



Energy for India

CAIRN ENERGY INDIA PTY LIMITED

(Incorporated in New South Wales, Australia ACN 002 066 784)

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST / PRE-QUALIFICATION FOR PROVISION OF DRILLING RIG & SERVICES FOR DRILLING, TESTING AND COMPLETION OF EXPLORATORY WELLS

Introduction

Cairn Energy India Pty Ltd. ("CEIL") is the Operator, on behalf of the Joint Venture partners Cairn India and ONGC in Contract Area KG-ONN-2003/1 in the State of Andhra Pradesh, India. Exploration drilling in the KG block will commence during the 3rd Quarter, 2009.

CEIL seeks an Expression Of Interest from suitably experienced Services Contractors who wish to receive bids to provide Services in support of Exploratory Drilling in KG-ONN-2003/1. Services will be contracted on both a Bundled basis and a conventional basis. Primary term of the Contracts will be 4 firm + 1 optional well.

Only Contractors who have a minimum of five years experience in providing the below mentioned Services, any or a combination of, in support of a Exploratory Drilling campaign shall be considered.

Specifics

Only those Contractors who can comply with all of the following and can, by their submission, demonstrate a successful track record, listing previous projects, current Services projects in progress, clients, and client key contacts who may be approached, in each of the areas below should respond to this Notice. The Contractor must submit details for the following:

- Organisational outline proposal detailing their nominated management, staff, and business process support to carry out an Exploratory Drilling campaign for all types of wells.
- A demonstrable capability to mobilise and commence work to meet CEIL's schedule. The Contractor's experience in mobilising on schedule shall be clearly stated.
- Particular experience of providing Services in remote areas on single well locations and/or multi-well pad drilling where rapid mobility and flexibility to accommodate CEIL's programme is paramount. Evidence supporting successful multi-well operations in remote areas must be submitted.
- The Contractor shall submit details of his Management, Operating and Maintenance schemes with copies of their certification.
- A willingness to develop a close long term relationship with CEIL.
- The Contractor must demonstrate that they have sufficient financial standing to commence and continue an operation of this magnitude.
- Have an appropriate comprehensive Health, Safety and Environmental management system in place which promotes, aligns with and upholds CEIL's and the Contractor's HSE commitments. Details and copies of their certification must be submitted.

Services Details

The Contractor shall submit his response to this Expression of Interest stating which of the following Services he wishes to be considered for inclusion on the bid list(s). In addition the Contractor shall indicate which, if any, Services he would be willing to bid for on a Bundled basis.

Services comprise, inter alia, the following:

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| 1. Drilling Rigs – 1 x 750 HP Rig & 1 x 1500 HP Rig | 11. Well Testing (Surface test equipment and services) |
| 2. Directional Drilling, MWD, Performance motors, Basic Sidetrack package | 12. Tubing Conveyed Perforation Services |
| 3. Wireline Logging | 13. Bottomhole sampling |
| 4. Casing, Tubular and Completion handling (make-up and running) | 14. Liner Hanger Equipment & Accessories |
| 5. Cementing | 15. Drill Bits |
| 6. Drilling Tools, Fishing Tools & Services | 16. Casing Accessories (Float equipment & accessories) |
| 7. Mud Logging | 17. Hydraulic Bolt Torquing & Cold Casing Cutting Services |
| 8. Drilling and Completion fluids and Mud Engineering | 18. Supply & Installation of HDPE Geomembrane Pitliners |
| 9. Solids Control, Filtration and Centrifuges | 19. Conductor Driving Services |
| 10. Open Hole DST | 20. Civil construction works at drill sites |

Interested Contractors who can fulfil all of the Specifics listed above must submit their response including the details and references stated above, in writing and by e-mail not later than 10 (ten) days from the date of this publication. The envelope shall be superscribed with "Provision of Drilling and Well Completion Services – KG-ONN-2003/1 project - Prequalification 2009" and shall be addressed to:

Deputy General Manager - Contracts
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