

USAID- Energy Sector Reform Project

Questions and Answers: PR-DR-2024-016 Consultant Power Systems Engineer for Fair Trading Commission (FTC), Barbados.

1. Can you please clarify whether the procurement is for an individual consultant or a company? *An individual was contemplated. However, we are open to proposals involving an individual with backstopping support.*
2. Are there any requirements for the proposal submission format / items to include ie page limitations, # of past performance references etc? *No requirements*
3. What is the location for project execution? Is FTC looking for an embedded consultant fully in the field? If so, are allowances provided for international experts? *The FTC is looking for an embedded consultant. Allowances for relocation of international experts are not contemplated. We are open to remote arrangements, if proposed and acceptable to the FTC.*
4. Is RTI able to share a budget range or LOE estimate? *We are unable to share a budget range. LOE estimates are the prerogative of the bidding consultant(s). The period of performance is one year.*
5. For the training sessions, should the consultant budget for venue and/or refreshments? If so, please indicate the number of people and number of days. *No, the consultant is not responsible for venue or refreshments for trainings. Trainings will be in house at the FTC. USAID ESR may cover venue/refreshments, if deemed appropriate.*
6. Is each deliverable a payment milestone? Would each quarterly report be a separate payment milestone? *Quarterly reports were not intended to be payment milestones, but rather records to capture any ad-hoc support provided pursuant to tasks 4.1, 4.2, 4.3, 4.4, 5.1, 5.2, 6.1 and 6.3. It is expected that the consultant will, from time to time, offer advice, answer questions, meet with the FTC and its stakeholders, outside of the context of major studies, papers, or training exercises; the quarterly reports are meant to be a summary record of those instances of support. Notwithstanding, payment milestones are subject to negotiation with the selected consultant(s).*
7. Given that the procurement came out while our team was out for the US holiday, we'd appreciate a one week extension in the proposal submission deadline. *Yes, we can extend the period of acceptance for 2 weeks.*