STATE COMMITTEE OF WATER SYSTEMS ARMENIAN WATER AND SEWERAGE CJSC

Investment Programs Coordination Department Republic of Armenia

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI) FOR CONSULTING SERVICES

Date: **17 January, 2014**

Loan No.: L2860-ARM (SF): Water Supply and Sanitation Sector Project – Additional

Financing

Contract No. 6 years Audit Services for "Water Supply and Sanitation Sector Project-

and Title Additional Financing", L2860-LCS-3B

Deadline for EOI 15 February, 2014

- 1. This request for expression of interest follows General Procurement Notice for Water Supply and Sanitation Sector Project Additional Financing (Project) that appeared in the ADB "Business opportunities" on February 3, 2012.
- 2. The Republic of Armenia has received a loan from the Asian Development Bank (ADB) towards the cost of Water Supply and Sanitation Sector Project –Additional Financing, and it intends to apply part of the proceeds of this loan to payments under the Contract No. L2860-LCS-3B, 6 YEARS AUDIT SERVICES FOR "WATER SUPPLY AND SANITATION SECTOR PROJECT-ADDITIONAL FINANCING".
- 3. The "Armenian Water and Sewerage" CJSC (AWSC) is the Implementing Agency and acts as the Employer for the Project.
- 4. The Scope of the Consulting Services for which this REOI issued is presented below:

The "Water Supply and Sanitation Sector Project Additional Financing", requires an auditor to carry out 6 years audit services for "Water Supply and Sanitation Sector Project-Additional Financing"; to audit Annual Project Accounts (APA) for the project: ADB Loan 2860-ARM(SF). Thus the audit should cover fiscal years ending 31 December 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016 and four month period ending 31 December, 2012 and four month period ending 30 April 2017.

- 5. Procurement Information:
- 6. The Consultants will be selected in accordance with Least-Cost-Selection (LCS) procedures set out in the ADB's Guidelines on the Use of Consultants (April 2010, as amended from time to time).
- 7. The Duration of Assignment is six (6) months during 6 years from the date of signing the Contract.
- 8. Consultants may associate with other firms in the form of joint venture or a sub-consultancy to enhance their qualifications. If Consultants intend to associate with other firms, they should state in their EOI the composition and form of the association.

9. Submission of EOI:

The AWSC now invites eligible firms to submit their expressions of interest (EOI) in providing these Services, supported by documents that demonstrate experience and capacity. The Expression of Interest must be accompanied by a letter of interest and by all documents specified in the Consultant Management System.

Consultants are encouraged to provide only materials that are specific to the proposed services (no more than 25 pages), and to avoid submitting generic promotional material. The format template for the EOI can be obtained from the below mentioned address or is available at the ADB web site in CSRN section, by the following link: http://csrn.adb.org. A copy of the Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment is available at the ADB Business Opportunities web site, by the mentioned link, as well as can be obtained from the below mentioned address.

- 10. The shortlisting criteria are: (i) firm's general experience; (ii) firm's experience in the field of the assignment (number of projects/grants and Entity Financial Statements audited by the firm); (iii) general qualification and number of the key staff (CVs not required); (iv) firm's experience in similar conditions
- 11. Expressions of interest must be delivered in English not later than 15 February, 2014. Only the EOIs submitted through Consultant Management System and hard copies submitted to AWSC and received on due date will be considered.
- 12. In addition, electronic copies of EOI in Adobe PDF format, may be sent by email to AWSC (ngevorgyan@armwater.am; echilakopyan@armwater.am; kghambaryan@armwater.am) for advance information, in spite of the fact that these electronic copies will not be considered as an official submission.
- 13. Further information can be obtained at the address given below during working hours from 9:00 to 17:00 (Monday through Friday).

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