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20th December, 2024

BID No. – BID/NGPL/21/2024/02/KTPL

To
All Prospective Bidders

Subject: Clarifications & corrigendum related to Bid No. BID/NGPL/21/2024/02/KTPL for Grant of authorization for laying, building, operating or expanding Kochi- Kanyakumari-Thoothukudi Natural Gas pipeline

Pursuant to the queries raised during pre-bid meeting held on 18.11.2024 and letter of IOCL related to the subject bid, following clarifications are being issued which shall constitute a part of its Application-Cum-Bid Document:

Sr. No.	Name of Entity	Queries	PNGRB's view
1	IOCL	Cl 17.2.1 of Bid mentions Source & Originating point of proposed pipeline as PLL's LNG terminal while Annexure-1 of Bid mentions KKMBPL/PLL's LNG terminal as originating point. IOCL has requested PNGRB to provide clarification regarding originating point and also provide pressure range available at originating point/ source.	The proposed Kochi-Kanyakumari-Thoothukudi Natural Gas Pipeline shall originate from PLL's LNG Terminal, Kochi with inter-connectivity with KKMBPL". The bidder may obtain the pressure range at originating point from PLL's LNG Terminal.
		Bid indicates tentative route as Kochi LNG terminal - Kottayam – Kottarakkara-Kattakkada-Nagercoil-Thoothukudi. It is observed that there is no anchor customer available from Kattakkada (Thiruvanthapuram) to Thoothukudi and only one CGD customer i.e. IOCL's GA covering Kanyakumari, Thoothukudi & Tirunelveli which itself is connected through ETBPNMTPL and is operational as on date. Thus, it is requested to terminate the pipeline at Kattakkada (Thiruvanthapuram) only.	Tender condition shall prevail.

2	GAIL	Clause 6(d) of the bid document with respect to the documents to be submitted for networth requirement mentions that the certified copy of the combined net worth of the bidder should not be older than the last Financial Year (from the date of submission of the bid). It was requested to modify the same clause as “The net worth calculation shall be based on latest available (financial year end) audited accounts, which shall not be more than 18 months old as on the bid closing date”.	Tender condition shall prevail.
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2. In addition to the above, following clause have been modified in Application-cum-Bid Document which shall be treated as Corrigendum of said ACBD:

Sl. No.	Section / Clause Name/No.	Page No.	Section/Clause Description	Addition / Deletion / Modification
1.	NOTICE INVITING TENDERS	2	Online Application cum bids through e-procurement portal of NIC are invited from the interested and eligible entities on single stage two bid system by Petroleum & Natural Gas Regulatory Board, New Delhi, for authorization of Kochi-Kanyakumari-Thoothukudi Natural Gas Pipeline spanning about 425 km with an initial system capacity of at least 6.0 MMSCMD under Regulation 5 of PNGRB (Authorizing Entities to Lay, Build, Operate or Expand Natural Gas Pipelines) Regulations, 2008.	The system capacity of 6 MMSCMD shall be replaced with 5 MMSCMD.
2.	INVITATION FOR APPLICATION-CUM-BID	4	INVITATION FOR APPLICATION-CUM-BID FOR GRANT OF AUTHORIZATION FOR LAYING, BUILDING, OPERATING OR EXPANDING KOCHI-KANYAKUMARITHOOTHUKUDI NATURAL GAS PIPELINE WITH AN INITIAL SYSTEM CAPACITY OF AT LEAST 6.0 MMSCMD INCLUDING COMMON CARRIER CAPACITY.	The system capacity of 6 MMSCMD shall be replaced with 5 MMSCMD.
3.	Instructions to Bidders (ITB)	10	1.1 Online Application cum Bids through e-procurement portal of NIC are invited by Petroleum & Natural Gas Regulatory Board (PNGRB), 1st Floor, World Trade Centre, Babar Road, New Delhi - 110001 from the interested and eligible bidders for authorization of Kochi-Kanyakumari-Thoothukudi Natural Gas Pipeline spanning about 425 km with an initial system capacity of at least 6.0 MMSCMD including	The system capacity of 6 MMSCMD shall be replaced with 5 MMSCMD.

			common carrier capacity starting from first year of its operation to the entire economic life. The additional spur-lines shall be provided by the authorized entity as per the customer's requirement en-route the pipeline in line with the provisions of the relevant regulations. Proposed natural gas pipeline would pass through the State of Kerala and Tamil Nadu.	
4.	17.2 Natural Gas Pipeline to be authorized	20	<p>17.2.1 To cater the natural gas requirement in State of Kerala and Tamil Nadu, PNGRB had initiated suo-motu proposal for development of Kochi-Kanyakumari-Thoothukudi Natural Gas Pipeline. After completion of public consultation process and based on discussions with the entities/stakeholders during the Open House discussions, PNGRB has decided to invite online Application-cum-Bid for authorization to develop Kochi-Kanyakumari-Thoothukudi Natural Gas Pipeline spanning about 425 km with minimum system capacity of atleast 6.0 MMSCMD including common carrier capacity during the entire economic life. The spur-lines shall be provided by the authorized entity as per the customer's requirement en-route the pipeline in line with the provisions of the relevant regulations. The route map and other details of pipeline are enclosed as Annexure-1.</p> <p>Further, it is to be noted that the proposed Kochi-Kanyakumari-Thoothukudi Natural Gas Pipeline shall originate from PLL's LNG Terminal, Kochi and the same shall act as a source for the proposed pipeline.</p>	<p>The system capacity of 6 MMSCMD shall be replaced with 5 MMSCMD.</p> <p>The clause starting with further shall be substituted as:</p> <p>Further, it is to be noted that the proposed Kochi-Kanyakumari-Thoothukudi Natural Gas Pipeline shall originate from PLL's LNG Terminal, Kochi with interconnectivity with KKMBPL and the same shall act as a source for the proposed pipeline.</p>
5.	ANNEXURE-1	36	<p>Other details:</p> <p>c) Originating point: KKMBPL/ PLL's LNG Terminal, Kochi</p> <p>..</p> <p>f) Initial System Capacity: At least 6.0 MMSCMD (including common carrier capacity available for any third party on open access and nondiscriminatory basis as per sub-regulation 5(6)(j))</p>	<p>The other details in point no. (c) and (f) are modified as under:</p> <p>c) Originating point: PLL's LNG Terminal, Kochi with interconnectivity with KKMBPL</p>

				<p>..</p> <p>f) Initial System Capacity: At least 5.0 MMSCMD (including common carrier capacity available for any third party on open access and nondiscriminatory basis as per sub-regulation 5(6)(j))</p>
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The above clarifications/corrigendum shall constitute a part of the Application-Cum-Bid Document and shall be duly signed and submitted along with the bid document by the authorized signatory of the bidder.

Yours faithfully

(Anjan Kumar Mishra)
Secretary