

State of Kuwait Partnerships Technical Bureau

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Transaction Advisory Services for the Development of a 1,500 Mw Independent Water and Power Producer (IWPP) Project

In line with the Government of Kuwait's ambitious and structured Public Private Partnership (PPP) program, the Partnerships Technical Bureau has decided to procure the services of an Independent Water and Power Producer (IWPP) to generate approximately 1500 MW (steam or combined cycle gas turbines), using Light Fuel Oil (LFO) and/or Natural Gas, to be located at Al-Zor. In addition, the Project will include a sea water desalination plant for a total capacity of approximately 100 MIGPD utilizing MSF, MED and /or RO technology. The IWPP will be set up as a Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) in terms of the PPP Law (Law No. 7/2008) and related By-laws and Guidelines. The SPV will Design, Build, Finance Operate and Maintain the power generation facility for a fixed duration as provided in law #7 of 2008 . The IWPP will sign a Power Purchase Agreement (PPA), as well as the 'Off-take' Agreement for desalinated water with the MEW, while the Fuel Supply Agreement (FSA) will be signed with the relevant governmental entity.

The Partnerships Technical Bureau (PTB), acting as the implementation agency for Kuwait's PPP program, requires the services of a Transaction Advisor (firm or a consortium of firms) to assist it in structuring, procuring and negotiating the

transaction. The Transaction Advisor must have successful and verifiable experience in doing similar transactions regionally and globally.

The Transaction Advisors are expected to have, at a minimum, expertise in:

- Technical aspects (technology, fuel etc.) of power generation and water desalination;
- Environmental impact assessment and mitigation
- Legal (including contracting) and regulatory issues related to power generation
- Financing analysis and developing feasibility studies
- Project Financing
- Project Management

Interested parties are required to submit Expressions of Interest (EOIs) with the following information:

- Name/composition of the Transaction Advisory consortium (including names of key personnel)
- Past experience with similar projects (with contacts of references for verification)
- Qualifications of key staff and availability.

Expressions of interest (EOIs) should be submitted by 20th of August 2009. EOIs should be submitted to the attention of:

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Following this invitation of expression of interest, a short list of qualified firms will be formally invited to submit proposals.