GOVERNMENT OF SAINT LUCIA

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROJECT FOR REVIEW OF TRIENNIAL TARIFF REVIEW APPLICATION SUBMITTED BY THE WATER AND SEWERAGE COMPANY INC. (WASCO)

GENERAL PROCUREMENT NOTICE

The Government of Saint Lucia (GOSL) has applied for financing from the Caribbean Development Bank (CDB) on behalf of the National Utilities Regulatory Commission (NURC) and intends to apply a portion of the proceeds of this financing to eligible payments under contracts procured under this project. Payments by CDB will be made only at the request of GOSL and upon approval by CDB and will be subject in all respects to the terms and conditions of the Financing Agreement. The Financing Agreement prohibits withdrawal from the financing account for the purpose of any payment to persons or entities, or for any import of goods, if such payment or import, to the knowledge of CDB, is prohibited by a decision of the United Nations Security Council taken under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations. No party other than GOSL shall derive any rights from the Financing Agreement or have any claim to the proceeds of the Financing.

The following consultancy assignment will be procured under the project:

1. Consultancy Firm to conduct a review of the triennial tariff review application submitted by the Water and Sewerage Company Inc. (WASCO); and to facilitate training in Utility Regulation and Strategy.

It is expected that this will be procured during the period March 2024 to February 2025.

Consultancy firms from member countries of CDB will be eligible to participate in these procurement opportunities. Potential proposers are advised to review the detailed eligibility criteria detailed in Section 4 of the Procurement Procedures for Projects Financed by CDB (January, 2021), as published on CDB's website.

The National Utilities Regulatory Commission (NURC) is the Executing Agency for the project. Further details of the project can be obtained by contacting the first address below.

Address and Contact Information of Executing Agency:

Chief Executive Officer National Utilities Regulatory Commission P.O. Box CP6307 Sans Souci Castries Tel: (758) 456-0790

Email: <u>ajean@nurc.org.lc</u> Website: <u>www.nurc.org.lc</u>

PROCUREMENT PLAN

I. General

1. Project Information:

Country: Saint Lucia

Beneficiary: National Utilities Regulatory Commission

Project Name: Capacity Building / Technical Assistance for Review of Triennial Tariff Review Application to be submitted by the Water and Sewerage Company Inc. (WASCO)

Project Implementing Agency (PIA): National Utilities Regulatory Commission (NURC)

- 2. Bank's Approval Date of the Procurement Plan; April 1, 2024
- 3. Period Covered by This Procurement Plan: April 1, 2024, to April 1, 2025

II. Consulting Services

 Prior Review Threshold: Procurement decision subject to Prior Review by the Bank as stated in the Procurement Procedures:

	Selection Method	Prior Review Threshold	Comments
1.	Firms: QBS	All Contracts	

- 2. Short list comprising entirely of national consultants: Not Applicable
- 3. Reference to (if any) Project Operational/Procurement Manual: Procurement Policy for Projects Financed by CDB (2019) and the Procurement Procedures for Projects Financed by CDB (January 2021)
- 4. Any Other Special Procurement Arrangements: Not Applicable

Procurement Packages with Selection Methods and Time Schedule

Ref No.	F
Assignment (Description)	Review of WASCO Tariff Application; participation in stakeholder consultations; and facilitation of Training of NURC Staff and commissioners in utility regulation and strategy;
Selection Method	QBS
Review by Bank (Prior/Post)	Prior
Expected Proposal Submission Date	May 2024
Comments	

ICB	International Competitive Bidding	QBS	Quality Based Selection
NCB	National Competitive Bidding	QCBS	Quality and Cost-Based Selection
DS	Direct Selection	FBS	Fixed Budget Selection
LB	Limited Bidding	LCS	Least Cost Selection
RB	Regional Bidding	CQS	Consultants Qualifications Selection
FA	Force Account	ICS	Individual Consultant Selection
NBF	Non-Bank Financing		