CENTRAL ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

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Subject: <u>"Engagement of Individual Consultants for the position of Chief</u> Advisor(Law) through the process of techno-financial bidding"

Central Electricity Regulatory Commission proposes to engage one Individual Consultant in the capacity of Chief Advisor(Law) through the process of technofinancial bidding. The detailed Terms of Reference containing the essential qualifications/ experience, duties & responsibilities, remuneration package and process of selection are given below:-

1. Background:-

- 1.1 Since the enactment of Electricity Act 2003 the power sector has undergone major structural changes. The Act is based on the philosophy that consumers benefit from growth of competitive markets. The Act has de-licensed generation, encouraged captive power by allowing them to sell almost half of the generation without any license requirements. Multiple players are required for competitive markets. CERC has an important role to play in translating the vision of the Act into reality
- 1.2 Following are the statutory functions of CERC:
 - (a) to regulate the tariff of generating companies owned or controlled by the Central Government;
 - (b) to regulate the tariff of generating companies other than those owned or controlled by the Central Government specified in clause (a), if such generating companies enter into or otherwise have a composite scheme for generation and sale of electricity in more than one State;
 - (c) to regulate the inter-State transmission of electricity;
 - (d) to determine tariff for inter-State transmission of electricity;
 - (e) to issue licenses to persons to function as transmission Licensee and electricity trader with respect to their inter-State operations;
 - (f) to adjudicate upon disputes involving generating companies or transmission licensee in regard to matters connected with clauses (a) to (d) above and to refer any dispute for arbitration;
 - (g) to levy fees for the purposes of this Act;
 - (h) to specify Grid Code having regard to Grid Standards;
 - (i) to specify and enforce the standards with respect to quality, continuity and reliability of service by licensees;

- (j) to fix the trading margin in the inter-State trading of electricity, if considered, necessary;
- (k) to discharge such other functions as may be assigned under this Act.
- 1.3 Under section 66 of the Electricity Act, CERC has been mandated to take steps for promoting the development of a market (including trading) in power taking into account the National Electricity Policy. Under section 60 of the Act, CERC has also powers to deal with situations of market domination. It can issue appropriate directions to a licensee or a generating company if such an entity enters into any agreement or abuses its dominant position or enters into a combination which is likely to cause or causes an adverse effect on competition in electricity industry.
- 1.4 The Act has also given advisory role to CERC. It has been mandated to advise the Central Government on the matters relating to formulation of National Electricity Policy and Tariff Policy, promotion of competition, efficiency and economy in activities of the electricity industry, and promotion of investment in electricity industry.
- 1.5 CERC in discharge of its functions is assisted by different wings. The activities presently handled by the Legal Wing involve inter alia drafting of orders, regulations, record of proceedings of oral hearings, assisting the Commission in discharge of its proceeding as per the conduct of business regulation etc.
- 1.6 The Commission receives petitions for determination of tariff for generating stations/units, transmission systems, petitions for grant of license and also petitions of miscellaneous nature. Cases of disputes in open access in inter-state transmission are also filed before the Commission.

2.0. Qualification and Experience Requirement.

- 2.1 <u>Essential qualification</u>: Degree in Law preferably with specialization in regulation.
- 2.2. <u>Experience</u>: About 8 to 10 years experience in Judicial/Quasi-Judicial legal matters including, proceddings, petitions, pleadings, listing of the case laws etc. should have experience of having advised Regulatory Commissions and/or government/government organizations on issues arising out of the Electricity Act, 2003, policies, rules and regulations issued under the Act..
- 2.3. <u>Duties and Responsibilities:</u> CERC proposes to engage an Individual Consultant to assist Commission in the Law Wing in discharge of its functions relating which inter alia include:
 - (i) Rendering legal opinion to the Commission and supervision of the day to day functions of the Legal Wing of the Commission.
 - (ii) Drafting of regulations..
 - (iii) Legal opinion/substantive legal advice on issues coming before the Commission.

- (iv) Handling matters before the Appellate Tribunal for Electricity (ATE), High Court (HC) and Supreme Court (SC). This will include:
 - In the event of the Commission engaging a legal counsel for a case before the ATE, HC/SC, brief/advice to the legal counsel of the Commission.
 - Follow up action on the orders of Appellate Tribunal for Electricity, High Court and Supreme Court.
- (v) To perform such other work of a legal nature as may be entrusted to Consultant from time to time.

2.4. The candidate should have knowledge of the following:-

- (i) The regulatory framework in the electricity sector of India.
- (ii) Relevant legislations of India.
- (iii) The policy regime including National Electricity Policy and Tariff Policy of India.
- (iv) Knowledge of International Electricity Markets.
- 3. <u>General terms & conditions:</u> The Commission would provide the office support (and not conveyance for coming to office and back, or accommodation for residence) to the Consultant. Expenses incurred by them for journeys undertaken for official work would be borne by CERC subject to the entitlement ceiling admissible to an officer of CERC at the level of Chief. Only short-listed candidates shall be called for an interaction with the Consultancy Evaluation Committee (CEC).
- 4. <u>Duration of contract</u>: The contract will be for two years and which may be extended for one more year depending on the performance of the Consultant and needs of the Commission. The Commission and the Consultant would both have option to terminate the contract by giving a notice of three months or the equivalent remuneration in lieu thereof.
- 5. <u>Manner of submission of Bids:</u> Candidates are required to submit their bids in the form of a technical proposal and a financial proposal. The Candidate is required to submit four (4) copies of <u>Technical</u> bids (each of which will be treated as original) and one copy of <u>Financial</u> bids, duly sealed in separate envelopes.
- 6.1. <u>Technical proposal</u>: The technical proposal shall include the bio-data and comprehensive resume of the experience of the candidates in the prescribed format given in **Annexure I.**

- 6.2. <u>Financial proposal</u>: The candidate should submit his financial proposal in the prescribed format given in **Annexure II** indicating the consolidated monthly fee expected by the candidate. However, the candidate can indicate a component of House Rent Allowance upto Rs 35,000/- per month within the financial quote. The amount quoted as fee in the financial proposal shall be inclusive of all direct taxes and service tax. An enhancement of 10% of the initial approved fees can be considered on completion of one year of service.
- 6.3. The bids may be addressed to Assistant Secretary(P&A), CERC so as to reach by 3.00 PM of 27th July, 2012.
- 6.4. **Opening of Bids:** Technical bids will be opened by the Tender Opening Committee of CERC at 4.00 PM of the last date of receipt of bids as mentioned at para
- 6.3. Bidding candidates or their authorized representatives may remain present during opening of bids. Secretary, CERC reserves the right to modify/change the date and time of the opening of bids.
- 6.5. Application to be submitted in prescribed format only otherwise the applications not in prescribed format are liable to be rejected. Incomplete applications or those received after due date will not be entertained and will be summarily rejected without any communication. The candidature of such candidates who are subsequently found ineligible according to the terms and conditions laid down in this tender notice will be cancelled. The decision of the Consultancy Evaluation Committee regarding eligibility of the candidate shall be final.

7. Evaluation Criteria:-

- 7.1 The Consultants will be engaged in accordance with the terms & conditions laid down in CERC (Appointment of Consultants) Regulation, 2008 and its amendment viz. CERC (Appointment of Consultant) Regulation, 2010 (copy available in CERC's website www.cercind.gov.in).
- 7.2 The eligible bids will be considered by a Consultancy Evaluation Committee (CEC) to be set up by CERC and their performance will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

S.No.	Technical Parameters	Weights
1.	The Consultant's Academic background	0.40
2.	The Consultants relevant experience for the assignment	0.50
3.	Knowledge of the working environment such as language, culture, administrative system, and other relevant factors	0.10

- 7.3 Based on the evaluation as above, the Consultancy Evaluation Committee shall prepare a panel of three candidates (the top three scorers in the technical evaluation). The chairperson, CERC shall select one candidate out of the panel. The financial bid of the candidate approved by the Chairperson will be opened. This candidate shall be selected as Individual Consultant on the final approval of Chairperson, CERC.
- 7.4 Only the successful bidder would be communicated about the award of consultancy assignment.
- 7.5 The Commission reserves the right to reject or accept any bid without assigning any reason.

Sd/-(Ramanuj Dey) Assistant Secretary (P&A)

Encls: Annexure I & II

TECHNICAL PROPOSAL

I.	GENERAL INFORMATION/BIO-DATA:									
01.	Name	of the Car	ndida	ite	:					
02.	Date o	of Birth			:					
03.	Father	r's Name			:					
04.	Perma	anent Add	ress		:					
05.	Conta	ct address			:					
06.	Tel No. Mobile No. email id					: : :				
II.	DETAILED RESUME:									
01. Previous experience of the candidate in this or related field in following format:										
02.	 a. Name of the Project/Assignment : b. Duration : c. Brief about the Project/Assignment : . Education and Experience 									
	(a) Academic Qualifications									
	(4)	Degree		versity		Field/Specializatio	n Year of Passing			
	(b) Experience									
		Institution		Area of Responsibility		Period				

- (c) Field of major interest
- 03. Additional information (if any)

Signature of the Candidate

FINANCIAL PROPOSAL

01.	Name of the Candidate	:		
02.	Permanent Address	:		
03.	Contact address	:		
04.	Tel No. Mobile No. email id Fax No. (if any)	: : :		
05.	Amount of consultancy fee (per (Inclusive of all direct taxes and	, , ,		
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