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Expression of Interest

Drafting of the Timor-Leste Exclusive Area (TLEA) Offshore Technical Regulation

Autoridade Nacional do Petróleo (ANP) is a public institution under the Decree Law no. 20/2008 of the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste. ANP is also the Designated Authority (DA) under the Timor Sea Treaty signed between Timor-Leste and Australia. In all, ANP is responsible for regulating and administering petroleum activities in the Timor-Leste Exclusive Areas (TLEA) and in the Joint Petroleum Development Area (JPDA) in the Timor-Sea.

Pursuant to the Article 31 of the Timor-Leste Law No. 13/2005 on the Petroleum Activities (Petroleum Act), the Government of Timor-Leste may establish regulations under this act for the petroleum activities in the TLEA. In addition, based on the article 3.2 of the Decree Law No.20/2008, the ANP in the exercise of its regulatory power shall issue regulations for petroleum activities.

To regulate the activities in the TLEA, the ANP Board of Director has approved the “Direction on Exploration Drilling Operations in the Offshore Timor-Leste Exclusive Area” on 23 of October 2010. This direction is in force since 1st of November 2010 until 31st of December 2011 and is applicable for the current TLEA Drilling Campaign which is happening from 2010 to 2011.

To ensure that the petroleum operations are undertaken in a way that minimising damages to the environment and are in consistent with good oil field practice, the ANP shall establish a regulation for the offshore petroleum activities as stated under the Article 31 of the Petroleum Act which shall fully replace the existing Direction.

On the ground of the issues and concerns as stated above, the ANP seeks for a third party assistance to draft a new TLEA Offshore Technical Regulation, and this shall be based on the Petroleum Act and other relevant Timor-Leste Legislation. In addition to that and to follow best oil field practices, the existing TLEA Direction and the JPDA Interim Regulation can be used as references in the drafting of the TLEA Offshore Technical Regulation. To this, ANP is seeking the assistance of a suitably qualified and experienced petroleum related legal consultancy(t) to draft the TLEA Offshore Technical Regulations in accordance to under Article 31 of the Petroleum Act for the following activities:

- (a) graticulation of the Offshore Territory of Timor-Leste;
- (b) the exploration and the production of Petroleum; valuation of petroleum entitlement
- (c) collection and submissions of data, and the use and disclosure of data, information, records and reports;
- (d) the measurement and sale or disposal of Petroleum;
- (e) health and safety;
- (f) protection and restoration of the environment;
- (g) sound resource management and the aspects of increased recovery and prolonging production life ;
- (h) structures, facilities and installations; flaring;
- (i) the clean-up or other remedying of the effects of the escape of Petroleum;
- (j) Well suspensions and abandonments, commissioning and decommissioning;
- (k) the control of movements of persons, vessels, aircraft, vehicles and any other man-made platforms and structures into, within and out of territory of Timor-Leste.;
- (l) work programme and budgets; Financial Guarantees during exploration drilling
- (m) the control of tariffs charged for third party access;
Insurance requirement to be taken out by contractors
- (n) the auditing of an Authorised Person and of its accounts and records; with reference to Interim Direction clause 231
- (o) reporting by Authorised Persons on compliance with obligations set out in the Act and Authorisations, including in relation to:
 - (i) the training and employment of Timor-Leste nationals,
 - (ii) procurement of Timor-Leste goods and services,
 - (iii) occupational health and safety, and
 - (iv) environmental protection.

- (vi) geological and geophysical, as well drilling campaign activities
- (p) fees to be paid, including by applicants for Authorisations, Authorised Persons, and Persons wishing to inspect the public register; and
- (q) any other matters relating to this Act.

In addition to the activities above as required by the Timor Leste Petroleum Act, the ANP will provide the consultant the table of content that has been developed by ANP to be followed up by the consultant when drafting the activities as stated above.

The ANP envisages the above mentioned scope will require two months for completion. ANP will ensure that necessary documents will be made available at the start up of the process. The Consultant will be expected to maintain close contact with the Interim Director of PSC and Legal Compliance and Acreage Release and Exploration Director. Travel to Timor- Leste may be required under this service.

Products to be delivered:

The Consultant that provides these services are required to delivered the products as follow:

- First draft to be reviewed by ANP in a soft copy document, including the executive summary and any comments that related with any new proposed content that may different from the table of content that presented by ANP.
- If there is any feedback from ANP regarding the draft, the consultant is required to analyse ANP comments and execute adjustments if necessary.
- Final draft of the Timor-Leste Exclusive Area (TLEA) Offshore Technical Regulation.

Selection Criteria:

Interested Consultants are requested to provide the following information in their proposal:

1. A statement confirming the capacity to perform the task on the draft of the regulation.
2. Statement of skills, experience and qualifications of personnels to conduct the draft regulation.
3. Proposed Methodology
4. Statement of any potential conflicts of interest
5. Work program and timelines
6. Quotation for performing the task

Lodgement:

1. An expression of interest should be marked 'Confidential' and for the Attention of:
Mr. Angelino Belo, Senior Officer – Corporate Resource Management, courier or deliver to:
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Or submit through ANP email at anp.bid@anp-tl.org
2. The company should provide clear information enclosed to the bidding envelop as follows: Company name, Address, Contact Person and Project/Services Title

Closing Date:

On 25 of April 2011 at 5 p.m. Timor- Leste time. Late application will not be considered.

Further information

Questions or requests for further information should be made by email or fax and directed to the ANP.

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