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წყარომარაგების კომპანია  
UNITED WATER SUPPLY COMPANY OF GEORGIA

# **Selection of Consultants**

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## **Request for Expressions of Interest**

**February 2026**

## Georgia

### **Consulting Service for Detailed Design of the Water Supply Network for Sighnaghi and Dedoplistskaro Municipalities Using Headworks Located in Shroma Village, Lagodekhi Municipality**

#### **CONSULTING SERVICES**

##### **Expressions of Interest**

The United Water Supply Company of Georgia has received financing from the Government of Georgia ("GOG"), and intends to use part of the funds thereof for payments under the following project: *The Water Supply Network for Sighnaghi and Dedoplistskaro Municipalities Using Headworks Located in Shroma Village, Lagodekhi Municipality Project.*

The Services of the consultant shall mean the *Consulting Service for Detailed Design for the Water Supply Network for Sighnaghi and Dedoplistskaro Municipalities Using Headworks Located in Shroma Village, Lagodekhi Municipality.*

In the last century, artesian wells were constructed in the village of Shroma, Lagodekhi Municipality (No. 54.03.57.442; 54.03.56.280; 54.03.56.279; 54.03.61.394). Water supply to the towns and villages of the Sighnaghi and Dedoplistskaro municipalities was provided through an OD920 mm steel transmission main and a multi-stage (lifting) pumping station originating from these headworks.

For now, most of the wells located at the headworks are non-operational. Several wells constructed in the last century, along with one well installed relatively recently, remain in operation and currently supply water to several villages in the vicinity of Lagodekhi town. Accordingly, the prepared detailed design approach should ensure the continued operation of the existing water supply regime for these villages.

Throughout the Consulting Service, the headworks, transmission mains, pumping stations, and other related/required infrastructure should be designed in such a way as to enable water supply to the towns and villages listed below.

<b>Sighnagi Municipality</b>		<b>Dedoplistskaro Municipality</b>	
1	Vakiri	1	Dedoplistskaro
2	Mashnaari	2	Khornabuji
3	Bodbiskhevi	3	Samreklo
4	Jugaani	4	Ozaani
5	Tibaani	5	Gamarjveba
6	Kvemo Machkhaani (Faniani)	6	Zemo Machkhaani
7	Khirsa	7	Mirzaani
8	Khornabuji	8	Choeti
9	Karagaji		
10	Dzveli Anaga		

According to the Design Documentation for the rehabilitation (already executed) of the water supply systems of the settlements listed in Table No. 1, the total required water demand is approximately 710 m<sup>3</sup>/h. However, taking into account future development (approximately an additional 40%), the required water abstraction (design flow rate) from the design headworks is estimated at approximately 1,000 m<sup>3</sup>/h. The accuracy of the values shall be specified during the design stage.

The design shall include the construction of a storage reservoir for the village of Ozaani and the integration of the project infrastructure with the existing distribution system.

In addition, water is supplied to the cadastral code No. 52.30.31.121, which is a company subscriber, from the intake facility of "Dali Lake" in the city of Dedoplistskaro, specifically from the territory of the second-stage pumping station. During the design works, the installation of an appropriate hydraulic/manipulation node shall be envisaged within the

area of the existing 6,000 m<sup>3</sup> reservoirs in the city of Dedoplistskaro, both on the designed and existing infrastructure, to ensure water supply to the above-mentioned subscriber after the designed system is put into operation.

Two stage Design Service will include:

*Stage I - Feasibility Study and Preliminary Design, which shall include, but not be limited to:*

- Design criteria, pre-design data, and survey results;
- General topographic survey report;
- General geotechnical characterization of the project area, including detailed geotechnical investigations of project facilities and sites (headworks, pumping stations, reservoirs, etc.);
- Detailed hydrogeological and hydrological surveys;
- Headworks survey activities, including water quality analysis, flow rate study, pumping, tests, and video inspections.
- Survey of private property boundaries;
- Survey of existing utility networks and preliminary coordination with relevant institutions;
- Survey and assessment of existing structures/facilities where their potential integration into the designed system is envisaged;
- Assessment of alternative options for external power supply to the project areas;
- Preparation of preliminary reports, plans, drawings, and other documents describing the scope of works, engineering design assumptions, and technical recommendations;
- Preparation of a preliminary indicative construction cost estimate, as well as a description and comparative analysis of operating costs for alternative system schemes, based on the above information;
- Presentation of the Stage I outcomes.
- Preliminary reports, plans, drawings, and documentation reflecting the scope and nature of the works, the applied engineering design principles, and the associated technical recommendations;
- Based on the above information, preparation of a preliminary indicative construction cost estimate, together with a description and comparison of the operating costs of alternative design system options;
- Presentation

*Stage II - preparation of the Detailed Design, which shall include but not be limited to:*

- Detailed topographic survey;
- Detailed geotechnical survey of the project's linear structures;
- Preparation of detailed reports;
- Final detailed drawings, including all structural, civil, architectural, mechanical, technological, and electrical drawings required for complete and high-quality construction;
- Preparation of both consolidated and individual bills of quantities (for villages, cities, towns, settlements, etc.), in accordance with the applicable legislation on state procurement;
- Specifications for construction works, technologies, materials, and equipment.
- Final detailed cost estimate;
- Preparation of documents required to obtain permits, including but not limited to construction permits, waste disposal permits, social impact assessment documents, crossing permits, etc.;
- Preparation of the sanitary protection zone project for the main facility;
- Preparation of the construction organization project, including the corresponding work schedule (construction program);
- Expert review of individual components of the design documentation.

After completion of the detailed design service, the Consultant will be requested to provide the technical part of the Tender Package, including the Works Requirement/Specification and BOQ (Priced and tender version, empty), adapted so that UWSCG is able to announce the International Procurement under IFIs' procurement rules.

The UWSCG hereby invites Applicants to show their interest in delivering the Services described above.

This Request for Expressions of Interest is open to:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consulting firms | <input type="checkbox"/> Individual consultants                              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> NGOs                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Joint Venture between NGO(s) and consulting firm(s) |

Eligibility criteria are specified in sub-clause 1.3 of the "Procurement Guidelines for AFD-Financed Contracts in Foreign Countries", available online on AFD's website: <http://www.afd.fr>.

The Applicant shall submit only one application, either in its own name or as a member of a Joint Venture (JV). If an Applicant (including any of the JV members) submits or participates in more than one application, those applications shall all be rejected. However, the same Subconsultant may participate in several applications.

If the Applicant is a JV, the expression of interest shall include:

- a copy of the JV Agreement entered into by all members,

or

- a letter of intent to execute a JV Agreement, signed by all members together with a copy of the Agreement proposal,

In the absence of this document, the other members will be considered as Subconsultants.

Experiences and qualifications of Subconsultants are not taken into account in the evaluation of the applications.

The Applicant shall demonstrate the following financial capabilities:

Criterion	Requirement	Single Entity	Joint Venture Turnover in GEL		
			All Parties Combined	Each Member	One Member
Average Turnover	Minimum Average Turnover GEL 5,000,000.00 <i>(minimum average turnover for the last three years)</i>	Must meet req.	Must meet the requirement	N/A	N/A
Average liquidity ratio	Average liquidity ratio for the last three (3) years > 1 <i>((Current assets) / (Current liabilities) &gt; 1)</i>	Must meet req.	N/A	N/A	The leader must meet requirement

**The Applicant not complying the both criteria will be rejected and will not be evaluated further.**

The Applicant and, in case of a JV, each member shall provide copies of financial statements for 3 years (2024, 2023, 2022) pursuant to the above-mentioned Criteria. The financial statements shall:

- a) Reflect the financial situation of the Applicant or, in case of a JV, each member, and not an affiliated entity (such as parent company or group member);
- b) Be independently audited or certified in accordance with local legislation;
- c) Be complete, including all notes to the financial statements;
- d) Correspond to accounting periods already completed and audited.

Interested Applicants must provide information evidencing that they are qualified and experienced to perform those Services. For that purpose, **documented evidence** of recent and similar services shall be submitted. A maximum of 10 (ten) past experiences (out of which at least two contracts must be completed during the last four years, from January, 2022) shall be presented by the applicants. Determination of the similarity of the experiences will be based on their respective relevance to the services to be performed, as described above.

In particular, it is expected that Applicants present the past experience for contracts whose characteristics are similar to one or more of the following criteria:

- Detailed Design Reports, including
  - drinking water borehole;
  - water supply pumping station;
  - drinking water storage and balancing reservoir with a minimum capacity of 100 m<sup>3</sup>;
  - water supply transmission mains pipes with a minimum length of 50 km;
  - SCADA system for water supply infrastructure;
  - automated water disinfection system.

Note: The Applicant must have at least one experience in each of the above-listed fields.

- Tender Package under IFIs financed Project;
- Region – Georgia and EU Countries. If the presented experience refers to another country other than the one listed, only the country outside the Applicant's registration country will be considered.

The Applicant must have at least one experience in each criterion; otherwise, the application will be disqualified.

*The UWSCG shall not analyse CVs of experts' profiles at this stage.*

Among the submitted applications, UWSCG will shortlist a maximum of five (5) Applicants, to whom the Request for Proposals to carry out the Services shall be sent.

The Expressions of Interest must be submitted to the address below no later than 15:00 Tbilisi Local Time, February 25, 2026.

*United Water Supply Company of Georgia LLC (UWSCG),*

*Attention: Salome Vashakidze, Deputy Director for Financial Affairs;*

*Eteri Piranishvili, Head of the International Procurement Department.*

*Address: 2nd Floor (Chancellery), UWSCG Head Office, 5 Ana Politkovskaya Street, Tbilisi, Georgia (0186)*

Interested Applicants may obtain clarifications by writing to the email address above, no later than 5 working days before the deadline for receipt of Expressions of Interest.

Email address: [Info.procurement@water.gov.ge](mailto:Info.procurement@water.gov.ge); cc: [e.piranishvili@water.gov.ge](mailto:e.piranishvili@water.gov.ge)

The Client will respond to requests for clarification in writing, publishing the responses on the same media as the initial publication of the Request for Expressions of Interest, without identifying the entity that requested clarification.

**Appendix to The Request for Expressions of Interest  
(To be submitted with the application, signed and unaltered)**

**Statement of Integrity, Eligibility, and Environmental and Social Responsibility**

Reference of the EOI for “Consulting Service for Detailed Design of the Water Supply Network for Signnaghi and Dedoplistskaro Municipalities Using Headworks Located in Shroma Village, Lagodekhi Municipality” (the “**Contract**”)

To: United Water Supply of Georgia LLC (the “**Contracting Authority**”)

1. We recognise and accept that the *Government of Georgia* (“**GOG**”) only finances projects of the Contracting Authority subject to its own conditions. As a matter of consequence, no legal relationship exists between GOG and our company, our joint venture, or our suppliers, contractors, subcontractors, consultants, or subconsultants. The Contracting Authority retains exclusive responsibility for the preparation and implementation of the procurement process and performance of the contract. The Contracting Authority means the Purchaser, the Employer, the Client, as the case may be, for the procurement of goods, works, plants, consulting services, or non-consulting services.
2. We hereby certify that neither we nor any other member of our joint venture nor any of our suppliers, contractors, subcontractors, consultants, or subconsultants are in any of the following situations:
  - 2.1 Being bankrupt, wound up or ceasing our activities, having our activities administered by the courts, having entered into receivership, reorganisation or being in any analogous situation arising from any similar procedure;
  - 2.2 Having been:
    - a) convicted, within the past five years by a court decision, which has the force of *res judicata* in the country where the Contract is implemented, of fraud, corruption or of any other offense committed during a procurement process or performance of a contract (in the event of such conviction, you may attach to this Statement of Integrity supporting information showing that this conviction is not relevant in the context of this Contract);
    - b) subject to an administrative sanction within the past five years by the European Union or by the competent authorities of the country where we are constituted, for fraud, corruption or for any other offense committed during a procurement process or performance of a contract (in the event of such sanction, you may attach to this Statement of Integrity supporting information showing that this sanction is not relevant in the context of this Contract);
    - c) convicted, within the past five years by a court decision, which has the force of *res judicata*, of fraud, corruption, or of any other offense committed during the procurement process or performance of a GOG-financed contract;
  - 2.3 Being listed for financial sanctions by the United Nations, the European Union, and/or France for fight-against-terrorist financing or a threat to international peace and security;
  - 2.4 Having been subject within the past five years to a contract termination fully settled against us for significant or persistent failure to comply with our contractual obligations during contract performance, unless this termination was challenged and dispute resolution is still pending or has not confirmed as a full settlement against us;
  - 2.5 Not having fulfilled our fiscal obligations regarding payments of taxes in accordance with the legal provisions of either the country where we are constituted or the Contracting Authority's country;
  - 2.6 Being subject to an exclusion decision of the World Bank and being listed on the website <http://www.worldbank.org/debarr> (in the event of such exclusion, you may attach to this Statement of Integrity supporting information showing that this exclusion is not relevant in the context of this Contract);

- 2.7 Having created false documents or committed misrepresentation in documentation requested by the Contracting Authority as part of the procurement process of this Contract.
3. We hereby certify that neither we, nor any of the members of our joint venture, nor any of our suppliers, contractors, subcontractors, consultants, or subconsultants are in any of the following situations of conflict of interest:
- 3.1 Being an affiliate controlled by the Contracting Authority or a shareholder controlling the Contracting Authority, unless the stemming conflict of interest has been brought to the attention of GOG and resolved to its satisfaction;
- 3.2 Having a business or family relationship with a Contracting Authority's staff involved in the procurement process or the supervision of the resulting Contract, unless the stemming conflict of interest has been brought to the attention of GOG and resolved to its satisfaction;
- 3.3 Being controlled by or controlling another bidder or consultant, or being under common control with another bidder or consultant, or receiving from or granting subsidies directly or indirectly to another bidder or consultant, having the same legal representative as another bidder or consultant, maintaining direct or indirect contacts with another bidder or consultant which allows us to have or give access to information contained in the respective applications, bids or proposals, influencing them or influencing decisions of the Contracting Authority;
- 3.4 Being engaged in a consulting services activity, which, by its nature, may conflict with the assignments that we would carry out for the Contracting Authority;
- 3.5 In the case of procurement of goods, works, or plants:
- a) Having prepared or having been associated with a consultant who prepared specifications, drawings, calculations, and other documentation to be used in the procurement process of this Contract;
- b) Having been recruited (or being proposed to be recruited) ourselves or any of our affiliates, to carry out works supervision or inspection for this Contract.
4. If we are a state-owned entity, and to compete in a procurement process, we certify that we have legal and financial autonomy and that we operate under commercial laws and regulations.
5. We undertake to bring to the attention of the Contracting Authority any change in the situation about points 2 to 4 above.
6. In the context of the procurement process and performance of the corresponding contract:
- 6.1 We have not, and we will not engage in any dishonest conduct (act or omission) deliberately intended to deceive others, to intentionally conceal items, to violate or vitiate someone's consent, to make them circumvent legal or regulatory requirements, and/or to violate their internal rules to obtain illegitimate profit;
- 6.2 We have not, and we will not engage in any dishonest conduct (act or omission) contrary to our legal or regulatory obligations or our internal rules to obtain illegitimate profit;
- 6.3 We have not promised, offered or given and we will not promise, offer or give, directly or indirectly to (i) any Person who holds a legislative, executive, administrative or judicial mandate within the State of the Contracting Authority regardless of whether that Person was nominated or elected, regardless of the permanent or temporary, paid or unpaid nature of the position and regardless of the hierarchical level the Person occupies, (ii) any other Person who performs a public function, including for a State institution or a State-owned company, or who provides a public service, or (iii) any other person defined as a Public Officer by the national laws of the Contracting Authority's country, an undue advantage of any kind, for himself or for another Person or entity, for such Public Officer to act or refrain from acting in his official capacity;
- 6.4 We have not promised, offered or given and we will not promise, offer or give, directly or indirectly to any Person who occupies an executive position in a private sector entity or works for such an entity, regardless of the nature of his/her capacity, any undue advantage of any

kind, for himself or another Person or entity for such Person to perform or refrain from performing any act in breach of its legal, contractual or professional obligations;

- 6.5 We have not, and we will not engage in any practice likely to influence the contract award process to the detriment of the Contracting Authority and, in particular, in any anti-competitive practice having for object or for effect to prevent, restrict or distort competition, namely by limiting access to the market or the free exercise of competition by other undertakings;
- 6.6 Neither we nor any of the members of our joint venture or any of our suppliers, contractors, subcontractors, consultants, or subconsultants shall acquire or supply any equipment nor operate in any sectors under an embargo of the United Nations, the European Union, or France;
- 6.7 We commit ourselves to comply with and ensure that all of our suppliers, contractors, subcontractors, consultants, or subconsultants comply with international environmental and labour standards, consistent with laws and regulations applicable in the country of implementation of the Contract, including the fundamental conventions of the International Labour Organisation (ILO) and international environmental treaties. Moreover, we shall implement environmental and social risk mitigation measures when specified in the environmental and social commitment plan (ESCP) provided by the Contracting Authority.
7. We, as well as members of our joint venture and our suppliers, contractors, subcontractors, consultants, or subconsultants, authorise AFD to inspect accounts, records, and other documents relating to the procurement process and performance of the contract and to have them audited by auditors appointed by AFD.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ In the capacity of: \_\_\_\_\_

Duly empowered to sign in the name and on behalf of<sup>1</sup>: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

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<sup>1</sup> In case of joint venture, insert the name of the joint venture. The person who will sign the application, bid or proposal on behalf of the applicant, bidder or consultant shall attach a power of attorney from the applicant, bidder or consultant.