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BARBADOS
COASTAL INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAMME
Construction Sector
CONSTRUCTION OF HOLETOWN BEACH IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT
Invitation to Tender
Loan No. 1386/OC-BA

This invitation to contractors to tender for the construction of the Holetown Beach Improvement Project follows the general procurement notice for this project that appeared in *UN Business Development* No. 560 of 16 June 2001.

The Government of Barbados has received a loan from the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) for the partial financing of the Coastal Infrastructure Programme, and it intends to apply part of the proceeds of this loan to payments under the contract for the construction of the coastal infrastructure works.

The principal objective of the program is to ensure a healthy environment and continued economic development of Barbados through improved management and conservation of the coastal zone.

The program comprises a range of coastal management works and activities related to four specific objectives:

- *Shoreline stabilization and erosion control
- *Restoration of coastal habitats
- *Improvement of public coastal access
- *Institutional strengthening for coastal management

In order to achieve these objectives a package of investment works, located at five sites, are being designed for which construction works will be required.

Of these five sites, only one, the Holetown Beach Improvement Project, will be included as part of this tender process.

Accordingly, the Government of Barbados now invites qualified firms from IDB's eligible member countries to express their interest in tendering for the investment works to be undertaken as part of the Coastal Infrastructure Programme. The method of bidding is international competitive bidding.

The scope of works for the Holetown Beach Improvements consists of:

- Securing site of work sites, including installation of safety and/or security fencing
- Demolition and legal disposal of existing concrete structures, removal of existing armour stone, rock, sand, rubble, debris and miscellaneous material that interfere with the construction of new reinforced concrete structures, revetments, groynes and beaches. Certain stone and sand materials shall be salvaged from the works for reuse in the contract

- Construction of approximately 475 m of linear revetment including one overlook
- Construction of approximately 475 m of walkway with seatwalls, precast curb, benches, and stairs
- Place and grade approximately 2,000 m³ of sand beach fill
- Construction of a concrete bridge, culvert with handrails, culvert spans
- Landscape as shown in contract drawings

All project works are subject to a one-year maintenance period.

Construction of the revetment and overlooks will involve the placement of armour stones in nearshore. The approximate cost for the Holetown Beach Improvement Project is Bds. \$5,960,000. The approximate period for these works is April to November 2008.

The applicable rules of the IDB will apply in determining the eligibility of the contracting firms. Works performed under this contract will be subject to the provisions of the relevant loan contract entered into between the Government of Barbados and the IDB.

Tenderers should be aware that the Labor Clauses (Public Contracts) Act, Cap 349 shall in so far as is applicable to the tender, apply to any contract made in respect of the tender. Full details of the conditions of the Act Cap 349 may be obtained from the Chief Labor Officer (Warrens Office Complex, Warrens, Saint Michael). Tenderers should submit the certificate required of the schedule to the Act with their tender.

All corporate applicants must include with their tenders a copy of the company's Certificate of Incorporation as evidence of the fact that it is an existing registered company as of the date of application. The certificate must be in the name of the applicant.

When the Certificate of Incorporation has not been submitted at the date of opening of bids, the tenderer will be given a maximum of two weeks to meet this obligation. Failure to submit the Certificate of Incorporation within the extended period would render the tender void.

Local applicants are advised that the above-cited certificate means a Certificate of Incorporation issued under the 1985 Companies Act of Barbados or, where applicable, a Certificate of Continuance and/or a Certificate of Amalgamation, or a Certificate of Amendment. Certificates must be dated after 31 December 1984.

The successful tenderer will be required to enter into a contract drawn up by or in a form approved by the Solicitor General or another approved Legal Officer in the Public Service. A surety for the due performance of the contract will be required by the way of one of the following methods: (a) a deposit with the Treasury of a sum of money or approved securities to the value of no less than 10 per cent of the contract price; or (b) a Bank or an accredited Insurance Company whose liability shall not be less than 30 per cent of the contract price (The cost of obtaining such a surety will be the responsibility of

the contractor, who need not specifically make arrangements for sureties unless and until his tender has been accepted.); or (c) satisfactory personal sureties.

Tender Documents may be obtained from the Coastal Zone Management Unit, between the hours of 0900 and 1600, Monday through Friday, upon payment of a non-refundable fee equivalent to BDS. \$300 or US\$ 150 at the first address below.

Clarification and further information may be obtained from the same address. Any contracting firm wishing to tender must complete the necessary tender documents. In the case of joint ventures, their tender submission must include separate tender documents and Certificates of Incorporation for each firm that constitutes the joint venture.

All bids must be accompanied by a bond or security of BDS. \$50,000. The tender documents must be completed in English and submitted in an sealed envelope, clearly marked "Holetown Beach Improvements Project – Coastal Infrastructure Programme – Contract No. 1", to the Chairman, Special Tenders Committee, C/o Central Purchasing Department (second address below) at or before 1630 hours (Barbados time) on Wednesday, 7 May 2008. Tender documents reaching the Central purchasing Department after the closing time and date will not be considered. The applications should be placed in the tender box located at the Central Purchasing Department, Fontabelle, Saint Michael. (The total price of the bid must be stated in Barbados Dollars.) Tender documents will be opened at the Central Purchasing Department in the presence of the bidder's representatives who choose to attend at 1030 hours on Thursday, 8 May 2008.

Tenderers will be advised in due course of the result of their applications.

No Tender will be considered unless it complies with the conditions set out in this notice and in the tender documents.

The Government reserves the right to accept or reject any or all applications, and it does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

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Coastal Infrastructure Programme – Contract No. 1

Chairman, Special Tenders Committee

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