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Country: Rwanda

Project: Energy Access and Quality Improvement Project (EAQIP)

Grant No: IDA-D7210

<u>Assignment Title</u>: Request for Expression of Interest for hiring an Independent Verification Agent

Reference No: RW-REG/EDCL-235737-CS-OCBS

1. Background:

The Energy Development Corporation Limited (EDCL) has received grant financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Energy Access and Quality Improvement Project (EAQIP) and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The consulting services ("the Services") includes to Verify that the eligible SHSs and cooking technologies as detailed in the respective clean cooking and SHS RBFs have been physically delivered and are functional, customers have made the required contributions, and the sales have been properly documented. The contract period of Two (2) years from the date of signing the contract. The contract can be extended to increase the scope, level of effort and/or duration, as determined by the EDCL. The consultancy is expected to start in November 2021.

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found at the following website: www.reg.rw.

The Energy Development Corporation Limited (EDCL) 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. The shortlisting criteria are:

1. General Experience of the firm in the conduct Independent Verification

- 2. At least having accomplished three (3) similar assignments in Eastern Africa or in developing countries in conduct Independent Verification
- The firm should have demonstrated experience with socio-economic interviews and field visits
- 4. Demonstrated success in conducting Independent Verification for both local and international
- 5. The technical and managerial organization of the firm. (Provide only the structure of the organization, general qualifications and number of key staff).

N.B: Key Experts will not be evaluated at the shortlisting stage.

2. Selection process

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to Section III, paragraphs, 3.14, 3.16, and 3.17 of the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" July 2016 revise November 2017, August 2018 and November 2020) ("Consultant Guidelines") setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

Consultants may associate with other firms to enhance their qualifications but should indicate clearly whether the association is in the form of a joint venture and/or a subconsultancy. In the case of a joint venture, all the partners in the joint venture shall be jointly and severally liable for the entire contract, if selected.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the **Quality and Cost-Based Selection** (**QCBS**) method set out in the Procurement Regulations.

Further information can be submitted at the following email addresses: procurement@edcl.reg.rw and copying to the smunyawera@edcl.reg.rw and jdruberanziza@edcl.reg.rw during office hours (8:00 am to 6:00 pm, Local time).

The expression of interest must be delivered in written form (electronically) addressed to the Managing Director of The Energy Development Corporation Limited (EDCL) on the following email addresses: procurement@edcl.reg.rw and copying to the smunyawera@edcl.reg.rw and jdruberanziza@edcl.reg.rw not later than <a href="mailto

Sincerely,

Digitally signed by EDCL (Ag Head Procurement) Date: 2021.06.23 11:04.12 +02:00

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