



# TRANSPARENCY INTERNATIONAL-PAKISTAN

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**Advisory Committee**

Sub: Violation of Public Procurement Rules 2004, National Bank of Pakistan, Pre-Qualification Notice to hire Billboards/ Hoardings/Gantry Panels available at I.I. Chundrigar Road, Karachi.

Dear Sir,

The National Bank of Pakistan's Pre-qualification notice to hire billboards, hoardings and gantry panels at I.I. Chundrigar Road, Karachi, published in daily "Express" and "Dawn" on 06<sup>th</sup> August 2011, is against the Public Procurement Rules 2004. National Bank of Pakistan has not mentioned anything about the pre-qualification documents to be collected by bidders in the tender advertisement, which is a violation of Public Procurement Rules 2004. The rule is stated below for your reference;

**16. Pre-qualification process.-** (1) *The procuring agency engaging in pre-qualification shall announce, in the pre-qualification documents, all information required for pre-qualification including instructions for preparation and submission of the pre-qualification documents, evaluation criteria, list of documentary evidence required by suppliers or contractors to demonstrate their respective qualifications and any other information that the procuring agency deems necessary for prequalification.*

(2) *The procuring agency shall provide a set of pre-qualification documents to any supplier or contractor, on request and subject to payment of price, if any.*

Kindly refer to Public Procurement Regulatory Authority's directive (F.2 (9)/ DD-II/PPRA/2009) dated 07<sup>th</sup> July 2009, which confirms TI-Pakistan's views. (Annex.)

The above information is forwarded for the purpose of avoiding the mis-procurement charge under Rule No 50, and with request to re-invite the tender under the prescribed procedures.

TI Pakistan is striving to have Rule of Law in Pakistan.

With Regards,

  
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Copies forwarded for the information of:

1. Chairman, Public Accounts Committee, Islamabad.
2. Chairman, NAB, Islamabad.
3. Registrar, Supreme Court.
4. Auditor General, Islamabad.
5. Managing Director, PPRA, Islamabad.

August 6, 2011

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## PRE-QUALIFICATION NOTICE

National Bank of Pakistan (NBP) intends to hire Billboards / Hoardings / Gantry panels available at I. I. Chundrigar Road, Karachi on rental basis for a period of 01 year.

Well reputed and financially sound outdoor companies / agencies holding minimum experience of 02 years in relevant field and having valid legal rights of Billboards / Hoardings available at I. I. Chundrigar Road, Karachi may apply for pre-qualification.

Interested Firms / Contractors meeting above requirements should send their pre-qualification documents latest by August 25, 2011 along with Payment Order / CDR of worth Rs. 5,000/- in favor of National Bank of Pakistan addressed to undersigned.

Pre-Qualification documents shall contain the following information:

1. Name & address of the company and their principal
2. Status of firm (whether sole proprietor, partnership or a limited company) duly certified by the registrar
3. Letter of concerned Govt. department regarding legal rights for the Billboards / Hoardings available at I. I. Chundrigar Road, Karachi
4. Proof of permanent employment of staff for the last two years
5. List of Gantry machinery and machinery owned by the contractor / firm
6. List of works of similar nature executed during the last 02 years and the list of work in hand along with the following information (with documentary evidence):
  - i. Name of work and location
  - ii. Client
7. Bank's certificates showing credit worthiness of the firm
8. Copy of the valid Registration Certificates with Govt. Tax departments
9. Clearance certificate from income tax department
10. An affidavit certificate that the firm has never been black-listed by any government or autonomous body
11. Details of litigation, if any, in which the firm has been involved during the work

All information supplied shall be verifiable, duly supported by copies of relevant documents, letters, certificates, etc. Information supplied without relevant supporting documents shall not be considered for evaluation purposes.

The shortlisted pre-qualified Firms / Contractors will participate in bidding for the subject works, the date for which will be announced later.

NBP reserves the right to accept or reject any or all application(s).

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No.F.2(9)/DD-II/PPRA)/2009  
GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN  
PUBLIC PROCUREMENT REGULATORY AUTHORITY  
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Subject: IMPLEMENTATION OF PUBLIC PROCUREMENT RULES, 2004

My dear

Public Procurement Regulatory Authority (PPRA) works through PPRA Ordinance, 2002 and Rules notified in 2004 to improve governance, management, transparency, accountability and quality of public procurement of goods, services and works.

2. Violations of Rule-16 by procuring agencies have been reported numerously at the time of prequalification notices published in the print media for the selection of bidders. To refresh, Rule-16 provides:

1. The procuring agency engaging in pre-qualification shall announce, in the pre-qualification documents, all information required for pre-qualification including instructions for preparation and submission of the pre-qualification documents, evaluation criteria, list of documentary evidence required by suppliers or contractors to demonstrate their respective qualifications and any other information that the procuring agency deems necessary for pre-qualification.
2. The procuring agency shall provide a set of pre-qualification documents to any supplier or contractor, on request and subject to payment of price, if any.

*Explanation:-* For the purposes of this sub-rule price means the cost of printing and providing the documents only.

3. We seek your kind cooperation for adherence in letter and spirit.

With regards,

Yours sincerely

Sd/-  
Hafeez ur Rehman

All Federal Secretaries  
Procuring Agencies