COMPLIANCE OF RESTRICTIONS FOR COUNTRIES WHICH SHARE LAND BORDER WITH INDIA

Restrictions under Rule 144(xi) of the General Financial Rules, 2017 – Reference OM no. 6/18/2019 – PPD dtd. 23.07.2020 (read along with any subsequent clarifications/amendments thereof) issued by Ministry of Finance, Public Procurement Division (<u>https://doe.gov.in/procurement-policydivisions</u>)

(*I*) Any bidder* from a country which shares a land border with India will be eligible to bid in this tender only if bidder is registered with Competent Authority. The Competent authority for the purpose of registration shall be the Registration Committee constituted by the Department of Promotion of Internal Trade (DPIIT) of Govt. of India. (* *In case of domestic tenders, the term "bidder" shall mean domestic bidders as defined under clause III below*)

(II) "Bidder" (Including the term 'Tenderer', 'Consultant' or 'Service Provider' in certain contexts) means any person or firm or company, including any member of a consortium or joint venture (that is an association of several persons, or firms or companies), every artificial juridical person not falling in any of the descriptions of bidders stated herein before, including any agency branch or office controlled by such person, participating in a procurement process.

(III) "Bidder from a country which shares a land border with India" means:

a) An entity incorporated, established or registered in such country; or

b) A subsidiary of an entity incorporated, established or registered in such country; or c) An entity substantially controlled through entities incorporated, established or registered in such country; or

d) An entity whose beneficial owner is situated in such a country; or

e) An Indian (or other) agent of such an entity; or

f) A natural person who is a citizen of such a country; or

g) A consortium or joint venture where any member of the consortium or joint venture falls under any of the above.

(IV) "Beneficial owner" for the purpose of para (III) above will be as under:

1. In case of a company or Limited Liability Partnership, the beneficial owner is the natural person(s), who, whether acting alone or together, or through one or more juridical person(s), has a controlling ownership interest or who exercises control through other means. Explanation:

- a. "Controlling ownership interest "means ownership of an entitlement to more than twenty-five percent of shares or capital or profits of the company;
- b. "Control shall include the right to appoint majority of the directors or to control the management or policy decisions including by virtue of their shareholding or management rights or shareholders agreements or voting agreements;

2. In case of a partnership firm, the beneficial owner is the natural person(s) who, whether acting alone or together, or through one or more juridical person, has ownership of entitlement to more than fifteen percent of capital or profits of the partnership;

3. In case of an unincorporated association or body of individuals, the beneficial owner is the natural person(s), who, whether acting alone or together, or through one or through one or more juridical person(s), has ownership of or entitlement to more than fifteen percent of the property or capital or profits of such association or body of individuals;

4. Where no natural person is identified under (1) or (2) or (3) above, the beneficial owner is the relevant natural person who holds the position of senior managing official;

5. In case of a trust, the identification of beneficial owner(s) shall include identification of the author of the trust, the trustee, the beneficiaries with fifteen percent or more interest in the trust and any other natural person exercising ultimate effective control over the trust through a chain of control or ownership.

(V)An "Agent" is a person employed to do any act for another, or to represent another in dealings with third person.

(VI) The successful bidder shall not be allowed to sub-contract works to any contractor from a country which shares a land border with India unless such contractor is registered with the Competent Authority.

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The format for Undertaking by the Bidder, is provided on next page.

FORMAT

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Undertaking with respect to Compliance of Restrictions for Countries which share land border with India – as stipulated by Govt. of India.

(On Company Letter Head, to be signed by the duly authorized person)

Date:

TENDER NO. :

TITLE OF TENDER :

To, Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd _____,

_____,

Dear Sir/Madam,

In line with the guidelines issued for compliance of Restrictions for Countries which share land border with India – as issued by Govt. of India in July'2020,

I/We have read the clause regarding restrictions on procurements from a bidder of a country which shares a land border with India and on sub-contracting to contractors from such countries.

- a. I/We certify that this bidder is not from such a country or if from such a country has been registered with the competent authority. I hereby certify that this bidder fulfills all requirements in this regard and is eligible to be considered*.
- b. I/We certify that this bidder is not from such a country or if from such a country has been registered with the competent authority and will not sub-contract any work to a contractor from such countries unless such contractor is registered with the competent authority. I hereby certify that this bidder fulfills all requirements in this regard and is eligible to be considered *.(Applicable for works involving possibility of sub-contracting)

I/We hereby certify that I/We fulfill all requirements in this regard and am/are eligible to be considered.

[*Where applicable, evidence of a valid registration by the Competent Authority shall be attached]

Name and Signature of the Authorised Signatory