



CAMEROON NEWS AND PUBLISHING CORPORATION

NOTICE OF OPEN INTERNATIONAL INVITATION TO TENDER IN EMERGENCY PROCEDURE N° 04/OIO/SPE/CIPM/2019 OF 29th MAY 2019 FOR THE SUPPLY OF WHITE IMPROVED NEWSPAPER IN THREE (03) LOTS TO THE CAMEROON NEWS AND PUBLISHING CORPORATION (SOPECAM).

1) PURPOSE

The General Manager of SOPECAM hereby launches an Open International Invitation to tender in an emergency procedure for the supply of white improved newspaper in three (03) lots to SOPECAM, for the manufacture of Cameroon Tribune and other newspapers.

2) ALLOTMENT

Supplies include three (03) lots.

3) CONSISTENCY OF THE SUPPLIES

Supplies under of this consultation consist of improved white paper reels to SOPECAM with the following characteristics:

- **Lot N°1:** three hundred (300) tons of improved white newspaper
 - Reel diameter : 100 cm
 - Mandrel diameter: 7.6 cm
 - Weight: 48.8g/m²
 - Width : 76 cm
 - Whiteness index: ≥ 70 ISO offset;
- **Lot N°2:** four hundred (300) tons of improved white newspaper
 - Reel diameter : 100 cm
 - Mandrel diameter: 7.6 cm
 - Weight: 48.8g/m²
 - Width : 76 cm
 - Whiteness index: ≥ 70 ISO offset;
- **Lot N°3:** four hundred (400) tons of improved white newspaper
 - Reel diameter : 100 cm
 - Mandrel diameter: 7.6 cm
 - Weight: 48.8g/m²
 - Width : 76 cm
 - Whiteness index: ≥ 70 ISO offset;

4) DELIVERY TIME

The contract to be awarded at the end of this national invitation to tender will be executed within the following deadline:

- **Lot N°1 : sixty (60) days ;**
- **Lot N°2 : sixty (60) days ;**
- **Lot N°3 : sixty (60) days ;**

starting from the notification of the service order to start execution.

5) ESTIMATED COST

The estimated cost is:

- **Lot N° 1:** Two hundred and seventy-four million four hundred eighty-nine thousand six hundred twenty-two (274 481 100) CFA Francs all taxes included;
- **Lot N° 2:** Two hundred and seventy-four million four hundred eighty-nine thousand six hundred twenty-two (274 481 100) CFA Francs all taxes included;
- **Lot N° 3:** three hundred sixty-five million nine hundred seventy-eight thousand eight hundred (365 974 800) CFA Francs all taxes included.

6) PARTICIPATION

Participation in this international call for tender is open to companies with proven experience in the marketing of paper and licensed from improved white paper mills.

7) FINANCING

Supplies subject to this invitation to tender are financed by the Operating Budget of SOPECAM Fiscal Year 2019, item 60 - line 602-B.

8) CONSULTATION OF TENDER FILE

The tender file can be viewed, during working hours and working days from the Department of Public Contracts of the Cameroon News and Publishing Corporation, located at the

OUA Boulevard, PO Box 1218, Telephone (237) 222-30-41-47, Fax: (237) 222-30-43-62, upon publication of this notice.

9) ACQUISITION OF TENDER FILE

The tender file can be obtained at the Department of Public Contracts of the Cameroon News and Publishing Corporation, located at the OUA Boulevard, upon publication of this notice, during working hours, upon submission of a receipt of payment to the account No. 335 988 opened at the International Bank of Cameroon for Savings and Credit (BICEC) in favor of "Special Account CAS - ARMP), of the non-refundable amount of CFA Francs three hundred and sixty-eight thousand (368 000).

10) SUBMISSION OF TENDERS

All tenders, in French or English in seven (07) copies, one (01) original and six (06) copies marked as such and in accordance with the requirements of the tender file must be returned to the Department of Public Contracts of the Cameroon News and Publishing Corporation in Yaounde, Cameroon, located at the OUA Boulevard, PO Box 1218 Yaounde not later than 5th August 2019 at 12 pm in three (03) internal and separate envelopes:

- Envelope A: administrative tender;
- Envelope B: technical tender;
- Envelope C: financial tender.

These three (03) envelopes will be contained in a fourth envelope and will imperatively bear only the following:

« **OPEN INTERNATIONAL INVITATION TO TENDER N°04/OIO/SPE/CIPM/2019 OF 29th MAY 2019 FOR THE SUPPLY OF WHITE IMPROVED PAPER IN THREE (03) LOTS TO THE CAMEROON NEWS AND PUBLISHING CORPORATION (SOPECAM) ».**

(TO BE OPEN IN TENDER OPENING SESSION ONLY)

Tenders received after the date and time deposit limits will not be accepted.

11) TENDER BOND

Each bidder must attach to their administrative documents a refundable bid bond produced by a first order bank, approved by the Ministry in charge of Finance and listed in document 12 of the tender file of an amount of:

- **Lot 1: five million eight hundred eighty-nine thousand six hundred twenty-two (5 489 622) CFA Francs;**
- **Lot 2: five million eight hundred eighty-nine thousand six hundred twenty-two (5 489 622) CFA Francs;**
- **Lot 3: seven million three hundred nineteen thousand four hundred ninety-six (7 319 496) CFA Francs.**

Valid for one hundred and twenty (120) days from the date of opening of bids.

12) ADMISSIBILITY

On pain of rejection, administrative documents must be produced originals or copies certified by the issuing authority or administrative authority, in accordance with the provisions of the Special Regulations of the Invitation to Tender. They must not be older than three (03) months or have been established after the signing date of the notice of tender.

Any non-compliant tender with the requirements of this notice and the tender file will be declared inadmissible.

13) TENDER OPENING

The bid opening will be done in one time.

The opening of administrative documents, technical and financial tenders will be held in the meeting room of the SOPECAM building, on 05th August 2019 at 1 PM by the Internal Tender Board.

Tenderers only may attend the opening session or be represented by a person of their choice duly authorized and having perfect knowledge of the tender.

14) EVALUATION CRITERIA

a) Eliminatory criteria

- Lack of an administrative document;

- Non-conformity of a document in the administrative file after the 48 hours prescribed by the regulations;
- False statement (s) or forged document(s);
- Lack of a document of the technical tender and financial tender;
- Non-compliance of the proposed delivery time;
- Non-compliance of the proposed paper with technical specifications;
- Non-compliance of the paper sample with the proposed model;
- Insufficient Financial Capacity;
- Absence of justified reference in the field (Lack of proof of having already executed at least one similar contract [consistency and amount] during the last five (05) years [first and last page of the contract signed + PV of receipt, or contract + invoice])
- Lack of declaration on the honour by which the tenderer certifies that he has not abandoned a contract in the last three years but also that he is not included in the list of defaulting companies set up annually by MINMAP;
- Non-compliance of at least three (3) essential criteria.

b) Essential criteria

- Presentation of the tender;
- Consistency of the delivery schedule (detailed delivery schedule showing the different stages of the process by indicating the time of each step, as well as the proposed overall delivery time);
- Special Conditions of Contract (SCC) completed, initialled on all pages, signed, dated and stamped on the last page (signature preceded by the mention "Read and Approved")
- Technical Specifications Clauses (TSC) initialled on all pages, signed, dated and stamped on the last page (signature preceded by the mention "Read and Approved")

The fulfillment of at least 3 of 4 essential criteria is unavoidable for the analysis of the financial tender.

15) AWARD

The contract will be awarded to the tenderer who meets all the qualifying criteria, and whose administrative and technical offers will be consistent with the requirements of Tender file and having the lowest evaluated financial tender.

The Project Owner reserves the right to cancel the tendering process and reject all tenders at any time prior to award, without incurring responsibility of the tenderer affected by the decision, or obligation to inform them of the reasons for their decision. In this case tenderers are invited to withdraw their tenders within fifteen (15) days from the date of cancellation of the Contract. After this time, the tenders will be destroyed.

A bidder may bid for all three (03) lots and may be awarded all lots.

16) VALIDITY

Tenderers will remain committed to their tenders for a period of ninety (90) days from the deadline for submission of tenders.

17) Further information

Complementary information may be obtained during working hours at the office of the SOPECAM (Contracts Department) Tel (237) 222-30.41.47; (237) 222-30.31.09; Fax (237) 222-30.43.62), as soon as this notice is published.

NB: FOR ANY ACT OF CORRUPTION, KINDLY CALL OR SEND SMS TO THE FOLLOWING MINMAP NUMBERS: 673 20 57 25 / 699 37 07 48.

The General Manager of SOPECAM
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