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Ministry of Public Works and Transport
Department of Planning and Finance

NOTIFICATION OF AWARD

Employer : Ministry of Public Works and Transport, Lao PDR.
Project : The Southeast Asia Regional Economic Corridor and Connectivity Project
Contract title : National Road Climate Resilient Rehabilitation and Maintenance in NR2W Section 1
(Package 1: Km 00+000 – Km 68+400)
RFB No. : OPBRC-NR-ICB-2W-PK01-2023

Scope of Contract : Output and Performance-based Road Contract (OPBRC), which includes Improvement and Maintenance of the National Road 2 West, Section 1 (Length 68.4 km) from (KM 00+000) to (KM 68+400) to meet the Asian Highway Class III standards. This includes widening of the road from 6 meters to 8 meters (6 meters of the carriageway and 2 meters of shoulders-one meter each side to accommodate pedestrian safety) and rest areas.

Contract duration : The Contractor(s) shall carry out the Output and Performance-Based Road Contracts (OPBRC) with 3 years for construction and 7 years for operations and maintenance will be used. The total contract period is 10 years.

Duration of Defects Liability Period : Defect Liability Period shall be eighteen (18) months from the date of the Issuance of the Sectional Completion Certificates for each section, or twelve (12) months from the date of Certificate of Completion, whichever occurs first,

Evaluation Currency : US Dollars.

Awarded Bidder :

Name	: China Jiangxi International Economic and Technical Cooperation and Specialized Subcontractor China Railway Major Bridge Reconnaissance & Design Institute
Address	: Major Bridge Reconnaissance & Design Institute No. 1198, Fenghezhong Avenue, Nanchang Jiangxi, P. R. China
Contract price	: \$ 30,047,438.98 consisting of: 1. Improvement and Rehabilitation Works: 25,168,684.98 USD 2. Maintenance Services: 4,497,984.00 USD 3. Emergency Works: 380,770.00 USD 4. Provisional Sum: 480,000.00 USD

Evaluated Bidder(s):

Name of Bidder	Weighed Technical Score	Bid Price, USD		Combined Score
		as Read Out	Evaluated	
China Jiangxi Int-l Economic & Technical Cooperation	30.00	30,047,438.98	29,567,438.98	94.00
China International Water and Electric Corp	26.04	28,975,369.24	28,495,369.24	92.45
JV R8CE / Tay Truong Const-n Sole / LBD	25.94	29,383,531.83	28,903,531.83	91.41
JV Shandong HSRBIE / Shandong HSECG	25.43	41,012,305.05	40,532,305.05	72.11
Sichuan Road and Bridge Group	23.93	28,946,035.00	28,935,035.00	89.33
Guangdong No.3 Water Conservancy and HEEB	22.64	27,304,323.94	27,032,785.89	92.64
JV China Railway GEG / Vatsana Dev-t Construction	21.80	41,312,039.01*	39,799,238.03	69.35

*Read-out bid price before discount

Rejected Bidder(s):

- China Construction Fourth Engineering Bureau Ltd. and Subcontractor Bounyong Road Bridge Building Construction Co., Ltd. and Specialized Subcontractor Sothern Stone Survey-Design and Construction Co., Ltd.**

Reason for rejection of your bid :

- Soft-copy of Financial Bid was included on the memory stick instead of the technical bid's soft-copy. Accordingly, the Bidder disclosed their prices to the Employer before the financial parts' opening, which is a gross violation of public procurement procedures. The fact that the bidder included his financial proposal is a full negligence of the RFB requirements. All bidders have been warned and required in the ITB 20.1 to include the electronic copy of financial bid shall be included only in the Financial Part envelope. Accepting such bid would compromise the objectiveness of the evaluation process
- Suspicious form of the guarantee. A request for confirmation was sent to bank and the BCEL bank confirmed that they had not issued such a bid security to the Bidder. This is a gross violation of public procurement rules.

- Zhongmei Engineering Group (China) and Specialized Subcontractor Southern Stone Survey-Design and Construction**

Reason for rejection of your bid :

- Specific Construction & Contract Management Experience: The Bidder's contracts listed for this criterion were not similar; specifically, those were DBST roads, not AC roads.
- Specific Key Activities of Construction Experience – Key Activity 1: The Bidder's contracts listed for this criterion were not similar; specifically, those were DBST roads - not the AC roads.
- Specific Key Activities of Construction Experience – Key Activity 2: The Bidder's contracts listed for this criterion were not similar; specifically, those were DBST roads - not the AC roads.
- Contractor's Key Personnel: The Bidder failed to include declaration forms for personnel's CVs (meaning no signature of the staff and of the authorized person).
- Contractor's Equipment: The Bidder failed to provide details on the proposed equipment, such as capacity, clear purchase documents, pictures – for most of the equipment. The EQU forms have been filled very superficially e.g. 1 form for 30 excavators, which is unacceptable.

3. Joint Venture China Construction Eighth Engineering Division Corp. Ltd. and Specialized Subcontractor CCCC Second Highway Consultants

Reason for rejection of your bid :

- The Financial Bid was not sealed and neither in the envelope; it was submitted open with some scotch wrap to keep the copies together. This was mentioned in public at bid opening and noted in the Bid Opening Minute. This is a gross violation of the public procurement rules, which require financial information to be confidential.
- The Bidder did not include information in the EXP 4.2(a), EXP 4.2(b) and EXP 4.2(c) forms, and marked it as N/A i.e., not applicable. The missing information does not allow checking bidder's qualification for specific experience.

4. Yunnan Yimanjia Construction Engineering (Lead) and BLP Industrial, Trading and Construction Group Sole and Specialized Subcontractor CUHK Design Group:

Reason for rejection of your bid :

- The Bid was signed by Yunnan Yimanjia Construction Engineering Co., Ltd. and there is no name of the proposed JV member (BLP Industrial, Trading and Construction Group Sule Co., Ltd) on the title sheet and in the Technical Letter of Bid. But the bid is on behalf of Joint Venture and the JV forms have been filled accordingly.
- The Bid Security is (a) suspicious on the fonts and some grammar mistakes, (b) issued on a different name than the Bidder indicated in the Letter of Bid - it was issued on the name of BLP Industrial, Trading and Construction Group Sule Co., Ltd – the JV member, while the Joint Venture was not mentioned in the title sheet and in the Technical Letter of Bid; (c) the Bid Security was valid until 29 February 2024 while it had to be until 11 August 2024.
- The following forms have been missing or not filled: CON-2, CON-3, CON-4, FIN-3.1, FIN-3.2, FIN-3.3, EXP-4.1, EXP-4.2(a), EXP-4.2(b), EXP-4.2(c)

5. Joint Venture of Energy China Road and Bridge Engineering Construction (Lead) and Xingtai Road and Bridge Construction Group and Tianjin Municipal Engineering Design and Research Institute and Specialized Subcontractor:

Reason for rejection of your bid :

- The Bid Security is issued on the name of one of the JV members who is called the Bidder and there is no mention of the Joint Venture in there. According to the RFB and bidding rules, the Bid Security must be issued on the name of the JV submitting the bid.

6. Yunnan Construction and Investment Holding Group (China) and Specialized Subcontractor Wuhan Municipal Works Design and Research Institute

Reason for rejection of your bid :

- Contractor's Key Personnel: The Bidder failed to include a list of key personnel in line with the RFB requirements. Specifically, a good part of the personnel lists were different from those required in the RFB. As result, CVs of several key workers were missing, such as:
 - Occupational and Community Health and Safety Manager
 - Electrical Engineer
 - Surveyor
 - Foreman (Earthworks)
 - Foreman (Bridge)
 - Foreman (Drainage)
 - Environmental Manager (part time)
 - Social Manager (part time)

7. Joint Venture of Souphaphone Survey Design Building and Road Bridge Construction (Lead) and Thang Long Joint Stock Corporation and Specialized Subcontractor Infra Design Consultants:

Reason for rejection of your bid :

- Softcopy of Financial Bid was included on the memory stick, together with the technical bid's softcopy. The fact that the bidder included his financial proposal is a full negligence of the RFB requirements. All bidders have been warned and required in the ITB 20.1 to include the electronic copy of financial bid shall be included only in the Financial Part' envelope. Accepting such bid would compromise the objectiveness of the evaluation process

On behalf of the Employer :



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