

**Dominica Geothermal Development Company Limited**

**CONCERNING TENDER DOCUMENTS**

**FOR**

**DESIGN, SUPPLY, AND INSTALLATION**

**PROCUREMENT OF**

- (i) New 2.2kV/11kV/33kV/69kV Substations and**
- (ii) New 11kV/33kV/69kV OHL and UGC  
Transmission Lines  
(Geothermal Power Plant to Fond Cole)**

REFERENCE: DM-DGDC-384816-CW-RFB

**Response to Bidders' Questions**

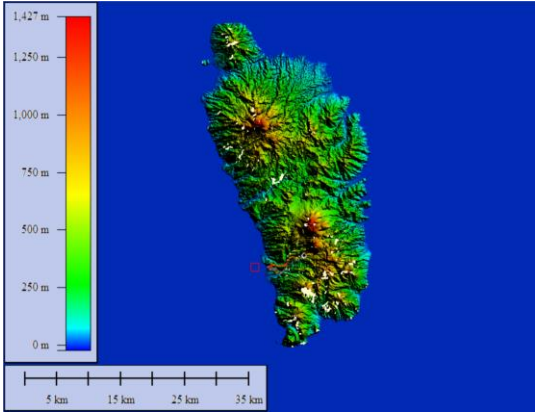
**Response No. 4**

**January 10, 2024**

NO.	RFB Ref.	Question or Comment	Owner's Response	Attachment	Supporting Clarification or Addendum
23	RFB Part 1 – Section III – Pages 81 to 83	<p><u>Evaluation and qualification criteria – 4.2 (a) specific experience</u></p> <p>For each of the 2 references to be given with a minimum contract amount of 25 million USD, shall we consider each criterion separately, i.e. provide:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• - 2 contracts about design, supply and installation of GIS substations at a voltage level of 66 kV or above</li> <li>• – 2 contracts about design, supply and installation of high voltage transmission reticulation projects (66 kV and that have been successfully and substantially completed and that are similar to the proposed Plant and Installation Services).</li> </ul> <p>Shall these 2 high voltage transmission reticulation contracts combine OHL and UGC?</p>	Please refer to Addendum No. 2 item 7	None	Addendum No. 2 item 7

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24	RFB Part 1 - Section II – ITB 7.1 and Addendum n°1	Bid due date has been extended to 26 <sup>th</sup> January 2024: Please confirm that the limit date for sending clarifications will now be 12 <sup>th</sup> of January 2024.	ITB 7.1 states that requests for clarification should be received by the Employer no later than fourteen (14) days prior to the bid's submission deadline.	None	None
25	Pre-bid meeting records	<u>Pre-bid meeting:</u>  We didn't receive the video displayed during pre-bid meeting and the pre-bid meeting report. Please send the video and the pre-bid meeting report with clarification Q/A held during session.	The presentation and video delivered at the pre-bid meeting, as well as attendee (company) list, and the responses to questions and clarifications made during the session and field visit – <b>Response No.3</b> – have been posted on the DGDC website. See: <a href="https://www.geodominica.dm/procurement/new-2-2kv-11kv-33kv-69kv-substations-and-ii-new-11kv-33kv-69kv-ohl-and-ugc-transmission-lines/">https://www.geodominica.dm/procurement/new-2-2kv-11kv-33kv-69kv-substations-and-ii-new-11kv-33kv-69kv-ohl-and-ugc-transmission-lines/</a>	None	None
26	RFB Part 2 Section B (OHL) - § 14.4	<u>Access tracks to poles</u>  During site visit, bidders have not been shown the 69 kV overhead section of 69 kV circuit. Are obtention of permits to create access tracks to towers which are located out of the OHL right of way under the contractor responsibility? Can you provide an access map drawing with poles location?	Refer to PART II SECTION B PARTICULAR REQUIREMENTS FOR OHL <i>14.4 ACCESS FOR CONSTRUCTION</i>  The Contractor shall construct all access paths necessary for the construction of the line. The Employer will not make any additional payments for the construction of access routes.  The Contractor shall make all necessary arrangements for access routes with the property owners, but if any difficulties arise the Contractor shall inform the Employer about such difficulties.	None	None

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			<p>It should be noted that the overhead line access routes are primarily for the purpose of construction of the network, and are not meant to accommodate heavy trucks. It is expected that a minimum width of 1.5 m would be suitable, and limited excavation would be performed.</p> <p>We provide only bend points of the line. Pole positions shall be determined by the Contractor after conducting a detailed line design. Please note that the Contractor's design of steel monopole sections, materials handling, and construction methodology, shall be suitable for easy transportation, in mountainous terrain, having minimal construction of access roads.</p>		
27		<p><u>Google earth file (OHL, UGC and substations):</u></p> <p>Could you provide the Google kmz FILE of the project?</p>	<p>This has been posted to the DGDC website. This information is for illustration only.</p> <p><a href="https://www.geodominica.dm/procurement/new-2-2kv-11kv-33kv-69kv-substations-and-ii-new-11kv-33kv-69kv-ohl-and-ugc-transmission-lines/">https://www.geodominica.dm/procurement/new-2-2kv-11kv-33kv-69kv-substations-and-ii-new-11kv-33kv-69kv-ohl-and-ugc-transmission-lines/</a></p>	None	None
28		<p><u>Topographic survey for BOQ quotation (OHL, UGC and substation):</u></p> <p>A LIDAR survey will be done in the contract.</p>	<p>The available LIDAR data has been shared, however it only covers limited sections. A detailed topographical survey is not available. An approximated ground profile DEM (Digital elevation model), is available as SRTM (Shuttle Relay Topology Mission), publicly available topographical data from</p>	None	None

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		<p>A preliminary topographic survey has probably already been done for the preliminary design. Could you share it?</p>	<p>USGS (United States Geological Survey).  <a href="https://earthexplorer.usgs.gov/">https://earthexplorer.usgs.gov/</a></p>  <p>File: n15_w062_1arc_v3</p>		
29	RFB Part 2 Section B (UGC & SUB)	<p><u>SEISMIC specifications:</u>  The contract requests to take this assumption into account. Could we have more detailed information about input data to consider?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- SEISMIC SURVEY REPORT</li> <li>- GEOTECHNICAL SOIL INVESTIGATION REPORT</li> <li>- SEISMIC VALUE TO TAKE INTO ACCOUNT ACCORDING THE ASCE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ss Value : XX g</li> <li>- S1 Value : XX g</li> <li>- PGA Value : XX g</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>Page 5/56 of the General requirements of the technical specifications, the seismic intensity level was determined by 6 out of 12 MSK.</p> <p>The contractor shall do his own study to determine the seismic characteristics of the considered zone of the project.</p> <p>The last updated Geotechnical soil investigation report is uploaded to the DGDC website:</p> <p><a href="https://www.geodominica.dm/procurement/new-2-2kv-11kv-33kv-69kv-substations-and-ii-new-11kv-33kv-69kv-ohl-and-ugc-transmission-lines/">https://www.geodominica.dm/procurement/new-2-2kv-11kv-33kv-69kv-substations-and-ii-new-11kv-33kv-69kv-ohl-and-ugc-transmission-lines/</a></p>	None	None

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Fa Value</li> <li>- Fv Value</li> <li>- Sms Value : XX g</li> <li>- Sm1 Value : XX g</li> <li>- SDS Value : XX g</li> <li>- SD1 Value : XX g</li> <li>- T0 Value : XX sec</li> <li>- Ts Value : XX sec</li> <li>- TL Value : XX sec</li> <li>- Roughness Category types (B, C D)</li> <li>- Exposure Category types, also called B, C and D.</li> <li>- Risk Category (I, II, III, IV)</li> </ul>			
30	RFB Section VII - Part 2 (UGC) - § 14.4	<p><u>Underground networks</u></p> <p>Contract being a lump sum contract, can you please provide us either a longitudinal profile of the transmission lines or an as-built drawings of existing underground networks (water supply, sewage, telecom, electric cables, etc...) available prior to start studies of underground cable tracks location? Usually, such drawings are given by the customer.</p>	<p>There are no drawings available for existing services.</p> <p>It is the responsibility of the Contractor to carry out the topographical studies necessary for the dimensioning of the structures he designs and installs. Please refer to the Part II – Detailed requirements for Civil Works.</p> <p>These studies must include without being limited to :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The research of the various network concessionaires and the requests for information and representation of their works,</li> </ul>	None	None

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Field surveys, obstacles, networks, of any kind, encountered on the routes,</li> <li>▪ Surveys and detection of buried networks by appropriate means (Georadar, (Lidar Technology is preferred)),</li> <li>▪ The production of engineering and execution plans (plan views, longitudinal profiles, assembly plans, sections, etc.)</li> </ul>		
31	RFB Section VII - Part 2 (UGC) – Page 136	<u>Cable trenches design</u> Is a concrete encasement of PEHD ducts mandatory even for cable tracks sections that are not located under streets or roads?	Concrete encasement for PEHD is mandatory in all cable tracks sections.  This is in order to protect the duct banks from vehicular traffic along the narrow roadways or other construction traffic along the reinjection pipeline corridor in Laudat.	None	None
32	RFB Section VII - Part 2 (UGC) – § 11.3.3 and Annex A 2.8	<u>11 kV underground cable design</u> There are discrepancies between cable design description in table 9 of § 11.3.3 and requirements found in Annex A 2-8. Please clarify which table applies.	The clarification is related to “PART II SECTION B PARTICULAR REQUIREMENTS UNDERGROUND CABLES (UGC)”  The Guaranteed Technical Data Annex A2-8 for 11kV UGC prevails.	None	See Addendum No. 2 item 4
33	RFB Section VII - Part 2 (UGC) – § 9.3.3 and Annex A 2.5	<u>33 kV underground cables design</u> There are discrepancies between cable design description in table 6 of § 9.3.3 and requirements found in Annex A 2-5. Please clarify which table applies.	The clarification is related to “PART II SECTION B PARTICULAR REQUIREMENTS UNDERGROUND CABLES (UGC)” document  The Guaranteed Technical Data Annex A2-5 for 33kV UGC prevails.	None	Addendum No. 2 item 5

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34	RFB Section VII - Part 2 (UGC) – § 3.1.2	<p><u>69 kV UGC bonding and cross-bonding requirements</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- For 1.5 km UGC section between geothermal power station and tower located at bending point B14, you require <u>one</u> cross bonding system located at mid-point of section and direct bonding at both sealing ends. Usually, cross-bonding system of HV cable screens consists in 3 sub-sections, meaning <u>2</u> cross-bonding points at sectionalized joints location. We would suggest as normal practice: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- central point direct earthing and 2 earthing points through SVL at each sealing end location or</li> <li>- single length cable with earthing point through SVL at one end and direct earthing at the other end. Please state.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>Reference to 3.1.2 is incorrect. The response below refers to 3.1.3.</p> <p>The clarification is related to “PART II SECTION B PARTICULAR REQUIREMENTS UNDERGROUND CABLES (UGC)” document.</p> <p>The final decision whether to use cross or direct bonding, both sides or single point earthing, shall be made by the Contractor, after completion of the detailed study of the circulating currents and sheath voltage levels.</p> <p>Cross bonded cables with transposition are preferred as there is no need for an earth continuity conductor.</p> <p>All junction boxes shall be universal, and flexible for use with or without SVL, and with or without cross bonding.</p> <p>This section will be designed with two equal portions as indicated.</p>		None



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35	RFB Section VII - Part 2 (UGC) – § 3.2.2	<p><u>33 kV UGC bonding and cross-bonding requirements</u></p> <p>- For 0.3 km UGC section between geothermal power station and tower located at upper Trafalgar cliff, you require direct bonding at both sealing ends.</p> <p>As this 2-point bonding generates current circulation in the screen, thus lowering the transmission capacity of cable, we would suggest as normal practice an earthing point through SVL at one end location and direct earthing at the other end.</p> <p>Please state.</p>	<p>Reference to 3.2.2 is incorrect. The response below refers to 3.2.3.</p> <p>The clarification is related to “PART II SECTION B PARTICULAR REQUIREMENTS UNDERGROUND CABLES (UGC)” document</p> <p>The final decision whether to use cross or direct bonding, both sides or single point earthing, shall be made by the Contractor, after completion of the detailed study of the circulating currents and sheath voltage levels.</p> <p>All junction boxes shall be universal, and flexible for use with or without SVL, and with or without cross bonding.</p>	None	None
36	RFB Section VII - Part 2 (UGC) – § 3.2.2	<p><u>33 kV UGC bonding and cross-bonding requirements</u></p> <p>- For 2 km UGC section between Trafalgar s/s and Padu s/s, you require one cross bonding system located at mid-point of section and direct bonding at both sealing ends.</p>	<p>Reference to 3.2.2 is incorrect. The response below refers to 3.2.3.</p> <p>The clarification is related to “PART II SECTION B PARTICULAR REQUIREMENTS UNDERGROUND CABLES (UGC)” document.</p> <p>The final decision whether to use cross or direct bonding, both sides or single point earthing, shall</p>	None	None

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		<p>Usually, cross-bonding system of HV cable screens consists in 3 sub-sections, meaning <u>2</u> cross-bonding points at sectionalized joints location.</p> <p>We would suggest as normal practice:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- central point direct earthing and 2 earthing points through SVL at each sealing end location or</li> <li>- single length cable with earthing point through SVL at one end and direct earthing at the other end.</li> </ul> <p>Please state.</p>	<p>be made by the Contractor, after completion of the detailed study of the circulating currents and sheath voltage levels.</p> <p>All junction boxes shall be universal, and flexible for use with or without SVL, and with or without cross bonding.</p> <p>This section will be designed with two equal portions as indicated.</p>		
37	RFB Section VII - Part 2 (UGC) – § 3.2.2	<p><u>33V UGC bonding and cross-bonding requirements</u></p> <p>For 7 km UGC section between Padu s/s and Fond Colé s/s, you require 6 cross bonding points located evenly along the cable route and direct bonding at both sealing ends.</p> <p>Usually, cross-bonding system of HV cable screens consists in 3 sub-</p>	<p>Reference to 3.2.2 is incorrect. The response below refers to 3.2.3.</p> <p>The clarification is related to “PART II SECTION B PARTICULAR REQUIREMENTS UNDERGROUND CABLES (UGC)” document.</p> <p>The final decision whether to use cross or direct bonding, both sides or single point earthing, shall be made by the Contractor, after completion of the</p>	None	None

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		<p>sections, meaning <u>2</u> cross-bonding points per section at sectionalized joints location.</p> <p>We would suggest as normal practice 2 sections consisting in 3 cross-bonding sub-sections and earthing point through SVL at one sealing end location, meaning 4 cross-bonding boxes, 3 direct earthing and 1 earthing through SVL.</p> <p>Please state.</p>	<p>detailed study of the circulating currents and sheath voltage levels.</p> <p>Cross bonded cables with transposition are preferred as there is no need for an earth continuity conductor.</p> <p>All junction boxes shall be universal, and flexible for use with or without SVL, and with or without cross bonding.</p>		
38	PART 1 – BIDDING PROCEDURES, Section II – Bid Data Sheet, H, ITB 33.2	<p>As per ITB Clause 23.1, page 43 Bidders shall not have the option of submitting their bid Electronically. However as per ITB clause 33.2 it states 'the Financial Part shall be opened using the Microsoft Teams platform and Bidders are required to provide the password to the following address:  <a href="mailto:transmissionepc@geodominica.com">transmissionepc@geodominica.com</a>  no more than fifteen (15) minutes prior to the Opening Time of the Financial Part'</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Electronic Bid Submission is <b>NOT</b> permitted.</li> <li>2. The procedure of the Financial Part opening is described in the ITB 33. It will be a public opening procedure where bidders' representatives will be allowed to attend either in person or online via MS Teams platform.</li> </ol> <p>The passwords are requested for the soft copies of Technical and Financial Parts to be presented with the hard copies.</p>	None	None

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		<p>We understand above procedure for sharing password for Financial Bid is applicable for Electronic Bid Submission. Hence we request you to confirm</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Is Electronic Bid Submission Permitted</li> <li>2. If physical copies of the bid are to be submitted, let us know how financial part will be opened.</li> </ol>			

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39	PART 1 – BIDDING PROCEDURES, Section III – Evaluation and Qualification Criteria (Without prequalification), Cl. 4.2 a - Specific Experience	<p>As per the clause "The similarity of the contracts shall be based on the following: physical size, complexity, methods/technology, design, supply, installation and commissioning GIS substations at a voltage level of 66 kV or above. The substation, OHTL and U/G cable should be in successful operation for at least one (1) year after the date of completion". However as per the Notes "Substantial completion shall be based on 80% or more plant and installation completed under the contract".</p> <p><b>a.</b> We would like to know if the bidder has any contract which is substantially completed (80% complete), it would be considered an eligible contract under this clause 4.2 a.</p> <p><b>b.</b> If the substantially completed (80% completed) is acceptable, we understand that this specific contract would not be required to demonstrate successful operation</p>	Please refer to Addendum No. 2 item 7	None	See Addendum No. 2 item 7

		for at least one (1) year after the date of completion.			
40	PART 1 – BIDDING PROCEDURES, Section III – Evaluation and Qualification Criteria (Without prequalification), Cl. 4.2 a - Specific Experience	As per clause 4.2 a Specific Experience the bidder has to demonstrate eligibility of having executed at least two (2) similar contracts with each contract value of at least USD 25 million. We would like to know if a bidder has executed few contracts for design, supply and installation of GIS substation of 66 kV and above voltage class, where each contract is having contract value of at least USD 25 million and he has executed few contracts for Design, supply and installation of High voltage transmission reticulation projects of 66 kV and above voltage class where each contract is having contract value of at least USD 25 million and the bidder has also executed some projects of underground cabling of 66 kV and above voltage class. In this case, will the bidder meet the qualification requirement of having executed at least two (2) similar contracts with each	Please refer to Addendum No. 2 item 7.	None	See Addendum No. 2 item 7

		contract value of at least USD 25 million			
41	PART 1 – BIDDING PROCEDURES, Section III – Evaluation and Qualification Criteria (Without prequalification), Cl. 4.2 a - Specific Experience	As per this clause 'two (2) similar contracts within the last seven (7) years starting January 2015' will be considered for specific experience which means from January 2015 till December 2021. Since it the bid submission deadline is 26 January 2024 more than 24 months from December 2021, we would like to request to considered projects from January 2015 to December 2023 to be considered eligible for demonstrating the specific experience. Especially since as per the notes projects which are substantially completed (80% complete) and eligible to be considered in the specific experience of the bidder.	Requirements are modified. Please refer to Addendum No. 2 item 7.	None	Please see Addendum No. 2 item 7.
42	PART 1 – BIDDING PROCEDURES, Section III – Evaluation and Qualification Criteria (Without	As per this clause "Design and installation of at least 5 km of medium or high voltage underground cables networks in tropical mountainous terrain in one year"	Please refer to Addendum No. 2 item 8.	None	See Addendum No. 2 item 8.

	prequalification), Cl. 4.2 b - Specific Experience	In the interest of encouraging more participants for better price discovery, we would like to request you to accept if the Design and installation of at least 5 km of medium or high voltage underground cable networks could be from projects completed in more than 1 year.			
43	PART 1 – BIDDING PROCEDURES, Section III – Evaluation and Qualification Criteria (Without prequalification), Cl. 4.2 b - Specific Experience	As per this clause "Design and installation of at least 5 km of medium or high voltage underground cables networks in tropical mountainous terrain in one year"  In the interest of encouraging more participants for better price discovery, we would like to request you to accept if the Design and installation of at least 5 km of medium or high voltage underground cable networks could be from multiple projects to add up to 5 km.	Please refer to Addendum No. 2 item 8.	None	See Addendum No. 2 item 8.
44	PART 1 – BIDDING PROCEDURES, Section III – Evaluation and	As per this clause "Design and installation of at least 5 km of medium or high voltage underground cables networks in tropical mountainous terrain in	Please refer to Addendum No. 2 item 8.	None	See Addendum No. 2 item 8.



	Qualification Criteria (Without prequalification), Cl. 4.2 b - Specific Experience	one year" In the interest of encouraging more participants for better price discovery, we would like to request you to accept if the Design and installation of at least 5 km of medium or high voltage underground cable networks could be from any Tropical Country.			
45	PART 1 – BIDDING PROCEDURES, Section III – Evaluation and Qualification Criteria (Without prequalification), Cl. 4.2 b - Specific Experience	As per this clause "Design and installation of at least 5 km of medium or high voltage underground cables networks in tropical mountainous terrain in one year"  In the interest of encouraging more participants for better price discovery, we would like to request you to accept if the Design and installation of at least 5 km of medium or high voltage underground cable networks could be from any Tropical Country and in different types of Terrain.	Please refer to Addendum No. 2 item 8.	None	See Addendum No. 2 item 8.
46	PART 1 – BIDDING PROCEDURES, Section II – Bid Data Sheet,	We would like to request extension of Bid Submission date till 29 February 2024 for some the following reasons	The bid submission deadline is extended to 15 <sup>th</sup> February 2024.	None	See Addendum No. 2 item 1

	<p>ITB 23.1 - Bid Submission page 43</p>	<p><b>1.</b> In most countries Christmas is a very important holiday and most supplies, service providers, contractors globally and in Dominica are generally on holidays from Mid December to Mid January. It would be difficult to get any quotes</p> <p><b>2.</b> Most contractors would have to a detailed aerial and ground survey for many sections of the UG Cabling works, OHL sections and sections which were inaccessible during the official guided site visit. We have enquired with many survey companies and most of them have suggested that they can do the surveys and have the reports by Mid January. Based on the report the bidders have to finalise engineering, get quotes, etc.</p> <p><b>3.</b> In Addendum No. 1 dated 7 Dec 2023 has Underground Cable Folder has been replaced after almost 30 days from the initial tender launch date hence the all the bidders have to re-access the Underground Cable works after 30 days. The Underground cable works is a significant part of the Project, so the Bidders need sufficient time to study the</p>			
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		<p>projects in detail and make technically sound and competitive offer.</p> <p><b>4.</b> Bidders may also have to do soil / geotech studies at certain locations and due to the upcoming holidays it may take more time to get the studies done and for the receipt of the reports. The designs would also be based on these reports of these soil studies.</p> <p>We would appreciate your understanding our request for extension on the bid submission deadline.</p>			
47		<p>As discussed during the Pre-bid Meeting on 5th December 2023. we request you to share the presentation and the video showed to all the participants.</p>	See the response No. 25.	None	None
48		<p>We request you to share the KMZ files for the Overhead Transmission Lines and Underground cables</p>	See the response No. 27.	None	None
49		<p>We request you to share the soil studies for the substations. We also request you to share information about the soil studies for the OHL and UG cables routes (if available)</p>	The report on the soil studies has been posted to the DGDC website.	None	None

		or any past data on soil studies along these routes.	<a href="https://www.geodominica.dm/procurement/new-2-2kv-11kv-33kv-69kv-substations-and-ii-new-11kv-33kv-69kv-ohl-and-ugc-transmission-lines/">https://www.geodominica.dm/procurement/new-2-2kv-11kv-33kv-69kv-substations-and-ii-new-11kv-33kv-69kv-ohl-and-ugc-transmission-lines/</a>		
50		We request you to kindly share the Survey files, Lidar files (even if they are partial or not fully accurate) as discussed during the last leg of the site visit on 5th December 2023.	These files have been posted on the DGDC website. See: <a href="https://www.geodominica.dm/procurement/new-2-2kv-11kv-33kv-69kv-substations-and-ii-new-11kv-33kv-69kv-ohl-and-ugc-transmission-lines/">https://www.geodominica.dm/procurement/new-2-2kv-11kv-33kv-69kv-substations-and-ii-new-11kv-33kv-69kv-ohl-and-ugc-transmission-lines/</a>	None	None
51		We would like to know if Directional Drilling may be allowed for Underground Cabling works	Directional drilling is allowed and is detailed in a specific section page 133 of the Part II of the Technical specifications.	None	None
52		We would like to request you to kindly share the response to the questions asked by various bidders during the pre-bid meeting and the site visit on 5th Dec 2023.	See the response No. 25.	None	None
53	PART 1 – BIDDING PROCEDURES, Section II – Bid Data Sheet, ITB 20. Bid Security	We would like to know if the Bid Security could be in the form of the Insurance Policy.  We would also like to know if the Bid Security in the form of a Bank Guarantee or Letter of Credit or Insurance Policy could be issued from the Bidders Country of Origin.	A Bid Security Declaration is required in accordance with ITB 20.1.	None	None

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54	PART II, Section B, Particular Requirements for OHL, DGDC 16 Oct 23 – § 5.3.1	Will the existing H-Pole 11 kV structure at the clifftop be removed prior to works?	<p>It is the Contractor’s responsibility to remove this structure as well as the one at the bottom of the cliff, after the existing 11 kV power line will have been decommissioned by DOMLEC.</p> <p>The referenced RFB document states:  <b>“Trafalgar 33kV OHL:</b>  <i>Dismantling of two existing 11kV wood pole structures, (and the conductors between them)”</i>  is included in the Contractor’s scope of work.</p>	None	None
55	ITB 7.2	The route for the 69kV overhead lines appears to be along a very difficult and remote area. We request an accompanied visit in order to ascertain the location of the monuments, and in particular the locations of B1 to B14.	<p>DGDC will accompany interested bidders to the bend points of the overhead 69 kV route on January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024. DGDC will also be available on January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024, to accompany any bidders who wish to visit (or revisit) the 69 kV underground and 33 kV sections of the Transmission Network route.</p> <p>Please indicate your interest in participating in the visits on January 15<sup>th</sup> and/or January 16<sup>th</sup> 2024 to DGDC at:  <a href="mailto:transmissionepc@geodominica.com">transmissionepc@geodominica.com</a></p>	None	None

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			DGDC will provide transportation on both days, leaving Roseau at 8:30 am.		
56	ITB 23.1	<p>We note and are grateful for the extension of time given by the Employer to the 26<sup>th</sup> January 2024. However, we find that, given the circumstances and the requirements entailed in the bid, the additional time is inadequate to enable Bidder participation in a competitive manner. There are too many other players who themselves find it difficult to provide services within the time allocated. In addition to the Bidder's own surveys and detail investigative work, reasonable design information have to be developed before the requirements can be priced. <i>We therefore request an extension of time to the 28<sup>th</sup> February 2024.</i></p>	Please refer to Addendum No. 2 item 1.	None	See Addendum No. 2 item 1.

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57	PART 1 – BIDDING PROCEDURES, Section III – Evaluation and Qualification Criteria (Without prequalification), Cl. 4.2 a - Specific Experience	<p><u>Specific Experience</u></p> <p><i>Bidder to have 2 Nos 66kV or above GIS s/s with OHL &amp; Cable of each value 25M USD within last 7 year.</i></p> <p>In this case, we kindly urge you to allow similar experience of 2 nos 66KV GIS/AIS substations or experience of 1 no 66kV or above GIS substation with OHL &amp; Cable of each value 25M USD within last 7 year.</p>	Please refer to Addendum No. 2 item 7	None	See Addendum No. 2 item 7.
58	PART 1 – BIDDING PROCEDURES, Section III – Evaluation and Qualification Criteria (Without prequalification), Cl. 4.2 b - Specific Experience	<p><u>Specific Experience</u></p> <p><i>Design and installation of at least 5 km of medium or high voltage underground cables networks in tropical mountainous terrain in one year</i></p> <p>In this case, it is requested that the above experience of any terrain, and from a suitable subcontractor may be considered.</p>	Amended	None	See Amendment No. 2 item 8.

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59		<p><u>Pre-bid meeting:</u></p> <p>Thanks for the information provided, however the videos do not seem to download or the Lidar data file.</p>	<p>The data successfully downloads in our tests: Please try accessing the information again and let us know if you have difficulties.</p>	None	None
60	ITB 23.1	<p>We also believe that based on the level of details required to be checked and in the contractor's responsibility, in particular underground cable routes and overhead routes, this requires further comprehensive site visits by our field engineers, the Jan 26 deadline bid return date is still inadequate. We therefore request an additional 30 days for your consideration.</p>	See Response No. 46	None	See Addendum No. 2 item 1.
61	ITB 23.1	<p>We request that consideration be given to the following:</p> <p>(i) You award more time for submission of tenders as requested while keeping the Contractor to the time required for delivery of the 11kV and 33kV sections, and</p>	Please refer to PCC 8		None



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		<p>(ii) That you adjust the schedule to allow the delivery of the works in (a) above in 24 months and give additional time for delivery of the 69 kV UGL and OHL lines, or allow the Bidder to propose times for the 69 kV sections of the works.</p>			