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It is hereby notified that sealed tenders in duplicate are invited for Contract No. HY/2024/04— Construction of Bus-Bus Interchange at Aberdeen Tunnel, Walkway Covers at Central & Western District and Kwai Tsing District (Remaining Works) and Footbridge across Tsui Ping Road. The works include:—

- (a) Construction of a bus-bus interchange with bus lay-bys, bus stacking areas and walkway covers at Aberdeen Tunnel;
- (b) Construction of walkway covers at Rock Hill Street and Hang Mei Street;
- (c) Construction of a footbridge across Tsui Ping Road; and
- (d) Associated civil works, geotechnical and slope works, electrical and mechanical works, modification works for the existing walkways, roads and drainage works, lighting works and landscaping works.

The works are scheduled to commence in March 2024 and will take about 24 months to complete.

Tenders must be clearly marked with the tender reference and the subject of the tender on the outside of the envelope (but should not bear any indication which may relate the tender to the tenderer) addressed to the Chairman, Public Works Tender Board and placed in the Public Works Tender Box, located at Room 503, 5/F., Low Block, The Queensway Government Offices, 66 Queensway, Hong Kong, before 12.00 noon on Friday, 9 February 2024 (tender closing date). Tenders must be deposited in the tender box as specified in this tender notice ('Specified Tender Box') before the tender closing time. Late tenders and tenders not deposited in the Specified Tender Box will not be accepted. If tropical cyclone signal No. 8 or above is hoisted, or a black rainstorm warning signal or 'extreme conditions after super typhoons' announced by the Government is/are in force at any time between 9.00 a.m. and 12.00 noon on the tender closing date, the tender closing time will be postponed to 12.00 noon on the first working day after the tropical cyclone signal No. 8 is lowered, or the black rainstorm warning signal or the 'extreme conditions after super typhoons' announced by the Government has/have ceased to be in force. In case of blockage of the public access to the location of the Specified Tender Box at any time between 9.00 a.m. and 12.00 noon on the tender closing date, the Government will announce extension of the tender closing time until further notice. Following removal of the blockage, the Government will announce the extended tender closing time as soon as practicable. The above announcements will be made *via* press releases on the website of Information Services Department (https://www.info.gov.hk/gia/general/today.htm).

Forms of tender and further particulars are obtainable from the office of the Works Division, Highways Department on the 7/F, Trade and Industry Tower, 3 Concorde Road, Kowloon, Hong Kong (Contact Person: Ms. Agnes P. F. YIU, Telephone No.: (852) 3903 6790; Fax No.: (852) 3188 3420; E-mail address: (se2.wd@hyd.gov.hk)).

Selective tendering is adopted. Contractors on the List of Approved Contractors for Public Works in Group A or Group B under the Roads and Drainage Category or joint ventures with participation of local and/or overseas contractors with the lead participant or the major shareholder being a contractor on the List of Approved Contractors for Public Works in Group A or Group B under the Roads and Drainage Category, who also meet the qualifications and conditions for participation stipulated in the tender documents are invited to tender.

The detailed requirements for joint ventures with participation of local and/or overseas contractors, if applicable, are stipulated in the tender documents.

Contractors not yet on the List of Approved Contractors for Public Works in Group A or Group B under the Roads and Drainage Category may also submit a tender if they submit a request for participation together with a duly completed application for inclusion in the abovementioned approved list/category by 26 January 2024 to Chief Highway Engineer/Works, Works Division, Highways Department, at 7/F, Trade and Industry Tower, 3 Concorde Road, Kowloon, Hong Kong, meet the qualifications and conditions for participation, and the application for inclusion is duly approved on or before the tender closing date. Details for making the application are available at:—

https://www.devb.gov.hk/en/construction_sector_matters/contractors/index.html

Contractors will be liable to have their names removed from the approved list if they fail or refuse to implement an accepted tender.

This tender is covered by the Agreement on Government Procurement of the World Trade Organization and will not involve electronic auction. This notice also serves as a summary notice required under the Agreement on Government Procurement of the World Trade Organization.

A charge will be levied for the delivery of tender documents where the delivery of tender documents is requested by a tenderer. A written request must be made.

The Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region does not bind itself to accept any tender irrespective of whether the tender is the lowest bid or where the assessment of the tenders is based on a marking scheme or formula approach, the tender with the highest overall score.

The Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region reserves the right to negotiate with any tenderer about the terms of the offer.

Details of the award of this contract will be published on the Internet at (https://pcms2.gld.gov. hk/).

29 December 2023

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