Vadodara Gas Limited
Replies to Bidder's Queries-Additional

SUBJECT: Transportation of Natural Gas in compressed form for VGL CNG Mother stations to Daughter Booster Stations through 09 Nos. 9024 WL or above capacity Mobile Cascades for a period of 36 months on ARC Basis
TENDER NO.: VGL/CO/C&P-CNG/BD202610S383 Dated 23/10/2026 & **TENDER ID:** 358309.

Sl. No.	Subject	Bidder's Query	VGL's Reply
1	-	With reference to your response to Query No. 7, wherein it has been clarified that the manufacturing date of the cascades shall be after the issuance of the Letter of Award (LOA), we would like to request reconsideration of this condition. The Type-3 cascade technology was introduced in 2019, and as per PESO guidelines, the permissible service life of a cascade is 20 years, subject to compliance with applicable safety standards and valid hydrotesting requirements. Considering the above, restricting the manufacturing date of cascades to after the issuance of LOA may unnecessarily limit the participation of eligible bidders and increase the project cost. We therefore request you to kindly consider allowing Type-3 cascades manufactured in 2019 or thereafter, provided that the cascades are in good working condition, have valid hydrotesting certificates, and comply with all applicable PESO guidelines and safety requirements. we also attached the guidelines about cascade's life. We kindly request you to reconsider and amend the said condition accordingly.	OK Noted, however at the time of vehicle deployment, all necessary permissions for cascade filling shall be obtained by the contractor. Further, the cascade cylinder validity shall remain valid throughout the contract period, and a valid hydrostatic test certificate shall be mandatory
2	-	Query No. 7 as per Prebid Reply Existing Clause: "The manufacturing date of the cascades shall be after the issuance of the Letter of Award (LOA)."	OK Noted, however at the time of vehicle deployment, all necessary permissions for cascade filling shall be obtained by the contractor.

		Our Request: We kindly request the Authority to reconsider this clause for the following reasons: • Long service life: Cascades have a service life of about 20 years as per Petroleum and Explosives Safety Organisation (PESO) Guidelines, so a brand-new cascades requirement is not necessary for the project's operational life. • Imported equipment: Cascades are generally imported in India. Manufacturing, shipping, customs clearance, and inspection take considerable time, so a manufacturing date after LOA may not be achievable within the project timeline. • Periodic hydrostatic testing: Cylinders are hydrostatically tested every three years. Cylinders that meet the prescribed standards and pass periodic testing are safe for use. Cylinders are Petroleum and Explosives Safety Organisation (PESO) License approved. • Cost and competitiveness: Requiring brand-new cascades would significantly increase the project cost and may prevent bidders from offering competitive rates. Our request is if any bidder wants to provide old CNG Cascades then you allow them with hydrotest certificates.	Further, the cascade cylinder validity shall remain valid throughout the contract period, and a valid hydrostatic test certificate shall be mandatory

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