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Chief Executive Officer, Special Economic Zone Authority (Balochistan), Quetta, Balochistan. Ph. No. 081- 9201881

Sub: Violation of Balochistan Public Procurement Rules 2014, Complaint against Consultancy Services for Development of Special Economic Zones in Different Districts of Balochistan Including Khuzdar, Bostan, Gwadar and Chaman.

Dear Sir,

Transparency International Pakistan has received a complaint against Consultancy Services for Development of Special Economic Zones in Different Districts of Balochistan Including Khuzdar, Bostan, Gwadar and Chaman from M/s Osmani & Company (Pvt.) Ltd. dated 20<sup>th</sup> March, 2017 (Copy Enclosed).

The complainant has alleged that;

The financial proposal opening meeting was scheduled on 13<sup>th</sup> March, 2017 and was opened in the presence of the representatives of each shortlisted consultants. During the meeting only one consultant bid was announced instead of other shortlisted consultants and declared M/s Hybrid winner for this project then and there on the basis of sole quotation as submitted by M/s Hybrid.

Chief Executive Officer, SEZA is requested to kindly examine the complaint, and if the allegations are found correct, take necessary action against all those who are involved in the corrupt practices.

Prima facie, it appears that the bidding process is not competitive and non-transparent.

Transparency International Pakistan is striving for across the board application of Rule of Law, which is the only way to stop corruption.

With Regards,

Sohail Muzaffar

Chairman

Copies forwarded for the information with request to take action under their mandate to:

- 1. Chief Minister, Government of Balochistan, Quetta.
- 2. Director General, NAB, Quetta.
- 3. Principal Secretary to Chief Minister of Balochistan, Quetta.
- 4. Registrar, Balochistan High Court, Quetta.
- 5. Managing Director, BPPRA, Quetta.



No. OCL/SEZA/2K17-02-19/TENDER/02

March 20, 2017

Chief Executive Officer, Special Economic Zone Authority (Balochistan), Quetta, Balochistan Tel: 081-9201881

PROJECT:

CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR DEVELOPMENT OF SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONES IN DIFFERENT DISTRICTS OF BALOCHISTAN INCLUDING KHUZDAR.

**BOSTAN, GAWADAR AND CHAMAN** 

SUBJECT:

**GRIEVANCE IN SELECTION OF CONSULTANTS UNDER BPPRA RULES** 

Dear Sir.

This is with reference to the above mentioned project solicited proposals from Consulting Engineering Firms for participation in bidding process through publishing of an advertisement. In response to the advertisement / Tender Documents, we had submitted our technical & financial proposals vide our Letter No. OCL/SEZA/2K17-02-19/TENDER/01 dated March 01, 2017 in association with the following:

- M/s Balochistan Engineering Services Agency (BESA), Quetta Balochistan (Associate)
- 2. M/s EY Ford Rhodes (Financial Consultants) + Legal Consultants. This was done as the project will need the services of specialized Financial & Legal Consultants

The Financial proposal opening meeting was scheduled on 13<sup>th</sup> March 2017 and was opened in the presence of the representatives of each shortlisted consultants. During the meeting only one consultant bid was announced instead of other shortlisted consultants and declared **M/s Hybrid** winner for this project then & there on the basis of sole quotation as submitted by M/s Hybrid. In our opinion this action is neither Transparent nor desired by any Government Organization.

As per our knowledge, **M/s Hybrid** is not registered with Pakistan Engineering Council (PEC) to carry out engineering consultancy contracts, which is mandatory requirement for the firms carrying out engineering works to get their services registered with PEC to work legally in Pakistan on such projects. The violation of such condition by any firm or individual is an illegal act and against the PEC rule which is against the Law of the land.

In view of above, we are therefore, submitting our grievance in the selection process of consultants for the "Special Economic Zones in Khuzdar, Bostan, Gawadar and Chaman, Balochistan, and as such request that a Grievance Redressal Committee be formed as per BPPRA Rules to redress our grievances in the name of the justice & transparency.

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We are making this request in view of the fact that this is not a normal project, but is the start of the largest development project of Pakistan that can change the future Economic Scenario of Balochistan province and Pakistan, therefore, merit based selection to undertake the development of Industrial Economic Zones is the key

This is for your information and favorable response for maintaining transparency and the merit based selection of consultants for the assignment.

Thanking you

Sincerely yours,

For Osmani & Company (Pvt.) Ltd.

Syed Haider Abbas Z Executive Director Mob: 0335-3388488

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- 1. Transparency International
- 2. Balochistan Public Procurement Regulatory Authority (BPPRA)
- 3. Pakistan Engineering Council, Islamabad
- 4. Balochistan Engineering Services Agency (BESA)