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BARANGAY INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS (BIP)
INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB)

Invitation for Bids No. : 145-12 **Date : June 18, 2012**
Subproject Contract No.: B-0528, B-0536, B-0581, B-0674, B-0693 & B-0706 **USAID Contract No: 492-C-00-08-0001-00**

1. The Government of the Philippines, through the Mindanao Development Authority (MinDA) is collaborating with the United States Government, through the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) for the Growth with Equity in Mindanao Program which seeks to accelerate the peace and economic development in the conflict-affected areas of Mindanao. To implement the Program, USAID has contracted "The Louis Berger Group, Inc. (LBGI)" with program office in Davao City, Philippines.

2. The Growth with Equity in Mindanao Program as implemented by LBGI has Barangay Infrastructure Projects (BIPs) which provides for the construction of a number of small-scale barangay infrastructure projects. LBGI is the contracting entity and will award Subcontracts to potential Subcontractors. Prospective bidders are advised to carefully review and evaluate project-specific plans, drawings, specifications, and bill of quantities in order to arrive at the best estimate of project budget. LBGI shall not in any way be obligated to accept the lowest bid if LBGI believes the bids to be either unreasonably high or low. The lowest bid that may be selected for subcontract award must meet the requirements of bid responsiveness and reasonableness. Please note that the resultant subcontract award for trading centers and solar dryers will be fixed price lump subcontracts while the boat landings, barangay bridges, footbridges, road upgrading and irrigation canal upgrading will be unit price subcontracts and shall be subject to USAID concurrence.

3. The Louis Berger Group, Inc. (LBGI) invites submission of bids from ALL accredited contractors with the Philippine Contractors Accreditation Board (PCAB). The bid must include the following documentation:

   - A certified true copy of Contractor's (Philippine Contractors Accreditation Board) PCAB license / (Department of Trade and Industry) DTI Registration for Trade (Construction) / Professional Regulation Commission (PRC) license for individual practicing Civil Engineers for the current year, and (Construction Industry Authority of the Philippines) CIAP certification. Growth with Equity in Mindanao will not accept a DTI registration only;
   - A certified copy of contractor's VAT registration certificate; business name registration; current business permit; audited financial statements marked "received" by the BIR for the past 2 years;
   - A list of completed projects during the last two years showing: the amount of contract; the owners/clients; the dates completed; certificates of project completion/acceptance issued by the owners/clients;
   - A list of on-going projects showing: amount of contracts; contract period; locations; owners/clients; current status; and Notices of Award/Notices to Proceed;
   - A list of key proposed personnel (project managers, project engineers, materials engineers, safety engineers, foremen, etc.) and their availability, with detailed work experience and licenses, where applicable;
   - Organizational chart, Company Quality Control and Safety Control Program;

- A list of construction and laboratory testing equipment, showing dates of acquisition, location, condition, proof of ownership, identification (engine/chassis number, plate number, etc.)

The following are not eligible to bid:

- Firms who in the past have filed against, and/or currently have unresolved and/or pending legal claims, suits, or disputes with the Louis Berger Group, Inc. (LBGI), the Louis Berger Group (Philippines), Inc. (LBGPI), or the officers of LBGI and LBGPI;
- Firms who have been awarded Subcontracts for the Growth with Equity in Mindanao Program for the construction of various infrastructure projects, but have, for various reasons, been unable to complete such Subcontracts, resulting to termination of the contract; and,
- Firms who have been awarded Subcontracts for the Growth with Equity in Mindanao Program for the construction of various infrastructure projects, and whose work has been determined to be significantly behind schedule;
- Firms that have been blacklisted by DPWH and other government agencies; and
- Those whose names appear in the Excluded Parties List System (EPLS)."

As such, Growth with Equity in Mindanao shall conduct a "Post Qualification" to determine the responsibility of the bidder with the lowest calculated bid. This will include validation with third parties on the authenticity of documents (credit lines, bank statements, certificate of project completion, contracting licenses, etc.). Documents validated by a third party that will be received beyond the two-week period will not be credited to the bidder for a particular bid but will be credited to the bidder in his subsequent bid. A period of 2 weeks after the deadline for the submission of bids shall be allowed for substantiation of the documents submitted**.**

Growth with Equity in Mindanao will not delay awarding of the subcontract in order to provide a potential bidder with an opportunity to demonstrate his ability to meet the standards specified for qualification.

4. Bidders are advised that LBGI is yet to receive written concurrence from USAID to bid for these proposed barangay infrastructure projects. Thus, LBGI shall not be in any way obligated to proceed with subcontract award nor reimburse/pay any responding bidder for the costs associated with the latter's acquisition of this IFB as well as preparation of a response to this invitation.
5. Estimated construction period for this project area indicated below and shall be completed no later than its project duration. No further extension of time is possible.

BIP Number	Project Title	Location (Barangay/ Municipality City/Province)	Venue of Bid Opening	Duration
B-0528	Rangaban Irrigation System Upgrading	Sitio 3, Brgy. Rangaban, Midsayap, North Cotabato	Growth with Equity in Mindanao-Cotabato City Office	45
B-0536	Purok 2 Diki Pedestrian Footbridge Construction	Sitio Purok, Brgy. Diki, (Malamawi Island), Isabela City, Basilan	Growth with Equity in Mindanao-Zamboanga City Office	75

B-0581	Lower Digon Boat Landing Construction	Purok Santan, Lower Digon, Brgy. Digon, Margosatubig, Zamboanga del Sur	Growth with Equity in Mindanao-Cagayan de Oro City Office	90
B-0674	Pura Boat Landing Construction	Brgy. Pura, Datu Blah Sinsuat, Maguindanao	Growth with Equity in Mindanao-Cotabato City Office	78
B-0693	Luksumbang Boat Landing Construction	Brgy. Luksumbang, Basilan	Growth with Equity in Mindanao-Zamboanga City Office	80
B-0706	Villarico-Desin Barangay Bridge Construction	Brgys Villarico and Desin, Piñan, Zamboanga del Norte	Growth with Equity in Mindanao-Zamboanga City Office	120

6. Interested potential bidders may obtain further information and/or secure the bidding documents from Growth with Equity in Mindanao Davao Office and/or Growth with Equity in Mindanao Area Offices with addresses and names of contact persons indicated below, beginning **June 18, 2012.**

Davao City (Program Management Office)
Growth with Equity in Mindanao
c/o Omaira U. Saglayan
2/F, Damosa Business Center, Damosa Complex, Angliongto Ave., Lanang, Davao City
Tel. No.: (082) 234-7720 (Trunk Line) loc. 141
osaglayan@mindanao.org

Central Mindanao
Growth with Equity in Mindanao-Cotabato Office
c/o Wendy Hilario or Mayjaan T. Yusoph
4/F, Elena V. Co Bldg., Don Rufino Alonzo St., Cotabato City
Tel. No.: (064) 421-4166;
whilario@mindanao.org **or** mtikan@mindanao.org

Northern Mindanao
Growth with Equity in Mindanao-Cagayan de Oro Office
c/o Rosa Mae Cagalitan
2/F, Metz Arcade, Capt. Vicente Roa Extension
Corner Jose Agudo St., Cagayan de Oro City
Tel. No. (088) 857-4657 to 58; rcagalitan@mindanao.org

Western Mindanao
Growth with Equity in Mindanao-Zamboanga Office
c/o Reina Jane Simeon
4/F, VH Wee Bldg., Veterans Ave., Zamboanga City
Tel. No.: (062) 992-3403;
rsimeon@mindanao.org

7. A set of bidding documents may be purchased by duly potential interested bidders upon payment of a non-refundable fee of Two Hundred Fifty Pesos only (Php 250.00) **in cash** during regular office hours beginning **June 18, 2012**. The following IFB forms are not included in the tender documents available in Growth with Equity in Mindanao offices but can be downloaded from the Growth with Equity in Mindanao website thru **http://www.mindanao.org/proc/ifb/bip_forms.htm**.

   A. Checklist of Documents

B. Form of Agreement (Section I)
C. Post-Qualification Statement
D. Knowledge of Works Certificate (former Certificate of Site Visit) – Annex L
E. Bid Security (Bank Guarantee)
F. Statement of Bank Commitment
G. List of Approved Banks (Appendix 1 of Instructions to Bidders)
H. List of Approved Non-Life Insurance Companies (Appendix 2 of Instructions to Bidders)
I. Surety Bond

8. Deadline for the submission and LBGI's receipt of sealed bids is at the place, date and time indicated below:

2 July 2012 (Monday) 2:00 PM at Growth with Equity in Mindanao-Zamboanga City Office
3 July 2012 (Tuesday) 2:00 PM at Growth with Equity in Mindanao-Cagayan de Oro City Office
3 July 2012 (Tuesday) 2:00 PM at Growth with Equity in Mindanao-Cotabato City Office

9. **Bids shall be opened at the appropriate Growth with Equity in Mindanao Program field office on the date indicated in the "Instructions to Bidders". Please refer to Paragraph 5 for the address of Growth with Equity in Mindanao offices**.

10. Bids shall have a validity of 120 days and shall be so indicated in the Form of Bid. The bids must be accompanied by bid security issued by a commercial bank or an insurance agency acceptable to LBGI as listed in the Appendices I and II of Instruction to Bidders. **Bid security shall have a validity of 135 days from the date of bid opening. Until further notice, bid security issued by Country Bankers Insurance, People's General Insurance Corporation and Netherlands Insurance Company, Inc. will not be accepted in Growth with Equity in Mindanao biddings.**

11. Summary of bids and detailed cost estimates must be submitted in spreadsheet format using **Microsoft Excel**. In addition, bidder should include in the bid submission a compact disk (CD) of these documents. Floppy disks will not be accepted.

12. If delivered through courier, sealed bids must be stamped "received" by the office guards or Office Managers at the given address on or before the above date and time.

13. **Bids delivered after the time and date noted above shall be declared and marked "LATE".**

14. Interested bidders should conduct the site visits on their own. Growth with Equity in Mindanao will not make special arrangements for these visits (see 5.1.12 of Instructions to Bidders – Annex L).

15. A Security Plan for each BIP subproject has been prepared by Growth with Equity in Mindanao. Such plan will be appended or incorporated in the resultant subcontract.

16. LBGI reserves the right to reject any or all bids without offering any reason, to waive any defect or informality therein, and to award to any bidder whose proposal is deemed most advantageous to the Growth with Equity in Mindanao Program, without incurring any liability whatsoever to the losing bidder or bidders who will be adversely affected by such award or rejection of bids.

17. LBGI shall follow U.S. Government contracting procedures in selecting the winning bidder. The Subcontract shall be awarded based on the responsiveness of the bid to the essential requirements of this IFB and the technical, financial, and organizational capability of the bidder. The provisions of R.A. 9184 do not apply to this procurement. LBGI will award Lump Sum Price Subcontract with no provision for price increase. FAR clause 52.211-12 is incorporated in the resultant contract and shall be enforced in the event of default or delays or non-performance. The Liquidated Damages shall be in addition to excess cost of repurchase under default provision. Additionally, please see Section 49 of Conditions of Subcontract for termination for convenience or default.

18. In case of Subcontract termination, LBGI may pay for materials in place and installed accepted by LBGI and deduct advances made if any. Furthermore, to cover additional expenses that will be incurred by the LBGI in awarding a new subcontract for the remaining work and other related expenses, all retention money or Php 50,000.00, whichever is less, will be forfeited in favor of LBGI.