



REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

For Development of NNP1 Biodiversity Offset Management Plan (BOMP) for Nam Chouane – Nam Xang Offset Site at Bolikhamxay Province

Nam Ngiep 1 is a hydropower project under construction in the central provinces of the Lao PDR. The Nam Ngiep 1 Power Company (NNP1PC), co-owned by Kansai Electric Power of Japan, EGAT International of Thailand, and the Lao Holding State Enterprise, is building a 290-MW power plant to provide clean renewable electricity and contribute to poverty reduction in Laos. NNP1PC hereby invites Individual Consultants to indicate their interest in the following assignment:

Assignment Title: Development of NNP1 Biodiversity Offset Management Plan (BOMP) for Nam Chouane – Nam Xang Offset Site at Bolikhamxay Province
Contract Ref No.: **NNP1PC-IC-ESD-EMO-2017-01**

1. OBJECTIVE OF ASSIGNMENT

The Consultant shall provide the following:

- Analysis of flora and fauna in the area, including land and aquatic species, threats for conservation, and detail management activities in order to achieve the offset objectives
- Preparation and write-up of the plan including descriptions, analyses, and development of measures and action plan to ensure that the plan is technically and scientifically sound and achievable given the resources available.
- Implementation of a Baseline Survey focusing on habitat value assessment, bird and large mammal species, herpetofauna, plants, fish, NTFPs (including macrofungi) and the identification of ecosystem services. Priority focus will be on assessment of the status of species listed as Threatened, Near Threatened or Data Deficient on the 2016 IUCN Red List of Threatened Species, and any other features that have been selected to calculate No Net Loss (NNL) or Net Gain (NG) of biodiversity, to meet the ADB SPS
- Implementation of Supplementary Survey (Optional)

2. DELIVERABLES AND OUTPUTS

- Detailed Work Plan for BOMP preparation
- Baseline Survey Proposal

3. CONTRACT DURATION: 11 Months (field work + reporting)

4. PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND AND QUALIFICATIONS

- 15 years of experience in the field of biodiversity conservation or protected areas management;
- 5 years of experience with high-quality biodiversity surveys and assessments;
- 5 years of experience in preparing and delivering training of government officials in (but not restricted to) Lao PDR
- Preferably with three years of proven experience working with Lao Government organizations in particular with the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry or the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment;
- Preferably with three years' experience of implementation of in situ protected area management in Lao PDR and/or Vietnam or Cambodia, but at least one year in Lao PDR.
- Master's or Ph.D. degree in relevant field
- Good, cross-cultural communication skills and cooperative attitude.
- Good skills in writing, speaking, recording and reporting in English.

5. INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENT

- The Consultant shall work closely and report to (i) the Deputy Managing Director of Environment and Socio Division and (ii) his or her Manager of Environment Management Office.

Expressions of Interest must be received at the address below no later than **Monday, January 23, 2017, before 17:00 PM**, local time and specifically mentioning "**Development of NNP1-BOMP Consultant**".

Interested Consultants may obtain application form and further information at the address below during office hours

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