

Request for Proposals – J. A. Osborne Airport Montserrat Runway Re-surfacing Project Consultancy.

Clarification Questions and Responses

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1. There are several references in the document to Solar (extracts below) but there is no mention of solar works within the Scope of works for the Project. Grateful if you can clarify this matter.	See responses below
2. 6.2.....Additional points will be awarded to any bidder who have carried out similar Aviation Risk Assessment for Solar PV Project within airport settings within the region.	Aviation Risk Assessment for Solar PV Project within airport settings within the region, should be replaced with "Airport Runway resurfacing technical consultancy works within the region.
3. 6.3 All bidders must provide with their bid a copy of their credentials and proof that they are fully licenced to undertake Solar PV Installation Services	All bidders must provide with their bid a copy supporting evidence of their experience within the field of runway resurfacing, design, construction and maintenance
4. Part F Reporting: The consultant will report to the Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Communications, Works and Labour (MCWL), through the Project Manager for the 750 KW Solar Project	Part F Reporting: The consultant will report to the Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Communications, Works and Labour (MCWL), through the Project Manager for the Airport Resurfacing Project.
5. In relation to surveys – is it your intention that all surveys are procured, managed and executed directly by the successful Technical Consultant or could these be procured directly by the client?	All surveys must be procured, managed and executed directly by the successful Technical Consultant.
6. In relation to Contractual Terms, are there any other contractual terms other than those included within the RFP? In particular, is there any provision for a Limit of Liability or ability to add this in?	The entire RFP document will form part of the final contract to include the Terms of Reference and the instruction to bidder (Tax Compliance). There are no additional terms to be added. There is no provision for Limited Liability and this will not be considered.

<p>7. In relation to Insurances, grateful if you can confirm what insurances the Technical Consultant is required to hold.</p>	<p>Professional indemnity insurance cover. Insurance Requirements will be discussed after contract award is made.</p>
<p>8. In relation to the survey works, grateful if you can confirm what restrictions will be placed during the execution of the surveys. For example, will the runway be closed during survey works or do survey works need to take place outside of airport operational hours? Also, are you able to advise whether there are any survey companies on Montserrat that are able to undertake the required survey works? If such companies do not exist and an outside firm must be appointed by the Consultant, are you able to advise whether there are any restrictions or taxes applicable regarding the mobilisation of plant, personnel and equipment to Montserrat for undertaking the works?</p>	<p>There will be restriction for surveys to be carried during scheduled flights. There are current a window after the Morning flight, where the last flight leaves at 9:30am, there are flights at 11:45 and again from 3:30pm to 6pm when the Airport is closed. Any other arrangement has to be made with the Airport authority. There a few surveying companies on Island. If an outside company is subcontracted to carry out the surveying works, there are no tax restriction on the subcontractor. However, a 20% withholding tax is deducted from the gross contract amount of the main contractor.</p>
<p>9. Reference is made in the RFP to an Aeronautical Study completed in 2015; this study made recommendations for adjustments and improvements to ensure compliance with federal aviation regulations. This project seeks to address the recommendations made by commissioned consultants and auditors over the past several years. Is it possible to have sight of the Aeronautical Study and the recommendations already made by commissioned consultants and auditors?</p>	<p>Information from the Aeronautical Study will be made available.</p>
<p>10. In relation to the referenced 20% Withholding Tax applicable to outside firms, are you able to provide further details of this tax and whether any portion of the deduction can be reclaimed by the Consultant.</p>	<p>No portion of the withholding tax can be reclaimed.</p>
<p>11. In relation to the supervision of the works, the duration of this activity cannot</p>	

<p>be defined at present and not until the necessary pavement investigations and design have been carried out. Please can you advise what assumptions should be made with regards to the pricing of this item?</p>	<p>We cannot advise on what assumptions should be made with regards to pricing the this item of supervision.</p>
<p>12. Reference is made to the fact that “no tender with a price submission of 20 percent above the internal estimate will be considered.” Is this internal estimate something that can be shared with prospective tenderers?</p>	<p>The internal estimate is a guide for the Procuring entity only. As stated it is an internal benchmark only and is not available to potential bidders.</p>
<p>13. In relation to Tender document preparation & assessment of tenders – does this relate to the technical, design related aspects only or does it include the entire tender package?</p>	<p>Tender document preparation and assessment includes the entire tender package which must be ratified by the Government of Montserrat Procurement Department.</p>
<p>14. Is there any existing survey or evaluation report data that can be shared with prospective tenderers? If not, can a schedule of existing relevant data be shared?</p>	<p>An existing runway evaluation report on previous friction test will be shared.</p>
<p>15. Is there a traffic forecast and traffic mix available for the airport?</p>	<p>We will revert to the Airport Authority with regards to the traffic forecast.</p>
<p>16. Part F (Terms of Reference) – the RFP asks for an assessment of skid resistance on the runway, however if the runway is to be resurfaced, is an assessment of its current friction levels still required?</p>	<p>The current skid resistance must be assessed before and after resurfacing in order to provide comparative data upon completion. Please note that the Airport Authority has Grip Tester made by Findlay Irvine which can be used to carry out the test.</p>
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