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9th September 2023

The Secretary
Public Contracts Review Board
Notre Dame Ditch
Floriana



Reasoned Letter of Objection

TID: 194942 Raymond Vella & Co Ltd

Tender Reference: SPD6/2023/020

Subject: Tender for Supply and Installation of Electric Vehicle Chargers for MPWP

Dear Sir, Madam

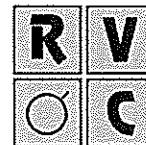
1. Introduction

- 1.1. We, Raymond Vella & Company Limited (hereinafter referred to as the "Appellant"), are writing this Reasoned Letter of Objection in connection with the tender in subject.
- 1.2. Reference is made to the letter dated 1 September 2023 (DOC. 1) sent by the Sectoral Procurement Directorate of the Department of Contracts (the "SPD") to the Appellant *inter alia* informing that the proposal submitted by the Appellant was technically non-compliant.
- 1.3. The Appellant considers the decision to be wrong. The Appellant hereby submits its appeal by means of this objection which shall set out hereunder the reasons therefor (this "Objection"). Enclosed please find a copy of the remittance advice for the deposit of €2,240.



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2. Facts

2.1. The tender document issued by the Contracting Authority requested in Section 5(C)(i) of the Instructions to Tenderers as follows:

“The Technical Offer shall constitute of:

- Submission of filled-in Technical Offer Questionnaire ^(Note 3)
- Submission of Key Experts Form, the Statement of Availability Form, the Self-declaration form for Key Experts (relating to public employees) and CVs for the following Key Experts” *[remaining text not relevant for this objection]*.

and in Section 5(C)(ii) of the Instructions to Tenders:

“Literature as per Form marked ‘Literature List’ to be submitted with the Technical offer at tendering stage. The scope of the literature is to corroborate a fully compliant technical offer. ^(Note 2)”

2.2. The Tenderer’s Technical Offer (DOC. 2) forming part of the tender documents issued by the Contracting Authority requested:

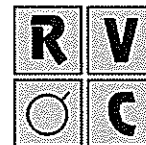
- The submission of a declaration confirming that the works will be carried out and the maintenance agreement will be provided in accordance with the Specifications (Section 3 of the Tender Document) and as detailed in the Financial Bid Form (Bills of Quantities).
- Submission of filled-in Technical Offer Questionnaire as requested and attached hereto. ^(Note 3)
- Submission of Key Experts Form, the Statement of Availability Form, the Self-declaration form for Key Experts (relating to public employees only) and CVs for the following Key Experts ^(Note 2):
- Submission of Literature as per Form marked Literature List attached hereto. ^(Note 2)

For ease of reference the Literature List is on the last page of DOC. 2.



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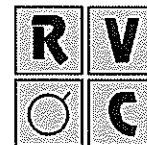
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- 2.3. The technical offer submitted by bidders is dependent on the information requested by the Contracting Authority in Section 5(C) of the Instructions to Tenderers, the Tenderer's Technical Offer form (DOC. 2) and the tender response format. The Appellant provided all the requested information in the submitted offer.
- 2.4. On 11 July 2023, the Contracting Authority sent a Request for Rectification (DOC. 3) to the Appellant, in which the Appellant was asked to confirm a series of specifications that were given in Section 3 (Specifications) of the tender document. The Appellant sent its reply to the Request for Rectification on 17 July 2023 (DOC. 4).
- 2.5. The Request for Rectification requested confirmations beyond what the tender document (Section 5(C)) or the Tenderer's Technical Offer (DOC. 2) originally requested. The specification confirmations requested in the Request for Rectification (DOC. 3) normally form part of the Technical Questionnaire in the Tenderer's Technical Offer and in case the Contracting Authority requires literature to back such specifications at tender stage, the Contracting Authority also requests that the bidder submits the model number or catalogue number and the literature of the item being offered. However, such requests need to be made in the original tender document and the Contracting Authority cannot make additional requests during the course of the evaluation.
- 2.6. The Request for Rectification, was not a clarification or rectification on information that was originally requested by the Contracting Authority to form part of the technical offer but was an extract of the specifications given in Section 3 of the tender document which the Appellant was asked to confirm. The Appellant questions whether such a Request for Rectification is in line with evaluation procedures and whether the Contracting Authority made requests that go beyond normal adjudication practice. In particular, the Appellant is raising this point as bidders were requested at tender stage to submit a declaration through the tender response format confirming that they would abide by the Tender Specifications (Section 3 of the Tender Document). The Appellant in fact confirmed its compliance with the Tender Specifications by submitting its confirmation in the tender response format. Therefore, the confirmations requested by the Contracting Authority in the Request for Rectification were already submitted by the Appellant through this declaration at tender stage.
- 2.7. Notwithstanding the points raised in 2.5 and 2.6 above, the Appellant responded in time to the Request for Rectification and in a correct manner. In fact, the Request for Rectification only asked for the confirmation of certain specifications and did not request that such confirmations are corroborated by submitting additional technical literature. The Appellant confirmed all the items (System Requirements, Other Requirements, Management Software and Mobile App) in the reply to the Request for Rectification (DOC. 4).



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- 2.8. The letter (DOC. 1) sent to the Appellant informing him that the offer was technically non-compliant listed all the requests made in the Request for Rectification with the addition of another request – 6. Warranty Obligations – which was not included in the Request for Rectification. It seems from this letter (DOC. 1) that the offer was deemed as technically non-compliant due to items in Specification Clauses 2.3 (tamper-proof), 2.10 (touchscreen) and 3.12 (5GHz frequency band), as the Appellant failed to corroborate such items with technical literature.
- 2.9. The Appellant does not agree with the decision of the Contracting Authority that the offer was technically non-compliant as the Appellant was only requested to confirm the items listed in the Request for Rectification and the Appellant provided the necessary confirmations in its reply, despite that the Appellant questions whether such a Request for Rectification was justified during the course of the evaluation process given the points already raised in 2.5 and 2.6 above.

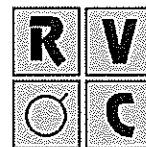
3. Conclusion

- 3.1. In view of the above, the Appellant respectfully requests the Public Contracts Review Board to:
- i. Reverse the cancellation of the Tender.
 - ii. Order the Contracting Authority to resume with the technical evaluation of the tender and to make any clarifications or rectifications, if necessary, with the Appellant.
 - iii. Inform the evaluation board that any requests for clarification or rectification on the technical offer, should be in line with the original tender requests (Instructions to Tenderers Clause 5(C) and Tenderers Technical Offer) so that the Appellant is not requested to provide information that was not originally requested in the technical offer.
- 3.2. Without prejudice to any further submissions that the Appellant may be allowed to make during the proceedings relating to the appeal forming the subject-matter of this Objection.



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Yours faithfully

Edward Grech
General Manager
Obo *Raymond Vella & Co. Ltd*

Annexes:

DOC. 1 – Letter from Contracting Authority dated 1 September 2023 informing Appellant that procurement proposal was technically non-compliant.

DOC. 2 – Tenderer's Technical Offer Form

DOC. 3 – Request for Rectification from Contracting Authority received on 11 July 2023.

DOC. 4 – Reply to Request for Rectification sent on 17 July 2023.



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Date: **1st September 2023**

Raymond Vella & Co Ltd
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SPD6/2023/020 - Tender for the Supply and Installation of Electric Vehicle Chargers for MPWP

Dear Sir/Madam,

Thank you for participating in the above-mentioned procurement procedure. However, we regret to inform you that the offer submitted was not technically compliant.

The main reasons why your procurement proposal was non-compliant are as follows:

The Evaluation Board noted that with reference to the Literature List and to Section 3 – Specifications, of the tender document, bidder was requested to:

2. SYSTEMS REQUIREMENTS

- Item 2.3 - Confirm that the model being offered 'Be fully tamper proof'.
- Item 2.4 – Confirm that 'The housing shall be of robust construction and suitable for marine environment, withstanding the harsh salt and dust laden atmosphere in the Maltese islands.'
- Item 2.10 – Indicate if medium charging pillar model offered 'Include scratchproof touchscreen display, fully visible during daylight hours and with night-time courtesy light.'
- Item 2.12 – Confirm that 'Fast charging pillars are to include fixed cables and 1 x CHAdeMO and 1 x CCS Combo2 connectors'.
- Item 2.15 – Confirm that medium charging pillar model offered 'Include emergency stop pushbuttons or other emergency devices.'
- Item 2.19 – Confirm that models offered have the facility of 'Parking Bay occupancy detection'.
- Item 2.24 – Confirm that models offered 'include AC and DC consumption metering systems to the latest relevant ISO standards or equivalent.'
- Item 2.25 – Confirm that models offered 'Have the connectivity and load management systems for possible integration with renewable sources to augment grid supply according to availability of alternative supplies.'

3. OTHER REQUIREMENTS

- Item 3.12 – Confirm that models offered include a 'Minimum WiFi connectivity of 2.4 GHz and 5 GHz bands'.
- Item 3.13 - Confirm that models offered have 'Ethernet IPsec, PPPoE, PPTP connectivity, routing facility with minimum of 5 LAN Ports (Ports: 1 WAN + 4 LAN Ports - 10/100/1000Mbps RJ45 ports).

4. MANAGEMENT SOFTWARE You are being requested to confirm that software offered includes 'remote troubleshooting'.

5. MOBILE APP You are being requested to confirm that software offered is 'fully compatible with the already government owned 'Charge my Ride app' and suitable to be managed and controlled in full by the same app'.

6. WARRANTY OBLIGATIONS You are requested to confirm that 'The Contractor shall guarantee and commit to provide a comprehensive five-year (from handing over of each EV charging pillar) warranty period covering ALL items under this contract including the software, parts and labour for each and every unit.' Bidder replied but failed to corroborate rectification for items in Specification Clauses 2.3 (tamper-proof), 2.10 (touchscreen) and 3.12 (5GHz frequency band) with technical literature. Thus, this bid was considered to be technically non-compliant.

Moreover, kindly note that this procurement procedure is being cancelled in line with Article 18.3(a) of the General Rules Governing Tenders which states that cancellation may occur where no qualitatively or financially worthwhile tender has been received or there has been no response at all.

If you intend to object to this decision, the Public Procurement Regulations allow for an official objection which in this case has to be lodged electronically with the Public Contracts Review Board by sending an email on info.pcrb@gov.mt by **12:00hrs (noon) of 11th September 2023** against a deposit of **€2,240**.

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Payments are to be made through bank transfer in terms of the following details:

Name of Account Holder	Cashier Malta Government
Name of Bank	Central Bank of Malta
Address of Bank	Castille Place, Valletta
Account Number	40001EUR-CMG5-001-H
BIC	MALT MT MT
IBAN Code	MT55MALT011000040001EURCMG5001H
Bank Code	01100

The official recommendation for cancellation schedule 'Cancellation Notice' can be accessed on the website:
www.etenders.gov.mt.

Yours sincerely,

Kathleen Pellicano (signed)
Assistant Manager
f/ Sectoral Procurement Directorate

TENDERER'S TECHNICAL OFFER

N.B. The Key Experts Form (including Self-declaration form for Key Experts and the Statement re Availability), CVs and Literature List are subject to Note 2. Any other components of the technical offer are under Note 3.

Where in this tender document a standard, brand or label is quoted, it is to be understood that the Contracting Authority will accept equivalent standards, brands or labels. However, it will be the responsibility of the respective bidders, at tendering stage, to prove that the standards they quoted are equivalent to the standards requested by the Contracting Authority.

A technical offer is to be provided by the Economic Operator in response to Technical Specifications. The submission shall be in a structured form and is to be in the same sequence as listed hereunder for ease of reference and evaluation.

DECLARATION TO BE COMPLETED BY THE BIDDER THROUGH THE EPPS

I/We declare that as part of our technical offer, we confirm that the works will be carried out and the maintenance agreement will be provided in accordance with the Specifications (Section 3 of the Tender Document) and as detailed in the Financial Bid Form (Bills of Quantities).

Furthermore, the Tenderer's Technical Offer shall constitute the following:

1. Submission of filled-in Technical Offer Questionnaire as requested and attached hereto. ^(Note 3)
2. Submission of Key Experts Form, the Statement of Availability Form, the Self-declaration form for Key Experts (relating to public employees only) and CVs for the following Key Experts ^(Note 2):
 - Key Expert 1 - Electrical Engineer as per Chapter 321 Engineering Profession Act, holding a valid warrant in the electrical field issued by the Engineering Profession Board enabling him/her to practice locally.
 - Key Expert 2 - Architect as per Chapter 390 Periti Act, holding a valid warrant issued by the Periti Warrants Board enabling him/her to practice locally.
 - Key Expert3 - Electrician in possession of an Authorisation B from the Regulator for Energy & Water Services, in accordance with 'Electrical Installations Regulations', Subsidiary Legislation 545.24.
3. Submission of Literature as per Form marked *Literature List* attached hereto ^(Note 2)

TECHNICAL OFFER QUESTIONNAIRE *(Note 3)*

Note: Where in this tender document a standard is quoted, it is to be understood that the Contracting Authority will accept equivalent standards. However, it will be the responsibility of the respective bidders, at tendering stage, to prove that the standards they quoted are equivalent to the standards requested by the Contracting Authority.

Bidders must include this form as their technical offer. This form is to be submitted online through the prescribed tender response format and by using the Tender Preparation Tool provided.

The technical offer falls under Note 3, thus, the information/technical specifications provided in the below table shall not be subject to rectifications. Therefore, bidders that fail to complete in full, submit and upload the requested information will be deemed as non-compliant and will result in disqualification of their offer.

The items being offered in the technical offer must be in conformity with the specifications requested under Section 3 - Technical Specifications and the Financial Bid Form (Bills of Quantities)

Item No.	Description of item required	Reference in Section 3 - Specifications, of the Tender Document	Description of the item being offered	Specifications of the items being offered are to be inserted next to each item in the space provided below
1.1	Medium fast EV charging pillar (2 (dual) outlets x 22kW±10%)	Spec Clauses 1, 2, 3 & 4.	The Medium fast EV charging pillar shall have: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 2 x 22kW±10% charging outlets - dual simultaneous charging (Mode-3) with Type 2 sockets - OCPP compliant - Network integration and Built-in communications (2G ; 3G ; 4G ; LAN; Wi-Fi) - Shall tamper proof and IP65 or better - Shall allow space to house the 3 phase Enemalta meter and protection switchgear at 30cm or higher from FFL. - To be controlled using an APP and RFID 	Insert Yes or No:

1.2	Medium fast EV charging pillar (2 (dual) outlets x 11kW±10%)	Spec Clauses 1, 2, 3 & 4.	<p>The Medium fast EV charging pillar shall have:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 2 x 11kW±10% charging outlets - dual simultaneous charging (Mode-3) with Type 2 sockets - OCPP compliant - Network integration and Built-in communications (2G ; 3G ; 4G ; LAN; Wi-Fi) - Shall be tamper proof and IP65 or better - Shall allow space to house the 3 phase Enemalta meter and protection switchgear at 30cm or higher from FFL. - To be controlled using an APP and RFID 	Insert Yes or No:
1.3	Fast-charging pillar (120kW ± 10%)	Spec Clauses 1, 2, 3 & 4.	<p>The Medium fast EV charging pillar shall have:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - DC charging mode 4 including fixed cables (dual outlets) - 1 off CHAdeMO and 1 off CCS Combo2 connectors. OCPP compliant - Network integration and Built-in communications (2G ; 3G ; 4G ; LAN; Wi-Fi) - Shall tamper proof and IP65 or better - To be controlled using an APP and RFID 	Insert Yes or No:

1.4	Management Software	Spec Clause 4	<p>The Management Software shall control all the EV charging points connected to it, and shall view the charging status of each and charging sessions overview, shall provide self-service access functionalities through an app, shall start and stop charging via RFID charge card, app, or browser, get remote troubleshooting and automatic firmware updates and assign stations to sites.</p> <p>It shall allow for the management of an unlimited number of users and EV charging stations on it, and shall be able to set charging fees (per kWh) for public charging, and with automatic invoicing, pre-payment, and collection for charging sessions.</p>	Insert Yes or No:
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Item No.	Description	Reference in Technical Specifications	Bidders are to insert the Manufacturer / Brand of the items being offered (as part of their technical offer Note ³). These are to be inserted next to each item in the space provided below.	Bidders are to insert the Model / Catalogue No of the items being offered (as part of their technical offer Note ³). These are to be inserted next to each item in the space provided below.
1.1	Medium fast EV charging pillar (2 (dual) outlets x 22kW±10%)	Spec Clauses 1, 2, 3 & 4.		
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1.3	Fast-charging pillar (120kW ± 10%)	Spec Clauses 1, 2, 3 & 4.		
1.4	Management Software	Spec Clause 4		

KEY EXPERTS FORM (Note 2)

Tenderers are to substantiate their claims, in respect to the proposed Key Expert/s, by complying with and submitting the following at tendering stage:

1. relevant up-to-date CVs;
2. copy of Warrant for Key Expert 1 & 2 and Authorisation B for Key Expert 3;
3. duly filled-in *Professionals Declaration form* (if applicable and as per form annexed below);
4. duly filled-in *Statement of Availability form* (as per form annexed below);
5. duly filled-in *Public Employees Declaration form* (if applicable and as per form annexed below);

Key Expert Role (professional title)	Name and Surname	Nationality	Age	Qualification Title	MQF Level (or equivalent)	Public Employee? (choose only one option)	Authorisation to practice profession in Malta
Key Expert 1: Electrical Engineer						<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Key Expert 2: Architect						<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Key Expert 3: Electrician						<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

The same person cannot be nominated for more than one role.

Qualifications required are defined with reference to the Malta Further & Higher Education Authority (MFHEA) (previously known as the Malta Qualifications Council) (<https://mfhea.mt/academic-qualifications/>).

It shall be the Tenderers' obligation to ascertain that the qualifications possessed by the Key Experts proposed by them are equivalent to the established MQF/EQF Level prior to tender submission. The Evaluation Committee reserves the right to request the determination of the Malta Further & Higher Education Authority (MFHEA) (previously known as Malta Qualifications Council (MQC)) in checking the equivalency of the qualifications, which shall be final. The Malta Qualifications Recognition Information Centre (MQRIC) is the competent body within the Malta Further and Higher Education Authority (MFHEA) (previously known as NCFHE) that recognises qualifications against the Malta Qualifications Framework (MQF) and whose portal can be accessed here <https://mfhea.mt/>.

Key Experts whose qualifications do not meet the minimum requirements in terms of equivalency, or the equivalency of which is dubious or cannot be determined, shall be rejected.

STATEMENT OF AVAILABILITY (Note 2)

TO BE COMPLETED BY EACH INDIVIDUAL KEY EXPERT IF REQUIRED

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I, the undersigned, hereby declare my availability in the above-mentioned tender procedure in case of award. I further declare that I am able and willing to work for the period(s) foreseen for the position, even if there are delays in the conclusion of Contracts beyond the validity of offers, for which my CV has been included in the event that this tender is successful.

I confirm that during the implementation stage of this contract I will not be engaged in another project in a position which will prevent me from providing the services for which I am being nominated for this tender.

Furthermore, should this tenderer be successful, I am fully aware that if I am not available at the expected start date of my services for reasons other than ill-health or *force majeure*, I may be subject to exclusion from other tender procedures and contracts and that the notification of award of contract to the tenderer may be rendered null and void.

Name and Surname of Key Expert:

Signature:

Name of Tenderer:

Date:

PUBLIC EMPLOYEES DECLARATION FORM (Note 2)

TO BE COMPLETED BY EACH INDIVIDUAL KEY EXPERT/PERSONNEL WHO IS EMPLOYED WITH THE PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

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I, the undersigned, hereby declare that I do not have any Conflict of Interest as defined in the Public Administration Act, Chapter 595 of the Laws of Malta - First Schedule, Code of Ethics, Article 5.

I also declare that, I am not engaged in another project or in a position which may give rise to a possible private or personal interest sufficient to influence or appear to influence the objective exercise of my duties as public employee.

By making this declaration, I understand that as a public employee I shall avoid any financial or other interest or undertaking, which could directly or indirectly compromise the performance of my duties as public employee.

I am fully aware that the onus to disclose any possible conflict of interest lies solely on me and I shall be responsible to disclose any foreseen conflict of interest to my seniors/head of organization within one week from when the need arises as well as inform the Contractor accordingly.

In addition, as per the requirements of Article 6.2.3.1 (Private Work) of the Public Service Management Code (PSMC), I also declare that the necessary approval from the respective Permanent Secretary or the Chairperson/CEO as the case may be has been sought, thus granting the undersigned permission to engage in business outside my official duties.

Furthermore, I confirm that I shall also abide by the provisions laid down in Article 21 - Ethics Clauses of the General Rules Governing Tendering.

Name and Surname of Key Expert:

Signature:

Date:

PROFESSIONALS DECLARATION FORM (Note 2)

TO BE COMPLETED BY TENDERERS WHOSE PROPOSED KEY EXPERT/S IS/ARE NOT YET IN POSSESSION OF A FORMAL APPROVAL TO PRACTICE THE RELEVANT PROFESSION IN MALTA.

I, the undersigned, hereby declare and commit myself to, in case of award, provide the Contracting Authority (CA) with the necessary valid documentation which attests that the proposed Key Expert/s has/have been duly authorised by the relevant official body to operate the requested and indicated profession in Malta. I also confirm that the aforementioned documentation shall be made available to the CA within one (1) month from notification of contract award (letter to successful bidder) date.

In addition to the aforesaid, if the named authorisation is not made available within the stipulated timeframe, the Key Expert/s being proposed shall be substituted without further delay (within 2 working days from notification). The alternative Key Expert proposed shall:

- i. for CfTs carrying BPQR award criteria: fulfil or exceed the qualifications of the one proposed at tender submission stage;
- ii. for CfTs carrying Price/Cost award criteria: fulfil or exceed the minimum qualifications requested in the relevant Procurement Documents.

Name of Tenderer:

Signature:

Date:

LITERATURE LIST (Note 2)

List of literature to be submitted by the bidder to corroborate the technical offer/ declaration;
(Note 2)

Item	Description
1.1	Medium fast EV charging pillar (2 (dual) outlets x 22kW±10%)
1.2	Medium fast EV charging pillar (2 (dual) outlets x 11kW±10%)
1.3	Fast-charging pillar (120kW ± 10%)
1.4	Management Software



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Tender for the Supply and Installation of Electric Vehicle Chargers for MPWP

Reference is made to the tender in caption, and to your offer submission to same.

The Evaluation Committee noted the following shortcomings with regards to your submission:

With reference to the Literature List and to Section 3 – Specifications, of the tender document, you are being requested to:

2. SYSTEMS REQUIREMENTS

1. Item 2.3 - Confirm that the model being offered 'Be fully tamper proof'.
2. Item 2.4 – Confirm that 'The housing shall be of robust construction and suitable for marine environment, withstanding the harsh salt and dust laden atmosphere in the Maltese islands.'
3. Item 2.6 – Confirm that models offered are 'fully compatible with IEC 61000 EMC or equivalent for residential and industrial zones'.
4. Item 2.7 – Confirm that models offered 'support CCS, CHAdeMO and Type 2 charging'.
5. Item 2.10 – Indicate if medium charging pillar model offered 'Include scratchproof touchscreen display, fully visible during daylight hours and with night time courtesy light.'
6. Item 2.15 – Confirm that medium charging pillar model offered 'Include emergency stop pushbuttons or other emergency devices.'
7. Item 2.17 – Confirm that models offered have the facility so that 'Authorisation shall be done using an App and RFID {the general public would be allowed to use the EV chargers using the App while MPWP employees will be using their access cards}.'
8. Item 2.19 – Confirm that models offered have the facility of 'Parking Bay occupancy detection'.
9. Item 2.20 – Confirm that 'Load management for local site integrated clusters' is included in the models offered.
10. Item 2.24 – Confirm that models offered 'include AC and DC consumption metering systems to the latest relevant ISO standards or equivalent.'
11. Item 2.25 – Confirm that models offered 'Have the connectivity and load management systems for possible integration with renewable sources to augment grid supply according to availability of alternative supplies.'
12. Item 2.26 – Confirm that models offered 'Shall be upgradeable with upcoming technologies such as plug & charge'.

3. OTHER REQUIREMENTS

1. Item 3.4 – Confirm that models for medium chargers ‘include space to house (inside them) a TPN energy meter to be supplied and installed by Enemalta.’
2. Item 3.10 – Confirm that models ‘have the ability to integrate CCTV cameras (or ANPR cameras for number plate recognition). Additionally, they need to be able to support IoT sensors’.
3. Item 3.11 – Confirm that models offered include ‘IoT connectivity protocols with 4G as a minimum’.
4. Item 3.12 – Confirm that models offered include a ‘Minimum WiFi connectivity of 2.4 GHz and 5 GHz bands’.
5. Item 3.13 - Confirm that models offered have ‘Ethernet IPsec, PPPoE, PPTP connectivity, routing facility with minimum of 5 LAN Ports (Ports: 1 WAN + 4 LAN Ports - 10/100/1000Mbps RJ45 ports).

4. MANAGEMENT SOFTWARE

You are being requested to confirm that software offered includes ‘remote troubleshooting’.

5. MOBILE APP

You are being requested to confirm that software offered is ‘fully compatible with the already government owned ‘Charge my Ride app’ and suitable to be managed and controlled in full by the same app’.

You are being requested to rectify your position by submitting the above requested missing information in order to corroborate your technical offer.

In terms of Article 5 of the Instructions to Tenderers, you are hereby being given the opportunity to rectify these shortcomings within five (5) working days of notification, as per the stipulated deadline as stated in the Electronic Public Procurement (ePPS).

Tenderers who fail to rectify the shortcomings identified in this communication shall be deemed to be non-compliant.

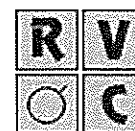
The requested documents in the rectification are to be submitted through the appropriate Electronic Public Procurement (ePPS) module.

This rectification opportunity is being sent without any commitment whatsoever on the part of the Contracting Authority and does not imply that your offer will be accepted as it may still be deemed administratively, technically or financially non-compliant during the evaluation process.

Best regards,

Tender Evaluation Committee

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Replies to Clarifications

Section 2 System Requirements:

Clarification	1.0	Item 2.3 - Confirm that the model being offered 'Be fully tamper proof
<i>Reply</i>		Yes we confirm
Clarification	2.0	Item 2.4 – Confirm that 'The housing shall be of robust construction and suitable for marine environment, withstanding the harsh salt and dust laden atmosphere in the Maltese islands.'
<i>Reply</i>		Yes we confirm
Clarification	3.0	Item 2.6 – Confirm that models offered are 'fully compatible with IEC 61000 EMC or equivalent for residential and industrial zones'
<i>Reply</i>		Yes we confirm
Clarification	4.0	Item 2.7 – Confirm that models offered 'support CCS, CHAdEMO and Type 2 charging'.
<i>Reply</i>		Yes we confirm
Clarification	5.0	Item 2.10 – Indicate if medium charging pillar model offered 'Include scratchproof touchscreen display, fully visible during daylight hours and with night time courtesy light.'
<i>Reply</i>		Yes we confirm
Clarification	6.0	Item 2.15 – Confirm that medium charging pillar model offered 'Include emergency stop pushbuttons or other emergency devices.'
<i>Reply</i>		Yes we confirm
Clarification	7.0	Item 2.17 – Confirm that models offered have the facility so that 'Authorisation shall be done using an App and RFID {the general public would be allowed to use the EV chargers using the App while MPWP employees will be using their access cards}.'
<i>Reply</i>		Yes we confirm
Clarification	8.0	Item 2.19 – Confirm that models offered have the facility of 'Parking Bay occupancy detection'
<i>Reply</i>		Yes we confirm
Clarification	9.0	Item 2.20 – Confirm that 'Load management for local site integrated clusters' is included in the models offered.
<i>Reply</i>		Yes we confirm
Clarification	10.0	Item 2.24 – Confirm that models offered 'include AC and DC consumption metering systems to the latest relevant ISO standards or equivalent.'
<i>Reply</i>		Yes we confirm
Clarification	11.0	Item 2.25 – Confirm that models offered 'Have the connectivity and load management systems for possible integration with renewable sources to augment grid supply according to availability of alternative supplies.'
<i>Reply</i>		Yes we confirm
Clarification	12.0	Item 2.26 – Confirm that models offered 'Shall be upgradeable with upcoming technologies such as plug & charge'.
<i>Reply</i>		Yes we confirm

Section 3 Other Requirements:		
Clarification	1.0	Item 3.4 – Confirm that models for medium chargers ‘include space to house (inside them) a TPN energy meter to be supplied and installed by Enemalta.’
Reply		Yes we confirm
Clarification	2.0	Item 3.10 – Confirm that models ‘have the ability to integrate CCTV cameras (or ANPR cameras for number plate recognition). Additionally, they need to be able to support IoT sensors’.
Reply		Yes we confirm
Clarification	3.0	Item 3.11 – Confirm that models offered include ‘IoT connectivity protocols with 4G as a minimum’.
Reply		Yes we confirm
Clarification	4.0	Item 3.12 – Confirm that models offered include a ‘Minimum WiFi connectivity of 2.4 GHz and 5 GHz bands’.
Reply		Yes we confirm
Clarification	5.0	Item 3.13 - Confirm that models offered have ‘Ethernet IPSec, PPPoE, PPTP connectivity, routing facility with minimum of 5 LAN Ports (Ports: 1 WAN + 4 LAN Ports - 10/100/1000Mbps RJ45 ports).
Reply		Yes we confirm
Section 4 Management Software		
Clarification		You are being requested to confirm that software offered includes ‘remote troubleshooting’.
Reply		Yes we confirm
Section 5 Mobile App		
Clarification		You are being requested to confirm that software offered is ‘fully compatible with the already government owned ‘Charge my Ride app’ and suitable to be managed and controlled in full by the same app’.
Reply		Yes we confirm

Transaction details

Payer's name:	RAYMOND VELLA & CO. LTD
Beneficiary name:	CASHIER MALTA GOVERNMENT
Relation:	Technical Services
Reason:	Other
Payment details:	OBJECTION FEE RE TENDER SPD6/2023/020
Currency:	EUR - Euro
Beneficiary IBAN/Account:	MT55MALT011000040001EURCMG5001H
Beneficiary IBAN/Account type:	Valid IBAN of country - Malta
Bank name:	Other bank
Bank address / Bank's BIC:	Let the bank apply the beneficiary bank BIC
Beneficiary address:	No
From account:	Payroll 63100 (EUR) 4001659732 1
Charges should be paid by:	Shared - I pay BOV charges; CASHIER MALTA GOVERNMENT pays the beneficiary bank charges
Amount:	EUR 2,240.00
BOV to transfer the money:	as soon as possible
Receiving bank to get the money as:	normal priority payment
Saved template:	no

Additional information

Credit amount:	EUR 2,240.00
Debited amount (excluding charges):	EUR 2,240.00
Estimated amount to be withdrawn from account:	EUR 2,244.00
Transaction charge:	EUR 4.00

Transaction result

Status:	Your instructions have been processed successfully.
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