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MINISTÉRIO DOS TRANSPORTES E COMUNICAÇÕES
UGPTC –Unidade De Gestão Dos Projectos De Transportes E Comunicações
Communications Sector Reform Project (Cr. 3577 – MOZ)

Second Invitation for Bids (IFB)

**Procurement of Universal Access Obligation Telephony and Network Services for the
Universal Access Zones in Mozambique (Zambezia and Nampula)
IFB N°01/CSRP-ICB/2007**

1. This Invitation for Bids follows the General Procurement Notice for this Project that first appeared in Development Business in issue no.561 of June 30, 2001 and on-line on June 3, 2003.
2. The Government of Mozambique has received a credit from the International Development Association toward the cost of Communication Sector Reform Project (Cr.3577) and intends to apply part of the proceeds of this credit to payments under the Contract for its Universal Access Obligation Telephony and Networks Services for the Universal Areas Zones in Mozambique.
3. A bidding process for the UA Pilot Project was launched in February 2007, and was unsuccessful. The Ministry of Transport and Communication, with the support of consultants, undertook an extensive consultation with operators in the Public and private sector to understand the reason for limited participation and the current tender reflects the feedback which was received.
4. The Ministry of Transport and Communications now invites sealed bids from eligible bidders for its UA Telephony Pilot, including the Provision of Universal Access Obligation Telephony Services and the related transmission backbone and access networks in the Universal Access Zones of Mozambique (Zambezia and Nampula). Bidders must have established experience and expertise in Telecommunications Network and Service provision, as demonstrated by the supply of similar systems and services in Mozambique and/ or in other countries.
5. Bidding will be conducted through the international competitive bidding procedures specified in the World Bank's Guidelines: Procurement under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits, (current edition), and is open to all bidders from Eligible Source Countries as defined in the Guidelines.
6. Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information from the Ministry of Transport and Communications and inspect the bidding documents at the address given below, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
7. A complete set of bidding documents in English may be purchased by interested Bidders on the submission of a written application to the address below and upon payment of a nonrefundable fee of US\$ 200 (two hundred US dollars). The method of payment will be cash or bank deposit at Banco Austral; Centro de Negócios in name of UGPTC (account Nr.0038155002594/USD). The Bidding Documents will be sent by airmail for overseas delivery and surface mail or courier for local delivery.
8. All bids must be accompanied by a bid security of US\$ 81,000 or an equivalent amount in a freely convertible currency, and be delivered to the address below by 2.30 pm on 20 November 2007. They will be opened immediately thereafter, in the presence of bidders' representatives, who choose to attend, at the address below. Late bids will be rejected.

Ministry of Transport and Communications.

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