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Ontario Water Power Association Members

Re: Request for Expression of Interest - Operation and Maintenance of a 10MW Hydroelectric Generating Station

The St. Lawrence Seaway Management Corporation (SLSMC), on behalf of Her Majesty the Queen, operates a 10 MW hydroelectric generating station located along the Welland Canal, in St. Catharines, Ontario, Canada. This facility is fundamental to the operation of the Seaway by reducing dependence on utility based energy and providing redundancy in energy supply.

The SLSMC intends to offer a competitive tender for the operation and maintenance of the facility. The maintenance activities follow a prescribed inspection and maintenance plan. These activities will be tendered as a fixed price proposal. Additional project and maintenance work, not considered predictable enough in nature to warrant fixed price bidding, will be tendered as time and material (T&M). Emergency response call out service is required and standby charges will be tendered on a fixed price basis, with actual call outs compensated under T&M. The facility is operated automatically, with monitoring via a remote call out function, during those times that the facility is not staffed for maintenance or project work. This is a 24-7-365 operation, although staffing needs are on an as-required basis.

Potential bidders shall have: a proven track record in the safe operation and maintenance of small hydroelectric generating stations, qualified trades staff located locally within the Niagara peninsula, be properly insured and have a health and safety program in place.

Interested parties are asked to submit an Expression of Interest along with preliminary qualifications to the undersigned by email, no later than November 22, 2017. The Call For Tender will be issued in January 2018 and will incorporate a formal request for qualifications through a two part sealed bid process.

This request for expression of interest is intended to notify the members of the Ontario Waterpower Association of the SLSMC's intentions only and does not commit the SLSMC to future actions

Sincerely,

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