REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (CONSULTING SERVICES – FIRMS SELECTION)

Georgia

World Bank-SIDA Trust Fund (TF014912) Georgia Sustainable Wastewater Management Project (P145040)

Assignment Title: Preparation of Feasibility Study for the Rehabilitation of the Telavi Wastewater Treatment Plant

Technical Description and Preparation of Technical Specifications for the Rehabilitation of the Tskaltubo and Telavi Wastewater Treatment Plants Reference No. SIDA/SWMP/CS/CQS/01-2014

Georgia has applied for financing from Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency toward the cost of the Sustainable Wastewater Management Project (SWMP) and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The consulting services ("the Services") include Preparation of Feasibility Study for the Rehabilitation of the Telavi Wastewater Treatment Plant and Technical Description and Preparation of Technical Specifications for the Rehabilitation of the Tskaltubo and Telavi Wastewater Treatment Plants. The consultant shall work in close co-operation with the Municipal Development Fund (MDF) and United Water Supply Company of Georgia (UWSCG). The scope of physical work is limited to the rehabilitation of wastewater treatment plants, from the connection points to the existing sewer network, as defined in the Feasibility Studies.

The overall objectives of the assignment are:

- 1. To provide final confirmation and prepare the technical description, *Employer's Requirements and Technical Specifications*, for the Plant Design, Supply and Installation Contract of the Tskaltubo wastewater treatment plant suitable for incorporation in the bidding documents developed by MDF. The technical solutions of treatment plant and quality of effluent (treated) wastewater shall comply with general requirements and strategy provided in the *Feasibility Study* (Seureca, June 2013).
 - An integral objective is to confirm the suitability of existing site for construction and operation of a wastewater treatment plant.
- 2. Preparation of the Telavi WWTP Feasibility Study: to prepare the strategy and confirm the technical feasibility for the treatment plant and quality of effluent (treated) wastewater plus the transmission trunk main and its connection point(s) to the existing sewer network, based on needs for a robust, low OPEX type wastewater treatment plant.
- 3. Prepare the technical description, *Employer's Requirements and Technical Specifications*, for the Plant Design, Supply and Installation Contract of the Telavi wastewater treatment plant suitable for incorporation in the bidding documents developed by MDF.

The assignment is expected to be completed within 5 months after commencement of services.

The Municipal Development Fund of Georgia now invites eligible consulting firms ("Consultants") to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that

they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services. Expression of interest should cover, but not limited to: Experience relevant to the project activities, key staff resources, corporate profile. The shortlisting criteria are:

- Similar experience within the last 7 years (i.e. since January 2007).
- General experience.

Note: the MDF reserves it's right to verify submitted references and use obtained information for evaluation purposes.

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to paragraph 1.9 of the World Bank's *Guidelines: Selection* and *Employment of Consultants under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits & Grants by World Bank Borrowers_January 2011.* ("Consultant Guidelines"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

Consultants may associate with other firms. (Please take into account that form of association acceptable for the World Bank is either sub-consultancy or Joint-Venture and submission must clearly indicate the nature of the association. The experience of sub-consultants will not be taken into account while evaluating the corporate experience of the consultant).

Experience in the projects relevant to the assignment should be submitted in the Form N1 uploaded at MDF website on the following link: http://mdf.org.ge/wp-content/uploads/2014/02/Form-for-References.pdf

The consultants are strongly recommended to limit their Expression of Interest to 30 pages. Company brochures may be included as an Annex, and will not be affected by the limit of 30 pages.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Selection Based on the Consultants' Qualifications (CQS) method set out in Section III of the <u>Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits & Grants by World Bank Borrowers - January 2011</u>.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours from 10:00 a.m. to 18:00 p.m. at Procurement Division of MDF, Phone number: +99532 2437001, extension 409, Mrs. Nata Peitrishvili, Procurement Specialist.

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by fax, or by e-mail) by **March 14, 2014, at 16:00.**

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