

**AMENDMENT #1****To RFP n° PP1-UCF –FDP -10****REGIONAL AND COTONOU ELECTRICAL DISTRIBUTION GRID STRENGTHENING ACTIVITIES:
DESIGN, SUPERVISION AND MONITORING**

Object: The purpose of this amendment is to:

- i. Extend the submission deadline for this Request for Proposals (RFP);
- ii. Modify Section 6 of the RFP, terms of reference both in English and French.

Therefore, the Request for Proposal is modified as follows:

A. Letter of Invitation for Proposals (IFP), page vii, 11th paragraph -first sentence:

Delete “The closing time for receipt of Proposals is July 19, 2016 at 10H00 local time in Benin.”

And replace by: “The closing time for receipt of Proposals is September 21, 2016 at 10H00 local time in Benin.”

B. Section I: Instruction to Consultant, sub-clause ITC 4.4, 4th paragraph, 2nd sentence:

Delete “This outer envelope/carton shall bear the submission address, name and address of the Consultant, name of the assignment reference number, and be clearly marked “Do Not Open, Except In Presence of the Official Appointed, Before 10h00 on July 19, 2016 as indicated in the PDS”.

And replace by: “This outer envelope/carton shall bear the submission address, name and address of the Consultant, name of the assignment reference number, and be clearly marked “Do Not Open, Except In Presence of the Official Appointed, Before 10h00 on September 21, 2016 as indicated in the PDS”.

**C. Section II: Proposal Data Sheet,
– Sub clause ITC 4.5:**

Delete “Proposals must be submitted no later than 10h00 a.m. (local time in Cotonou, Benin) on July 19, 2016”.

And replace by: “Proposals must be submitted no later than 10h00 a.m. (local time in Cotonou, Benin) on September 21, 2016”.

- Sub clause ITC 4.6:

Delete “Technical Proposals will be opened publicly on July 19, 2016 at 10:15 a.m. at MCA-BENIN II Office at the address indicated above.”

And replace by: “Technical Proposals will be opened publicly on September 21, 2016 at 10:15 a.m. at MCA-BENIN II Office at the address indicated above.”

D. Section 6, Terms of Reference,

1) Modify point 3.2.2 (b), Preliminary Engineering Design for the TOR of two versions, English and French:

• *English version:*

- Page 150, add this sentence after the 3th sentence of this paragraph as follows:
«In addition, within its mandate, the Consultant should work closely with, among others, SONEB, the management company of the railways, the General Directorate for Public Works, and Benin Telecoms Infrastructures to identify the location of hydraulic, railway and roads networks and avoid interference with installed and planned infrastructure. »

• *French version:*

- Page 252, add this sentence after the 3th sentence of this paragraph as follows:
« En outre, dans le cadre de son mandat, le Consultant doit travailler étroitement entre autres avec la SONEB, la société de gestion des chemins de fer, la Direction Générale des Travaux Publics et Bénin Télécoms Infrastructures, etc. pour identifier l'emplacement des réseaux hydraulique, ferroviaire et routier et ne pas gêner les infrastructures installées et planifiées.»

2) Modify points 6.1.1 and 6.1.3 the requirement related to bilingual qualification of the experts as follows:

• *English version:*

- Page 199 and 206,

Delete the sentence: “All the above listed Consultant team members should have the following additional qualifications:

1. Fluency in written and spoken English and French
(All written reports must be delivered in both English and French).
2. Computer literate.
3. Experience working in Benin or other Francophone African countries is highly desirable. »

And replace by the sentence “All the above listed Consultant team members should have the following additional qualifications:

1. The Project Manager must be fluent in written and spoken English and French (all reports must be delivered in both English and French). All other members of the Consultant Team must be fluent in written and spoken French and it is desirable that they have some English knowledge;
2. Computer literacy;
3. Professional experience working in Benin or in another West African Francophone country is highly desirable.”

- *French version:*

- Pages 320 and 330,

Delete the sentence « *Tous les membres des équipes du consultant sus-énumérés doivent disposer des qualifications complémentaires suivantes:*

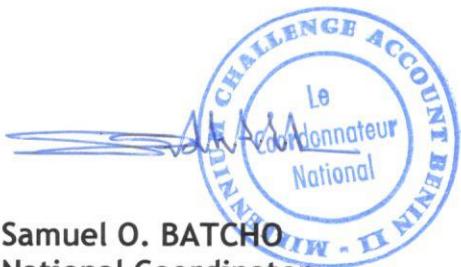
1. Parler et écrire couramment l'Anglais et le Français (tous les rapports écrits doivent être rédigés en Anglais et en Français).
2. Maîtriser l'outil informatique.
3. L'expérience professionnelle au Bénin ou dans un autre pays d'Afrique de l'Ouest francophone serait un atout. »

And replace by the sentence: “*Tous les membres des équipes du consultant sus-énumérés doivent disposer des qualifications complémentaires suivantes:*

1. Le chef de mission doit parler et écrire couramment l'Anglais et le Français. Tous les autres membres de l'équipe du Consultant doivent parler et écrire couramment le Français et il est souhaitable qu'ils aient la connaissance de l'anglais ;
2. Maîtriser l'outil informatique ;
3. L'expérience professionnelle au Bénin ou dans un autre pays d'Afrique de l'Ouest francophone serait un atout. »

All the clauses of the initial Request For Proposals which are not modified with this addendum remain valid.

Cotonou, the 9th day of August 2016



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