



CLARIFICATION TO QUESTIONS ON THE BIDDING DOCUMENTS

MILLENNIUM CHALLENGE ACCOUNT – MOLDOVA

**On Behalf of:
THE GOVERNMENT OF MOLDOVA**

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- **Lot 1:** *Contract PP3/RRP/W/CB/01/01: “Rehabilitation of M2 Chisinau-Soroca road km 71+194 – km 95+400”*
- **Lot 2:** *Contract PP3/RRP/W/CB/01/02: Rehabilitation of M2 Chisinau-Soroca road km 95+400- km 116+000”*
- **Lot 3:** *Contract PP3/RRP/W/CB/01/03: Rehabilitation of M2 Chisinau-Soroca road km 116+000 – km 139+200”*
- **Lot 4:** *Contract PP3/RRP/W/CB/01/04: Rehabilitation of M2 Chisinau-Soroca road km 139+200 – km 154+352 and R7 Soroca-Drochia-Costesti road km 3+414 – km 12+789”*

Question 1:

Which is the variant of presentation for the documents: notary legalized copy or copy certified to be original? Also, for the documents which are translated from Romanian language, it must be certified by an authorized translator or certified by notary?

Answer 1:

All copies could be simple, except those expressly required to be notarized.

Question 2:

Refers to LOT1-4 ITB

We kindly ask you to confirm that the Beneficiary of the Bid Security is:

Millennium Challenge Account – Moldova represented by State Road Administration, Bucuriei str. 12A, MD 2004, Chisinau, Republic of Moldova.

Answer 2:

The Beneficiary of the Bid Security shall be: **“Public Institution ‘Millennium Challenge Account-Moldova’, 21 Iorga str., Chisinau, MD-2012, Republic of Moldova”**.

Question 3:

Refers to LOT1-4 ITB

In relation to point 4.3 Specific Construction Experience in Key Activities, if the Bidder is having a specialist subcontractor to meet the requirements, please provide the list of the documents that such a subcontractor should include in the Bidder’s offer.

Answer 3:

Please refer to Form ‘JV Information Sheet’ which needs to be submitted for each JV member and/or Specialist Subcontractor.

Also Form ‘Specific Construction Experience in Key Activities’ shall be submitted to show the Specialist Subcontractor’s experience in key activities under Criteria 4.3.

Question 4:

Refers to LOT-2.

In bill of quantity Bridge, km 104+198 is missing quantity for “Cleaning and filling of cracks Curatarea si umplerea fisurilor” (no 14). Please supplement this item with the required quantity.

Answer 4:

See the Answer to Question 16 received during Pre-Bid Meeting: http://www.asd.md/ENG/docs/RRP_Minutes_of_Pre-Bid_Meeting.pdf.

Question 5:

Refers to LOT-1.

Bridge in km 75+243 On the drawings sheet no.19-02-4 - construction sequence: items 1-3 refer to removing of some elements of bridge but in bill of quantity there is no items for removing. Please clarify if these bridge elemnts are to be removed or not and please amend the documentation.

Answer 5:

The removal items are provided under BoQ No. 1-5 “Drainage Structures”.

Question 6:

Refers to LOT-1.

Bridge in km 0+450. Concrete pile caps cast-in-place, please confirm that these elements doesn't have reinforcement. Please supplement documentation with the drawings for these elements.

Answer 6:

No. These elements must have the reinforcement. As per Sub-Clause 1.5 [*Priority of Documents*] of the General Conditions of Contract, the Specifications prevail over the Drawings. Please refer to the Specifications, Chapter 404 ‘**Precast RC Elements** (Superstructure Slabs, Cornice, Columns, **Caps**)’.

However, these drawings will be corrected by an Amendment to the Bidding Documents which will be issued in accordance with ITB 8 ‘Amendment of Bidding Documents’.

Question 7:

Refers to LOT-1.

Bridge in km 0+450 in drawings, sheet no.21-07-02, no.21-08-02, no.21-09-02 in the table with quantities for piers in position 4 “cast in place pile cap” the quantity is 1. In our opinion it should be 4. Please confirm the quantities.

Answer 7:

We confirm, in these drawings, Item 4 - the quantity must be 4. These drawings will be corrected by an Amendment to the Bidding Documents which will be issued in accordance with ITB 8 ‘Amendment of Bidding Documents’.

Question 8:

Refers to LOT1-3.

In the scope of the road works it is foreseen to execute 18 cm thick „Base course: Cold recycled asphalt with new aggregates and stabilized with cement. Technical Specification no. 301 „COLD RECYCLING OF ASPHALT CONCRETE PAVEMENTS” point 301.05 requires 40 – 50 % content of the recycled asphalt concrete granules in the mixture. According to the quantities given in the BoQ items concerning the asphalt pavement milling we can verify the it will be significant deficit of the recycled asphalt concrete granules to

execute required quantities of the CRACP. Please confirm that Employer will provide the missing quantities of the recycled asphalt concrete granules.

Answer 8:

The pay item 30209 'Asphalt Concrete Pavement Milling at a depth of 16-18cm' is a separate item and has no direct relation with the item 30102 'Base course: Cold recycled asphalt with new aggregates and stabilized with cement'.

Milling operations as a part of the Cold Recycling technology are described in specification 301.11 'MILLING OF THE EXISTING PAVEMENT'. Please note, the unit cost for the pay item 30102 shall be all inclusive to include enter alia the costs for the Milling during the cold recycling.

Question 9:

Refers to LOT1-4.

In the scope of the road works it is foreseen to execute „Coated macadam H-60mm” and it refers to T.S. no 305. Unfortunately in this specification we could not find any information about the methodology of works, bitumen content nor the type of the aggregates (acc. to the Typical Section Details drawings it shall be M400 20-40 mm aggregate). Please supplement the technical specification with the required information.

Answer 9:

These will be corrected by an Amendment to the Bidding Documents which will be issued in accordance with ITB 8 'Amendment of Bidding Documents'.

Question 10:

Refers to LOT1.

BoQ no. 1A-1 Preparatory Works position no 3 "Construct, Operate, Remove Diversion and Reinstate Terrain (see sheets 8-01; 8-02). Referred sheets 8-01 and 8-02 do not contain information about the list and quantities of works to be executed (as it is shown on the similar drawings for the Section 2 – position 4 and 5 of the BoQ) Please supplement the drawings with the list and quantities of works.

Answer 10:

These drawings will be corrected by an Amendment to the Bidding Documents which will be issued in accordance with ITB 8 'Amendment of Bidding Documents'.

Question 11:

Refers to LOT2.

BoQ No. 2-II Social Improvements position no. 2 "Protection of reinforcement slab at the outlet km 99+117 (see sheet 27-01)". Referred drawing 27-01 does not contain the information necessary for correct pricing of this BoQ item (lack of the list and quantities of works to perform). Please supplement the drawings with the list and quantities of works.

Answer 11:

These drawings will be corrected by an Amendment to the Bidding Documents which will be issued in accordance with ITB 8 'Amendment of Bidding Documents'.

Question 12:

Refer to amendment n. 1 to the Bidding Documents for INVITATION FOR BIDS PP3/RRP/W/CB/01, Lot 1, Lot 2, Lot 3 and Lot 4, with present e-mail, we ask you to further clarify that indicated in the art. 15

"Section IX in all lots: Technical Specifications. Chapter 012 "Aggregate, Filler", paragraph 012.03 "Aggregates for Bituminous Mixtures" shall be supplemented by the following paragraph: "The use of crushed aggregates from river gravel or ballast for the production of dense bituminous mixtures, used in pavement layers, binder course and regulating course, bedding over the existing asphalt pavement will not be permitted".

Please specify in which work we can use crushed aggregates from river gravel or ballast and in which work we can't use.

Answer 12:

The descriptions of the materials to be used for different works are provided in the Specifications. The crushed aggregates from river gravel or ballast could be used for different works provided: (i) it is not explicitly prohibited, and (ii) the material meets the requirements provided in the Specifications for particular types of works.

Question 13:

According to our VAT laws we have to show contract progress incomes and contract progress costs in our balance sheets until such Works are completed. That is why there are some differences in our Economical tables comparing to those provided in the IFBs.

In our tables you have to subtract the amount of contract progress income from current liabilities; also you have to subtract Contract progress costs from current assets.

Please regard to evaluate these points at our balance sheet.

Answer 13:

Please provide the information as requested in the Table on "Financial Situation" provided in the Section IV, Bidding Forms, explaining clearly how the figures from your financial statements have been calculated for the purpose of this Table on "Financial Situation".