Part I - Lodging of Tender

1. Paper-based Tendering

- 1.1 A tender shall be properly completed and enclosed in a sealed plain envelope without any identification of the name of the Tenderer and without any indication which may relate the Tenderer to a particular contractor/ supplier/ service provider, and addressed to the Chairman, Central Tender Board, and placed in the Government Secretariat Tender Box situated at the Lobby of the Public Entrance on the Ground Floor, East Wing, Central Government Offices, 2 Tim Mei Avenue, Tamar, Hong Kong **before 12:00 noon on 1 February 2019.**
- 1.2 Without prejudice to the Government's powers under Clause 19 of the Conditions of Tender, a late tender OR a tender not deposited in the Tender Box mentioned in Paragraph 1.1 above, including a tender submitted by facsimile or e-mail, will <u>not</u> be considered.

2. Notes to Tenderers

- 2.1 The duly completed tender proposals together with the documents/information required in the Tender Documents must be deposited in the Tender Box mentioned in Paragraph 1.1 above on or before the Tender Closing Date.
- 2.2 If the alteration to an offer already submitted is made before the Tender Closing Date, a Tenderer shall send a revised offer with the confirmation to replace the original offer.

3. Tender Closing Time in case of Tropical Cyclone/Rainstorm

In case Tropical Cyclone Warning Signal No. 8 or above is hoisted or a Black Rainstorm Warning Signal is in force for any duration between 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon on the Tender Closing Date, the Tender Closing Date will be extended to 12:00 noon on the next working day.

4. Tenderers' Enquiries

4.1 Any enquiries from a prospective Tenderer on the tender details up to the date of the Tenderer lodging its Tender with the Government shall be made in writing to:

Director of Marine Government New Construction Section, Government Dockyard, Ngong Shung Road, Stonecutters Island, Shamshuipo, Hong Kong. (Attn.: Senior Surveyor/Government New Construction (2)) Facsimile: (852) 2746 0518 4.2 After lodging a Tender with the Government, a Tenderer shall not attempt to initiate any further contact, whether direct or indirect, with the Government on its Tender or the Tender Documents. The Government shall have the sole right to initiate any such further contact and all such contacts and any replies of the Tenderer thereto shall be in writing or formally documented in writing.

NOTE: THIS TENDER IS COVERED BY THE AGREEMENT ON GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT OF THE WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION.

INTERPRETATION

Throughout the Tender Documents, unless the context otherwise requires:

"desirable specifications" (upper or lower case)	means those specifications in Part VII of the Tender Documents which are labelled [D];		
"Essential Requirements"	means those requirements set out in Annex C to the Conditions of Tender and the specifications set out in Part VII of the Tender Documents and those set out elsewhere in the Tender Documents which are identified as essential and/or where it is expressly provided that a Tenderer's failure to comply by the Tender Closing Date will lead to the Tenderer's tender not being considered further;		
"Government"	means the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China;		
"Government Representative"	means the Director of Marine acting for and on behalf of the Government or any officer authorised to act on their behalf for the purposes of the Contract;		
"Hong Kong" or "HKSAR"	means the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China;		
"Invitation to Tender"	means this Government's invitation to tender for the Contract on the terms and conditions set out in these Tender Documents;		
"Non-collusive Tendering Certificate"	means a document known as such and in the form set out in Part VIII of the Tender Documents for completion and submission by the Tenderer as part of its Tender under Clause 4.1(e) of the Conditions of Tender.		
"Original Tender Closing Date"	means the date specified in Part I - Lodging of Tender by which a tender must be lodged (regardless of any subsequent extension);		
"Tender Closing Date"	means the date and time specified in the "Lodging of Tender" as the latest date and time before which tenders must be deposited with the Government, and as such date and time may be extended in accordance with Paragraph 3 of the Lodging of Tender;		
"Tender Documents"	means the documents issued by the Government in connection with this Invitation to Tender, namely:		
	Part ILodging of Tender;Part IIConditions of Tender and Annexes A to C;Part IIIArticles of Agreement;Part IVConditions of Contract and Annexes A to C,Part VSchedules 1 to 9;Part VIOffer to be Bound;		

	Part VII	Technical Specifications and Annexes 1 to 8; and	
	Part VIII	Non-collusive Tendering Certificate;	
	together with all the respective annexes, attachments, appendices, schedules and annexures to any of the above specified documents (if any). Unless otherwise defined, each of the above documents constituting the Tender Documents or the Contract (as the case may be) shall be referred to by their names and/or the relevant Part number of the Tender Documents as specified above;		
"Tenderer"	means a person with capacity to contract which submits a tender in response to this Invitation to Tender;		
"time"	all references	to time refer to Hong Kong time;	
"working day"	defined in the (Cap. 1 of the Tropical Cycl or a Black Rai	ay to Friday other than a public holiday (as Interpretation and General Clauses Ordinance e Laws of Hong Kong)) or a day on which the one Warning Signal No. 8 or above is hoisted instorm Warning Signal is in force for any time o 17:00 in Hong Kong; and	
"WTO GPA"	means the Agreement on Government Procurement of the World Trade Organization.		