

**Clarifications to the Official Journal of the European Union Notices 2017/C 411/04 & 2017/C 411/05, announcing the corresponding International call for Tenders for granting and using Authorizations for the exploration and exploitation hydrocarbons in Maritime Areas to the South-West and to the West of Crete (Blocks 'South-West Crete' and 'West Crete') and to the West of Greece ('Ionian' Block)**

**About Articles 3.1.2 of the Tender Invitations: "APPLICATION FEES"**

- a. Could you please clarify the procedure to be followed to pay the 5000€ Application Fee per block? We cannot find it on HHRM S.A.'s website.

The 5.000€ (euro) Application Fee is per Block Application. This amount has to be deposited in the HHRM's account, the number of which will be provided after an e-mail request. For the European Union countries you have to provide the Intracommunity VAT number of the company, which will be included in the invoice to be issued by HHRM.

**About Articles 3.6 of the Tender Invitations: "SUBMISSIONS OF APPLICATIONS"**

- b. Can you please confirm that under the current tendering procedures, offers may be submitted in the period up to Friday the 2<sup>nd</sup> of March 2018 which is the day we calculate as being "90 days after the date of publication of the Notices of the Calls for Tenders in the Official Journal of the European Union" (on 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2017)?

The deadline expires on Monday, 5th of March 2018.

- c. Could you please clarify until what time on Friday the 2<sup>nd</sup> of March 2018 offers may be submitted? Will it be 15:00pm local time?

Offers shall be submitted to HHRM's protocol until 17:00 pm, Greek time.

- d. Under the current tendering procedures, offers shall be submitted by courier or by hand, in Greek or English, in three copies, to the following address:

*Hellenic Hydrocarbons Resources Management S.A.  
(to the attention of Mr. Yiannis Bassias, President & CEO)  
119, Mesogion Avenue,  
10192, ATHENS – GREECE*

Is this address still correct as we know HHRM has moved to new offices?

Offers may be submitted to the new address of HHRM premises which is the following: 18, Dim. Margari Street, P.C. 115 25, Athens, Greece

- d. How will the acknowledgement of each offer (indicating time and date of receipt) be made by HHRM?

Will it be by fax or e-mail to the APPLICANTS ? Will a Reference Number be provided?

HHRM shall provide a protocol (reference) number for each Application.

**About Articles 3.7.2 (B) and Annex D of the Tender Invitations : “FORM OF BID GUARANTEE”**

- e. Could you please clarify who is to be the Beneficiary of the Bid Guarantee? Is it HHRM alone? (in previous Calls for Tenders there were 2 beneficiaries: HHRM and the Ministry).

**Beneficiary of the Bid Guarantee shall be exclusively HHRM.**

- f. Could you please clarify until what date the Bid Guarantee is to be valid, as this not written in the text of the Form of the Bid Guarantee?

**According to the Call for Tenders (Declaration), the Applications must be valid for 180 days with the possibility of an extension. Thus, the Bid Guarantee must remain valid initially for 180 days, with the possibility of extension when and if the Application shall be extended accordingly.**