

## Request for Expressions of Interest – Taiba Independent Power Plant

Saudi Vision 2030 recognizes the critical importance of ensuring an appropriate mix of electricity generation sources while providing affordable high-quality services. Amongst the key goals under Saudi Vision 2030 in relation to the electricity sector in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (“**KSA**”) are i) to increase the percentage of electricity generation from renewable sources to 50% of the overall capacity; ii) to displace liquid fuel generation in favour of natural gas and renewable energy sources; and (iii) to move from a regulated electricity market with a single vertically integrated utility company towards a competitive electricity market providing efficiency and transparency to market participants through continuous competitive price discovery.

Within this context the Saudi Power Procurement Company (“**SPPC**”) has been established with responsibilities including being the single buyer of electrical energy and capacity from generators within the KSA and conducting electrical energy trading (including cross border electrical energy trading). SPPC is also responsible for the future capacity planning, the establishment of new ventures and partnerships, monitoring and implementation of IPPs, management of trade agreements for the sale and purchase of energy, fuel supply, and efficiency management.

In order to address the intermittency associated with increasing renewable energy production and progress the aim of displacing liquid fuel generation in favour of natural gas generation, SPPC is embarking on an independent power plant (“**IPP**”) procurement program. The first IPP in this program will be a combined cycle gas-fired IPP with a net power capacity of 3,600MW to be located near Medina in the Western Province, KSA (“**Taiba IPP**”).

SPPC is therefore pleased to invite Expressions of Interest (“**EoI**”) in respect of the development of the Taiba IPP (the “**Project**”). SPPC will conduct a competitive process to select a developer or developer consortium to develop the Project on a build, own and operate (“**BOO**”) basis. The project company developing the Project will provide the entire generation capacity and output to SPPC under a Power Purchase Agreement (“**PPA**”). The term of the PPA is expected to be up to 25 years following Project commercial operations date.

Interested parties should express their interest to participate in the tender process by no later than 23 November 2021. Interested parties should (a) deliver (EOI) in hard copies, and (b) send by email a scanned copy in PDF to:

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The EOI should specify as a minimum the following information:

- Name of the interested party (Company)<sup>[1]</sup>;
- Legal Status of Company<sup>[2]</sup> (including jurisdiction of its incorporation and whether or not listed on a stock exchange);
- Name and contact details (postal address, telephone number, and e-mail address) for the appropriate point of contact (“**Point of Contact**”) to whom all future correspondence will be addressed;
- Confirmation that the interested party intends to act as the lead developer in the project; and
- Where the interested party is considering potential consortium partners, an indication of such intention and details of potential consortium partners (to the extent it is known).

Following submission of the EOI, a confidentiality undertaking may be issued to each Point of Contact. Parties wishing to participate as a sole or lead developer who return executed versions of the confidentiality undertaking may then receive a request for qualification (“**RFQ**”) document, which SPPC expects to issue in December 2021. The RFQ should only be submitted by developers seeking qualification as a sole developer or lead developer as part of a developer consortium. The RFQ will include further information, including a description of the project, an outline of the tender process and evaluation criteria for prequalification of interested parties.

The advisors on the Project are:

- Cranmore Partners Limited as Financial Advisor;
- Linklaters LLP as Legal Advisor;
- Fichtner GmbH & Co. KG as Technical Advisor.

[1] For international respondents, please provide details of both your relevant international entity and any locally domiciled KSA entity

[2] As above, please provide for both the relevant international entity and any locally domiciled KSA entity, where relevant.