**TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

**FOR HOLDING A TENDER FOR THE SUPPLY OF LIQUEFIED NATURAL GAS (LNG)**

**FOR THE NEEDS OF BULGARGAZ PLC FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 2023**

1. **Subject of the procedure:** supply of liquefied natural gas (LNG) for the needs of Bulgargaz PLC for the month of April 2023.
2. **Delivery quantity:** 1,706,070 MMBtu (500,000 MWh)
3. **Terms of delivery:** DES LNG Terminal in Turkey
4. **Requirements for participants:**
5. Sources of LNG supply - the source must be from countries without sanctions, embargoes or any trade restrictions;
6. Ownership of the company - ownership (BO – Beneficial Owner) must be clear, reputable and free of ties to countries subject to sanctions, embargoes or any trade restrictions.
7. Credibility with banks and reputation - the supplier company must be acceptable to banks and credible for financing the agreed supplies.
8. Have experience in LNG supply:

 - number of LNG cargoes delivered - at least 2 (two) cargoes for the previous year;

- aggregate LNG deliveries of at least the equivalent of 1 500 000 MWh.

**Stage I Pre-selection of candidates**

By 22:00, Central European Time (CET), on **28 February 2023**, all interested persons who wish to participate in this tender procedure shall submit to Bulgargaz PLC by e-mail to the following address: tenders@bulgargaz.bg ***a letter of intent*** indicating their interest in further participation in the procedure and to ***attaching***:

* Completed survey of Bulgargaz PLC to get to know a potential partner company, according to the template - *Annex 1* to these Terms and Conditions;
* Draft Framework Agreement.

\*Participants admitted to the stage of submission of Offers in previous tenders organized by Bulgargaz PLC and/or who have concluded Framework Agreements with Bulgargaz PLC may only submit a letter of intent.

A committee appointed by order of the Executive Director of Bulgargaz PLC will verify the compliance of the applicants with the requirements for participation in the tender procedure on the basis of the submitted documents and will notify the applicants admitted to participating in Stage II of the tender procedure by 16:00, Central European Time (CET) on **2nd March 2023** by e-mail to the e-mail addresses they have provided.

**No applicant will be admitted to Stage II of the tender procedure:**

* who submitted a letter of intent after the deadline;
* who has not submitted all the required documents;
* in the questionnaire of which there is insufficient information or the information indicates that he does not meet the requirements for participation in the procedure;

By 16:00, Central European Time (CET) on **2nd March 2023** Bulgargaz PLC will inform the candidates not admitted to participate in Stage II of the tender procedure with an individual motivated letter by e-mail to the e-mail addresses they have indicated.

**Stage II Submission of Offers**

1. **Deadline for submission of Offers: 22:00** (CET) **on 9th March 2023.**

Candidates admitted to participating in Stage II of the Tender Procedure shall submit an electronically signed *Offer form - Annex 2* to these Terms and Conditions, together with the annexes thereto, by e-mail to the following address: tenders@bulgargaz.bg in an archived format with a password by 22:00 (CET) on **9th March 2023**.

The password must be sent by a separate e-mail to the same e-mail address no earlier than 9:00 a.m. and no later than 11:00 a.m. CET on **10th March 2023**.

1. **Mandatory content requirements**:
2. **Quantity:** thequantity offered shall not be less than 1,706,070 MMBtu (500 000 MWh);
3. **LNG quality:** a technical specification of the quality characteristics of the natural gas offered for delivery shall be applied;
4. **Terms of delivery:** DES LNG terminal;
5. **Delivery Point:** terminal in Turkey, with the possibility for the buyer to change to a terminal in Greece 15 days before the delivery date.
6. **Price:** offer price should reference TTF front month April with discount in Euro per MWh indicated

*TTFfm April = the TTF Front Month Index value published in Argus European Natural Gas - Daily Natural Gas Market Prices, in the column headed "Price", for the TTF (Title Transfer Facility) for the last business day of the month preceding the month of delivery. The TTF fm is the arithmetic average between the 'Buy' and 'Sell' values for each day of the month for which the corresponding month is the following month.*

1. **Slot provided: Bulgargaz PLC provides a slot in the terminal. Bulgargaz will additionally notify the participants of the Delivery Window;**
2. **Method and terms of payment upon conclusion of a contract;**
3. **Additional costs that may** arise for Bulgargaz PLC during delivery (Evaporation, Port costs, demurrage charges, or others);
4. **Power of attorney** - to be attached if the tender is signed by an attorney;

**No participant will be admitted for evaluation and ranking who has:**

* submitted an Offer and/or password after the deadline set out in Section VI of these Terms and Conditions;
* submitted an Offer the content of which does not comply with the above mandatory requirements;
* submitted a specification of the quality characteristics of the natural gas supplied which did not meet the minimum requirements for the supply of LNG to the relevant LNG terminal.

**Stage III Evaluation and ranking of tenders**

The Offers received will be opened by the Committee appointed by order of the Executive Director of Bulgargaz PLC at 12:00 CET on **10th March 2023**.

The Offers will be evaluated and ranked by the Committee according to the *Methodology for Determining the Complex Evaluation of Offers - Annex 3* to these Terms and Conditions.

By 17:00 (CET), on **10th March 2023**, Bulgargaz PLC will notify the qualified participants by e-mail, to their e-mail addresses, of the size and date of the regasification and storage slots provided by it.