

Date: June 18, 2020

To Whom It May Concern,

SUB: Pre-qualification for Tender for the Provision of Detailed Design of Swivel Head for Dual Channel Drill Pipe (DCDP) for Deep Sea Drilling Operation (Tender No. JMH-20-009)

We, Japan Methane Hydrate Operating Co., Ltd. (hereinafter referred to as "JMH"), are the one of the consortium members for the project of research and development of pore-filling type methane hydrate in deep water offshore Japan (hereinafter referred to as the "Project") which is led by Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry, (hereinafter referred to as "METI") and the aforementioned consortium, named "MH21-S", consists of the Japan Oil, Gas and Metals National Corporation (hereinafter referred to as "JOGMEC") and the National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology (hereinafter referred to as "AIST") and MH-21-S plans to conduct production test in the sea areas surrounding Japan in 2Q/2022.

JMH therefore hereby announces its intention to have a Pre-qualification for the Provision of Detailed Design of Swivel Head for Dual Channel Drill Pipe (DCDP) for Deep Sea Drilling Operation (hereinafter referred to as "Work") able to successfully execute the Project.

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

1) A letter declaring intention to participate in this Tender

2) Company Profile including work experiences list of the work similar to this Work

3) 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 June 26, 2020 (Japan local time, GMT+9).

Japan Methane Hydrate Operating Co., Ltd. ("JMH") Administration Department Sapia Tower, 1-7-12, Marunouchi, Chiyodaku, Tokyo 100-0005, JAPAN E-mail Address: tender.admin@jmh.co.jp

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 provision of Detailed Design of Swivel Head for Dual Channel Drill Pipe (DCDP) for Deep Sea Drilling Operation at 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 correspondence with regard to clarification for this pre-qualification must be made by E-mail to the address of <u>tender.admin@jmh.co.jp</u> and such clarification shall be notified by 15:00 on June 22, 2019 (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)