



Date: July 4th, 2016

To Whom It May Concern,

SUB: Pre-Qualification for Tender for the Service of the Investigation on Actual Subsea Execution Model for the Mid Term Offshore Methane Hydrate Production Test (Tender No.JMH-16-F2-001)

We, Japan Methane Hydrate Operating Co., Ltd. (hereinafter referred to as "JMH") are the Operator for the Project of deep water Methane Hydrate off shore Japan (hereinafter referred to as the "Project") which led by Japan Oil, Gas and Metals National Corporation (hereinafter referred to as "JOGMEC") and are considering to perform the Mid Term Offshore Production Test , once the Second Offshore Production Test is successfully implemented.

As further activities towards the Mid Term Production Test has been studied during the Pre-FEED study conducted by JOGMEC in year 2014, JMH has an intention to conduct the Tender of the Service of the Investigation on Actual Subsea Execution Model for the Mid Term Offshore Production Test in order to establish the baseline for the technology pointer of further research & development(R&D) and the execution of its related activities prior to the commencement of FEED to be conducted near future.

JMH therefore hereby announces its intention to have a Pre-Qualification for the Tender for the Service of the Investigation on Actual Subsea Execution Model for the Mid Tem Offshore Methane Hydrate Production Test.

For this tender, as minimum Pre-Qualification for the participation, the tenderers shall have:

- Experiences within offshore field development and concept selection with Operators, including technology and business model establishment.
- Experiences in developing regulatory document and Code &Standard as any committees members
- Technical expertise within the following areas: Reservoir engineering, drilling and well technology, subsea production systems and seabed processing, marine pipelines, installation of subsea structures

To participate in this Pre-Qualification, the following documents and information shall be submitted;

- A letter declaring intention to participate in this pre-qualification

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- Company Profile including information of the abovementioned “Minimum Requirement”
 - Declaration Letter (Confidentiality Letter) (*Attachment)

The abovementioned documents and information shall be submitted by courier, registered mail or E-mail to the address stated below by 15:00 on July 11th, 2016(Japan local time , GMT+9).

Japan Methane Hydrate Operating Co.,Ltd. (“JMH”), Administration Department
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JMH will evaluate the participant(s) of this Pre-qualification based on the documents to be submitted by the participant(s) and JMH will nominate the tenderer(s) for the forthcoming tender for the Service of the Investigation on Actual Subsea Execution Model for the Mid Term Offshore Production Test” as its sole discretion.

The participant(s) of this Pre-qualification should understand and agree that JMH is not bound to assign a reason for the rejection of the participant(s), nor does the JMH accept any responsibility for any loss or expense of the participant(s) incurred or suffered in connection with this Pre-qualification.

All communications and correspondences with regard to clarification for this Pre-qualification must be made by E-mail to the address of hiroshi.katsuma@jmh.co.jp and such clarification shall be notified by 15:00 July 7th, 2016 (Japan local time,GMT+9).

Please be advised that the contents of this letter, any other documents and information referred to herein shall be used solely for the purpose of this Pre-qualification.

Attachment:

- Declaration Letter (Confidentiality Letter)