



**NOTICE**  
**GOVERNMENT OF SAINT LUCIA**  
**MINISTRY OF SOCIAL TRANSFORMATION, LOCAL GOVERNMENT & COMMUNITY**  
**EMPOWERMENT**  
**BASIC NEEDS TRUST FUND 7 & 8 PROJECT**  
**INVITATION FOR BIDS- WORKS CONTRACTS**

The Government of Saint Lucia (GSTL); A Participating Country (PC) of the BNTF Programme, has received financing from the Caribbean Development Bank (CDB) in an amount equivalent to USD\$6,352,777.00 under which sub-projects are funded, towards the cost of the Basic Needs Trust Fund Project (the BNTF Project) and intends to apply a portion of the proceeds of this financing to eligible payments under this contract. Payment by CDB will be made only at the request of GSTL and upon approval by CDB, and will be subject, in all respects, to the terms and conditions of the Financing Agreement. The Financing Agreement prohibits withdrawal from the financing account for the purpose of any payment to persons or entities, or for any import of goods, if such payment or import, to the knowledge of CDB, is prohibited by a decision of the United Nations Security Council taken under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations. No party other than GSTL shall derive any rights from the Financing Agreement or have any claim to the proceeds of the Financing.

The BNTF Project is being implemented by the Ministry of Social Transformation, Local Government & Community Empowerment (MOST) through its BNTF Project Implementing Agency (IA) viz The Saint Lucia Social Development Fund (SSDF). CDB has contracted Consultants who will assist the BNTF IA with delivering the BNTF Project. The consultant has prepared designs and contract documentation and will assist in tender administration and evaluation and supervise BNTF Project activities.

GSTL, now invites sealed bids from eligible bidders for the construction of the works to include, but are not limited to the following:

| <b>Package</b> | <b>Sector</b>     | <b>Sub-Project</b>                          | <b>Contract Type</b>                       | <b>Locality</b>                |
|----------------|-------------------|---|--|--------------------------------|
| Package 1      | Access & Drainage | Bacadere Main Drain, Vieux Fort             | Civil Engineering and Dredging Works       | Bacadere, Vieux Fort           |
| Package 2      | Access & Drainage | Blackstars, Morne Du Don Drainage, Castries | Civil Engineering and Drainage Works       | Mon Du Don, Castries           |
| Package 3      | Access & Drainage | Walcott's Place - Grass Street Extension    | Civil Engineering Road and Drainage Works  | Grass Street, Castries         |
| Package 4      | Access & Drainage | Fond St Jacques Drainage, Soufriere         | Civil Engineering Drainage Works           | Fond St Jacques, Soufriere     |
| Package 5      | Access & Drainage | Goodlands West Access Road                  | Civil Engineering Roads and Drainage Works | Goodlands, South East Castries |
| Package 6      | Access & Drainage | Soufriere Town Access Improvements          | Civil Engineering Road and Drainage Works  | Soufriere Town                 |

Consideration will be limited to firms or joint ventures of firms, which are legally incorporated or otherwise organised in, and have their principal place of business in an eligible country and are either:

- (a) more than 50% beneficially owned by a citizen or citizens and/or a bona fide resident or residents of an eligible country, or by a body corporate or bodies corporate meeting these requirements; or
- (b) owned or controlled by the Government of an eligible country provided that it is legally and financially autonomous and operated under the commercial law of an eligible country and otherwise meets the eligibility requirements of the CDB Guidelines for Procurement (2006).

Eligible countries are member countries of CDB.

Eligible bidders will be required to submit full qualification information with their bids establishing their eligibility to bid and qualification to perform the contract if the bid is accepted. Tender and qualification information are to be submitted in the English Language on the prescribed forms inserted in the Bid Documents. Submissions that do not provide the information required, or do not demonstrate the prospective contractor's ability to perform satisfactorily, will not qualify and will not be considered for further evaluation.

Qualification requirements include, inter alia:

- (a) an **average annual turnover** (defined as certified payments received for works in progress or completed) within the last three years of **Three hundred and Eighty thousand United States dollars**;
- (b) a **demonstrable cash flow** (including access to credit) of **Sixty thousand United States dollars** per month for any one package;  
  
Note: **demonstrated cash flow** can be cash or credit via (i) Lines of Credit at Hardware or other supplier (ii) Bank overdraft;
- (c) submission of Audited Financial Statements for the last 2 years or other financial statements acceptable to the employer e.g. Tax Returns; and
- (d) experience as prime contractor in the construction of at least Five (5) assignments of a nature, scope and complexity comparable to the proposed project activity within the last Five (5) years (to comply with this requirement, works quoted should be at least 80 percent complete).

Bidding Documents may be obtained by eligible bidders from the first address below for a non-refundable fee of One Hundred and Fifty; United States dollars (**USD150.00**). Requests may be made by written application including email. Written applications must be clearly marked: **“Request for Bidding Documents for the:**

- (1) Bacadere Main Drain, Vieux Fort; and/or**
- (2) Blackstars, Morne Du Don Drainage, Castries; and/or**
- (3) Walcott Place – Grass Street Extension; and/or**
- (4) Fond St Jacques Drainage, Soufriere; and/or**
- (5) Goodlands West Access Road; and/or**
- (6) Soufriere Town Access Improvements;**

along with the name, address and contact information of the bidder for which Bidding Documents are being requested. Payment should be by wire transfer, bank draft or bank guaranteed cheque made payable to: **St. Lucia Social Development Fund – BNTF.**

Information to pay by wire transfer can be obtained from the first address below.

Applicants who request that documents be forwarded to them must submit an account number from a local courier agent that accepts freight collect charges. Documents will be promptly dispatched, but under no circumstance will The **GSTL, MOST, SSDF or BNTF or their authorised agent** be held responsible for late delivery or loss of the documents so transmitted.

Submissions in sealed envelopes clearly marked:

- “Bid for the Construction of the Bacadere Main Drain in Vieux Fort”**  
or  
**“Bid for the Construction of Drains in Blackstars, Morne Du Don in Castries”**  
or  
**“Bid for the Construction of the Walcott Place Grass Street Extension in Castries”**  
or  
**“Bid for the Construction of Drains in Fond St Jacques in Castries”**  
or  
**“Bid for the Construction of Goodlands West Access Road in Castries South East”**  
or  
**“Bid for the Construction of Town Access Improvements in Soufriere”**

must be received at the first address below not later than **2:00 PM on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> May, 2016**. Bidders in the construction of their bids should consider engagement of human resources from within the beneficiary communities.

Bid opening will take place immediately after the deadline for submission, at the first address below in the presence of bidders representatives who choose to attend. Qualification information **only** must be simultaneously submitted by email to the second address below.

**Bid documents for any or all of the sub-projects will not be available seven days (7) prior to the Bid submission deadline.**

All bids must be accompanied by a **Bid Security** of the equivalent of **One thousand three hundred United States dollars (USD1,300.00)**.

GSTL, MOST and SSDF reserves the right to accept or reject any bid, and to annul the process and reject all bids, at any time prior to award of contract, without thereby incurring any liability to the affected prospective bidder(s) or any obligation to inform the affected prospective bidder(s) of the grounds for GSTL, MOST and SSDF action. GSTL, MOST and SSDF will not defray any costs incurred by any bidder in the preparation of bids.

Payments can be made in local currency.

**\*NB. EC equivalent of the quoted USD amount is at a conversion rate of \$2.6949 EC, fees and security payments can be made in ECD equivalent.**

**Addresses for Correspondence**

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| <b>1. Project Manager</b>   | <b>2. Caribbean Development Bank</b>   |
| <b>Basic Needs Trust Fund Project</b>   | C/o Procurement Policy Unit  |
| St. Lucia Social Development Fund<br>Millennium Highway<br>P.O. Box Choc 8180<br>Castries<br>Tel: 1(758) 452-6699, 458-1483, 452-4316<br>Email: <a href="mailto:info@slusdf.net">info@slusdf.net</a> ;<br><a href="mailto:chippolyte@slusdf.net">chippolyte@slusdf.net</a><br><a href="mailto:bntfproj@candw.lc">bntfproj@candw.lc</a><br>Copied: Executive Director<br>St. Lucia Social Development Fund | Caribbean Development Bank<br>P.O. Box 408<br>Wildey<br>St. Michael<br><b>BARBADOS, W.I.</b><br>Tel: + (246) 431-1600<br>Fax: + (246) 426-7269<br><a href="mailto:procurement@caribank.org">procurement@caribank.org</a> |