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| **Sr.**  **No.** | **Reference Clause** | **Details of item** | **Query raised by Bidder** | **POWERGRID Response** |
| 1. | Section-III: Conditions of Contracts  Clause 2.2: Selection of Consultants Point 2.2.0 (Pg. No. 6/28) | ‘The Bidders / Consultants shall not be engaged with any other Bidders/Competitors for preparation of Bid response for 500 MW / 1000 MWh BESS project(s) floated under Global Competitive Bidding by SECI as a Consultant directly; or indirectly through their Subsidiaries, Group Companies, Partnership, Ownership, Individual firm’. | The current clause states that ‘The Bidders / Consultants shall not be engaged with any other Bidders/Competitors for preparation of Bid response for 500 MW / 1000 MWh BESS project(s) floated under Global Competitive Bidding by SECI as a Consultant directly; or indirectly through their Subsidiaries, Group Companies, Partnership, Ownership, Individual firm’.  We request a revision through any of the two options that may suit you:  **Option 1:** Modify the clause to read "The **team members of the** Bidders / Consultants **working on the project** shall not be engaged with any other Bidders/Competitors for preparation of Bid response for 500 MW / 1000 MWh BESS project(s) floated under Global Competitive Bidding by SECI as a Consultant directly; or indirectly through their Subsidiaries, Group Companies, Partnership, Ownership, Individual firm"  **Option 2:** Include the following para after the existing clause:  "**If however there is a conflict of interest, the bidder must give undertaking, regarding implementation of "Ethical walls" to operate as barriers to flow of project related information  from one part of the consultant’s company to another and a means of managing conflicts of interest, as considered appropriate. The authorised signatory to the proposal shall monitor and regulate the Company’s Ethical walls procedures. Lists of all employees and other persons with whom sensitive information is shared shall be maintained and confidentiality agreements shall be signed or notice shall be served to all such employees and persons.**  **The following indicative procedures and practices must be followed by all employees to maintain confidentiality with respect to the project information and activities:**  **• Assigning separate teams (including practice support where appropriate).**  **• Carrying out the engagements under code names, with instructions to engagement teams to use them at all times.**  **• Maintaining strict physical separation of teams and their files (through use of secure rooms or separate floors or buildings, with files locked away when not in use).**  **• Not placing confidential client information on generally accessible databases or, if in hard copy, in accessible areas. Posting confidential information in relation to the transaction on secure databases or password protected drives.**  **• Holding meetings with the clients in relation to the transaction at the clients' respective premises or in designated meeting rooms.**  **• Conducting business and social activities in a manner so as to avoid risking inadvertent disclosure of project related information**  **• not review confidential documents in public places** | Provision of the Bidding Document in this regard shall remain unchanged. |