

CLARIFICATIONS NO.1

31st January 2025

Project Name: Farmer's Reservoir	Tender No: RDA/RFP/2025/001/QCBS
Tender Name: Consultancy Services for the Engineering Design and Construction Management of Water Mains and Civil Works for the Farmer's Reservoir	
Bidders Conference / Site Visit Date: Thursday, 23 rd January 2025	Time: 10:00 AM.
Location: Agriculture Department building in Paraquita Bay to view Site #1, followed by Site #2 at Hedrington Estate. British Virgin Islands	

#	Question	Answer
1.	Clause 8.2: This clause outlines the minimum requirements for the consultant firm/company. Can you confirm if these requirements will be part of the evaluation criteria for the company profile scoring, and if so, please advise how the evaluation scoring is assigned?	Yes, please see attachment No. 1: <i>Revised Evaluation Criteria</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Evaluation Criteria has been revised: Section 12- Assessment of Tenders (not highlighted). Additions are highlighted in GREEN and changes are strike out in RED
2.	Proposal Submission: Our team is based outside of BVI. For the delivery of the proposal, can it be submitted electronically to Procurement@bvirecovery.vg in lieu of a physical submission in the Tender Box?	No, electronic proposals will not be accepted
3.	Is the roadwork leading to the Farmers' reservoir's Hedrington Estate location part of the scope of works?	The road leading to the project site at Hedrington Estate is outside the project scope. However, it is anticipated that the BoQ will include provisions requiring the contractor to improve the road's accessibility to facilitate construction activities.
4.	Is there a public road that leads from the Intermediary Pump Station (IPS) in Hedrington Estate to Seven Seas Paraquita Bay?	An access way was created during the installation of the existing pipelines between the IPS and the Seven Seas Desalination Plant. This access is currently overgrown with vegetation.
5.	Would the geotechnical report be available to the winning consultancy Firm after contract award?	Yes, as per Scope of Services <i>clause 3.6-d</i>
6.	What is the best route to get the trunk main from Hedrington Estate to Paraquita Bay?	Optimal route and engineering requirements for the pipeline is to be determined by the consultant in consultation with the Water and Sewerage Department (WSD). <i>Please refer to Scope of Services clause 3.4-b</i>
7.	What is the best route to get the supply lines from holding tank to Reservoir?	We are relying on the consultant's technical feedback regarding the best route. <i>Please refer to Scope of Services clause 3.3</i>

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8.	Can the manhole cover at Hedrington Estate take the load of heavy equipment? What are they covering?	The consultant is responsible for determining this information during their site investigations. They must assess the load-bearing capacity of the manhole covers and identify what they are covering. Additionally, they should ensure appropriate provisions are included in the works contract for the protection of any existing utilities.
9.	Is metering for each farm plot at Paraquita bay part of the project scope?	No
10.	Any as built drawing available for Hedrington Estate IPS?	This information would need to be requested from our client but will only be provided to the awarded consultant.
11.	Would the consultant be responsible for overseeing the construction of the reservoirs and civil works?	Yes, the consultant's scope includes construction management for the entire project, which involves overseeing the reservoir construction in coordination with the consultant responsible for its design and construction management.
12.	Does this project tie into the OECS Project?	No
13.	Any Cad file drawing for the area or schematic available for the Distribution Area in Paraquita Bay?	No
14.	How long did the 160-gallon water tank supply the agricultural plots in Paraquita Bay?	Approximately 3-4 hrs/day
15.	The current reservoir that feeds the Paraquita Bay area will it still be operational once the farmers' reservoir is operational?	Yes, as per <i>Scope of Services clause 3.2- g</i>
16.	Is the supply of water tank for each farm plot at Paraquita Bay part of the project scope?	No
17.	Any plan that shows the use of each plot at Paraquita bay available?	No
18.	1.5 To further advance our goal, we are now inviting qualified Consultants to participate in the tender for the design, supply, and installation of the necessary supply, trunk and distribution mains and the associated civil and external works.	CORRECTION <i>Paragraph 1.5</i> To further advance our goal, we are now inviting qualified Consultants to participate in the tender for the engineering design and construction management of water mains and civil works for the Farmer's Reservoir.

**Deadline to submit Proposals is 4:00PM Friday 21st February 2025,
For queries contact the procurement unit at: procurement@bvirecovery.vg**