towards the cost of the Uganda Rural Electricity Access Project (UREAP), and intends to apply part of the agreed amount of this loan to payments under the contract for Consultancy Services for "Feasibility Studies for Future Rural Electrification Lines."

The overall objective of the assignment is to prepare bankable study reports by undertaking detailed technical, economic/financial studies and engineering designs for rural electrification through grid extensions. The assignment shall also include distribution lines, route surveys, environmental and social impact assessment of proposed grid-electrification projects in North-North West, Eastern, Mid-Western, South Western, Central North, North Eastern, West Nile, Northern, North Western, Rwenzori, Western, South and Central Electricity Distribution Service Territories covering a total of 2,500 km Medium Voltage (33 kV and 11 kV) lines. The study shall comprise both Low Voltage (LV) reticulations and associated Last-mile potential connections to serve Health Centres, Schools, Small-Medium Enterprises and households in the rural areas. It is expected that the assignment will take 8 months. The Rural Electrification Agency (REA) of the Ministry of Energy & Mineral Development now invites eligible consultants to indicate their interest in providing these services. Interested consultants must provide the information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services:

- Legal documents indicating the legal status and corporate profile (Certificate of Registration/ Incorporation, Memorandum & Articles of Association and Powers of Attorney);
- Description of similar assignments undertaken;
- Experience in similar conditions (i.e. sub-Saharan Africa);
- Availability of appropriate skills among staff (i.e. Project Manager, Distribution Planning & Design Engineers, Power Line Surveyors, Environmentalists and Sociologists, etc.).

Consultants may constitute joint-ventures to enhance their chances of qualification.

Eligibility criteria, establishment of the short list and the selection procedure shall be in accordance with the

African Development Bank's *"Rules and Procedures for the use of Consultants"* May 2008 Edition, Revised July 2012, which is available on the Bank's website at http://www.afdb.org.

Interested consultants may obtain further information at the address below during office hours 09:00 to 16:00 hours (local time), except for public holidays.

Expressions of interest must be delivered to the address below by 27th January, 2016 at 11:00 hours (local time) and mention "Expression of Interest (EOI) – Feasibility Study for Future Rural Electrification Lines under the Uganda Rural Electricity Access Project":-

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