

AMENDMENT #1: 2020-31017A Papua New Guinea Electric Utility Digitalization Strategy Roadmap Technical Assistance

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Please note that the Request for Proposals (RFP) for the technical assistance for the Electric Utility Digitalization Strategy Roadmap is amended, as follows:

Section 3.7 SUBMISSION OF RFP QUESTIONS

The submission deadline for questions has been extended to November 13, 2020, 3:00 PM, EST/EDT.

Section 4 AWARD CRITERIA

The Firm Technical Capability and Past Performance selection criteria is amended, as follows:

1. Firm Technical Capability and Past Performance (45 Points)
 - Past Performance of strategic planning and implementation, specifically ICT Roadmap developments (15 points)
 - Past Performance of conducting various reviews and impact analysis in similar settings as PNG POWER (5 points)
 - Past Performance in similar industry (5 points)
 - Past performance with potential US Suppliers, products and services (5 points)
 - Past Performance with technical services to develop and provide capacity building programs (15 points)

Questions, Answers and Clarifications: This amendment consists of clarifying questions and answers submitted by potential Offerors regarding the RFP packet. Responses to submitted questions are below. Questions are in bold font.

What is the expectation for travel with regards to the Covid-19 pandemic?

Travel will require negotiation during this period – Options should be provided and considered from bidders.

Can list of the current systems, technology and architecture be provided?

Yes – We can only provide high level at this stage given no NDA has been signed. Please see the annex attached.

Task 1 of the Terms of Reference state proposed travel plans with the expectation of onsite for the kick-off meeting. With that said is this still expected despite the current Covid-19 pandemic?

Travel will require negotiation during this period – Options should be provided and considered from bidders.

Tasks 3 and 4 states “implement.” Is it correct that as part of this there will be an implemented Data Center and communications network? Or, is this just the plan for the implementation?

Tasks 3 and 4 requires the strategy roadmap and analysis for implementation.

Are we able to get a list of the companies that have download the response?

Please contact RFP@ustda.gov for a list of companies that have agreed to be included in the list of potential bidders.