

18th January 2017

Clarifications with regard to 8th round of CGD bidding

S.No	Issue Raised	Clarification
1.	Extension of last date of Bid issuance should be one week before the closing date as was done in previous rounds of CGD bidding since the strategic decision to go as sole or joint bidder takes considerable time	In view of the request received from majority of the prospective bidders during pre-bid meeting the bid sale date is extended up to 16.02.2017.
2.	It is suggested that the GA of Ambala and Kurukshetra (Haryana) may be split in to two GAs on district wise basis so that MWP of each GA adequately covers the entire district as envisaged by the PNGRB.	No Change. Tender conditions shall prevail.
3.	Extension of Last date of bid submission for all GAs may be extended by at least two months as recently election has been declared in many states and the state authorities like district administration/RTOs/DICs/Municipal corporation are engaged in pre-election activities and data related to market potential is difficult to be obtained.	No Change. Tender conditions shall prevail.
4.	As per Annexure, Details of Tap offs, of PNGRB bid document there is single tap-off point identified for a GA. However, during our survey we have found other tap off also available in the GA. For Techno-Commercial reasons we would like to have tap off's from more than one point for the GA. Kindly confirm whether the bidding entity has access to other tap-off points in the GA and the authorized pipeline or the authorized CGD entity shall provide	Please refer the page no 56 of Bid Documents which mentioned that the bidder may consider alternate authorized connectivity / tap-off from any other source, if any

	access from other tap off points also apart from the tap –off points listed by PNGRB in its Bid document.	
5.	Existing Customers below 50,000 SCMD being supplied gas by natural gas pipeline entity. As per PNGRB regulation, customer having demand below 50,000SCMD should be drawing gas from authorized CGD entity. Presently the GA’s for bidding has industrial customers with volume less than 50,000 SCMD and gas is being supplied by Natural gas entity. Kindly confirm these customers drawing gas below 50,000 SCMD to be transferred from Natural gas entity to CGD entity after successful PNGRB authorization.	As per Regulation 3 (2) (a) of PNGRB (Authorizing entities to lay, build, operate or expand city or local natural gas distribution network) Regulation, 2008 customers having requirement of natural gas upto 50,000 SCMD shall be supplied through the CGD network.
6.	As per PNGRB Bid Document Bagapt MWP for Inch KM is 650 inch km. As per PNGRB's CGD regulation calculation Bagpat pipeline MWP calculation is 477 inch-Km and not 650 inch-km. PNGRB to kindly confirm Bagpat MWP as 477 inch km.	As per Regulation 7 (c) of PNGRB (Authorizing entities to lay, build, operate or expand city or local natural gas distribution network) Regulation, 2008 the MWP for inch-kms is 650.
7.	As per bid document, Last date of Bid Issuance is 25.01.2017 and Bid closing date is 23.02.2017. However, last date of Bid Issuance should be at least till a week before bid closing date. Accordingly, request is made to PNGRB to Kindly make last date for Bid Issuance as 16.02.2017.	Clarification issued in Sr. No. 1 shall be applicable.
8.	The tap off points for Yanam GA is mentioned as Gudala which is approx 40 Km from Yanam (but the distance mentioned in the bid document is 9.8 km from Yanam) and also there is a major river crossing before entering	Clarification issued in Sr. No. 4 shall be applicable.

	Yanam district. Our suggestion is that, GAIL line already exists in Yanam at the regency ceramics area. Hence we request to change the tap off point for Yanam GA to “near regency ceramics, Yanam”.	
9.	Some of the Geographical areas like Karnal, Bulandshahr etc. have more than one SV stations available within or in close proximity of the GA which can be used as Tap off points. It will help the CGD entity to optimize the network design and therefore the capex. Moreover multiple tap off points also help in flexibility in operation as well as uninterrupted supply of Gas. It has been noted that only one indicative tap off point has been mentioned in the bid documents. It is therefore requested to mention all tap off points within the GA as indicative tap off points/ SV stations.	Clarification issued in Sr. No. 4 shall be applicable
10.	PNGRB should also ensure that the concerned operator is legally allowed to connect to the tap-off point as demanded by the CGD operator. The same may be included in the Access code as necessary.	The provisions of the Clause 1(g) of Schedule-J of the PNGRB (Authorizing Entities to Lay, Build, Operate or Expand Natural Gas Pipelines) Regulations, 2008 shall be applicable for the authorized entity operating the designated transmission pipeline.
11.	In the GA of Bulandshahr and South Goa, the pipeline operator is already supplying to some of the customers and out of which some of them are below 1 lac SCMD and even below 50,000 SCM. As per the regulation, no other entity other than authorized CGD entity is allowed to supply gas to the	Clarification issued in Sr. No. 5 shall be applicable.

	<p>consumers having consumption less than 50,000 SCMD. PNGRB is requested to give clear indication in case of any dispute after authorization to this effect. In absence from the direction from PNGRB, the potential demand estimate of the GA goes down drastically. We request PNGRB to clarify the same.</p>	
12.	<p>As it has been mentioned to PNGRB in the previous rounds as well, that PSU's like HPCL, OIL etc. has substantially robust 3 stage approval system of any project proposal, which takes considerable amount of time. The CGD building proposal also needs to be approved by the respectively Boards. Considering, field survey, demand assessment, network design and financial appraisal of the proposal, it is extremely difficult to complete the approval process within 2 months time period as given by PNGRB. It is therefore earnest request to the Board to extend the time period by at least 1 more month.</p>	<p>No Change. Tender conditions shall prevail.</p>
