

Clarification No-I dated 16/01/2026 to the bidding documents for Reconductoring Package OH01 for (i) Reconductoring of ISTS portion of Balipara (POWERGRID) –Sonabil (POWERGRID) ckt-I 220 kV line; (ii) Reconductoring of ISTS portion of Balipara (POWERGRID) – Sonabil (POWERGRID) ckt-II 220kV line; (iii) Reconductoring of Silchar (POWERGRID) - Srikona (AEGCL) 132 kV D/c line; (iv) Reconductoring of Ranganadi (NEEPCO) – Ziro (POWERGRID) 132 kV S/c line associated with North Eastern Region Expansion Scheme-XXX (NERES-XXX). Spec No.: CC/NT/W-COND/DOM/A06/25/16437

| Sl. No. | Section/Clause Reference | Existing Provisions | Bidder's Query | POWERGRID Reply |
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| 1 | IFB Clause No. 3.0 & 01_1 Section IA (Standard) Scope Rev-16 (Oct'2025) R2, Clause 1.1 | Transmission line details are mentioned. | Please provide store location details, if identified by POWERGRID, or confirm whether bidder has to arrange store at own suitable location for freight calculation purposes | Bidders may refer to clause 1.3.3 of Section-I A of Technical specification |
| 2 | Sl. No. I – Reconductoring of 220 kV Balipara (PG) – Sonabil (AEGCL) Ckt-I & II | Composite Long Rod Insulators for 220 kV Transmission Line – 70 kN (Length – 2020 mm, Creepage – 7595 mm). | As per the Technical Specification, 220 kV Transmission Lines are generally designed with 120 kN Composite Long Rod Insulators. However, the BOQ includes a provision for 70 kN Composite Long Rod Insulators (Length:2020 mm, Creepage: 7595 mm) for the 220 kV Transmission Line. In this regard, it is requested to clarify and confirm that the inclusion of 70 kN insulators in the BOQ is intentional and acceptable for application in the 220 kV Transmission Line. Further, please confirm that the BOQ requirement shall be considered valid and shall prevail over the general Technical Specification for bidding and execution purposes. | Provisions of bidding documents shall prevail. |
| 3 | Technical Specifications – Type Test Requirements | Type tests are specified for Clamp Fittings & Hardware Accessories | Kindly confirm "in the event of award, can bidder submit all type test reports of offered conductor, which are conducted prior to bidding or in progress during bidding. Also, confirm which are mandatory type tests for Indian Manufacturer for submission of bid? | Bidders may refer to clause 3.1.9 (iii) of Section-VI B of Technical specification for validity of Type test reports and clause 3.0 of Section-VI B of Technical specification regarding Type tests on clamp fittings and accessories for HTLS conductor in general. |
| 4 | Section-I A (Volume-II), Rev-16 (Oct'2025) | Bidders may visit the line route to acquaint themselves with terrain conditions. | Kindly provide name and contact details of concerned POWERGRID official for coordination of site visit. | Bidders may refer to clause 1.5.1 of Section-I A of Technical specification |
| 5 | 01_2 Section IB – General Information Rev-14 (Sept'2025), Clause 2.1 (Tower Parts Qualification) | Contractor shall furnish a Joint Deed of Undertaking (JDU) with tower manufacturer(s) to guarantee quality and timely supply | Please confirm whether JDU is mandatory, or whether submission of Manufacturer Authorization Form (MAF) is acceptable considering small quantity requirements and difficulty in executing JDU. | Bidders may refer to clause 2.0 of Section-I B of Technical specification regarding applicability of JDU for various line items. |