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ANPM officially closes Timor-Leste Second Licensing Round

DILI, 14 January 2022 (TATOLI) – The National Petroleum and Minerals Authority (ANPM) had officially closed the Timor-Leste Second Oil and Gas Licensing Round of 18 blocks.

“Today, we announce to the public that the pre-qualification document submission for Timor-Leste Second Licensing Round is closed. The Second Licensing Rounds was launched on October 3, 2019,” Mateus da Costa, the Executive Director for Explorations and Promotions at the National Petroleum and Mineral Authority (ANPM) made the announcement, at the Ministry of Finance, in Dili.

The timeline of the closing of the bid submission was set to due on October 1, 2021, however, ANPM has decided to extend it until January.

He said ANPM’s team would carry out technical and financial assessments following the closing date of the Second Round Licensing.

“All companies were required to submit their documents online. So, we gave them the username and the password to have access to the site that we have created to upload their documents. For those companies who sent their documents via email, we always remind them to upload their documents to this site. It’s good for the local and overseas oil and gas companies to submit their documents online,” he said.

Costa said once the documents of companies were submitted for the pre-qualification, the team would immediately review the document following the submission: “If the companies missing some of their documents to complete their application, then we would contact them to complete it.”

The date for the opening of the submission of the bid is January 24, 2022, while the closing date of the bid submission has been set to be due on March 04.

“Thus, we have two months to carry out the evaluation process before recommending to the relevant ministry to approve and announce the result of the public tender on April 2022,” he stressed.

He said so far nine oil and gas companies had submitted their documents for the pre-qualification phase: “The majority of these companies are international oil and gas firms based in USA, Australia, UK, and Italy.

In October 2019, the government launched the country’s second licensing round, releasing a total of 18 new blocks for public tender, covering a large percentage of the total onshore and offshore area of the country.

Seven of the offered blocks are onshore. They cover all the northern and eastern halves of the country, a total of nearly 10,000 km², with the largest covering the whole eastern end of the country. The remaining 11 new blocks are in the offshore area to the south of the country, in the Timor Sea, he said.

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From ANPM's Facebook Page:

Autoridade Nacional do Petróleo e Minerais hereby would like to announce that today, January 14, 2022 is the last day for the submission of the pre-qualification for the companies that wish to be eligible to participate in the Timor-Leste Second Licensing round. Upon receiving the submission of the pre-qualification documents the ANPM will carry out evaluation of the documents to assess the companies technical and financial competence, as well as legal competence and experiences in the local content executions. The companies that have proven to fulfill all the requirements of the pre-qualification will be pre-qualified to participate in the submission bidding which shall take place from January 24, 2022 to March 04, 2022. The assessment for the bidding documents will take place about a month time, and the result of the bidding shall be announced by April 15, 2022. Until today, we have in total of 9 companies that has pre-qualified, another 4 companies that their documents submissions are on review. The ANPM still allow its online system for the document submission open and up and running in order to give opportunities for the companies who might be interested to finalize their online documents submissions within last couple of hours before the system closed by end date of January 14, 2022.

ANPM taka submisaun pré-kualifikasaun konkursu públiku petrolíferu bloku 18



Dirétór Explorasaun no Promosaun ANPM, Mateus da Costa. Imajen TATOLI/Francisco Sony

DILI, 14 janeiru 2022 (TATOLI)—Autoridade Nasionál Petróleu no Minerál (ANPM), sesta ne'e, taka submisaun dokumentu pré-kualifikasaun konkursu públiku (faze daruak) petrolíferu iha bloku 18, kompostu hosi 11 iha tasi laran no hitu iha rai-maran, ne'ebé antes ne'e Governu Timor-Leste lansa iha 03 loron outubru 2019.

“Tuir lolos konkursu ne'e taka iha outobru 2020, maibé tanba impaktu pandemia globál COVID -19 no restrisaun ba viajen internasionál tomak no mós haree filafali ba ambiente kreximentu indústriia petróleu nian, liuliu iha parte investimentu *upstream* la'ó ladun di'ak, nune'e ita konsege extende to'ó inísiu tinan 2022, entaun ohin ita taka,” Dirétór Explorasaun no Promosaun ANPM, Mateus da Costa, hateten, iha salaun ANPM, Ministériu Finansa, Aitarak-laran.

Antes tama faze ne'e, ekipa halo esforsu revizaun ba dokumentu hirak ne'ebé empreza hatama, hodi haree profile inklui kapasidade téknika no finanseira, hodi nune'e bele konkore ba prosesu konkursu faze dahuluk.

“Prosesu submisaun dokumentu pré-kualifikasaun, básikamente ita haree liu ba empreza nia kapasidade téknika no finseira, nune'e bainhira sira halo submisaun dokumentu la kompletu ne'e laiha problema, tanba ita sei haree no bainhira iha dokumentu ne'ebé falta, ita sei komunika ba sira hodi halo aprosimsaun hodi bele kompletu,” nia akresenta.

ANPM nia objetivu mak haree empreza sira tenke iha kualifikasaun no kapsidade hodi bele konkorre ba konkursu ne'ebé sei loke hahú iha loron 24 janeiru.

“Signifika katak loron-10 nia-laran prosesu ne'e sei la'ó durante fulan-rua resin, tanba prosesu ba submisaun konkursu ne'e loron ikus mak 04 marsu 2022 ho oras tuku 16:00 lorokraik, ne'ebé ita kuaze iha períodu fulan-rua nia-laran atu halo evaluasaun ba konkursu refere molok rekomenda ba membru Governu kompetente halo aprovasaun no anúnsia nia rezultadu iha fulan-abríl nia-laran” nia informa.

Rekerimentu submisaun dokumentu liuhosi online, ne'ebé kria iha sítiu online ida no empreza sira ne'ebé hetan ona *access pass (user name no password)* hosi ANPM mak bele ba *upload* rasik sira-nia dokumentu iha sítiu.

“Dokumentu sira ne'ebé konkorrente-sira manda ba email, ita sei la konsidera maibé ita sei fó hatene ba sira atu *upload* direktamente iha online. Mekanizmu ne'e ita foti atubele fasilita empreza hotu hosi rai ne'ebé de'it, tantu hosi rai-laran no rai-li'ur atu sira la presiza fízikamente mai hatama dokumentu maibé submete de'it via online,” Diretór dehan.

Empreza sia pré-kualifikadu

Prosesu evaluasaun ba submisaun dokumentu pré-kualifikasaun ne'e, normalmente bainhira empreza hatama, ekipa sira halo revizaun ba dokumentu no bainhira iha nesesidade ekipa sei responsável komunika ba representante empreza atu klarifika ka kompleta dokumentu balun ne'ebé falta, hodi nune'e bele tulun ekipa téknika finaliza evaluasaun molok rekomenda ba jestór sira foti desizaun.

“To'o agora iha ona empreza hamutuk sia mak pré-kualifikadu, ne'ebé haat seluk dokumentu submete ona. Ita sei iha hela faze evaluasaun no ita sei hein tan oras hirak nia-laran, sei iha tan empreza mak submete tan dokumentu molok sistema online taka,” nia tenik.

Konkorrente sira maioria internasionál mai hosi nasaun Itália, Amérika, Austrália, Inglaterra no seluk tán, ne'ebé balun antes ne'e halo ona operasaun iha Timor-Leste no balun foin mak tama, maibé iha mós empreza nasional.

“Bázikamente ita loke fatin ne'ebé mamuk, daudaun seidak iha entaun ita kontratu hotu. Tanba ne'e iha bloku 11 iha tasi-laran no hitu iha rai maran, ne'ebé rai maran kuaze kobre hotu iha Timór laran tomak no área kontratu ne'ebé hanesan daudaun ne'e perfurasaun la'o hela iha Suai no mós área kontratu iha Manufahi,” nia hateten.

Nune'e mós, iha área kontratu foun ne'ebé foin lalais Governu asina kontratu ho Timor Gás no Petróleu, Empreza Públika (Timor GAP, E.P), iha mós bloku rezervadu seluk ne'ebé ba mós empreza estatál ne'e iha munisípiu Bobonaro.

Antes ne'e, ANPM ho kolaborasaun parseiru, organiza no partisipa iha simeira internasionál via virtúal hodi halo promosaun ba konkursu públiku petrolíferu bloku 18.

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