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Ref: KEMSA/GF-PROC/17 (070)

**Date:** 3<sup>rd</sup> May, 2017

#### **CLARIFICATION 1:**

Attn.: All Prospective Bidders

# RE: TENDER NO. GF ATM TB NFM-17/18-OIT-001- SUPPLY & DELIVERY OF NUTRITIONAL SUPPLEMENTS

In accordance with ITT Clause 11.1 (Clarification of Tender Documents) of the Open International Tender (OIT) issued under the above reference, we hereby respond to questions raised by a prospective bidder as follows:

## Question 1.

The manufacturers are required to provide both ISO 22000 and Kenya Bureau of Standards (KEBS) certificates

However, according to the Kenya Bureau of Standards, they are no longer the regulatory body for Nutritional Supplements, this responsibility has been shifted to Kenya Pharmacy & Poisons Board, where products should be listed and registered. Kindly advice if we should provide the Kenya Pharmacy & Poisons Board listing and registration certificates for items 1 & 2.

#### Response:

The product must be listed with the Pharmacy & Poisons Board.

#### Question 2.

Tender requirement states that the locally produced FBF Children must have the Standardization mark as this is a mandatory product certification scheme for locally manufactured products provided for under section 10 of the Standards Act Cap 496, Laws of Kenya.

Our question: In the case of local manufacturers is ISO 22000 MANDATORY, or shall local standardization be acceptable.



## Response:

ISO 22000 is internationally recognized food safety standard and should be used by all organizations in the food supply chain and therefore ISO 22000, KEBS certification and listing of the product with the pharmacy and poisons board are mandatory requirement.

#### **Question 3:**

We are writing to enquire whether it is possible to submit a bid for Product No. 2 - RUTF under tender FT No.: GF ATM TB NFM -17/18-OIT-001, as we do not produce Fortified Blended Foods.

Nevertheless, we produce Ready-to-Use Supplementary Food (RUSF) for the treatment of moderate acute malnutrition as per the World Food Programme.

## Response:

An interested bidder can either submit a bid for any of the two products appearing in the tender document or both.

#### Question 4:

READY TO USE THERAPEUTIC FOOD (RUTF)

As per the tender specification, Page 36, Clause 15.1

All goods must be of fresh manufacture and must bear the dates of manufacture and expiry. The Supplier further warrants that all Goods supplied under the Contract will have remaining a minimum of five-sixths (5/6) of the specified shelf life upon delivery at port/airport of entry for goods with a shelf life of more than two years and three-fourths (3/4) for goods with a shelf life of two years or less, unless otherwise specified in the SCC; have "overages" within the ranges set forth in the Technical Specifications, where applicable; are not subject to recall by the applicable regulatory authority due to unacceptable quality or an adverse drug reaction; and in every other respect will fully comply in all respects with the Technical Specifications and with the conditions laid down in the Contract.

Kindly clarify clearly Shelf life of the product at the time of supply? Normally it should be 75%, which is 18 months from the date of manufacture.

## Response:

Shelf -Life MUST be 75% or more at the time of delivery to KEMSA warehouse in case awarded.



### Question 5:

As per the tender specification, Page no: 73,

Ready to Use Therapeutic Food (RUTF spread) - sachets 92gms (150 sachets/carton) - Qty 14,815 cartons (sachets 2,222,250), Shows 150 Sachets in a carton. & Page no 85, Secondary package requirements and labelling: The LDPE pouch contains 7 sachets of 92g each of RUTF Tertiary package requirements: Corrugated Fiberboard Shipping boxes (Shipping Container) - Shall contain 21 pouches of 644g of RUTF. Shows 147 sachets in a carton.

**Kindly clarify us clear packing instruction for secondary & Tertiary.** FYI, our recent supply RUTF packing is 7 sachets in a pouch, 30 pouches in a carton = Total 210 sachets in a carton. Shall appreciate if you consider the same packing because our production line is set with the same packaging.

## Response:

The primary packaging of the product is a sachet of 92gms. The secondary pack should have 150 sachets of 92gms in a carton.

Yours faithfully,

John Kabuchi

**Procurement Manager** 

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