

## GOVERNMENT OF COMMONWEALTH OF THE BAHAMAS Ministry of Agriculture and Marine Resources Public Private Partnership for the Modernization of the Animal Feed Mill, Nassau

## **REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST**

The Government of The Bahamas, through the Ministry of Agriculture and Marine Resources (MAMR) seeks to engage in a Private Public Partnership (PPP) with an eligible private partner or consortium to aid the modernization of the Animal Feed Mill, New Providence Bahamas. This project seeks to address the capital needs, infrastructural, and operational challenges faced currently at the feed mill; as well as to provide analyses for evidence-based decision making to support the terms of a PPP.

The objective of the PPP is to address the aforementioned concerns through a contractual arrangement that supports best value for money (VfM) and achieves an optimal combination of benefits for both parties involved. The performance requirements or PPP will include:

- A. High quality and consistency of feed supply
- B. Vertical integration of farming operations for the provision of feed ingredients
- C. Preferred pricing (consistent with levels currently enjoyed) for registered farmers

The Ministry of Agriculture and Marine Resources now invites interested eligible persons or firms to submit Expressions of Interest for the PPP.

Businesses shall be eligible to participate if they:

- (a) Provide basic information to indicate expertise and experience in this area and capacity to carry out the project if chosen. Business must prepare a Company Profile describing the nature of business, years of operations field of expertise, licenses, certifications and accreditations etc.
- (b) Are licensed to conduct business in the Commonwealth of the Bahamas and are duly registered with Tax Registration Certificate
- (c) (i.e. bidder or key personnel) have technical competence, qualifications and/or a track record of experience in the industry of at least 15 years combined experience in managing and operating a successful agriculture or manufacturing business. Bidder should be able to provide a list to show involvement in at least three ventures/projects that are similar in nature and scope indicating description of business activity and value of operations
- (d) Are able to supply the entire solution package; partial offers will not be accepted.
- (e) Are financially capable to enter into this arrangement, indicating source of funds.

Further information may be obtained between the hours of 9:00 a.m and 4:00 p.m, Monday to Friday via email at **Feedmillprojectcoordinator@bahamas.gov.bs.** 

All information must be submitted in writing, electronically (.pdf) in English. Expressions of Interest must be received at **Feedmillprojectcoordinator@bahamas.gov.bs** no later than 28<sup>th</sup> August, 2020 by 11:59 P.M. The email should include the name, address of the applicant and telephone contact with the subject caption clearly marked "Expression of Interest – Modernization of the Animal Feed Mill"

Following the assessment of submissions, a shortlist of not less than three and not more than eight applicants will be provided with full terms of reference, and invited to submit technical and financial proposals. The deadline for receipt of proposals is Monday, 21<sup>st</sup> September, 2020 by 5pm. The Government of The Bahamas reserves the right to accept or reject late applications or to cancel the present invitation partially or in its entirety. It will not be bound to assign any reason for not short-listing any applicant and will not defray any costs incurred by any applicant in the preparation and submission of Expressions of Interest.