

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL Performance-Based Augmentation of Existing Water Supply Management Services within ABD Area (Output-based Service Contract) ON Annuity BASIS AT VISAKHAPATNAM, ANDHRA PRADESH

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GLOSSARY

In this RFP, unless the context otherwise requires, capitalised terms shall have the meaning given to them in the table below. Capitalised terms not defined below shall have the meaning given to them in the Concession Agreement.

Addendum or Addenda	means an addendum or addenda to the RFP.
Annexure	means an annexure to this RFP.
Appointed Date	means the date of signing of the Concession Agreement.
Associate	means, in relation to a Bidder or a Member of a Consortium, a Person who Controls, or is Controlled by, or is under the common Control of the same Person who Controls such Bidder or Member of a Consortium.
Associated Infrastructure	means the supporting infrastructure facilities for the 24/7 pressurized continuous water supply scheme, Complete Sewerage Network in ABD area, Pumping Station including the pumping main, as described in greater detail in the Technical Specifications, which need to be designed, financed, rehabilitated, augmented, operated and maintained by the Concessionaire in accordance with the Concession Agreement.
Bid	means a bid consisting of the Qualification Proposal and the Financial Proposal submitted by a Bidder for qualification and award of the Project, and Bids mean collectively, all the bids for the Project.
Bid Due Date	means the last date for submission of the Bids specified in the Bid Schedule, as may be extended from time to time in accordance with Clause 19.2.
Bid Price	means the price quoted by each Bidder in the Bid Price Sheet to design, finance, develop, construct, rehabilitate, operate and maintain the Facilities and the Associated Infrastructure, as a part of its Financial Proposal.
Bid Price Sheet	means the sheet provided in Annexure 2B, in which the Bidders shall quote the: (a) Bid Project Cost; (b) O&M Charges for the first month after COD consisting of (i) Power Charges, (ii) consumables and (iii) resources & Guaranteed Energy Consumption for the O&M Period; based on which the Bidders shall calculate their Bid Price.
Bid Process	means the single-stage bidding process, with two sub-stages, undertaken by GVSCCL to award the Project to the Selected Bidder on the terms and conditions set out in this RFP. The Bid Process has commenced with the issuance of this RFP and will end on the date that the Concession Agreement is executed with the Special Purpose Vehicle incorporated by the Selected Bidder for the Project.



Bid Project Cost	means the cost of construction of the Facilities and rehabilitation of the Associated Infrastructure, as quoted by a Bidder in its Bid, which must include the interest during construction, Taxes and all other pre-operative expenses in relation to the Facilities and the Associated Infrastructure.
Bid Schedule	means the schedule of the Bid Process set out in Clause 2.12, as may be amended from time to time.
Bid Security	means a bid security that must be submitted by a Bidder along with its Bid in accordance with Clause 15.
Bidder	means an interested Company or a Consortium of Companies which submits a Bid to GVSCCL in accordance with this RFP and includes each Member when the Bidder is a Consortium, and Bidders shall be construed accordingly.
Capex Annuity	means the amount payable to the Concessionaire per quarter during the O&M Period, towards reimbursement of 60% of the Bid Project Cost, as will be set out in the Concession Agreement.
Capital	means, in respect of the SPV that is incorporated by the Selected Bidder to act as the Concessionaire, the total capital of such SPV that will be raised by the issuance of equity shares, preference shares or convertible instruments.
Clause	means a clause of this RFP.
COD Certificate	means the certificate issued by GVSCCL upon successful completion of the Trial Operations of the Facilities and the Associated Infrastructure, in accordance with the Concession Agreement.
Commercial Operations Date or COD	means, the date on which the COD Certificate is issued to the Concessionaire, in accordance with the Concession Agreement.
Companies Act	means the (Indian) Companies Act, 1956 and the (Indian) Companies Act, 2013, as amended from time to time, as the context may require.
Company	means a company incorporated under the Companies Act or a foreign company incorporated under the relevant statute of its jurisdiction.
Concession Agreement	means the bipartite concession agreement to be executed between GVSCCL and the Concessionaire. A draft of the Concession Agreement is attached to this RFP.
Concessionaire	meansthe Special Purpose Vehicle incorporated by the Selected Bidder to implement the Project.
Conflict of Interest	has the meaning ascribed to it in Clause 3.3.



Consortium	means any combination of Companies that have formed a consortium for the purpose of submitting a Bid and to implement the Project if such consortium is declared the Selected Bidder.
Construction Completion Certificate	means the certificate issued to the Concessionaire to certify completion of construction of the Facilities and rehabilitation of the Associated Infrastructure in accordance with the Concession Agreement.
Construction Completion Date	means the date on which the Construction Completion Certificate is issued to the Concessionaire in accordance with the Concession Agreement.
Construction Milestones	means the milestones for completion of construction/Associated Infrastructure/ rehabilitation of the Associated Infrastructure by the Scheduled Construction Completion Date, as set out in the Concession Agreement.
Construction Period	means the period from the Effective Date until the Construction Completion Date.
Control	means, with respect to a Person:
	(a) the ownership, directly or indirectly, of more than 50% of the voting shares of such Person; or
	(b) the power, directly or indirectly, to direct or influence the management and policies of such Person by operation of law, contract or otherwise,
	and the term Controlled shall be construed accordingly.
Effective Date	means the date on which all the Conditions Precedent have either been satisfied or waived by GVSCCL, or the Concessionaire, as the case may be, in accordance with the Concession Agreement.
Facilities	Facilities means required infrastructure for the 24/7 pressurized continuous water supply scheme, Pumping Station including the pumping main, as described in greater detail in the Technical Specifications, which need to be designed, financed, rehabilitated, augmented, operated and maintained by the Concessionaire in accordance with the Concession Agreement
Financial Capacity	means the financial capacity and strength of the Bidder, as determined in accordance with Clause 4.2.
Financial Proposal	means the financial proposal, comprising the Bid Price Sheet, to be submitted by a Bidder in accordance with this RFP.
Financial Year	means each 12-month period commencing on 1 April of one calendar year and ending on 31 March of the next calendar

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year; and if different for a Bidder, then the 12-month period for which such Bidder files its statutory audited accounts in the normal course of its business.

means the Government of Andhra Pradesh

GoI means the Government of India.

Guaranteed Energy Consumption	 means the maximum number of units of power quoted by a Bidder in its Financial Proposal, which it expects the Concessionaire to consume in each year of the O&M Period (other than any units expected to be generated and consumed from any power plant proposed to be set up by the Concessionaire), to operate and maintain the Facilities and the Associated Infrastructure. means the Greater Visakhapatnam Smart City Corporation Limited, incorporated under the Companies Act 2013. means a binding joint bidding agreement to be entered into by the Members of a Consortium that submits a Bid pursuant to this RFP, in the format set out at Annexure 1K. means the price of the land required by the Bidder to develop the Facilities, determined by multiplying the Land Requirement quoted by such Bidder and the Land Rate. means the letter of award that will be issued by GVSCCL to the Selected Bidder in accordance with Clause 30. means a member of a Consortium. means the net worth of a Bidder, which shall be determined as follows: (a) subscribed and paid up equity share capital; and (b) reserves LESS (c) revaluation reserves: 						
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Joint Bidding Agreement	the Members of a Consortium that submits a Bid pursuant to						
Land Price	the Facilities, determined by multiplying the Land						
Lead Member	5						
LOA	-						
Member	means a member of a Consortium.						
MLD	means million litres per day.						
Net Worth							
	(a) subscribed and paid up equity share capital; and						
	(b) reserves						
	LESS						
	(c) revaluation reserves;						
	(d) miscellaneous expenditure not written off;						
	(e) reserves not available for distribution to equity shareholders; and						
	(f) aggregate value of accumulated losses.						
O&M	means operation and maintenance.						
O&M Charges	 a) subscribed and paid up equity share capital; and b) reserves LESS c) revaluation reserves; d) miscellaneous expenditure not written off; e) reserves not available for distribution to equity shareholders; and f) aggregate value of accumulated losses. 						



	and maintain the Facilities and the Associated Infrastructure, excluding the Power Charges, during the O&M Period. The O&M Charges for the first quarter after the COD will be determined on the basis of the O&M Charges quoted by the Bidder for the first month from the COD, in its Financial Proposal, which amount shall be adjusted to account for inflation, in accordance with the Concession Agreement.
O&M Period	means the period of 10 years from the COD during which the Concessionaire is required to operate and maintain the Facilities and the Associated Infrastructure.
Payment Milestones	means the milestones listed in the Concession Agreement for release of 40% of the Bid Project Cost to the Concessionaire.
Performance Security	means a performance security that must be submitted by the Selected Bidder or the Concessionaire to GVSCCL on or before execution of the Concession Agreement to secure the obligations of the Concessionaire during the Construction Period in accordance with Clause 16.
Person	means any individual, company, corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, society, sole proprietor, limited liability partnership, co-operative society, government company, unincorporated organization or any other legal entity.
Power Charges	means the cost of power for each Bidder determined by multiplying the Guaranteed Energy Consumption quoted by such Bidder and the Power Unit Rate (along with all other applicable charges as per applicable guidelines of the relevant authorities).
Power Unit Rate	means the cost per unit of power drawn from the grid (through a distribution licensee), which for the purpose of evaluation of the Financial Proposals is INR 7 (Rupees seven) per kWh. For the purpose of reimbursement of Power Charges to the Concessionaire during the O&M Period, the Concessionaire will be paid on the basis of the then prevailing cost per unit of power charged by the relevant distribution licensee and/or the cost of fuel for any power consumed from any diesel generator back-up set, installed by the Concessionaire.
PPP	means public private partnership.
Pre-Bid Meeting	means the meeting to be held in accordance with Clause 8.2.
Preferred Bidder	means the Bidder which: (a) meets the Qualification Criteria and the eligibility criteria; and (b) quotes the lowest Bid Price.
Project	means:(a) the design, development, finance, construction, operation and maintenance of the Facilities at the Site; and



	(b) the design, finance, rehabilitation, operation and maintenance of the Associated Infrastructure,								
	in accordance with the Concession Agreement.								
Project Engineer	means the engineering firm appointed by GVSCCL, in accordance with the Concession Agreement.								
Qualification Criteria	means the qualification criteria set out in Clause 4 that a Bidderis required to satisfy (in addition to the eligibility criteria), to be qualified for evaluation of the Financial Proposal.								
Qualification Proposal	means the proposal to be submitted by each Bidder to demonstrate that it meets the Qualification Criteria and the other eligibility criteria as set out in Clause 3 and Clause 4.								
RFP	means the request for proposal dated 30th May 2017 along with its Schedules, Sections and Annexures and includes any Addenda/Corrigenda, if issued.								
Rupee or INR	means Indian Rupees, the lawful currency of India.								
Schedule	means a schedule of this RFP.								
Scheduled Bank	means a bank as defined under section 2(e) of the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934.								
Scheduled Construction Completion Date	means the date which is 18 months from the Effective Date.								
Scope of Work	as provided as a part of the RFP, at Schedule 1.								
Second Preferred Bidder	means the Bidder who: (a) meets the Qualification Criteria and the eligibility criteria; and (b) quotes the second lowest Bid Price.								
Section	means a section of this RFP.								
Selected Bidder	means the eligible Bidder selected by GVSCCL for award of the Project.								
Site	Area Based Development (ABD) comprising of Ward No 17,18,19 and 20 collectively of Greater Visakhapatnam Municipal Corporation (GVMC) as described in Figure 1 and 2 of Section 1.								
SPV or Special Purpose Vehicle	means a company incorporated under the Companies Act by the Selected Bidder to carry out the obligations of the Concessionaire under the Concession Agreement.								
Supporting Infrastructure	means the supporting infrastructure facilities required for the operation of the Facilities and the Associated Infrastructure, which will be provided, operated and maintained by GVSCCL during the term of the Concession Agreement.								
Taxes	means all taxes, levies, imposts, cesses, duties and other forms								



	of taxation, including (but without limitation) income tax, sales tax, value added tax, service tax, goods and services tax, octroi, entry tax, corporation profits tax, advance corporation tax, capital gains tax, residential and property tax, customs and other import and export duties, excise duties, stamp duty or capital duty, and any interest, surcharge, penalty or fine in connection therewith, as applicable from time to time, payable by the Selected Bidder.
Technical Capacity	means the technical capacity and experience of a Bidder, as determined in accordance with Clause 4.1.
Technical Specifications	means the technical specifications for design, construction, rehabilitation, operation and maintenance of the Facilities and the Associated Infrastructure which the Concessionaire and/or its subcontractors must comply with, as set out in the Concession Agreement.
Trial Operations	means the operation of the Facilities and the Associated Infrastructure on a trial basis for 3 (three) months post the Construction Completion Date in accordance with the Concession Agreement.
Website	means the web portal of GVSCCL available at the url: <u>www.gvmc.comand.www.apeprocurement.gov.in</u>



SECTION I

INTRODUCTION

1. BACKGROUND

1.1 Background

With the India Smart Cities Challenge, the Government of India took the first step towards realising its vision of building 100 smart cities in the country. As part of the India Smart Cities Challenge (first round), Visakhapatnam (Vizag) is one of the cities that was selected amongst top 20, in a nationwide competition between 100 cities (ranked 8th).

Vizag is now working on an implementation plan to convert the Smart City Proposal (SCP) ideas into reality, beginning with retrofitting a designated area within the city known as the Area Based Development (ABD) that will catalyse future scalability to entire city.

Vizag is the 5th fastest growth industrial metropolis in the Asian subcontinent, largest city in the state of Andhra Pradesh, 3rd largest on east coast of India and has a strong education and health facilities. The Greater Visakhapatnam Municipal Corporation (GVMC) spread is around 625 sq.km and includes 72 Wards plus Anakapalli and Bheemili. According to 2011 census, the City's population is around 1.9 million. ABD area is around 6 sq.km with a population of around 80,000. The location map of GVMC and ABD is show in Fig 1.

The Smart City vision for Vizag revolves around the vision of creating - "A Resilient and Healthy Metropolis for People". The city of destiny, as Vizag is also known as, is envisioned to become a leader in sustainability, healthy living, equality and innovation.

Vizag is also envisioned to be the most healthy and livable city in India by 2030 (Source: Strategic focus and blueprint of Vizag Smart City Proposal). Such a strategic focus for Vizag will ensure that it becomes a benchmark city in the country where economic development and healthy living can co-exist.

Water, is a scarce commodity and it requires efficient and appropriate management (especially the management of supply) without compromising the quality of services. Even after several projects that are taking up shape in several municipalities, 24x7 water supply has not materialized as far as the public is concerned. With the initiative of Smart Cities Mission by GoI, ABD area of Visakhapatnam is gearing for implementation of 24X7 water supply with complete SCADA control. GoI has ambitious plans to implement the success stories of ABD on pan city basis at later stages for the benefit of all citizens.

Aligning with the Smart City Vision, Vizag will focus on managing its water resources for safe and potable drinking water to its citizens. GVMC has around 70km of road network within its Area Based Development (ABD) and the approximate water network in the ABD area is 65km. The existing water network is shown in Fig 2.

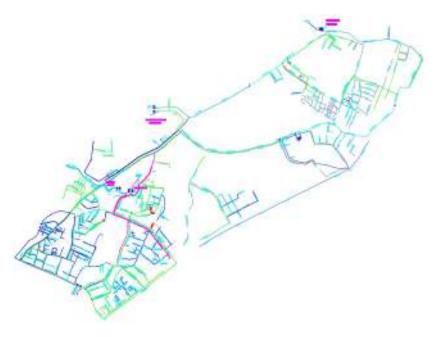


1.2 Existing Conditions Assessment



Fig 1: Location map of GVMC and ABD

Fig 2: Existing water supply Network - Area Based Development (ABD) Area





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150					1010	394	70		948	914	332	765	3212	7645
200							220	331				529	115	1195
225										1191			917	2108
300							591	28				713	2468	3800
400												677	2800	3477
500													1283	1283
🖃 DI								1124				193		1317
300								1124				193		1317
🗆 Ductile Iron	218		190		333		113	203		339		473	247	2116
100					333					339				672
150	218		190					72				62	247	789
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50					582									582
110			3797		4247			735		441	685			9905
150					366			279						645
160			2152		1258			820		10	1055			5295
180			2013		298									2311
200		324	210		45									579
								2167						2167
800								2167						2167
Grand Total	382	324	8617	1638	8139	394	1289	8757	1256	10794	3568	8429	11042	64629



1.3 PROJECT OBJECTIVE AND KEY COMPONENTS

Transforming the present water network into a network for 24x7 water supply by necessary modifications to the existing system, supply of safe and potable water to the consumer with a high degree and ensured quality by monitoring the online quality of water, minimizing the Non-Revenue Water (NRW) to 10%, equitable distribution of water, 95% consumer satisfaction, 100% consumer connections, all operations using SCADA control till consumer end etc. has been conceptualized by GVSCCL, to create 21st century public realm infrastructure for all strata of the society. This entails comprehensive up-gradation of the existing network using latest tools and techniques.

The Basic Objective of this Smart Water Project for ABD includes:

- Transforming the present water network into one required for 24x7 water supply by necessary modifications to the existing system,
- Supply of safe and potable water to the consumer end with high degree reliability and ensured quality by monitoring the online quality of water
- Minimising the NRW to less than 10 %
- Equitable distribution of water,
- 100% consumer connections for water
- 95% consumer satisfaction and all operations using SCADA control till consumer end.

1.4 The main features of the Project are set out below:

- (a) The Concessionaire will be required to design, finance, construct and complete the Facilities on or prior to the Scheduled Construction Completion Date. As part of the Project, the Concessionaire will also be required to design, finance, rehabilitate and restore the Associated Infrastructure on or prior to the Scheduled Construction Completion Date, in accordance with the Concession Agreement.
- (b) GVSCCL will provide, operate and maintain the Supporting Infrastructure, to enable the Concessionaire to operate the Facilities and the Associated Infrastructure in accordance with the Concession Agreement.
- (c) On and from the COD and until the expiry of the O&M Period, the Concessionaire will be required to operate and maintain the Facilities and the Associated Infrastructure in accordance with the Concession Agreement, such that the Facilities and the Associated Infrastructure meet the key performance indicators specified in the Concession Agreement.
- (d) Upon the expiry of the O&M Period, the Facilities, the Associated Infrastructure and any power plant set up by the Concessionaire, will be transferred to GVSCCL in good working condition after the rectification of any defects or deficiencies, in accordance with the Concession Agreement.
- (e) The construction, rehabilitation and O&M of the Facilities and the Associated Infrastructure must be in accordance with Applicable Laws, Applicable Permits and other requirements specified in the Concession Agreement.
- (f) Prior to the Effective Date, GVSCCL will appoint a Project Engineer to assist GVSCCL in supervising the construction, operation and maintenance of the Facilities and the Associated



Infrastructure. The Project Engineer shall support GVSCCL to monitor compliance with the key performance indicators to be specified in the Concession Agreement. GVSCCL will solely bear the costs of the Project Engineer.

- (g) The Concessionaire shall operate the Facilities and the Associated Infrastructure at its risk for the term of the Concession Agreement.
- (h) 40% of the Bid Project Cost will be reimbursed to the Concessionaire during the Construction Period, which will be linked to completion and certification of the works corresponding to specified Payment Milestones. From the COD, the Capex Annuity, the O&M Charges and the Power Charges at actual (subject to a cap of the Power Charges based on the Guaranteed Energy Consumption) will be paid on a quarterly basis to the Concessionaire. If the Concessionaire consumes more than the Guaranteed Energy Consumption in any given quarter, it will be liable to pay damages to GVSCCL in accordance with the Concession Agreement.
- (i) GVSCCL will set up a revolving escrow account for the Project, and all Payment Milestone linked construction payments, Capex Annuities, O&M Charges and the Power Charges will be paid to the Concessionaire through this escrow account.From the Effective Date and until the Construction Completion Date, GVSCCL will ensure that the escrow account is funded with an amount equivalent to the construction payments due to the Concessionaire for the next Payment Milestone. From the COD and at all times thereafter until the expiry or termination of the Concession Agreement, GVSCCL shall keep the escrow account funded with the Capex Annuities, the O&M Charges and the estimated Power Charges for the subsequent 2 (two) years.
- (j) Subject to early termination, the Concession Agreement shall be valid until the expiry of the O&M Period (i.e., 10 years from the COD).
- 1.5 GVSCCL is now inviting interested Companies to submit Bids to implement the Project.
- 1.6 The Selected Bidder is required to incorporate a Special Purpose Vehicle to implement the Project and such Special Purpose Vehicle will be required to execute the Concession Agreement with GVSCCL in the format attached to this RFP.
- 1.7 The statements and explanations contained in this RFP are intended to provide the Bidders with an understanding of the subject matter of this RFP and the Project. Such statements and explanations should not be construed or interpreted as limiting in any way or manner:

(a) the scope of the rights and obligations of the Concessionaire, which will be set out definitively in the Concession Agreement; or

(b) GVSCCL's right to alter, amend, change, supplement or clarify the rights and obligations of the Concessionaire or the terms and conditions that will be set out in the Concession Agreement in accordance with this RFP.

Consequently, any omissions, conflicts or contradictions between this RFP and the Concession Agreement are to be noted, interpreted and applied appropriately to give effect to this intent. GVSCCL will not entertain any claims on account of such omissions, conflicts or contradictions.



2. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE BID PROCESS

2.1 GVSCCL has adopted a single-stage Bid Process for declaration of the Selected Bidder for award of the Project, which is divided into 2 sub-stages.

The Bidders may download the RFP from the Website. GVSCCL is not responsible for the completeness of the RFP, if it is not downloaded directly from the Website.

2.2 Each Bidder is required to submit a single Bid, which should consist of 2 parts: (a) the Qualification Proposal; and (b) the Financial Proposal.

2.3 Evaluation stages

The evaluation of the Bids will be carried out in 2 sub-stages:

- (a) The first sub-stage will involve qualification of the Bidders based on the evaluation of their Qualification Proposals to determine compliance with the Qualification Criteria and the eligibility criteria in accordance with Clauses 3 and 4. Only those Bidders who are found to meet the eligibility criteria and the Qualification Criteria will be qualified for the next sub-stage.
- (b) The second sub-stage will involve evaluation of the Financial Proposals of those Bidders whose Qualification Proposals meet the requirements set out in this RFP, to identify the Selected Bidder for the Project.

2.4 Bid parameter

Each Bidder will be required to quote in the Bid Price Sheet the following 3 components: (a) the Bid Project Cost; (b) the O&M Charges for the first month after COD; (c) the Guaranteed Energy Consumption for each year of the O&M Period;

Based on the above 3 components quoted by the Bidders in the Bid Price Sheet, the Bidder shall calculate the Bid Price using the following formula:

Bid Price = Bid Project Cost + (O&M Charges x120) + Power Charges

The only criterion for evaluation and comparison of Financial Proposals will be the Bid Price.

- 2.5 Generally, the Preferred Bidder shall be the Selected Bidder for the Project. If the Preferred Bidder withdraws its Bid or is not selected for any reason, then GVSCCL may, in its discretion, select the Second Preferred Bidder as the Selected Bidder or annul the Bid Process.
- 2.6 Bidders are required to submit the Bid Security along with their Bids. The Bidders shall provide the Bid Security in the form of a bank guarantee issued by a Scheduled Bank in India and payable at Vishakhapatnam in favour of "Managing Director, Greater Visakhapatnam Smart City Corporation Limited" in the format set out at Annexure 11. The Bid shall be summarily rejected if it is not accompanied by the Bid Security.
- 2.7 All Bids are required to be prepared and submitted in accordance with the terms of this RFP on or before the Bid Due Date.
- 2.8 The Bidders may inspect the Site and carry out, at their own cost, such inspections as may be required to submit their respective Bids at any time prior to the date specified in the Bid Schedule. GVSCCL shall facilitate such site visits provided that the Bidder gives GVSCCL at least 2 days' prior written notice of its intention to visit the Site.
- 2.9 It will be assumed that the Bidders have accounted for all relevant factors, including technical data, status and condition of the Associated Infrastructure, the Supporting Infrastructure, the Site



conditions, climate, weather conditions, availability of power (including the requirement of any power back-up), water and other utilities for construction of the Facilities and rehabilitation of the Associated Infrastructure, access to Site, handling and storage of materials, Applicable Laws and Applicable Permits while submitting their Bids. The Bidders will be deemed to have full knowledge of the Project, including the scope of activities required to be undertaken by the Bidders to undertake the Project.

2.10 Any queries or requests for additional information relating to this RFP should be submitted in writing or e-mail to the officer designated below. The envelopes or communications must clearly bear the following subject line- "Performance-Based Augmentation of Existing Water Supply Management Services- Questions or Request for Additional Information".

Attention: Managing Director Greater Visakhapatnam Smart City Corporation Limited Room No. 306, Tenneti Bhavan, Asilmetta, Visakhapatnam - 530003 Andhra Pradesh, India. Tel.: +91 - 891 - 2746301-7 Fax: +91-891-2568545

2.11 GVSCCL shall endeavour to adhere to the following schedule for the Bid Process:

Sl.No.	Event	Date
1.	Issue of RFP	30 th May, 2017, 15:00 Hrs
		Managing Director
		Greater Visakhapatnam Smart City
		Corporation Limited
2.	Site Visit	9 th June 2017 11.00hrs
3.	Last date for receiving queries from	15 th June 2017
	Bidders	
4.	Pre-Bid Meeting	19 th June 2017, 5.00 PMs
5.	Issue of Addendum by GVSCCL	24 th June 2017
	latest by	
6.	Bid Due Date	5 th July 2017, 5.00 PM
7.	Opening of Technical Proposals	5 th July 2017, 5.30 PM
8.	Notification of qualified Bidders	Within 7 days from the date of opening of
		Qualification Proposals
9.	Opening of Financial Proposals	Within 5 days from the date of notification
		of qualified Bidders
10.	Issue of LOA	Within 21 days from the date of opening of
		Financial Proposals
11.	Signing of the Concession	Within 30 days from the date of acceptance
	Agreement	of LOA by the Selected Bidder



SECTION II

ELIGIBILITY AND QUALIFICATION CRITERIA

3. ELIGIBILITY OF BIDDERS

3.1 Nature of Bidder

- (a) A Bidder may be a Company registered under the Companies Act or an equivalent law outside India, acting in its individual capacity or as a Consortium. The term Bidder used in this RFP shall apply to both a single entity as well as a Consortium.
- (b) If a Bidder is a Consortium, then the Consortium and its Members shall comply with the following conditions:
- (i) The number of Members in such Consortium shall not exceed 2.
- (ii) The Bid submitted by the Consortium should contain the required information for each Member and a brief description of the roles and responsibilities of each Member.
- (iii) The Consortium will nominate one of the Members as the Lead Member with a minimum share of 51% in the Consortium. Such nomination will be supported by a power of attorney signed by all the Members of the Consortium and will be in the format set out in Annexure 1J. The Lead Member will have the authority to represent and bind all the Members during the Bid Process.
- (iv) The Consortium is required to submit a binding and enforceable Joint Bidding Agreement, in the format set out in Annexure 1K, and the Members will not be permitted to amend or terminate the Joint Bidding Agreement, at any time during the validity of the Bid without the prior consent of GVSCCL. The Other Consortium member shall have a minimum of 26% in the Consortium.

3.2 Lock-in Restrictions and Change in Control

- (a) Each Bidder (whether a single entity or Consortium) is required to incorporate a Special Purpose Vehicle to implement the Project.
- (b) If the Selected Bidder is a Consortium, then the Members are required to comply with the following conditions with respect to the SPV to be incorporated by the Selected Bidder to implement the Project:
- (i) the Lead Member shall hold not less than 51% of the total Capital and voting rights of the Concessionaire until 3 (three) years after the COD;
- (ii) any Member, other than the Lead Member, whose Technical Capacity or Financial Capacity is being assessed for the purpose of qualification, shall hold at least 26% of the total Capital and voting rights of the Concessionaire for 3 (three) years after the COD; and
- (iii) after the expiry of 3 years from the COD, the Lead Member and/or other Members can exit the Concessionaire, subject to: (A) the Member who demonstrated the O&M experience for the purposes of qualification continuing to be part of the Consortium; or (B) the entity acquiring the



shareholding of the Lead Member/any other Member in the Concessionaire meeting the technical qualification criteria set out in Clause 4.1(b); or (C) the Concessionaire appointing an O&M contractor who complies with the technical qualification criteria set out in Clause 4.1(b).

- (c) If the Selected Bidder is a single entity, then:
 - (i) the Selected Bidder shall hold at least 51% of the total Capital and voting rights of the Concessionaire until the COD, and voting rights of the Concessionaire for 3 years after the COD; and
 - (ii) after the expiry of 3 years from the COD, the Selected Bidder can exit the Concessionaire, subject to: (A) the entity acquiring the shareholding of the Selected Bidder in the Concessionaire meeting the technical qualification criteria set out in Clause 4.1(b); or (B) the Concessionaire appointing an O&M contractor who complies with the technical qualification criteria set out in Clause 4.1(b).
- (d) If:
 - (i) a Bidder is likely to breach or breaches its undertaking under this Clause 3.2;
 - (ii) post submission of the Bid, there occurs a change in Control of a Bidder or a Member of a Consortium or any of their Associates whose credentials have been taken into consideration for determining Technical Capacity; or
 - (iii) post submission of the Bid, if any Associate, whose credentials have been taken into consideration for determining Technical Capacity, ceases or will cease to be an Associate of the Bidder or such Member,

then, the Selected Bidder shall give GVSCCLnotice of such occurrence along with all relevant details and shall seek the approval of GVSCCL for such occurrence. If GVSCCL is of the view that such occurrence is likely to affect the Technical Capacity or the Financial Capacity of the Bidder adversely, then GVSCCL may disqualify the Bidder from participation in the Bid Process; or, if the Bidder has been declared as the Selected Bidder, withdraw the LOA or treat such occurrence as a Concessionaire event of default in accordance with the Concession Agreement, without GVSCCL incurring any liability towards the Selected Bidder for such withdrawal or possible termination. While GVSCCL will not unreasonably withhold or delay such approval, the decision of GVSCCL will be final in this regard.

3.3 Conflict of Interest

A Bidder shall not have a conflict of interest (**Conflict of Interest**) that affects the Bid Process. Any Bidder found to have a Conflict of Interest will be disqualified. A Bidder may be considered to have a Conflict of Interest if the Bidder:

- (a) Controls, is Controlled by or is under common Control with any of the other Bidders;
- (b) Receives or has received any direct or indirect subsidy, grant, loan, subordinated debt or other funded or non-funded financial assistance from any of the other Bidders;
- (c) is also a shareholder of any other Bidder. Provided that this disqualification shall not apply in cases where the direct or indirect shareholding of a Bidder, its Member or an Associate thereof (or any shareholder having a shareholding of more than 5% of the paid up and subscribed share capital of such Bidder, Member or Associate, as the case may be) in the other Bidder, its Member or Associate is less than 5% of the subscribed and paid up equity share capital thereof; provided further that this disqualification shall not apply to any ownership by a bank, insurance company, pension fund or a public financial institution



referred to in subsection (72) of section 2 of the Companies Act;

- (d) has hired or appointed the same legal, financial or technical advisor as those hired by any of the other Bidders for this Project;
- (e) has a relationship with any of the other Bidders, directly or through common third parties, that puts them in a position to have access to information that may have an influence on the Bid of one or more of such Bidders, or influence the decisions of GVSCCL regarding the Bid Process;
- (f) submits more than one Bid for the Project either individually or through an Associate. This will result in the disqualification of all such Bids submitted by the Bidder and/or its Associates; or
- (g) has participated directly or through an Associate as a consultant or advisor in the preparation of the design of or technical specifications for the Project.

3.4 Fraud and Corrupt Practices

- (a) Bidders and their respective officers, employees, agents and advisors are required to observe the highest standards of ethics during the Bid Process. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this RFP, GVSCCL may reject a Bid without being liable in any manner whatsoever to the Bidder, if it determines that a Bidder has, directly or indirectly or through an agent, engaged in a corrupt, fraudulent, coercive, undesirable or restrictive practice in or affecting the Bid Process.
- (b) Without prejudice to the rights of GVSCCL under Clause 3.4(a) above, in the event that a Bidder is found by GVSCCL to have directly or indirectly or through an officer, employee, agent or advisor engaged or indulged in any corrupt, fraudulent, coercive, undesirable or restrictive practice during the Bid Process, such Bidder will not be eligible to participate in any tender or request for qualification issued by GVSCCL for 5 (five) years, from the date such Bidder is found by GVSCCL to have directly or indirectly or through an officer, employee, agent or advisor engaged or indulged in any of the activities mentioned above.
- (c) For the purposes of this Clause 3.4, the following terms will have the meanings given to them below:
- (i) corrupt practice means:
- (A) offering, giving, receiving or soliciting, directly or indirectly, of anything of value to influence the actions of any Person connected with the Bid Process (for the avoidance of doubt, offering of employment to, or employing, or engaging in any manner whatsoever, directly or indirectly, any official of GVSCCL who is or has been associated in any manner, directly or indirectly, with the Bid Process or has dealt with matters relating to the Project or arising from it, before or after its execution, at any time prior to the expiry of 1 (one) year from the date that such official resigns or retires from or otherwise ceases to be in the service of GVSCCL, will be deemed to constitute influencing the actions of a Person connected with the Bid Process); or
- (B) appointing or engaging in any manner whatsoever, whether during or after the Bid Process or after the execution of the Concession Agreement, as the case may be, any Person for any matter relating to the Project or the Bid Process, who at any time has been or is a legal, financial or technical advisor of GVSCCL on the Project;
- (ii) fraudulent practice means any act or omission, including a misrepresentation, that knowingly or



recklessly misleads, or attempts to mislead, a Person to obtain a financial or any other benefit or to avoid an obligation;

- (iii) coercive practice means impairing or harming, or threatening to impair or harm, directly or indirectly, any Person or the property of the Person to influence improperly the actions of a Person;
- (iv) undesirable practice means: (A) establishing contact with any Person connected or employed or engaged by GVSCCL with the objective of canvassing, lobbying or in any manner influencing or attempting to influence the Bid Process; or (B) having a Conflict of Interest (as defined in Clause 3.3); and
- (v) **restrictive practice** means forming a cartel or arriving at any understanding or arrangement among Bidders with the objective of restricting or manipulating full and fair competition in the Bid Process.

3.5 Other Eligibility Criteria

- (a) If a Company has or its Associates have been barred by the Government of India (GoI), the Government of Andhra Pradesh (GoAP) or any of its instrumentalities from participating in any project or being awarded any contract and the bar subsists on the Bid Due Date, such Company will not be eligible to submit a Bid.
- (b) If the Bidder or any Member (in case of a Consortium) is party to any litigation (required to be disclosed as per Annexure 1H), which, in GVSCCL's opinion, affects or could have a material adverse effect on the financial condition, prospects or business of such Bidderor Member or its ability to fulfil its obligations under the Concession Agreement, the Bid will not be evaluated further by GVSCCL.

Bidders will provide such evidence of their continued eligibility as GVSCCL may request at any time during or after the Bid Process.

If a Bidder is a Consortium, then the term "**Bidder**" as used in Clause 3.3, Clause 3.4 and Clause 3.5 shall include each Member of such Consortium, and the term "**Associate**" as used in Clause 3.3, Clause 3.4 and Clause 3.5 shall include Associates of each Member of the Consortium.



4. QUALIFICATION CRITERIA

The Bidders should satisfy the following minimum technical criteria and financial criteria set out in Clause 4.1 and Clause 4.2 respectively to qualify for evaluation of the Financial Proposals:

4.1 Technical Criteria

To demonstrate its technical capacity and experience (**Technical Capacity**), the Bidder must have the following experience:

(h) <u>Development/Design and Construction experience</u>

- Experience in construction and commissioning of urban water distribution network improvement on District Metering Area (DMA)/Zone basis and making house service connections in a project area or town or township* serving a minimum of 6,000 (six thousand) house service connections under single contract in the last 10 Financial Years preceding the Bid Due Date [* For the purpose of computing experience of house connections, the bidder will be granted benefit up to 50% of such work executed in an integrated township (including private, subject to providing certificate of corresponding/ competent Government/ PSU entity)].
- Experience in design, installation commissioning and operation of Instrumentation and SCADA system for urban water supply systemin the last 10 (ten) Financial Years preceding the Bid Due Date[may be met by the nominated sub-contractor. A Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with sub contactor is required to be submitted with the bid].

(i) Operation and maintenance experience

- Experience in operation and maintenance/ management of DMA/Zone based urban water distribution system in a project area or town or township* serving a minimum of 6,000 (six thousand) house service connections under a single contract with O&M experience of completed/ongoing contract for a minimum period of 1(one) year (excluding defect liability period) in the last 5 (five) Financial Years preceding the Bid Due Date [Could be met by sub-contractor. A Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with sub contactor is required to be submitted with the bid].*For the purpose of computing experience of house connections, the bidder will be granted benefit up to 50% of such work executed in an integrated township (including private, subject to providing certificate of corresponding/ competent Government/ PSU entity)
- Successful completion as main supplier within the last 3 (three) Financial Years preceding the Bid Due Date, of at least 1 (one) contract with supply and installation of 3,500 (three thousand and five hundred) AMR (Automatic Meter Reading) water meters confirming to conforming IS:779:1994 or ISO: 4064: 1993 with ISI/EEC/01ML/MLD certification in India / Abroad and Operation and maintenance for at least 1 (one) year.

The Bidder shall also demonstrate that the AMR meters offered have been in production for at least 5 (five) years, and

- sold a minimum of 50,000 (fifty thousand) units of similar type and specification over the last 3 (three) Financial Years preceding the Bid Due Date;
- been in operation for a minimum of 1 (one) year.



• Minimum manufacturing capacity shall be 6,000 (six thousand) AMR meters/month having size varying from 15mm to 100mm. (Evidence shall be provided for production output by manufacturer)

(May be met by the nominated sub-contractor. A Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with sub contactor is required to be submitted with the bid)

- For this purpose, the Bidder claiming the experience will be required to submit a certificate issued by the relevant government authority.
- (j) It is clarified that:
- (i) the Bidder must demonstrate both development/design and construction experience specified in Clause 4.1(a) above and O&M experience specified in Clause 4.1(b) above to be technically qualified for evaluation of the Financial Proposals.
- (ii) the Bidder/Member may rely on the experience of its Associate(s) for demonstrating the Technical Capacity;
- (iii) in case of a Consortium, the development/design and construction experience set out in Clause 4.1(a) must be demonstrated by one Member and the O&M experience set out in Clause 4.1(b) may be claimed by a different Member;
- (iv) if the development/design and construction experience and the O&M experience is being claimed by a different Member, then the Member who demonstrates development/design and construction experience and the Member who demonstrates the O&M experience must each hold 26% of the total capital and voting rights of the Concessionaire for 3 (three) years post COD;
- (v) for certificates claiming development/design and construction and O&M experience that are issued overseas, the document will also have to be legalised by the Indian Embassy and notarised in the jurisdiction where the certificate is being issued. However, the certificate provided by the Bidders from countries that have signed the Hague Legislation Convention, 1961 are not required to be legalised by the Indian Embassy if it carries a conforming Apostille certificate.

4.2 Financial Criteria

To demonstrate its financial capacity to undertake the Project (**Financial Capacity**), the Bidder must meet each of the financial qualification criteria specified in this Clause 4.2.

(a) <u>Net worth</u>

- (i) In each of the 3 (three)Financial Years immediately preceding the Bid Due Date, the Bidder's Net Worth (as per the annual financial statements) shall be at least INR 25,00,00,000 (Rupees Twenty FiveCrores).
- (ii) If the Bidder is a Consortium, then the Net Worth, as required in Clause 4.2 (a)(i) above will be demonstrated cumulatively, i.e., the Consortium as a whole should meet the requirement. Provided further that if the Bidder is subsequently declared the Selected Bidder for the Project, then any Member of the Consortium whose Net Worth was assessed for the purposes of demonstrating that the Consortium has the Financial Capacity to undertake the Project, shall hold



at least 26% of the total Capital and voting rights of the SPV incorporated by the Selected Bidder for the Project for 3 (three) years post the COD.

- (iii) The calculation of Net Worth must be based on the unconsolidated audited annual accounts of the Bidder for the preceding Financial Year. If the annual accounts for the Financial Year immediately preceding the Bid Due Date are not audited, the Bidder shall provide the provisional annual accounts for such Financial Year. The provisional annual accounts shall be accompanied by an undertaking by the Bidder to the effect that:
- (A) if it is chosen as the Selected Bidder, the Bidder will submit the audited annual accounts for the Financial Year immediately preceding the Bid Due Date prior to the Effective Date; and
- (B) the Net Worth as per such audited annual accounts shall not vary by more than 5% from the provisional accounts submitted by it with its Bid.

A Bidder or a Member of a Consortium is not permitted to rely on the Net Worth of its Associate for demonstrating its Financial Capacity.

- (b) In each of the 3 (Three) Financial Years immediately preceding the Bid Due Date, the Bidder (and in case of a Consortium, each Member) shall have had positive cash flows i.e., cash flows greater than zero(as certified by the statutory auditor of the Bidder, and in case of a Consortium, the statutory auditor of a Member) and an Annual Turnover for a period of 3 (three) years INR 100 Crores (Rupees One Hundred Crores Only).
- (c) In the 3 (Three) Financial Years immediately preceding the Bid Due Date, the Bidder (and in case of a Consortium, any Member) has not,
- (i) failed to perform any contract, as evidenced by the imposition of a penalty by an arbitral or judicial authority or arbitration award or a judicial pronouncement against such Bidder or its Associates;
- (ii) been expelled from any project or contract by the GoI or the GoAP or its instrumentalities; or
- (iii) had any contract terminated by the GoI or the GoAP, or its instrumentalities for breach by such Bidder or its Associates, as the case may be.
- (d) The Bidder(and in case of a Consortium, any Member) is not affected by and has not been affected by any of the following events, conditions or circumstances in the 3(three) Financial Years immediately preceding the Bid Due Date, as certified by the statutory auditor of the Bidder (and in case of a Consortium, the statutory auditor of a Member):
- (i) the Bidder undergoing any corporate debt restructuring or similar process under the laws of the country of its incorporation;
- (ii) the Bidder having been categorized as a willful defaulter in accordance with Applicable Laws;
- (iii) the Bidder being subject to proceedings for declaration of or being declared bankrupt, being wound up, or having its affairs administered or conducted by any court, administrator, receiver;



- (iv) the Bidder having been declared by a court or other competent authority as being unable to pay its debts, or having made any composition or arrangements with creditors or having had the repayment of its debts suspended; or
- (v) the Bidder being convicted or otherwise being found responsible (or having any of its directors, partners, trustees, officers or managers convicted or being found responsible) by any court, tribunal, regulatory, public or other competent authority for a breach of any laws or regulations which:
- (A) related to any act of fraud or dishonesty for which a fine, penalty, damages, compensation or other payment was levied against the Bidder or any of its directors, partners, trustees, officers or managers;
 - or
- (B) resulted in the permanent or temporary suspension of the rights of the Bidderto provide any service or carry on any type of business or operations.



SECTION III

INSTRUCTION TO BIDDERS

PART A. GENERAL

5. SCOPE OF RFP

- 5.1 GVSCCL wishes to receive Bids in accordance with this RFP for award of the Project.
- 5.2 The RFP must be read as a whole. If any Bidder finds any ambiguity or lack of clarity in this RFP, the Bidder must inform GVSCCL at the earliest. GVSCCL will then direct the Bidders regarding the interpretation of the RFP. If any discrepancy, ambiguity or contradiction arises between the terms of the RFP and the Concession Agreement in relation to:
- (a) the Bid Process, the provisions of the RFP shall prevail; and
- (b) the scope of services or any other terms or conditions of the Concession Agreement, including technical specifications, the provisions of the Concession Agreement shall prevail.
- 5.3 This RFP is not transferable.

6. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT BY THE BIDDER

6.1 It shall be deemed that by submitting the Bid, the Bidder has:

(a) made a complete and careful examination of the RFP (including all instructions, forms, terms and specifications) and any other information provided by GVSCCL under this RFP and the Bidder acknowledges that its submission of a Bid that is not substantially responsive to the RFP in every respect will be at the Bidder's risk and may result in rejection of the Bid;

(b) received all relevant information requested from GVSCCL;

(c) accepted the risk of inadequacy, error or mistake in the information provided in the RFP or furnished by or on behalf of GVSCCL;

(d) satisfied itself about all things, matters and information, necessary and required to submit a Bid;

(e) acknowledged and agreed that inadequacy, lack of completeness or incorrectness of information provided in the RFP or ignorance of any matter in relation to the Project shall not be a basis for any claim for compensation, damages, extension of time for performance of its obligations or loss of profits or revenue from GVSCCL, or a ground for termination of the Concession Agreement;

- (f) satisfied itself regarding the suitability of the Site conditions to undertake the Project; and
- (g) agreed to be bound by the undertakings provided by it under and in terms of this RFP.
- 6.2 GVSCCL shall not be liable for any omission, mistake or error in respect of any of the above or on account of any matter or thing arising out of or relating to the RFP or the Bid Process.



7. RIGHTS OF GVSCCL

7.1 GVSCCL, in its sole discretion and without incurring any obligation or liability, reserves the right, at any time, to:

(a) suspend he Bid Process and/or amend and/or supplement the Bid Process or modify the dates or other terms and conditions relating thereto;

(b) consult with any Bidder in order to receive clarification or further information at any stage of the Bid Process;

(c) retain any information, documents and/or evidence submitted to GVSCCL by and/or on behalf of any Bidder;

(d) independently verify, disqualify, reject and/or accept any and all documents, information and/or evidence submitted by or on behalf of any Bidder;

(e) reject any Bid, if:

(i) at any time, a material misrepresentation is made or uncovered; or

(ii) the Bidder in question does not provide, within the time specified by GVSCCL, the supplemental information sought by GVSCCL for evaluation of the Bid; or

(f) accept or reject a Bid, annul the Bid Process and reject all Bids, at any time, without any liability or any obligation for such acceptance, rejection or annulment and without assigning any reasons whatsoever to any Person, including the Bidders.

If GVSCCL annuls the Bid Process and rejects all Bids, it may in its sole discretion invite fresh Bids for the Project.

- 7.2 If GVSCCL exercises its right under this RFP to reject a Bid and consequently, the Preferred Bidder for the Project gets disqualified or rejected, then GVSCCL reserves the right to:
 - (a) select the Second Preferred Bidder as the Selected Bidder for the Project; or
 - (b) take any such measure as may be deemed fit in the sole discretion of GVSCCL, including inviting fresh Financial Proposals from the qualified Bidders or annulling the entire Bid Process.
- 7.3 If it is found during the Bid Process, at any time before signing the Concession Agreement or after its execution and while it is in force, that one or more of the Qualification Criteria and/or the eligibility criteria have not been met by a Bidder or that the Bidder has ceased to meet them, or a Bidder has made material misrepresentations or has given any materially incorrect or false information, then such Bidder will be disqualified.

If such Bidder has been declared as the Selected Bidder or has already been issued the LOA or has entered into the Concession Agreement, the LOA or the Concession Agreement, as the case may be, shall be liable to be terminated, by a notice in writing from GVSCCL to the Selected Bidder.

Upon any disqualification, cancellation or termination in accordance with this Clause 7.3,



GVSCCL will not be liable in any manner whatsoever to the Bidder. Additionally, GVSCCL will have the right to forfeit and appropriate the Bid Security or, as the case may be, appropriate an equivalent amount from the Performance Security if the Concession Agreement has been executed, as a mutually agreed genuine pre-estimate of the loss suffered by GVSCCL for, amongst others, GVSCCL's time, cost and efforts in conducting the Bid Process. Such forfeiture will be without prejudice to any other right or remedy that GVSCCL may have under the RFP, the Concession Agreement or Applicable Law.

8. CLARIFICATIONS ON THE RFP

8.1 Clarifications and Queries

- (a) If a Bidder requires any clarification on or has any query in relation to the RFP, it should submit such query or request for clarification to GVSCCL in writing by e-mail to visakhapatnamsmartcity@gmail.com, fax to 0891-2746300or by speed post or courier to the address specified in Clause 2.11. In case of any e-mail queries or clarifications, the subject of the e-mail must clearly bear the following subject: "Performance-Based Water Supply and Sewage Treatment and Management Services". All queries or clarification requests should be received on or before the date and time mentioned in the Bid Schedule.
- (b) GVSCCL shall make reasonable efforts to respond to the queries or requests for clarifications on or before the date mentioned in the Bid Schedule. However, GVSCCL reserves the right to not respond to any query or provide any clarification, in its sole discretion. GVSCCL's responses (including an explanation of the query but not identification of its source) will be made available to all the Bidders and shall be uploaded on the Website.
- (c) GVSCCL may, on its own initiative, if deemed necessary, issue clarifications to all the Bidders. All clarifications and interpretations issued by GVSCCL shall be deemed to be part of the RFP. Should GVSCCL deem it necessary to amend the RFP as a result of a request for clarification, it will do so following the procedure under Clause 9.
- (d) It shall be the responsibility of the Bidders to check the Website for the response to the queries or requests for clarifications. GVSCCL may, but shall not be obliged to communicate with the Bidders by e-mail, notice or any other means it may deem fit about the issuance of the clarifications.
- (e) Verbal clarifications and information given by GVSCCL or any other Person for or on its behalf shall not in any way or manner be binding on GVSCCL.

8.2 Pre-Bid Meeting

- (a) All interested Companies shall be invited to attend the Pre-Bid Meeting on the date, time and place mentioned in the Bid Schedule. The purpose of the Pre-Bid Meeting will be to clarify issues and answer questions on any matter relating to the RFP, the Bid Process and the Project.
- (b) All interested Companies may nominate up to 3 (three) authorized representatives to participate in the Pre-Bid Meeting, by confirming the participation of its authorized representatives at the Pre-Bid Meeting at least 3 (three) days prior to the date of the Pre-Bid Meeting. Such confirmation shall be sent by e-mail to visakhapatnamsmartcity@gmail.com.
- (c) During the course of the Pre-Bid Meeting, all interested Companies will be free to seek clarifications and make suggestions to GVSCCL.



(d) Non-attendance at the Pre-Bid Meeting will not be a cause for disqualification of an interested Bidder from participating in the Bid Process.

9. AMENDMENT OF THE RFP

- 9.1 Up until the date that is mentioned in the Bid Schedule, GVSCCL may, for any reason, whether on its own initiative or in response to a query raised or clarifications requested by a Bidder in writing, amend the RFP by issuing an Addendum/Corrigendum.
- 9.2 All Addenda/Corrigenda will be issued on the Website.
- 9.3 The Bidders are required to read the RFP with any Addendum/Corrigendum that may be issued in accordance with this Clause 9.
- 9.4 Each Addendum/Corrigendum will be binding on the Bidders, whether or not the Bidders convey their acceptance of the Addendum/Corrigendum.
- 9.5 Any oral statements made by GVSCCL or its advisors regarding the Bid Process, the RFP or on any other matter, shall not be considered as amending the RFP.
- 9.6 GVSCCL will assume that the information contained in the Addendum//Corrigendumwill have been taken into account by the Bidder in its Bid. GVSCCL assumes no responsibility for the failure of a Bidder to submit the Bid in accordance with the terms of the Addendum//Corrigendumor for any consequent losses suffered by the Bidder.

10. AVAILABILITY OF INFORMATION

- 10.1 The information relating to or in connection with the Project, the Bid Process and this RFP, including all notices issued by GVSCCL to all Bidders in accordance with this RFP; queries and responses or clarifications and any Addendum/Corrigendum will be uploaded on the Website.
- 10.2 All such information will be made available for review by the Bidders until the Bid Due Date.
- 10.3 If a Bidder faces any technical issue or technical error in accessing the Website, the Bidder may seek assistance from GVSCCL by sending an e-mail request tovisakhapatnamsmartcity@gmail.com, no later than 7 (seven) days prior to the Bid Due Date.
- 10.4 GVSCCL will use its best endeavours to respond to a written e-mail request and resolve the technical issue or error or provide an alternative solution to the Bidder within 3 (three) days of receipt of such request.

11. CORRESPONDENCE WITH BIDDERS

Save as expressly provided in this RFP, GVSCCL will not entertain any correspondence with the Bidders, whether in connection with the acceptance or rejection of their Bids or otherwise.



12. CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION AND PROPRIETARY DATA

12.1 **Proprietary Data**

All documents and other information provided by GVSCCL or submitted by aBidder to GVSCCL will remain or become the property of GVSCCL, as the case may be. Bidders are required to treat all information provided by GVSCCL in the RFP as strictly confidential and not to use them for any purpose other than for preparation and submission of their Bids.

12.2 Confidentiality Obligations of GVSCCL

GVSCCL will treat all information, submitted as part of aBid in confidence and will require all those who have access to such material to treat it in confidence. GVSCCL may not divulge any such information or any information relating to evaluation of Bids or the qualification of Bidders unless:

(a) such publication is contemplated under this RFP;

(b) such publication is made to any Person who is officially involved with the Bid Process or is a retained professional advisor advising GVSCCL, or the Bidder on matters arising out of or in connection with the Bid Process;

(c) it is directed to do so by any statutory authority that has the power under law to require its disclosure;

(d) such publication is to enforce or assert any right or privilege of the statutory authority and/or GVSCCL or as may be required by law (including under the Right to Information Act, 2005); or

(e) in connection with any legal process.

13. GOVERNING LAW AND JURISDICTION

13.1 Governing Law

The Bid Process, this RFP and the Bids shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of India.

13.2 Exclusive Jurisdiction

The competent courts at Visakhapatnam shall have exclusive jurisdiction over all disputes arising under, pursuant to and/or in connection with the Bid Process, this RFP and the Bids.

14. VALIDITY OF THE BIDS

- 14.1 The Bids shall remain valid for a period of 180 days from the Bid Due Date. A Bid valid for a shorter period shall be rejected by GVSCCL as being non-responsive.
- 14.2 In exceptional circumstances, prior to the expiry of the Bid validity period, GVSCCL may request Bidders to extend the Bid validity period.



PART B. BID SECURITY AND PERFORMANCE SECURITY

15. BID SECURITY

- 15.1 The Bidder shall furnish as part of its Bid, a bid security for the Project (the Bid Security). The Bid Security shall be for an amount equivalent to INR(Rupees).
- 15.2 The Bid Security shall remain valid for the Bid validity period as specified in Clause 14.
- 15.3 The Bidder shall provide the Bid Security in the form of a bank guarantee issued by a Scheduled Bank in India. The Bid Security shall be issued in favor of the "Managing Director, Greater Visakhapatnam Smart City Corporation Limited, Visakhapatnam", payable at Visakhapatnam and in the format set out in Annexure 1I.
- 15.4 If any Bid is not accompanied by a Bid Security, then such Bid shall be rejected by GVSCCL as non-responsive. Unless forfeited in accordance with Clause 15.5 below, the Bid Security of the unsuccessful Bidders will be returned by GVSCCL no later than 30 (thirty) days from the date of execution of the Concession Agreement with the Selected Bidder.
- The Bid Security of the Selected Bidder will be returned upon the Selected Bidder furnishing the Performance Security in accordance with Clause 16.
- 15.5 The Bid Security shall be forfeited and appropriated by GVSCCL as mutually agreed genuine pre-estimated compensation and damages payable to GVSCCL for time, cost and effort of GVSCCL, without prejudice to any other right or remedy that may be available to GVSCCL hereunder or otherwise, under the following conditions:
- (a) if a Bidder engages in corrupt, fraudulent, coercive or undesirable practice or restrictive practice as specified in Clause 3.4;
- (b) if a Bidder is disqualified in accordance with, Clause 3.2(Lock-in Restrictions and Change in Control), Clause 3.3 (Conflict of Interest), Clause 3.5 (Other Eligibility Criteria), Clause 7.3 (Rights of GVSCCL), Clause 17 (Number of Bids) and Clause 31.3 (Execution of Concession Agreement);
- (c) if, after the Bid Due Date, a Bidder withdraws its Bid during the Bid validity period; or
- (d) if a Bidder is selected as the Selected Bidder and it fails, within the specified time limit, to:
- (i) sign and return, as acknowledgement, the duplicate copy of the LOA;
- (ii) furnish the Performance Securityin accordance with Clause 16;
- (iii) fulfil any other condition precedent to the execution of the Concession Agreement; or
- (iv) execute the Concession Agreement.



16. PERFORMANCE SECURITY

- 16.1 The Selected Bidder shall furnish to GVSCCL the Performance Security for a value equal to 10% of the Bid Project Cost, on or before execution of the Concession Agreement to secure the obligations of the Concessionaire under the Concession Agreement.
- 16.2 The Performance Security shall remain valid until 25 (twenty five) months from the Effective Date or 1 (one) month from the COD, whichever is later.
- 16.3 The Selected Bidder shall provide the Performance Security in the form of a bank guarantee issued by a Scheduled Bank in India. The Performance Security shall be issued in favor of "Managing Director, Greater Visakhapatnam Smart City Corporation Limited, Visakhapatnam" payable at Visakhapatnam and in the format set out in Appendix F.
- 16.4 If the Selected Bidder fails to furnish the Performance Security in accordance with this Clause 16 on or before the execution of the Concession Agreement, then GVSCCL shall have the right to forfeit the Bid Security of the Selected Bidder in accordance with Clause 15.5(d).



PART C. PREPARATION AND SUBMISSION OF BIDS

17. NUMBER OF BIDS

Each Bidder shall be permitted to submit only 1 (one) Bid for the Project, either individually or as a Member of a Consortium. A Bidder applying individually or as a Member of a Consortium shall not be entitled to submit another Bid either individually or as a Member of any other Consortium, as the case may be. A Bidder who submits or participates in more than 1 (one)Bid for the Project shall cause all the Bids with the Bidder's participation to be disqualified.

18. LANGUAGE OF BIDS AND CORRESPONDENCE

- 18.1 The Bid prepared by the Bidder and all correspondence and documents related to the Bid exchanged by the Bidder and GVSCCL shall be in English.
- 18.2 Any document furnished by the Bidder may be in another language, as long as such document is accompanied by an English translation, in which case, for purposes of interpretation of the Bid, the English translation shall govern. If any document submitted by a Bidder is in a local language, then the English translation must be certified by an advocate and notarised. If any document submitted by a Bidder is in a foreign language, then the English translation must be certified by the embassy/consulate/high commission of the relevant foreign country in India. Supporting materials which are not translated into English or certified/notarised in accordance with this Clause 18.2 may not be considered by GVSCCL.

19. BID DUE DATE

- 19.1 The Bid shall be submitted on or before the date, time and place specified in the Bid Schedule.
- 19.2 GVSCCL may, at its discretion and for any reason, extend the Bid Due Date for all Bidders by issuing an Addendum/Corrigendum in accordance with Clause 9, in which case all rights and obligations of GVSCCL and the Bidders will thereafter be subject to the Bid Due Date as extended.
- 19.3 Bids received by GVSCCL after the specified time on the Bid Due Date will not be eligible for consideration and will be summarily rejected.

20. QUALIFICATION PROPOSAL

- 20.1 The Qualification Proposal submitted by a Bidder shall comprise the following:
 - (a) bid letter in the format set out in Annexure 1A;
 - (b) description of the Bidder /Consortium in the format set out in Annexure 1B;
 - (c) Power of Attorney in the format set out in **Annexure 1C**, executed by the Bidder or the Lead Member authorizing the signatory of the Bid to commit the Bidder;
 - (d) certificate issued by the statutory auditor of the Bidder, in the format set out in Annexure 1D,



certifying the Net Worth of the Bidder and compliance with other financial qualification criteria specified in Clause 4.2;

(e) details of the eligible projects for which development/design and construction experience is being claimed in the format set out in **Annexure 1E** – **Part 1** and details of the eligible Projects for which O&M experience is being claimed in the format set out in **Annexure 1E** – **Part 2**;

(f) certificate from the statutory auditor certifying the shareholding of the Bidder (or in case of a Consortium, the relevant Member) in the entity developing the eligible projects for which development is being claimed by the Bidder in the format set out in **Annexure 1F**;

(g) self-attested certificate regarding Associate, if applicable, in the format set out in Annexure 1G;

- (h) information on any litigation that the Bidder is a party to, in the format set out at Annexure 1H;
- (i) Bid Security in the format set out at Annexure 1I;
- (j) certificate from the relevant government authority/client certifying that the eligible project has been completed/commissioned in the last 10(ten) Financial Years immediately preceding the Bid Due Date, in accordance with the relevant concession agreement or similar contract executed for such projects;
- (k) certificate from the relevant government authority/client certifying that the Bidder (or, in case of a Consortium, the relevant Member) has successfully operated and maintained the eligible project for which O&M experience is being claimed, for at least 1 (one)year(excluding defect liability period), in the last 5 (five) Financial Years immediately preceding the Bid Due Date, in accordance with the relevant concession agreement or similar contract executed for such Projects;

(l) annual financial statements of the Bidder (including profit and loss statements) for the 3 (three) Financial Years immediately preceding the Bid Due Date;

(m) self-attested copies of the certificate of incorporation, memorandum of association and articles of association. If the Bidder is a Consortium, then each Member shall submit self-attested copies of its certificate of incorporation, memorandum of association and articles of association;

- (n) a demand draft of INR 20,000 (Rupees twenty thousand)as Bid processing fees, issued by a Scheduled Bank in India and payable at Visakhapatnamin favour of the "Managing Director, Greater Visakhapatnam Smart City Corporation Limited, Visakhapatnam"and
- (o) copy of the RFP (including the draft Concession Agreement), with every page initialled by the authorised signatory of the Bidder, as acknowledgement of acceptance of all terms and conditions of the RFP (including the draft Concession Agreement).
- 20.2 If the Bidder is a Consortium, it will also be required to submit the following documents:
- (a) Power of Attorney in the format set out at **Annexure 1J**, executed by the Members of the Consortium authorizing the Lead Member of the Consortium to act on behalf of and commit the Consortium.
- (b) Joint Bidding Agreement in the format set out at Annexure 1K.
- 20.3 All the above mentioned documents shall be submitted in e-portal www.apeprocurement.gov.in along with the two hardbound copies of the online submitted technical proposal.



21. FINANCIAL PROPOSAL

- 21.1 The Financial Proposal submitted by a Bidder shall comprise the following:
 - (a) covering letter in the format set out in Annexure 2A; and
 - (b) Bid Price Sheet in the format set out in Annexure 2B.
- 21.2 The Bidders shall quote in the Bid Price Sheet the:(a) the Bid Project Cost; (b) the O&M Charges for the first month after COD; (c) the Guaranteed Energy Consumption for each year of the O&M Period.Based on these 3 (three) components quoted by a Bidder, the Bidder shall calculate its Bid Price, using the formula set out in Clause 2.5.
- 21.3 If the Bidder quotes more than 1 (one) figure for any of the components of the Bid Price or if the Bidder offers a discount on any or all of the components of the Bid Price, the Financial Proposal of such Bidder will be deemed to be non-responsive.
- 21.4 The Financial Proposal shall be submitted vide e-portal only. If the Bidder submits Financial Proposal in the Hard Copy, the Proposal of such Bidder will be deemed to be non-responsive.

22. COST AND CURRENCY OF BIDS

22.1 Cost of the Bid

The Bidders will bear their own costs associated with or relating to the preparation and submission of their Bids, including copying, postage, delivery charges and expenses associated with any presentations which may be required by GVSCCL or any other costs incurred in connection with or relating to their Bids, including any costs incurred on conducting any due diligence. All such costs and expenses will be borne by the Bidders and GVSCCL, and their employees and advisors will not be liable in any manner whatsoever for such costs and expenses, regardless of the conduct or outcome of the Bid Process.

22.2 Currency of the Bid

All amounts in the Bid should be stated in Rupees.

23. SIGNING OF BIDS

- 23.1 Each Bid must be typed or written in indelible ink and should be physically signed by the authorised signatory. The name and position held by the Person signing the Bid must be typed or printed below the signature. A Bid submitted by a Consortium must be signed by the Lead Member's authorized signatory and shall be legally binding on all Members.
- 23.2 All pages of the Bid must be physically initialled by the authorized signatory of the Bidder (and in case of a Consortium, of the Lead Member). If any pages of the Bid are not physically initialed by the Bidder's (and in case of a Consortium, the Lead Member's) authorized signatory, then GVSCCL may reject such Bid or require the authorized signatory of such Bidder (and in case of a Consortium, of the Lead Member) to initial the pages that were not initialed at GVSCCL's office.



24. MARKING, SEALING AND SUBMISSION OF BIDS

- 24.1 Each Bidder shall submit as part of its Bid:
- (a) two copy of the Qualification Proposal. The hard bound copy shall be labelled "TECHNICAL PROPOSAL". The Bidder will also be required to provide a copy of the Qualification Proposal in digital form, which will be provided in a compact disc; and
- (b) Financial Proposal shall be uploaded in e-portal only. If the Bidder submits Financial Proposal in the Hard Copy, the Proposal of such Bidder will be deemed to be non-responsive.
- In the event of any discrepancy between the uploaded and the hard copy of the Qualification Proposal, the uploaded will prevail.
- 24.2 The Bid will contain no alterations, omissions or additions, unless such alterations, omissions or additions are signed by the Bidder or its authorized signatory. Any interlineations, erasures, or overwriting will be valid only if they are signed by the Bidder or its authorized signatory.
- 24.3 The Qualification Proposal (including all the documents listed in Clause 20 above), in hard copy and the compact disc containing the digital copy, will be duly sealed in an envelope, which will be super-scribed as follows:

"Performance-Based Augmentation of Existing Water Supply and Management Services within ABD area (Output-based Service Contract) ON ANNUITY BASIS QUALIFICATION PROPOSAL DO NOT OPEN BEFORE SPECIFIED TIME ON BID DUE DATE"

- 24.4 The Financial Proposal will be submitted vide web portal www.apeprocurement.gov.in
- 24.5 The sealed envelopes containing the Qualification Proposal shall be placed in a sealed outer envelope, which will be super-scribed as follows:

"Performance-Based Augmentation of Existing Water Supply Management Services within ABD area (Output-based Service Contract) ON ANNUITY BASIS DO NOT OPEN BEFORE SPECIFIED TIME ON BID DUE DATE"

- 24.6 The sealed envelopes containing the Bid will clearly indicate the name, address and contact details of the Bidder. If the envelope is not sealed, marked and submitted as instructed in this Clause 24, GVSCCL assumes no responsibility for the misplacement or premature opening of the contents of the Bid and consequent losses, if any, suffered by the Bidder.
- 24.7 The Bidwill either be hand delivered or sent by registered post acknowledgement due or courier to the address below:

Managing Director,



Greater Visakhapatnam Smart City Corporation Limited, Room No.306, Tenneti Bhavan, Asilmetta, Visakhapatnam- 530003, Andhra Pradesh, India. Tel.: +91 - 891 - 2746301-7 Fax: +91-891-2568545

Please note that a Bid submitted by a Bidder to any address other than the above mentioned address will not be considered for evaluation.

Bids submitted by fax, telex, telegram or e-mail shall not be entertained and will be rejected.

24.8 GVSCCL will not be responsible for any delays, loss or non-receipt of Bids.

25. SUBSTITUTION/WITHDRAWAL OF BIDS

- 25.1 The Bidder may substitute or withdraw its Bid after submission, provided that written notice of the substitution or withdrawal is received by GVSCCL prior to the specified time on the Bid Due Date. No Bid will be substituted or withdrawn by the Bidder on or after the specified time on the Bid Due Date.
- 25.2 The substitution or withdrawal notice will be prepared, sealed, marked, and delivered in accordance with Clause 24, with the envelopes being additionally marked "SUBSTITUTION" or "WITHDRAWAL", as appropriate.
- 25.3 Any alteration/modification in the Bid or additional information supplied after the specified time on the Bid Due Date, unless such additional information has been expressly sought for by GVSCCL, will be disregarded.
- 25.4 If GVSCCL receives a substitution notice from a Bidder before the specified time on the Bid Due Date, then the Bidder will be allowed to substitute its original Bid, which will be returned unopened.
- 25.5 If GVSCCL receives a withdrawal notice before the specified time on the Bid Due Date, then GVSCCL will return the Bid to such Bidder unopened.



PART D. OPENING AND EVALUATION OF BIDS

26. OPENING OF BIDS

- 26.1 GVSCCL will open only those Bids that are submitted as per the above mentioned Clause no 24 and 25 on or before the specified time on the Bid Due Date. If any Bid is received after the specified time on the Bid Due Date, it will be rejected and will be returned unopened to the Bidder.
- 26.2 GVSCCL will open the outer envelopes of the Bids and the Qualification Proposals at the time and on the date specified in the Bid Schedule at the following address:

Managing Director, Greater Visakhapatnam Smart City Corporation Limited, Room No.306, Tenneti Bhavan, Asilmetta, Visakhapatnam- 530003, Andhra Pradesh, India.

The Bids will be opened in the presence of the Bidders whose designated representatives choose to be present.

- 26.3 The names of all Bidders who have submitted Bids will be read out, and such other details GVSCCL, at its sole discretion, may consider appropriate, will be announced at the opening of Bids.
- 26.4 GVSCCL will prepare a record of the opening of the Bids that will include, as a minimum, the names of the Bidders from whom Bids have been received. The Bidders' representatives who are present will be requested to sign the record. The omission of a Bidder's representative's signature on the record will not invalidate the contents and effect of the record.
- 26.5 Once all the Qualification Proposals have been opened, they will be evaluated for responsiveness and to determine whether the Bidders are qualified for opening of the Financial Proposals. The procedure for evaluation of the Qualification Proposals is set out in Clause 27.
- 26.6 Once the Qualification Proposals have been evaluated, all Bidders whose Qualification Proposals meet the Qualification Criteria and the eligibility criteria, will be informed of a date, time and place for opening of their Financial Proposals. The Financial Proposals will be opened in the presence of the representatives of the qualified Bidders that choose to be present. The procedure for evaluation of the Financial Proposals is set out in Clause 28.
- 26.7 The qualification of Bidders will be entirely at the discretion of GVSCCL. Bidders will be deemed to have understood and agreed that no explanation or justification on any aspect of the Bid Process or selection will be given.
- 26.8 Any information contained in a Bid will not in any manner be construed as binding on GVSCCL, its agents, successors or assigns; but will be binding on the Bidder.



27. DETERMINATION OF RESPONSIVENESS AND EVALUATION OF QUALIFICATION PROPOSALS

- 27.1 GVSCCL will examine the Qualification Proposals downloaded to determine whether they are complete, whether the documents have been properly signed, and whether the Qualification Proposals are generally in order. If any Bidder is found to be disqualified in accordance with the terms of the RFP or if any Qualification Proposal is found to be non-responsive or not meeting the Technical Capacity or the Financial Capacity, the Bid comprising such Qualification Proposal will be rejected by GVSCCL and not included for further consideration. No request for alteration, modification, substitution or withdrawal shall be entertained by GVSCCL in respect of such Bid.
- 27.2 Prior to evaluation of the Qualification Proposals, the Qualification Proposals will be evaluated to determine responsiveness to the RFP. A Qualification Proposal, shall be considered responsive only if:

(a) the Qualification Proposal and all documents specified in Clause 20 are received in the prescribed formats;

- (b) the Bid is received by the specified time on the Bid Due Date;
- (c) it is signed, sealed and marked as stipulated in Clauses 23 and 24;

(d) it contains all the information and documents (complete in all respects) as requested in this RFP; and

- (e) it does not contain any condition or qualification.
- 27.3 GVSCCL shall then evaluate and determine whether the Bidders who have submitted responsive Qualification Proposals satisfy the eligibility criteria and the Qualification Criteria set out at Clause 3 and Clause 4 respectively.
- 27.4 In order to determine whether the Bidder satisfies the eligibility criteria set out at Clause 3 and the Qualification Criteria, GVSCCL will review the documentary evidence of the Bidder's eligibility and qualifications submitted by the Bidder and any additional information which GVSCCL seeks from the Bidder.
- 27.5 Where any information provided by a Bidder is found to be patently false or amounting to a material misrepresentation, GVSCCL reserves the right to reject the Bid submitted by such Bidder.
- 27.6 Upon completion of evaluation of the Qualification Proposals, GVSCCL will notify the Bidders the qualified Bidder of the date and time on which their Financial Proposals will be opened. The Financial Proposals of those Bidders who do not qualify will not be opened.



28. EVALUATION OF FINANCIAL PROPOSALS

- 28.1 GVSCCL shall open the Financial Proposals of only those Bidders whose Qualification Proposals meet the criteria set out in this RFP.
- 28.2 In the presence of representatives of the qualified Bidders that choose to be present at the opening of the Financial Proposals, GVSCCL shall open the Financial Proposal of each qualified Bidder and announce the Bid Project Cost, the O&M Charges, the Guaranteed Energy Consumption and the overall Bid Price quoted by such Bidder.
- 28.3 Following the opening of the Financial Proposals,
- (a) GVSCCL shall evaluate the Financial Proposals for responsiveness. If any Financial Proposal is found:
- (i) not to be complete in all respects;
- (ii) not duly signed by the authorized signatory of the Bidder;
- (iii) not to be in the prescribed format; or
- (iv) to contain more than 1 (one) figure for any component of the Bid Price, discounts, alterations, conditions, deviations or omissions,

then such Financial Proposal shall be deemed to be substantially non-responsive.

- (b) GVSCCL shall notify a qualified Bidder whose Financial Proposal is found to be substantially non-responsive, that such qualified Bidder's Financial Proposal shall not be considered for award of the Project.
- (c) GVSCCL shall, for each qualified Bidder that has submitted a substantially responsive Financial Proposal, tabulate the Bid Price.
- (d) In the course of tabulation, if GVSCCL finds a discrepancy between words and figures quoted in the Financial Proposal, then the amount in words shall prevail.
- (e) Once the Bid Price for each qualified Bidder that has submitted a substantially responsive Financial Proposal has been tabulated, GVSCCL shall rank the qualified Bidders based on the Bid Price. The qualified Bidder with the lowest Bid Price will be the Preferred Bidder; the qualified Bidder with the second lowest Bid Price will be the Second Preferred Bidder.
- (f) The Preferred Bidder shall ordinarily be the Selected Bidder.
- (g) If the Bid Price determined for 2 (two) or more qualified Bidders is the same, then the Bidder whose Net Worth is higher shall be the Preferred Bidder.
- If the Preferred Bidder is disqualified or rejected for any reason whatsoever, then the procedure set out in Clause 7.2 shall follow.



29. CLARIFICATION ON BIDS

- 29.1 To facilitate evaluation of the Bids, GVSCCL may, in its sole discretion, seek clarifications and/or any additional information from any Bidder regarding its Bid (including if the Bid is not signed, marked and sealed in accordance with Clauses 23 and 24). Such clarification(s) will be provided within the time specified by GVSCCL for this purpose. Any request for clarification(s) and all responses to such clarification(s) will be in writing. Any clarification submitted by a Bidder that is not in response to a request by GVSCCL will not be considered.
- 29.2 If a Bidder does not provide clarifications and/or any additional information sought under Clause 29.1 within the prescribed time, its Bid may be liable for rejection. If the Bidis not rejected, GVSCCL may proceed to evaluate the Bid by construing the particulars requiring clarification to the best of its understanding, and the Bidder will be barred from subsequently questioning such interpretation of GVSCCL.



PART E. AWARD OF PROJECT

30. LETTER OF AWARD (LOA)

- 30.1 After declaration of the Selected Bidder, GVSCCL will issue the LOA to the Selected Bidder in duplicate:
- (a) declaring it as the Selected Bidder;
- (b) accepting its Financial Proposal;
- (c) requesting it to sign and return, as acknowledgement, a copy of the LOA within 15 (fifteen) days of receipt of the LOA;
- (d) requesting it to submit the Performance Security in accordance with Clause 16; and
- (e) requesting it to incorporate the Special Purpose Vehicle, which will act as the Concessionaire.
- 30.2 If the Selected Bidder fails to return a duly signed copy of the LOA to GVSCCL within 15 (fifteen) days of receipt of the LOA, then GVSCCL may, unless it consents to an extension, without prejudice to any of its rights under the RFP or law, disqualify the Selected Bidder, revoke the LOA, and forfeit the Bid Security. If GVSCCL elects to disqualify such Bidder and revoke the LOA, then the procedure set out in Clause 7.2 shall follow.

31. EXECUTION OF THE CONCESSION AGREEMENT

- 31.1 The Special Purpose Vehicle incorporated by the Selected Bidder shall execute the Concession Agreement in the draft form provided by GVSCCL, with minimal changes or amendments to reflect facts or to correct minor errors. GVSCCL shall, within 15 (fifteen) days of the acceptance of the LOA by the Selected Bidder, provide the Selected Bidder with the final execution draft of the Concession Agreement.
- 31.2 GVSCCL shall not entertain any request from the Selected Bidder for negotiations of or deviations to the final execution draft of the Concession Agreement provided by GVSCCL under Clause 31.1.
- 31.3 If the Selected Bidder seeks to materially negotiate or seeks any material deviations from the final execution draft of the Concession Agreement, GVSCCL may elect to disqualify the Selected Bidder and revoke the LOA issued to the Selected Bidder. If GVSCCL elects to disqualify such Bidder and revoke the LOA, then the procedure set out in Clause 7.2 shall follow.
- 31.4 Subject to satisfaction of the conditions specified in Clause 30.1 and any other conditions specified in the LOA, the Special Purpose Vehicle incorporated by the Selected Bidder shall execute the Concession Agreement within 30 days from the date of acceptance of the LOA by the Selected Bidder.
- 31.5 If the Special Purpose Vehicle fails to execute the Concession Agreement on or before the date specified in Clause 31.4, GVSCCL may, unless it consents to an extension, without prejudice to any of its rights under the RFP or law, disqualify the Selected Bidder, revoke the LOA and forfeit the Bid Security. If GVSCCL elects to disqualify such Bidder and revoke the LOA, then the procedure set out in Clause 7.2 shall follow.



ANNEXURE 1A FORMAT OF BID LETTER

Date:

Place:

To, Managing Director, Greater Visakhapatnam Smart City Corporation Limited, Room No.306, Tenneti Bhavan, Asilmetta, Visakhapatnam- 530003, Andhra Pradesh, India. Tel.: +91 - 891 - 2746301-7 Fax: +91-891-2568545

Sub: Bid for Performance-Based Augmentation of Existing Water Supply Management Services within ABD area (Output-based Service Contract) ON ANNUITY BASIS

Dear Sir,

Please find enclosed our Qualification Proposal in respect of the above mentioned project and complying with the Request for Proposal(RFP) issued by the Greater Visakhapatnam Smart City Corporation Limited, Visakhapatnam (GVSCCL) dated []

We hereby confirm the following:

- The Qualification Proposal is being submitted by ______ (name of the Bidder/Lead Member), who is the Bidder/Lead Member of the Consortium [comprising ______ (mention the names of the entities who are Members)]¹, in accordance with the terms and conditions stipulated in the RFP.
- 2. We have examined in detail and have understood the terms and conditions stipulated for qualification of the Bidders in the RFP issued by GVSCCL. We agree and undertake to abide by all these terms and conditions. We acknowledge and agree to submission of an unconditional Bid.
- 3. This statement is made for the express purpose of qualifying as a Bidder for the design, finance, construction, rehabilitation, completion, operation and maintenance of the Facilities and Associated Infrastructure in accordance with the Concession Agreement.
- 4. We acknowledge that GVSCCL will be relying on the information provided in the Bid and the documents accompanying such Bid for selection of the Bidder for implementing the Project, and we certify that all information provided in the Bid and Annexures is true and correct; nothing has been omitted which renders such information misleading; and all documents accompanying such Bid are true copies of their respective originals.
- 5. The information submitted with respect to our qualification criteria is complete, and strictly as per the requirements stipulated in the RFP. We would be solely responsible for any errors or omissions in our Bid.
- 6. We shall make available to GVSCCL any additional information it may find necessary or require to supplement or authenticate the Bid.

¹ To be deleted for a single entity bidder.



- 7. We acknowledge the right of GVSCCL to reject our Bid without assigning any reason or otherwise and we hereby waive, to the extent permitted by applicable law, our right to challenge the same on any account whatsoever.
- 8. We acknowledge the right of GVSCCL to not award the Project without assigning any reason or otherwise and we hereby waive, to the extent permitted by applicable law, our right to challenge the same on any account whatsoever.
- 9. We certify that in the 3 (three) Financial Years immediately preceding the Bid Due Date, we or our Associates have not been affected by any of the following circumstances:
- (i) failure to perform any contract, as evidenced by the imposition of a penalty by an arbitral or judicial authority or arbitration award or a judicial pronouncement against us or our Associates;
- (ii) expulsion from any project or contract by GoI or the GoAP, or its instrumentalities;
- (iii) termination of a contract by GoI or the GoAP, or its instrumentalities for breach by us or our Associates;
- (iv) undergoing any corporate debt restructuring or similar process under the laws of the country of its incorporation;
- (v) having been categorized as a willful defaulter in accordance with Applicable Laws;
- (vi) being subject to proceedings for declaration of or being declared bankrupt, being wound up, or having its affairs administered or conducted by any court, administrator, receiver;
- (vii) having been declared by a court or other competent authority as being unable to pay its debts, or having made any composition or arrangements with creditors or having had the repayment of its debts suspended; or
- (viii) having being convicted or otherwise being found responsible (or having any of its directors, partners, trustees, officers or managers convicted or being found responsible) by any court, tribunal, regulatory, public or other competent authority for a breach of any laws or regulations which:
- (a) related to any act of fraud or dishonesty for which a fine, penalty, damages, compensation or other payment was levied against us or any of our directors, partners, trustees, officers or managers; or
- (b) resulted in the permanent or temporary suspension of our rights to provide any service or carry on any type of business or operations.
- 10. We certify that we or our Associates have not been barred by GoI or the GoAP, or its instrumentalities from participating in any project or being awarded any contract and no such bar subsists on the Bid Due Date.
- 11. We declare that:
- (a) we have examined and have no reservations to the RFP and do not seek any deviations to the RFP, including any Addendum issued by GVSCCL;
- (b) we do not have any Conflict of Interest in accordance with Clauses 3.3 of the RFP;
- (c) we have not directly or indirectly or through an agent engaged or indulged in any corrupt practice, fraudulent practice, coercive practice, undesirable practice orrestrictive practice, as defined in Clause 3.4 of the RFP, in respect of any tender or request for proposal issued by or any agreement entered into with GVSCCL; and
- (d) we hereby certify that we have taken steps to ensure that in conformity with the provisions of the RFP and submission of the Bid, no person acting for us or on our behalf has engaged in any corrupt practice, fraudulent practice, coercive practice, undesirable practice or restrictive practice.
- 12. We understand that GVSCCL may cancel the Bid Process at any time and that GVSCCL is neither bound to accept any Bid that it may receive nor to invite the Bidders to submit a Bid for the Project, without incurring any liability to the Bidders, in accordance with Clause 7 of the RFP.
- 13. The [Bidder/ Consortium of which we are the Lead Consortium Member *(strike out whichever is not applicable)*,] satisfies the legal requirements and in our opinion by itself/along with its



Members and Associates meets all the Qualification Criteria and eligibility criteria laid down in the RFP.

- 14. We declare that we and our Associates are not submitting separate Bids for the Project.
- 15. We declare that we are not submitting more than 1 (one) Bid for the Project.
- 16. We certify that in regard to matters other than security and integrity of the country, we or any of our Associates have not been convicted by a court of law or indicted or adverse orders passed by a regulatory authority which could cast a doubt on our ability to undertake the Project.
- 17. We further certify that in regard to matters relating to security and integrity of the country, we or any of our Associates have not been charge-sheeted by any agency of the state or convicted by a court of law.
- 18. We further certify that no investigation by a regulatory authority is pending either against us or against our Associates or against our CEO or any of our directors/managers/employees, which could have a material adverse effect on our ability to undertake the Project.
- 19. We undertake that in case due to any change in facts or circumstances during the Bid Process, we attract the provisions of disqualification in terms of the provisions of the RFP, we shall inform GVSCCL of the same immediately.
- 20. In the event of us being declared as the Selected Bidder for the Project, we agree to incorporate a Special Purpose Vehicle, which will enter into a Concession Agreement provided by GVSCCL. We agree not to seek any changes in or deviations from the aforesaid draft and agree to abide by the same.
- 21. We agree and undertake to abide by all the terms and conditions of the RFP.
- 22. We have studied the RFP and all the information carefully. We understand that except to the extent expressly set forth in the Concession Agreement, we shall have no claim, right or title arising out of any documents or information provided to us by GVSCCL or in respect of any matter arising out of or concerning or relating to the Bid Process including the award of the Project.
- 23. [A power of attorney, by all Members of the Consortium, appointing the Lead Member, authorizing the Lead Member to sign the Bid related documents and sign the Concession Agreement, is included as part of the Bid.]²
- 24. A Power of Attorney from the [Bidder/Lead Member]³ authorizing the undersigned as the authorised representative, signatory and contact person who is authorised to perform all tasks including, but not limited to providing information, responding to queries, entering into contractual commitments on behalf of the Bidder etc., in respect of the Project is included as a part of the Bid.
- 25. We certify that in terms of the RFP, our Net Worth is INR [•] (Rupees in words).
- 26. We certify that we have the Technical Capacity and Financial Capacity to undertake the Project.
- 27. We have enclosed a Demand Draft/ Pay Order of INR 20,000 (non-refundable) in favour of the Managing Director, Greater Visakhapatnam Smart City Corporation Limited, Visakhapatnam, payable at Visakhapatnam(DD No. ______ dated ______ drawn on ______, Bank) as the Bid processing fee.
- 28. We agree and understand that the Bid is subject to the provisions of the RFP. In no case, we shall have any claim or right against GVSCCL if the Project is not awarded to us or our Bid is not opened.
- 29. We have submitted all the relevant information as per the formats specified in the RFP, in 1 (one) original and, where required, 1 (one) copy, along with the requisite Bid Security.

² To be deleted for a single entity bidder.

³Delete Lead Member if the Bidder is a single entity.



30. Our Bid shall remain valid for a period of not less than 180 days from the Bid Due Date.

For and on behalf of : Signature : (Authorised Representative and Signatory)

:

:

Name of the Person Designation



ANNEXURE 1B DESCRIPTION OF THE BIDDER

- 1. (a) Name:
- (b) Country of incorporation:
- (c) Principal Address:
- (d) Date of incorporation and/or commencement of business:
- 2. Brief description of the Bidder including details of its main lines of business: [*Note. Such description shall not exceed 5 type-written pages.*]
- 3. Details of individual(s) who will serve as the point of contact/communication for GVSCCL:
 - (a) Name:
 - (b) Designation:
 - (c) Address:
 - (d) Telephone Number:
 - (e) E-mail Address:
 - (f) Fax Number:
- 4. In case of a Consortium:
- (a) The information above (1-3) should be provided for all the Members of the Consortium.
- (b) Additional information regarding each Member of the Consortium should be provided as per table below:

S. No.	Name of Member	Proposed percentage holding in the total Capital of the SPV
1.		
2.		
3.		



ANNEXURE 1C FORMAT OF POWER OF ATTORNEY AUTHORISING THE SIGNATORY OF THE BID

(on Stamp Paper)

Know all men by these presents, We (name of the Company and address of the registered office) do hereby irrevocably constitute, nominate, authorize Mr/Ms (name), son/daughter/wife appoint and of and presently residing at, who is presently employed with us/the Lead Member of our Consortium and holding the position of, as our true and lawful attorney (hereinafter referred to as the Attorney) to do in our name and on our behalf, all such acts, deeds and things as are necessary or required in connection with or incidental to submission of our Bid for the Bid for Performance-Based Augmentation of Existing Water Supply Management Services within ABD area (Output-based Service Contract) ON ANNUITY BASIS proposed or being developed by the Greater Visakhapatnam Smart City Corporation Limited, Visakhapatnam (GVSCCL), including but not limited to signing and submission of all Bid documents and other documents and writings, participate in investor consultations and other conferences and providing information/responses to GVSCCL, representing us in all matters before GVSCCL, signing and execution of all contracts including the Concession Agreement and undertakings consequent to acceptance of our Bid, and generally dealing with GVSCCL in all matters in connection with or relating to or arising out of our Bid for the Project and/or upon award of the Project to us and/or till the entering into of the Concession Agreement with GVSCCL.

- **AND** we hereby agree to ratify and confirm and do hereby ratify and confirm all acts, deeds and things done or caused to be done by our said Attorney pursuant to and in exercise of the powers conferred by this Power of Attorney and that all acts, deeds and things done by our said Attorney in exercise of the powers hereby conferred shall and shall always be deemed to have been done by us.

For

(Signature, name, designation and address)

Witnesses:

1.

2.

(Notarised) Accepted



(Signature)

(Name, Title and Address of the Attorney)

Instructions:

- (1) The mode of execution of the Power of Attorney should be in accordance with the procedure, if any, laid down by the applicable law and the charter documents of the executant(s) and when it is so required, the same should be under common seal affixed in accordance with the required procedure.
- (2) Wherever required, the Bidder should submit for verification the extract of the charter documents and documents such as a board or shareholders' resolution/ power of attorney in favour of the person executing this Power of Attorney for the delegation of power hereunder on behalf of the Bidder.



ANNEXURE 1D

FORMAT OF CERTIFICATE FROM THE STATUTORY AUDITOR FOR NET WORTH AND COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER FINANCIAL QUALIFICATION CRITERIA (On the letter head of the statutory auditor)

- Based on the books of accounts of *(insert name of the Bidder/Member)* (Bidder/Member) and other published information authenticated by it, this is to certify that:
- (a) As on (*insert date*), the Bidder's/Member's Net Worth is Rs..... (Rupees).
- Further, the annual Net Worth as per the balance sheets of past 3 Financial Years (including the above) exceeds Rs. 50,00,000 (Rupees Fifty Crore). The details are provided below:

Financial Year	Turnover (Rs. Crores)	Net Worth (Rs. Crores)
Financial Year []		
Financial Year []		
Financial Year []		

- The Net Worth of has been calculated in accordance with the terms set out in the Request For Proposal (**RFP**) issued by GVSCCL on [*insert date*].
- (b) The Bidder/Member has had positive cash flows for each of the 3 (three) Financial Years immediately preceding the Bid Due Date.
- (c) The Bidder/Member is not affected by and has not been affected by any of the following events, conditions or circumstances in the 3 (three) Financial Years preceding the Bid Due Date:
 - (i) undergoing any corporate debt restructuring or similar process under the laws of the country of its incorporation;
 - (ii) having been categorized as a willful defaulter in accordance with Applicable Laws;
 - (iii) being subject to proceedings for declaration of or being declared bankrupt, being wound up, or having its affairs administered or conducted by any court, administrator, receiver;
 - (iv) having been declared by a court or other competent authority as being unable to pay its debts, or having made any composition or arrangements with creditors or having had the repayment of its debts suspended; or
 - (v) having being convicted or otherwise being found responsible (or having any of its directors, partners, trustees, officers or managers convicted or being found responsible) by any court, tribunal, regulatory, public or other competent authority for a breach of any laws or regulations which:
 - (vi) (i) related to any act of fraud or dishonesty for which a fine, penalty, damages, compensation or other payment was levied against the Bidder/Member or any of our directors, partners, trustees, officers or managers; or
 - (vii) (ii) resulted in the permanent or temporary suspension of our rights to provide any service or carry on any type of business or operations.



Name of the auditor: Seal of the auditor: Signature: Name: Membership Number: Designation: Date:



Item	Refer Instruction	Details of the Project
Entity claiming experience		
Capacity of the project and technology		
Entity for which project was developed/designed and constructed	(2)	
Project Cost		
Location		
Date of award, completion/ commissioning of project/Status of project	(3), (4)	
Whether credit is being taken for the experience of an Associate (Yes/No)	(5)	
In case of development experience, shareholding in the company developing and owning the project	(6)	

ANNEXURE 1E PART I FORMAT OF DETAILS OF THE ELGIBILE PROJECTS

Instructions:

- (1) Bidders are expected to provide information in respect of the eligible projects for which they are claiming design and construction/development experience. A separate sheet should be filled for each project.
- (2) In case of development experience, details such as name, postal address, email address and contact details of the authority/implementing agency (i.e., concession grantor) should be provided. In case of design and construction experience, details such as name, postal address, email address and contact details of both the developer (i.e., the concessionaire) and the authority/implementing agency (i.e., the concession grantor) should be provided.
- (3) The date of award of the project and completion or commissioning of the project, as the case may be, should be indicated.
- (4) In case of development experience/design and construction experience, the completion certificate/commissioning certificate issued by the relevant government authority/client, certifying the date of award of the project, the date of completion/commissioning of the project and that the project has been commissioned/completed (as required under the relevant concession agreement or similar contract) should be provided.
- (5) In the event that credit is being taken for the experience of an Associate, the Bidder should also provide a certificate in the format set out at Annexure 1G.



- (6) A certificate from the statutory auditor should be furnished stating the shareholding in the entity developing the project in the format set out at Annexure 1F.
- (7) A certificate issued by the relevant government authority/client specifying the number of years for which the Project has been successfully operational, in accordance with the relevant concession agreement or similar contract executed for the eligible projects should be provided.
- (8) Experience for any activity relating to an eligible project shall not be claimed by two or more Members of the Consortium. In other words, no double counting by a Consortium in respect of the same experience shall be permitted in any manner whatsoever.
- (9) It may be noted that in the absence of any detail in the above format and/or the certificate(s) issued by the relevant government authority/client, the information would be considered inadequate and could lead to exclusion of the relevant project in determining whether the Bidder meets the Qualification Criteria.



ANNEXURE 1E PART II

FORMAT OF DETAILS OF THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE (O&M) OF ELIGIBLE PROJECTS

Item	Refer Instru cti on	Details of the Project
Entity claiming experience		
Capacity of the project and technology		
Entity for which project being operated and maintained	(2)	
Location		
Duration for which O&M experience is being claimed (From month, year to month, year)	(3)	
Whether credit is being taken for the experience of O&M as an Associate (Yes/No)	(4)	

Instructions:

- (1) Details such as name, postal address, email address and contact details of the client and/or the relevant government authority (i.e., the implementing agency) should be provided.
- (2) The duration of the O&M experience must be at least 1 (one) year in the 5 (five) Financial Years immediately preceding the Bid Due Date.
- A certificate issued by the relevant government authority/client (i.e., the implementing agency) certifying the Bidder/Member/Associate that the Bidder/Member/Associate has successfully operated and maintained at least 1 (one) year in the 5 (five) Financial Years immediately preceding the Bid Due Date, in accordance with the relevant concession agreement or similar contract executed for such eligible project, should be provided.
- (3) In the event that credit is being taken for the experience of an Associate, the Bidder should also provide a certificate in the format set out at Annexure 1G.
- (4) It may be noted that in the absence of any detail in the above format and the certificate(s) issued by the relevant government authority/client, the information would be considered inadequate and could lead to exclusion of the relevant project in determining whether the Bidder meets the Qualification Criteria.



ANNEXURE 1F

FORMAT OF CERTIFICATE FROM THE STATUTORY AUDITOR REGARDING DEVELOPMENT EXPERIENCE

Based on its book of accounts and other published information authenticated by it, this is to certify
that
(title of the project company) which has developed water supply system[insert
number of HHC]/ operated water supply system [[insert number of HHC]at [Insert location] for
[Insert name of implementing agency] and held/holds Rscr. (Rupees
% of the total paid up and
subscribed equity capital) of [Insert name of the project company] as on the [Bid Due
Date/commercial operations date/date of issuance of the completion certificate or any other
equivalent certificate by the relevant government authority.].
Name of the audit firm:

Seal of the audit firm: (Signature, name and designation of the authorised signatory)

Date:



ANNEXURE 1G

FORMAT OF SELF-ATTESTED CERTIFICATE REGARDING ASSOCIATE

Self-Attested Certificate regarding Associate

Based on the authenticated record of [*Insert name of the Company*], this is to certify that [more than 50% (fifty per cent) of the subscribed and paid up voting equity of (name of the Bidder/Member/ Associate) is held, directly or indirectly, by (name of Bidder/ Member/Associate)

By virtue of the aforesaid, the latter exercises control over the former, who is an Associate.]

[..... (Name of Bidder/Member/Associate) has the power, directly or indirectly, to direct or influence the management and policies of (Bidder/Member) by operation of law, contract or otherwise].By virtue of the aforesaid, the former exercises control over the latter, who is an Associate.]

A brief description of the said equity held, directly or indirectly, is given below:

{Describe the share-holding of the Bidder/Member and the Associate. In the event the Associate is under common Control with the Associate/Consortium Member or the Control is exercised by operation of law, the relationship may be suitably described and similarly certified herein.}

Name of the Bidder/Member:

Seal of the Bidder/Member:

(Signature, name and designation of the authorised signatory). Date:



ANNEXURE 1H

FORMAT OF INFORMATION ON LITIGATION

(To be provided by the Bidder/each Member)

S. No.	Name	Forum and Counterpart y	Brief Description of the matter	Estimated financi al liability	Current Statu s of Litiga tion	Orders passed against the Bidder/Memb er



ANNEXURE 1I

FORMAT OF BID SECURITY

(On stamp paper)

B.G. No. [___]

Dated:

- 1. In consideration of you, the Greater Visakhapatnam Smart City Corporation Limited, Visakhapatnam (referred to as **GVSCCL**, which expression will, unless it is repugnant to the subject or context thereof include, its successors and assigns) having agreed to receive the Bid of [[insert name of Bidder]/the Consortium, represented by [Member]]⁴ with its registered office at [Insert Address] (referred to as the Bidder which expression shall unless it be repugnant to the subject or context thereof include its/their executors, administrators, successors and assigns), for the design, financing, construction, completion, operation and maintenance of the Facilities and the Associated Infrastructure on the Site (collectively the **Project**), pursuant to the Request for Proposal dated [] (referred to as the **RFP**) issued in respect of the Project and other related documents including without limitation the draft Concession Agreement, we (Name of the Bank) having our registered office at [] and one of its branches at [] (referred to as the **Bank**), at the request of the Bidder, do hereby in terms of Clause 15 of the RFP, irrevocably, unconditionally and without reservation guarantee the due and faithful fulfilment and compliance of the terms and conditions of the RFP by the said Bidder and unconditionally and irrevocably undertake to pay forthwith to GVSCCL an amount of Rs. [_] (referred to as the Guarantee) as our primary obligation without any demur, reservation, recourse, contest or protest and without reference to the Bidder, if the Bidder fails to fulfil or comply with all or any of the terms and conditions contained in the RFP.
- 2. Any such written demand made by GVSCCL stating that the Bidder is in default of due and faithful compliance with the terms and conditions contained in the RFP will be final, conclusive and binding on the Bank.
- 3. We, the Bank, do hereby unconditionally undertake to pay the amounts due and payable under this Guarantee without any demur, reservation, recourse, contest or protest and without any reference to the Bidder or any other person and irrespective of whether the claim of GVSCCL is disputed by the Bidder or not, merely on the first demand from GVSCCL stating that the amount claimed is due to GVSCCL by reason of failure of the Bidder to fulfil and comply with the terms and conditions contained in the RFP, for the following events:
- (a) if a Bidder engages in corrupt, fraudulent, coercive or undesirable practice or restrictive practice as specified in Clause 3.4 of the RFP;
- (b) if a Bidder is disqualified in accordance with, Clause 3.2 (Lock-in Restrictions and Change in Control), Clause 3.3 (Conflict of Interest), Clause 3.5 (Other Eligibility Criteria), Clause 7.3 (Rights of GVSCCL), Clause 17 (Number of Bids) and Clause 31.3 (Execution of Concession Agreement) of the RFP;

⁴Delete 'the Consortium represented by [Member]', if the Bidder is a single entity.



- (c) if, after the Bid Due Date, a Bidder withdraws its Bid during the Bid validity period; or
- (d) if a Bidder is selected as the Selected Bidder and it fails, within the specified time limit, to:
 - (i) sign and return, as acknowledgement, the duplicate copy of the LOA;
 - (ii) furnish the Performance Security in accordance with Clause 16;
 - (iii) fulfil any other condition precedent to the execution of the Concession Agreement; or
 - (iv) execute the Concession Agreement.
- Any such demand made on the Bank shall be conclusive as regards amount due and payable by the Bank under this Guarantee.
- 4. This Guarantee shall be irrevocable and remain in full force for a period of 180 days from the Bid Due Date inclusive of a claim period of 30 days or for such extended period as may be mutually agreed between GVSCCL and the Bidder, and agreed to by the Bank, and will continue to be enforceable till all amounts under this Guarantee have been paid.
- If the Bidder is declared as the Selected Bidder, then the validity of the Bid Security of such Selected Bidder shall be extended until the date on which the Selected Bidder submits the Performance Security. The Bid Security of the Selected Bidder will be returned upon the Selected Bidder furnishing the Performance Security.
- In the event this Bidder is not selected for award of the Project, the Bid Security shall remain in force up to and including a period of 30 days from the date of execution of the Concession Agreement.
- 5. We, the Bank, further agree that GVSCCL will be the sole judge to decide as to whether the Bidder is in default of due and faithful fulfilment and compliance with the terms and conditions contained in the RFP including, those events listed at paragraph 3 above. The decision of GVSCCL that the Bidder is in default as aforesaid will be final and binding on us, notwithstanding any differences between GVSCCL and the Bidder or any dispute pending before any court, tribunal, arbitrator or any other authority.
- 6. The Guarantee will not be affected by any change in the constitution or winding up of the Bidder or the Bank or any absorption, merger or amalgamation of the Bidder or the Bank with any other person.
- 7. In order to give full effect to this Guarantee, GVSCCL will be entitled to treat the Bank as the principal debtor.
- 8. The obligations of the Bank under this Guarantee are absolute and unconditional, irrespective of the value, genuineness, validity, regularity or enforceability of the RFP or the Bid submitted by the Bidder.
- 9. The obligations of the Bank under this Guarantee shall not be affected by any act, omission, matter or thing which, but for this provision, would reduce, release or prejudice the Bank from or prejudice or diminish its liability under this Guarantee, including (whether or not known to it, or GVSCCL):



- (a) any time or waiver granted to, or composition with, the Bidder or any other person;
- (b) any incapacity or lack of powers, authority or legal personality of or dissolutions; or change in the Bidder, as the case may be;
- (c) any variation of the RFP, so that references to the RFP in this Guarantee shall include each such variation;
- (d) any unenforceability, illegality or invalidity of any obligation of the Bidder or GVSCCL under the RFP or any unenforceability, illegality or invalidity of the obligations of the Bank under this Guarantee or the unenforceability, illegality or invalidity of the obligations of any Person under any other document or guarantee or security, to the extent that each obligation under this Guarantee shall remain in full force as a separate, continuing and primary obligation, and its obligations be construed accordingly, as if there were no unenforceability, illegality or invalidity; and
- (e) any extension, waiver, or amendment whatsoever which may release a guarantor or surety (other than performance of any of the obligations of the Bidder under the RFP).
- 10. Any notice by way of request, demand or otherwise will be sufficiently given or made if addressed to the Bank and sent by courier or by registered mail to the Bank at the address set forth herein.
- 11. We undertake to make the payment on receipt of your notice of claim on us addressed to [name of Bank along with branch address] and delivered at our above branch which will be deemed to have been duly authorised to receive the notice of claim.
- 12. It shall not be necessary for GVSCCL to proceed against the Bidder before proceeding against the Bank and the Guarantee will be enforceable against the Bank, notwithstanding any other security which GVSCCL may have obtained from the Bidder or any other person and which will, at the time when proceedings are taken against the Bank, be outstanding or unrealised.
- 13. We, the Bank, further undertake not to revoke this Guarantee during its currency except with the previous express consent of GVSCCL in writing.
- 14. The Bank represents and warrants that it has power to issue this Guarantee and discharge the obligations contemplated herein, and the undersigned is duly authorised and has full power to execute this Guarantee for and on behalf of the Bank.
- 16. Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings given to them in the RFP.

Signed and Delivered by.....Bank

By the hand of Mr./Ms. its and authorised official.

(Signature of the Authorised Signatory)



(Official Seal)

In the presence of: Name of the witness Signature of the witness Address of the witness



ANNEXURE 1J

FORMAT OF POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR APPOINTING LEAD MEMBER (On Requisite Stamp Paper)

Whereas the Greater Visakhapatnam Smart City Corporation Limited, Visakhapatnam (GVSCCL) has invited Bids from interested parties for the **Bid for "Performance-Based Augmentation of Existing**

Water Supply Management Services within ABD Area(Output-based Service Contract) ON Annuity BASISAT VISAKHAPATNAM, ANDHRA PRADESH

- Whereas, it is necessary for the Members of the Consortium to designate one of them as the Lead Member with all necessary power and authority to do for and on behalf of the Consortium, all acts, deeds and things as may be necessary in connection with the Consortium's Bid for the Project and its implementation.

NOW, THEREFORE, KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS

- We,having our registered office at, having our registered office at, and having our registered office at, (hereinafter collectively referred to as the **Principals**) do hereby irrevocably designate, nominate, constitute, appoint and authorise having its registered office at, being one of the Members of the Consortium, as the Lead Member and true and lawful attorney of the Consortium (hereinafter referred to as the Attorney). We hereby irrevocably authorize the Attorney (with power to sub-delegate) to conduct all business for and on behalf of the Consortium and any one of us during the Bid Process and, in the event the Consortium is awarded the Project, during the implementation of the Project and in this regard, to do on our behalf and on behalf of the Consortium, all or any of such acts, deeds or things as are necessary or required or incidental to the submission of the Consortium's Bid for the Project, including but not limited to signing and submission of all Bid related documents and other documents and writings, participate in bidders and other conferences, respond to queries, submit information/documents, sign and execute contracts and undertakings consequent to acceptance of the bid of the Consortium and generally to represent the Consortium in all its dealings with GVSCCL, and/or any other government agency or any person, in all matters in connection with or relating to or arising out of the Consortium's Bid for the Project and/or upon award of the Project and/or till the Concession Agreement is entered into with GVSCCL.
- **AND** hereby agree to ratify and confirm and do hereby ratify and confirm all acts, deeds and things done or caused to be done by our said Attorney pursuant to and in exercise of the powers conferred by this Power of Attorney and that all acts, deeds and things done by our said Attorney in exercise of the powers hereby conferred shall and shall always be deemed to have been done by us/Consortium.



For(Signature)

(Name & Title)

For(Signature)

(Name & Title)

Witnesses:

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2																							

(To be executed by all the Members of the Consortium)

(Notarised) Accepted

(Signature)

(Name, Title and Address of the Attorney)

Instructions:

- (1) The mode of execution of the Power of Attorney should be in accordance with the procedure, if any, laid down by the applicable law and the charter documents of the executant(s) and when it is so required, the same should be under common seal affixed in accordance with the required procedure.
- (2) Also, wherever required, the Bidder should submit for verification the extract of the charter documents and documents such as a board or shareholders' resolution/power of attorney in favour of the person executing this Power of Attorney for the delegation of power hereunder on behalf of the Bidder.
- (3) For a power of attorney executed and issued overseas, the document will also have to be legalised by the Indian Embassy and notarised in the jurisdiction where the power of attorney is being issued. However, the power of attorney provided by the Bidders from countries that have signed the Hague Legislation Convention, 1961 are not required to be legalised by the Indian Embassy if it carries a conforming Apostille certificate.



ANNEXURE 1K FORMAT OF JOINT BIDDING AGREEMENT

THIS JOINT BIDDING AGREEMENT ("Agreement") is entered into on this [•] Day of [•] 201[•]

AMONGST

1. [•], with its registered office at (referred to as the **First Part** which expression will, unless repugnant to the context include its successors and permitted assigns);

AND

- 2. [•], with its registered office at (referred to as the Second Part which expression will, unless repugnant to the context include its successors and permitted assigns);
- The above mentioned parties of the FIRST [and] [,] SECOND, are collectively referred to as the **Parties** and each is individually referred to as a **Party**.

WHEREAS

- (A) Greater Visakhapatnam Smart City Corporation Limited, Visakhapatnam (referred to as GVSCCL, which expression will, unless repugnant to the context or meaning thereof, include its administrators, successors and assigns) has invited Bids by its Request for Proposal No. [__] dated [__] (the RFP) for selection of a Bidder for the design, finance, construction, completion, operation and maintenance of the Facilities and the Associate Infrastructure on the Site, in Visakhapatnam, on a HYBRIDANNUITY basis in accordance with the Concession Agreement (the Project).
- (B) The Parties are interested in jointly bidding for the Project as Members of a Consortium and in accordance with the terms and conditions of the RFP.
- (C) It is a necessary condition under the RFP that the Members will enter into a Joint Bidding Agreement and furnish a copy of it with the Bid.

NOW IT IS HEREBY AGREED as follows:

1. Definitions and interpretations

In this Agreement, the capitalised terms will, unless the context otherwise requires, have the meaning ascribed thereto under the RFP.

2. Consortium

2.1 The Parties do hereby irrevocably constitute a consortium (the **Consortium**) for the purposes of jointly participating in the Bid Process for the Project.



2.2 The Parties hereby undertake to participate in the Bid Process only through this Consortium and not individually and or through any other consortium constituted for the Project, either directly or indirectly or through any of their Associates.

3. Covenants

- 3.1 The Parties hereby undertake that in the event the Consortium is declared the Selected Bidder and awarded the Project, it will incorporate a special purpose vehicle (**SPV**) under the Companies Act for entering into the Concession Agreement with GVSCCL for undertaking the Project.
- 3.2 The Members of the Consortium undertake that they shall be jointly and severally responsible and liable for all matters arising out of or in relation to this RFP.

4. Role of the Parties

- 4.1 The Parties hereby agree that Party of the First Part will be the Lead Member of the Consortium and will have the power of attorney from all Parties and bind all Parties for and in conducting all business for and on behalf of the Consortium during the Bid Process and, if the Consortium is declared as the Selected Bidder, during the execution of the Project.
- 4.2 Party of the Second Part will be [].
- [4.3Party of the Third Part will be [].]

5. Shareholding in the SPV

5.1 The Parties agree that the proportion of shareholding among the Parties in the SPV will be as follows:

First Party: Second Party: [Third Party:]

- 5.2. The Parties undertake that:
- (a) the First Party, acting as the Lead Member of the Consortium, will control the SPV and subscribe for and hold a minimum of 26% of the total Capital and voting rights of the SPV from the Effective Date until 3 years after the COD; and
- (b) the [Second and/or the Third] Party, whose [Technical Capacity and/or Financial Capacity] is being assessed, will hold at least 26% of the total Capital and voting rights of the SPV from the Effective Date until 3 years after the COD.
- 5.3. The Parties undertake that they will comply with all equity lock-in requirements set out in this Agreement and in the Concession Agreement.

6. Representations of the Parties



Each Party represents to the other Parties as of the date of this Agreement that:

- (a) such Party is duly organised, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of its incorporation and has all requisite power and authority to enter into this Agreement;
- (b) the execution, delivery and performance by such Party of this Agreement has been authorised by all necessary and appropriate corporate or governmental action and a copy of the extract of the charter documents and board resolution/power of attorney in favour of the person executing this Agreement for the delegation of power and authority to execute this Agreement on behalf of the Consortium Member is annexed to this Agreement, and will not, to the best of its knowledge:
- (i) require any consent or approval not already obtained;
- (ii) Violate any applicable law presently in effect and having applicability to it;
- (iii) violate the memorandum and articles of association, by-laws or other applicable organisational documents;
- (iv) violate any clearance, permit, concession, grant, license or other governmental authorisation, approval, judgment, order or decree or any mortgage agreement, indenture or any other instrument to which such Party is a party or by which such Party or any of its properties or assets are bound or that is otherwise applicable to such Party; or
- (v) create or impose any liens, mortgages, pledges, claims, security interests, charges or encumbrances or obligations to create a lien, charge, pledge, security interest, encumbrances or mortgage in or on the property of such Party, except for encumbrances that would not, individually or in the aggregate, have a material adverse effect on the financial condition or prospects or business of such Party so as to prevent such Party from fulfilling its obligations under this Agreement;
- (c) this Agreement is the legal and binding obligation of such Party, enforceable in accordance with its terms against it; and
- (d) there is no litigation pending or, to the best of such Party's knowledge, threatened to which it or any of its Associates is a party that presently affects or which would have a material adverse effect on the financial condition or prospects or business of such Party in the fulfilment of its obligations under this Agreement.

7. Termination

This Agreement will be effective from the date hereof and will continue in full force for the entire duration of the Project in accordance with the Concession Agreement, in case the Project is awarded to the Consortium. However, in case the Consortium is not selected for award of the Project, the Agreement will stand terminated upon return of the Bid Security as per the RFP.

8. Miscellaneous

8.1 This Agreement will be governed by the laws of India.



8.2 The Parties acknowledge and accept that this Agreement will not be amended by the Parties without the prior written consent of GVSCCL.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF THE PARTIES ABOVE NAMED HAVE EXECUTED AND DELIVERED THIS AGREEMENT AS OF THE DATE FIRST ABOVE WRITTEN.

SIGNED, SEALED AND DELIVERED For and on behalf of the PARTY OF THE FIRST PART by:	SIGNED, SEALED AND DELIVERED For and on behalf of the PARTY OF THE SECOND PART by:
Signature)	Signature)
(Name)	(Name)
(Designation)	(Designation)
(Address)	(Address)
SIGNED, SEALED AND DELIVERED For and on behalf of the PARTY OF THE THIRD PART by:	
Signature)	
(Name)	
(Designation)	
(Address)	

In the presence of:

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Instruction:

1. The mode of the execution of the Joint Bidding Agreement should be in accordance with the procedure, ifany, laid down by applicable law and the charter documents of the executant(s) and when it is so required, the same should be under common seal affixed in accordance with the required procedure.



ANNEXURE 2A

FINANCIAL PROPOSAL COVER LETTER

(On the letter head of the Bidder/Lead Member)

From

[insert name of Bidder/Lead Member] [insert address of Bidder/Lead Member]

Date: [insert date]

То

Managing Director, Greater Visakhapatnam Smart City Corporation Limited, Room No.306, Tenneti Bhavan, Asilmetta, Visakhapatnam- 530003, Andhra Pradesh, India. Tel.: +91 - 891 - 2746301-7 Fax: +91-891-2568545

Dear Sir,

Sub: Financial Proposal for the Bid "Performance-Based Augmentation of Existing Water Supply Management Services within ABD Area(Output-based Service Contract)ON Annuity BASISAT VISAKHAPATNAM, ANDHRA PRADESH".

- We, the undersigned [insert name of the Bidder/Lead Member] having read, examined and understood in detail the RFP for development of the Project, hereby submit our Financial Proposal. We hereby undertake and confirm that:
- (a) We have submitted our Financial Proposal strictly in accordance with the RFP for development of the Project without any deviations or condition and our Financial Proposal is consistent with all the requirements of submission as stated in the RFP and subsequent communications from the Authority.
- (b) The Bid Price comprising: (i) the Bid Project Cost; (ii) the O&M Charges for the first month after COD; (iii) the Guaranteed Energy Consumption for each year after COD; shall be as per the Bid Price Sheet attached as Annexure 2B.
- We confirm that the values quoted by us in the Bid Price Sheet shall remain firm for the purpose of the Concession Agreement subject to provisions thereunder.
- We hereby unconditionally and irrevocably agree and accept that the decision made by GVSCCL in respect of any matter concerning or arising out of the RFP and the selection of Selected Bidder thereof shall be binding on us.

We hereby expressly waive any and all claims in respect of Bid process.

Dated the _____ day of _____ 2017.

Thanking you, Yours truly,

(Name and signature of Authorized Signatory)



ANNEXURE 2B

FORMAT OF BID PRICE SHEET

