

**Notification of the re-tender for selection of the investor for concluding a concession agreement on the concession project “Akulichskaya area (structure), Narovlyansky district, Gomel region”**

The Ministry of Natural Resources and Environmental Protection of the Republic of Belarus informs about holding re-tender for selection of the investor to conclude a concession agreement on the concession project “Akulichskaya area (structure), Narovlyansky district, Gomel region” on March 1, 2017 at 15.00 at the address: Office 436, 10 Kollektornaya Street, Minsk.

Object of the tender: the right to sign the concession contract for the provision of services (work) providing the concessionaire with priority to conclude full concession contract with the Republic of Belarus if mineral deposits are detected on the concession project “Akulichskaya area (structure), Narovlyansky district, Gomel region”.

General characteristics of the concession object and the period for which the concession object is granted for concession:

“Akulichskaya area (structure), Narovlyansky district, Gomel region” is a subsurface area in the projection of the earth’s surface of 83.7 hectares, situated in Narovlyansky district, Gomel region.

The closest to the structure Slovechno railway station is 20 km to the west, Gazhin village is 10 km to the north-west, the highway Ovruch-Mozir is 18 km to the west, the highway Khoyniki -Narovlyany is 9 km to the east.

In respect of oil-bearing lands, the plot is located within the southern district of the Pripyat oil and gas-bearing region with the density of the initial aggregate forecast hydrocarbon resources of 30 000-50 000 tons/km<sup>2</sup>. Within Akulichskaya area, 12 seismic lines were worked out with total length of 76 linear km. The density of the network of informative seismic profiles is 4.7 linear km/km<sup>2</sup>. Akulichskaya structure refers to the probable category III degree of safety. The dimensions of Akulichskaya structure are about of 2.4 x 0.4 km of intersalt sediment surface, a promising area is 0.837 km<sup>2</sup>. According to D1 category, the geological oil resources of Akulichskaya structure are estimated at 485.6 thousand tons.

The concession object is granted for concession for sixty months as from the day of concluding the contract of concession.

Type of the tender – open tendering procedure.

Information about the organizer of the tender:

The Ministry of Natural Resources and Environmental Protection of the Republic of Belarus. 10 Kollektornaya Street, Minsk, 220004.

Advance amount, conditions and terms of the deposit:

The advance amount that is subject to the payment for participation in the tender should be paid in Belarusian rubles, which is equal to 410 (four hundred and ten) US dollars at the exchange rate of the National Bank of the Republic of Belarus on the date of payment. The deposit should be made before filling the registration documents for participation in the tender. The deposit payment is acknowledged when the deposit amount has been transferred to bank account No. 3642900000809 in OJS Belarusbank, Minsk, code 795, reg. number: 100519825, OKPIO 00012782.

Installment of the one-time payment:

The amount of the initial one-time payment for the right to use subsoil area for its geological survey, has been calculated in accordance with sub-paragraph 6.1 of chapter 6 of the Regulations on the procedure for calculating the initial amount of a one-time payment for the right to use subsurface resources, approved by directive of the Council of Ministers No. 1704 as of 20 December 2011. The initial one-time payment in Belarusian rubles is equal to 4 185 (four thousand one hundred and eighty five) US dollars, calculated at the exchange rate of the National Bank of the Republic of Belarus on the date of payment.

The list of documents attached to the application for participation in the tender, and requirements for registration:

a copy of the certificate of state registration (for legal entities and individual entrepreneurs - residents of the Republic of Belarus), a legalized extract from the trade register of the country of incorporation (dated no later than one year before the filing date) or other equivalent proof of legal status of the investor (investors), in accordance with the legislative acts of the country of incorporation (for legal entities - non-residents of the Republic of Belarus);

a copy of the document certifying the identity of the investor (for individuals - residents of the Republic of Belarus), a copy of the document certifying the identity of the investor, with translation into Russian language, the authenticity of the translator's signature should be attested by a notary (for individuals - non-residents of the Republic of Belarus);

a copy of the document confirming the authority of the person (s) who signed the concession or investment agreement (for legal entities);

conclusion on the financial standing of the investor in the past two years preceding the date of the treatment, and investors whose business has been existing less than two years shall provide their conclusion on the financial standing for the whole period of operations. Conclusion on the financial standing of the investor for legal entities – (residents of the Republic of Belarus) is the auditor’s report, and for legal entities – (non-residents of the Republic of Belarus) the conclusion on the results of the financial Due Diligence with its translation into Russian. Conclusion on the financial standing of the investor must include a comprehensive study of the investor's financial condition, its ability to implement the declared investments;

bank statement on the availability of funds in the bank account and (or) other documents confirming the availability of own funds of the participant, and (or) a copy of the contract (preliminary contract) with the bank or other credit and financial institution providing the credit for participation in the tender;

copies of the documents confirming the payment of deposit for participation in the tender.

Application for participation in the tender is issued in accordance with the requirements of paragraph first of Article 16 of the Law “On concessions”.

#### Terms of the tender and description of the criteria for determining the winner:

Offers of the participants are evaluated on the basis of merit point system in accordance with the criteria for evaluating offers of the participants.

The tender participant who wins the tender recognizes the participant with the highest total score.

The criteria for the evaluation of the offers of the participants are the following mandatory conditions offered in the future to conclude the concession contract for the concession project, which should be reflected in the proposals of the participants of the tender:

- The amount of one-time payment;
- Use of unique development and (or) the know-how, green technologies during exploration;
- Percentage of geological works on exploration of mineral resources, performing which will enroll exploration companies of the Republic of Belarus, with experience in the field of search and exploration of hydrocarbon formations at least five years, in respect of the total volume of geological exploration of mineral resources.

### Requirements for participants of the competition:

Participation in the tender is allowed to legal entities of the Republic of Belarus, foreign and international legal entities that meet the requirements laid down in parts one and two of the Article 17 of the Law “On concessions” within the established time limit:

participants who have filed an application form for participation in the tender to the organizer;

participants who have fully provided documents to the organizer, which are submitted in the third part of Article 17 of the Law “On concessions”;

participants who have made a deposit for participation in the tender in the amount and in the manner specified in this notice of the tender.

### Application End Day:

The Ministry of Environment completes submission of applications and documents for participation in the tender on November 30, 2016 at 15.00.

### The procedure for obtaining the tender documentation for participants:

The tender documentation is issued to the participants on the day of submission of the application.

### Terms and procedure for submission of documents to the organizer of the tender in accordance with the tender documents, as well as the offers of the participants to implement the conditions of the tender:

The Ministry of Environment completes submission of the documents, as well as the offers of the participants on the implementation of the conditions of the tender on January 16, 2017 at 15.00.

### Date, time and place of the tender:

March 1, 2017 at 15.00 at the address: Office 436, 10 Kollektornaya Street, Minsk.

### Tender procedure:

The final meeting of the committee will be held on March 1, 2017 at 15:00, according to which the chairman of the committee (his deputy - in the case of absence of the chairman of the committee) in the presence of all participants or their authorized representatives will announce their offers.

The Commission evaluates offers of the participants on the basis of merit point system, in accordance with the criteria specified in the notice of the tender.

The participant with the highest number of points is to be recognized as the winner of the tender.

The tender recognizes ineffective in case when none of the offers submitted by the participants meets the conditions of the tender.

The competition is declared invalid if:

- No applications were submitted for the tender or none of the participants were allowed to participate in the tender;
- Only one application was submitted or only one participant was allowed to take part in the tender;
- None of the participants appeared to take part in the tender;
- Only one participant appeared to take part in the tender.

In accordance with the Presidential Decree No. 442 “On some issues of implementation of investment activities with regard to the subsoil” dated from October 3, 2011, the winner of the tender shall reimburse all the expenses to the full extend incurred by the state during exploration work on the territory of the concession object “Akulichskaya area (structure), Narovlyansky district, Gomel region”.