



MAHARASHTRA ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

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INVITATION FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR DISTRIBUTION OF ELECTRICITY IN MUMBAI CITY AND PART OF MUMBAI SUBURBAN AREA

The Maharashtra Electricity Regulatory Commission ("MERC") exercises functions and powers as a Regulator in the State of Maharashtra in regard to Electricity Sector. Section 86(1) (d) read with Section 14 of the Electricity Act, 2003 ("EA 2003") requires the MERC to issue licences to persons seeking to act as transmission licensees, distribution licensees and electricity traders with respect to their operations within the State.

The Tata Power Company Limited (hereafter referred as "TPC") is a vertically integrated utility carrying out the functions of Generation, Transmission, Wheeling and Retail Supply of electricity in the Mumbai.

In accordance with the Maharashtra Electricity Regulatory Commission (Specific Conditions of Distribution Licence applicable to Tata Power Company Ltd.) Regulations 2008, the area of supply for TPC-D is as under:

Area of Supply

"4.1 The Area of Supply within which the Distribution Licensee is authorised to supply electricity shall be the whole of the area as described in (1) The Bombay (Hydro-Electric) License, 1907; (2) The Andhra Valley (Hydro-Electric) License, 1919; (3) The Nila Mula Valley (Hydro-Electric) License, 1921; (4) The Trombay Thermal Power Electric License, 1953 (collectively referred to as, "TPC Licenses") subject to such conditions and exclusions as specified in the said TPC Licenses.

4.2 The Distribution Licensee is authorised to supply electricity to the public for all purposes in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

5. Term of Licence

Subject to the provisions of the Act, the Licence shall remain in force till 15th August 2014, i.e., the remaining period for which TPC shall be deemed to be a Distribution Licensee under the Act."

The said licence of TPC-D is valid till 15th August, 2014.

As on July, 2013, the Tata Power Company -Distribution Business (hereafter referred as "TPC-D") has 414937 consumers in its area of operation of about 475 Sq.Km. TPC-D serves a cross section of the consumers- residential, commercial and industrial. Approximately, 87% of the total consumer base is residential, another 10.67% is commercial and 1.82% is industrial consumers in its area of supply. The infrastructure network of TPC-D to supply electricity to the consumers in Mumbai distribution area includes 19 receiving stations and 628 distribution transformer substations and 2719 Ckt. KM of distribution network of 33kV, 22 kV, 11kV and LT network. Most of the receiving substations and distribution substations are housed indoors. The entire network (excluding some part overhead lines) is through an underground cable system. The energy input to the distribution system during FY 2012-13 had been over 6650 MUs. The distribution loss was reported as 1.1% during FY 2012-13.

The MERC, pursuant to Section 86(1) (d) read with Section 14 of the EA 2003 invites 'Expression of Interest' from prospective applicants including consortiums/joint ventures with expertise in electricity distribution to indicate their interest in undertaking distribution of electricity in the above mentioned area of supply of TPC-D in Mumbai City and part of its suburbs and to seek grant of distribution licence in connection therewith. Interested applicants should furnish the 'Expression of Interest' with a statement of capability and experience indicating that they are qualified to perform the services (brochures, description of similar assignments, experience in similar conditions, availability of appropriate skills among staff etc.) and other details to demonstrate their credentials including the organization structure, number of offices, manpower, financial status etc. The intending applicants may submit their company profile and the brief summary of their performance for the last 10 years as given below:

- 1) Name of the intending applicant
 - a) Type of organization and year of establishment
 - b) Legal Status
 - c) Registration/ Affiliation
 - d) Collaboration/Joint Venture (if any)
- 2) Experience in similar projects and level of involvement.
- 3) Illustrative training experience/ delivery with regard to electricity distribution.
- 4) Copy of the balance sheet of the last 3 years.
- 5) Illustrative profile/CVs of personnel (both national and international).

While submitting the Expression of Interest, the international/national bidders are encouraged to associate with each other to enhance their capabilities in the desired areas.

Interested parties are requested to submit their written Expression of Interest (EOI) including information which will demonstrate their capabilities and experience latest by **16.00 hrs** on **31.01.2014** to the following address:

Secretary
Maharashtra Electricity Regulatory Commission
13th Floor, Centre No.1, World Trade Centre,
Cuffe Parade, Mumbai- 400 005

For any relevant information, prospective bidders may contact the office of TPC-D at

The Tata Power Company Limited,
Dharavi Receiving Station, Near Shalimar Industrial Estate,
Matunga (East), Mumbai 400 019.

and also access available information from the website of the Commission www.mercindia.org.in / www.merc.gov.in.

MERC reserves the right to reject the application of any of the intending applicants without assigning any reason thereof.

By order of the Commission

Place : Mumbai

Sd/-

Date : 1st January, 2014

Secretary, MERC

Size : 12 (W) x 27 (H) = 324 SQC