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SUBJECT: Procurement of 80,000 Nos. of Domestic for Diaphragm Meter on ARC for a period of 02 Years.

TENDER NO.: VGL/CO/C&P-PNG/BD202606P327 Dated 10/06/2026 & **TENDER ID:** 313134.

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| 1 | Contract Validity | <p>We understand that the tender quantity of 80,000 gas meters is proposed to be distributed among four bidders. Accordingly, the quantity allocated to each bidder would be limited, while the ARC period has been kept as two years.</p> <p>In this regard, we request you to kindly consider reducing the ARC period from 2 years to 6 months or 1 year. The gas meter industry is currently experiencing significant volatility in raw material prices, particularly for imported components. In addition, the EUR to INR exchange rate has been fluctuating considerably, making it difficult for manufacturers to maintain firm pricing over an extended period of two years.</p> <p>Considering the limited quantity allocation per bidder and the uncertainty in raw material and foreign exchange costs, a shorter ARC period of 6 months or 1 year would enable bidders to offer more competitive and realistic prices while ensuring uninterrupted supplies throughout the contract period.</p> <p>We request your kind consideration of the above and amendment of the ARC period accordingly</p> | Tender Condition Prevails. |
| 2 | Confirm the Lot sizes | <p>The tender document does not define the minimum and maximum lot size for individual call-offs/releases under the ARC.</p> <p>To facilitate production planning, procurement of raw materials, inventory management, and timely deliveries, we request you to kindly specify the minimum and maximum lot size per release order/call-off under the contract.</p> | The quantity under each release order/call-off shall be based on VGL's actual requirement during the contract period. No minimum or maximum lot size can be defined at this stage, but VGL may be procure 50% qty of ARC order in part purchase order – 1. However, bidders shall quote considering the tendered quantity and delivery requirements specified in the tender document. |



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| | | <p>Clear visibility of the lot sizes will enable bidders to accurately assess manufacturing capacities and optimize logistics. It will also help avoid any ambiguity during contract execution.</p> <p>We request you to kindly clarify and define the minimum and maximum lot size in the tender document.</p> | |
| 3 | Time Interval between two Dos | <p>The tender document does not specify the minimum time interval between two consecutive Delivery Orders (DOs). Considering the time required for procurement of raw materials, production planning, manufacturing, testing, and logistics, we request that a minimum gap of six (6) weeks be maintained between two consecutive DOs. This will enable suppliers to plan resources effectively, ensure consistent product quality, and meet delivery commitments without disruption. Defining a minimum interval between DOs will also facilitate smoother contract execution and supply chain management throughout the contract period. We request you to kindly incorporate the above provision in the tender conditions.</p> | <p>The quantity under each Delivery Order (DO) and the interval between successive DOs shall be based on VGL's actual requirement during the contract period. No minimum lot size or fixed frequency of Delivery Orders can be committed at this stage.</p> |
| 4 | All Meters shall have an in-built reverse flow & reverse count restrictor. The end connection shall be protected by Plastic caps. | <p>We understand that both reverse flow and reverse count restrictors are required with meter. Kindly confirm.</p> | <p>As per the Technical Specification, in-built reverse flow prevention along with reverse count restrictor is required. This 'requirement shall prevail over the data sheet. The bidder shall comply accordingly.</p> |
| 5 | <p>100 % payment within 60 Days of raising of the Invoice value with taxes and duties will be paid progressively after adjustment against PRS and against submission of invoice (as per GST Act/ Law) in triplicate along with:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Invoice in compliance with GST law in force and Purchase Order No.2. Test Certificates from Govt. Authorized Lab3. Inspection release note/ Third Party Inspection (TPI) Clearance certificate4. Copy of ARC/ Purchase Order | <p>Considering the current market scenario and the accelerated rollout of gas connections under PNGRB directives, the demand for gas meters has increased substantially across the industry. To meet the required delivery schedules, manufacturers are required to make significant upfront investments in raw materials, production planning, and inventory management, resulting in increased working capital requirements and cash flow commitments.</p> <p>In view of the above, we request you to consider a payment term of 50% advance payment along with the Purchase Order,</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">Tender Condition Prevails.</p> |



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| | <p>5. Original GR/LR 6. Packaging List 7. Warrantee/ Guarantee Certificate 8. Copy of CPBG against Security Deposit</p> | <p>with the balance 50% payable within 15 days upon supply of the material and submission of the required documents.</p> <p>This arrangement will enable us to ensure timely procurement of raw materials, maintain production schedules, and support uninterrupted deliveries against the order.</p> | |
| <p>6</p> | <p>PRICE REDUCTION SCHEDULE PRS @ 0.5% per complete week of delay or part thereof subject to the maximum @ 5% of total order value excluding GST. Date of receipt of material shall be treated as the date of delivery. In case of delay in delivery on the part of Seller, the invoice/ document value shall be reduced proportionately for the delay and payment shall be released accordingly.</p> | <p>We request that PRS should be applicable only on the undelivered portion of the order value and not on the total order value, particularly in cases where a substantial quantity has already been supplied within the stipulated delivery schedule.</p> <p>Accordingly, we request that the PRS clause be revised as follows:</p> <p><i>"PRS shall be levied @ 0.5% per complete week of delay or part thereof on the value of the undelivered quantity, subject to a maximum of 5% of the value of the undelivered quantity, excluding GST."</i></p> <p>This approach is equitable and in line with standard industry practice, as it proportionately penalizes only the delayed portion of the supply while recognizing timely deliveries already made by the supplier.</p> <p>We request your kind consideration and amendment of the PRS clause accordingly.</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">Noted & confirmed</p> |
| <p>7</p> | <p>The Vendor shall provide a calibration certificate and accuracy at MAOP of the Domestic Gas Meter for the following flow rates (As per EN 1359 latest / OIML): Qmin, 0.1Qmax, Qmax</p> | <p>As per the standard and industry practice the accuracy testing is being done at operating pressure (20 to 30 mBar) and not at MAOP, whereas leak testing will be done at 1.5 times of MAOP. Request you to kindly review and accept</p> | <p>Accepted. Accuracy testing shall be carried out at the operating pressure as per the applicable EN 1359 / OIML standard requirements. Leak testing shall be conducted at 1.5 times the maximum allowable operating pressure (MAOP), as specified in the tender.</p> |



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| 8 | <p>100% Inspection by Manufacturer and 2% Inspection by TPIA</p> | <p>The sampling quantity specified in the tender QAP is 2% of the offered lot quantity.</p> <p>We request you to kindly permit inspection sampling as per the provisions of IS 2500 (Sampling Procedures and Tables for Inspection by Attributes), following the Single Sampling Plan for Normal Inspection – Inspection Level I. This sampling methodology is a widely accepted industry standard and is followed by several CGD companies and inspection agencies for acceptance testing of supplied materials.</p> <p>Accordingly, we propose that the sample size be selected as per IS 2500 Table 1 – Level I, based on the applicable batch size, instead of adopting a fixed sampling percentage of 2%. Also, please find attached QAP from latest tender From Gail (India) Limited for your reference.</p> <table border="1" style="margin-left: auto; margin-right: auto;"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="6" style="text-align: center;">Annexure A:</th> </tr> <tr> <th colspan="6" style="text-align: center;">Single sampling plans for normal inspection</th> </tr> <tr> <th colspan="6" style="text-align: center;">As per IS 2500 Standard Table 1 - Level 1</th> </tr> <tr> <th style="text-align: center;">Sl. No.</th> <th style="text-align: center;">Batch Size</th> <th style="text-align: center;">Sample Size</th> <th style="text-align: center;">Sl. No.</th> <th style="text-align: center;">Batch Size</th> <th style="text-align: center;">Sample Size</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">1</td> <td style="text-align: center;">2 to 15</td> <td style="text-align: center;">2</td> <td style="text-align: center;">6</td> <td style="text-align: center;">281 to 500</td> <td style="text-align: center;">20</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">2</td> <td style="text-align: center;">16 to 25</td> <td style="text-align: center;">3</td> <td style="text-align: center;">7</td> <td style="text-align: center;">501 to 1200</td> <td style="text-align: center;">32</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">3</td> <td style="text-align: center;">26 to 90</td> <td style="text-align: center;">5</td> <td style="text-align: center;">8</td> <td style="text-align: center;">1201 to 3200</td> <td style="text-align: center;">50</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">4</td> <td style="text-align: center;">91 to 150</td> <td style="text-align: center;">8</td> <td style="text-align: center;">9</td> <td style="text-align: center;">3201 to 10000</td> <td style="text-align: center;">80</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">5</td> <td style="text-align: center;">151 to 280</td> <td style="text-align: center;">13</td> <td style="text-align: center;">10</td> <td style="text-align: center;">10001 to 35000</td> <td style="text-align: center;">125</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> | Annexure A: | | | | | | Single sampling plans for normal inspection | | | | | | As per IS 2500 Standard Table 1 - Level 1 | | | | | | Sl. No. | Batch Size | Sample Size | Sl. No. | Batch Size | Sample Size | 1 | 2 to 15 | 2 | 6 | 281 to 500 | 20 | 2 | 16 to 25 | 3 | 7 | 501 to 1200 | 32 | 3 | 26 to 90 | 5 | 8 | 1201 to 3200 | 50 | 4 | 91 to 150 | 8 | 9 | 3201 to 10000 | 80 | 5 | 151 to 280 | 13 | 10 | 10001 to 35000 | 125 | <p>Inspection and sampling shall be carried out as per the QAP and tender requirements. The sampling quantity specified in the tender document shall prevail.</p> |
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| 9 | <p>The box containing the individual gas meter shall contain the details of the installation and servicing operating instructions, and the same shall be written in the English language. They shall include all relevant information and the following in particular:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Instruction manual and Test certificates - Installation, Operation and service - Mounting position & instruction | <p>We will provide consolidated calibration certificate/report for all supplied gas meter in scanned/pdf copy during dispatch and all other information to be mentioned in Operating manual (hard copy) with in the master box Please accept</p> | <p>Accepted. A consolidated calibration certificate/report in scanned/ PDF format may be submitted during dispatch. The operating manual and other relevant information may be provided within the master box. However, all documentation requirements specified in the tender shall be complied with.</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |



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| | <p>- The maximum and minimum operating temperatures - Maximum operating pressure</p> | | |
| 10 | | <p>We would like to respectfully submit that, as per the latest Legal Metrology notifications and prevailing Gazette provisions under the Legal Metrology (Government Approved Test Centre) framework, the implementation of GATC requirements for gas meters is presently kept on hold up to 30-Sep-2026, and accordingly GATC certification charges are presently not applicable during this period.</p> <p>However, post 30-Sep-2026, if GATC verification / certification becomes applicable as per the revised statutory requirement, the corresponding GATC charges, verification fees, and associated compliance costs shall become payable for the supplied meters as per applicable Legal Metrology provisions and Government notifications.</p> <p>Since the tender document does not specify the commercial treatment of such GATC certification charges applicable after 30-Sep-2026, there remains uncertainty regarding the responsibility for payment of these statutory charges during the contract period.</p> <p>In view of the above, we kindly request VGL to clarify and confirm how GATC verification and certification charges, if applicable after 30-Sep-2026, shall be reimbursed / paid, as the same are statutory compliance costs beyond the standard meter supply scope and are subject to Government notification and regulatory enforcement.</p> <p>We request VGL to kindly confirm whether such GATC charges shall be payable separately on actual basis against documentary evidence.</p> | <p>Noted. As per the prevailing Government notification, GATC requirements are presently deferred up to 30.09.2026. Accordingly, bidders are not required to consider GATC verification/certification charges applicable beyond 30.09.2026 in their quoted rates. If GATC requirements become applicable during the contract period pursuant to any Government notification, the same shall be dealt with separately as per the applicable statutory provisions and VGL's policy prevailing at that time.</p> |



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| | | We trust the above shall be considered favorably and request your kind clarification. | |
| 11 | <p>10. Notwithstanding anything contained herein:</p> <p>a) The Bank's liability under this Guarantee shall not exceed (currency in figures) (currency in words only).</p> <p>b) This Guarantee shall remain in force upto (this date should be expiry date of defect liability period / guarantee period of the Contract) and any extension(s) thereof; and</p> <p>c) The Bank shall be released and discharged from all liability under this Guarantee unless a written claim or demand is issued to the Bank on or before the midnight of (indicate date of expiry of claim period which includes minimum 03 months from the expiry of this Bank Guarantee) and if extended, the date of expiry of the last extension of this Guarantee. If a claim has been received by us within the said date, all the rights of VGL under this Guarantee shall be valid and shall not cease until we have satisfied that claim.</p> | <p>Clause 10 begins with the phrase "Notwithstanding anything contained herein", which gives overriding effect to the provisions of this clause over all other terms and conditions of the Bank Guarantee.</p> <p>We respectfully submit that the liability, validity, and claim period of the Bank Guarantee are already clearly defined in sub-clauses (a), (b), and (c). Therefore, the inclusion of the "Notwithstanding" provision is not necessary and may create ambiguity regarding the interpretation of other clauses of the Bank Guarantee.</p> <p>Accordingly, we request that the words "Notwithstanding anything contained herein" be deleted and Clause 10 be revised to read as follows:</p> <p>"The Bank's liability under this Guarantee shall not exceed..."</p> <p>This modification will maintain clarity and consistency in the Bank Guarantee while preserving the intended limits of liability, validity period, and claim period.</p> <p>We request your kind consideration and amendment of the clause accordingly.</p> | <p>The Clause 10 "Notwithstanding" provision to ensure that the limits and conditions specified therein—namely the Bank's maximum liability, validity period, and claim period—prevail over any other provisions of the Bank Guarantee in case of any inconsistency.</p> <p>While sub-clauses (a), (b), and (c) clearly define the liability, validity, and claim period, the inclusion of the overriding language is a standard and prudent legal practice. It eliminates any potential ambiguity and safeguards the enforceability of these critical parameters irrespective of other clauses.</p> |
| 12 | <p>7. All Meters shall have an in-built reverse flow & reverse count restrictor. The end connection shall be protected by Plastic caps.</p> <p>Reverse Flow Deterrents - Reverse count restrictor to be provided. Reverse rotation of the index is not allowed.</p> | <p>As per technical specification the inbuilt reverse flow is required whereas in data sheet only reverse counter is mentioned. Please confirm which feature is required.</p> | <p>As per the Technical Specification, in-built reverse flow prevention along with reverse count restrictor is required. This requirement shall prevail over the data sheet. The bidder shall comply accordingly.</p> |



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| 13 | <p>The Vendor shall provide a calibration certificate and accuracy at MAOP of the Domestic Gas Meter for the following flow rates (As per EN 1359 latest / OIML): Qmin, 0.1Qmax, Qmax</p> <p>Note 2. The Vendor shall provide a calibration certificate and accuracy at MAOP of the meter for flow rates of Qmax, Qmin, and 0.1 Qmax. The model approval should be from FCRI or DVGW or equivalent authorities.</p> | <p>As per the standard and industry practice the accuracy testing is being done at operating pressure (20 to 30 mBar) and not at MAOP, whereas leak testing will be done at 1.5 times of MAOP - Max allowable operating pressure (0.5 bar X 1.5= 0.75 bar), Pl. Accept</p> | <p>Accepted. Accuracy testing shall be carried out at the operating pressure as per the applicable EN 1359 / OIML standard requirements. Leak testing shall be conducted at 1.5 times the maximum allowable operating pressure (MAOP), as specified in the tender.</p> |
| 14 | <p>Review of calibration certificates for all the measuring instruments at the time of inspection, i.e., used for checking and testing, along with the Master calibration certificate of the measuring instruments from which the instruments are calibrated.</p> <p>Note 11. Calibration certificates of all measuring instruments shall be reviewed by TPIA at the time of inspection, along with Master Calibration Certificate of the measuring instruments from which the instrument is calibrated.</p> | <p>As per our understanding, we use the sonic nozzle as the master, and hence the calibration certificate of the sonic nozzle will be submitted as the master certification during TPI. Please accept.</p> | <p>Accepted. The calibration certificate of the master sonic nozzle shall be submitted during inspection/TPI, provided the same is valid and traceable to a recognized/NABL-accredited calibration laboratory, as per the tender requirement.</p> |
| 15 | <p>The box containing the individual gas meter shall contain the details of the installation and servicing operating instructions, and the same shall be written in the English language. They shall include all relevant information and the following in particular:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Instruction manual and Test certificates - Installation, Operation and servicing - Mounting position & instruction - The maximum and minimum operating temperatures - Maximum operating pressure | <p>We will provide consolidated calibration certificate/report for all supplied gas meter in scanned/pdf copy during dispatch and all other information to be mentioned in Operating manual (hard copy) with in the master box. Please accept</p> | <p>The bidder shall provide calibration certificates/reports for each supplied meter as specified in the tender. However, a consolidated calibration report may also be submitted in addition to the individual meter calibration certificates. All other documentation requirements shall be as per the tender specification.</p> |
| 16 | <p>Note 4. The meters shall be indelibly marked with details of Max. Flow, the direction of flow, Max. operating pressure, model serial number, date of manufacturing etc.</p> | <p>We will provide the MM/YY instead of date of manufacturing on name plate. Please accept</p> | <p>Accepted. Marking of the manufacturing date in MM/YY format on the meter nameplate shall be acceptable.</p> |



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| 17 | REFERENCE STANDARDS b) Meters shall have EU Directive 2004/22/EC (MID) certificate. | We will comply with Gas meters G1.6 certified under EU Directive MID 2014/32/EU, as Directive 2004/22/EC has been revoked and replaced by 2014/32/EU, which is the current and legally valid MID certification. Please confirm. | Confirm. |
| 18 | External Leak tightness / External Soundness Test Reference Documents: - BS EN 1359, Clause No. 6.2.2 | The External Leak tightness / External Soundness Test will be conducted in accordance with EN 1359:2017, Clause 6.3.3. Please confirm. | Accepted. The External Leak Tightness / External Soundness Test shall be conducted in accordance with EN 1359:2017, Clause 6.3.3, or the latest applicable edition of the standard. |
| 19 | Contract Period - 24 Months | As the contract period is 24 months, so kindly confirm the qty. and Lot size of DO (delivery order). Pl. also confirm duration between two DO. | The quantity under each release order/call-off shall be based on VGL's actual requirement during the contract period. No minimum or maximum lot size can be defined at this stage, but VGL may be procure 50% qty of ARC order in part purchase order – 1. However, bidders shall quote considering the tendered quantity and delivery requirements specified in the tender document. The quantity under each Delivery Order (DO) and the interval between successive DOs shall be based on VGL's actual requirement during the contract period. No minimum lot size or fixed frequency of Delivery Orders can be committed at this stage. |
| 20 | TERMS OF PAYMENT 100 % payment within 60 Days of raising the Invoice value with taxes and duties will be paid progressively after adjustment against PRS and against submission of invoice (as per GST Act/Law) in triplicate along with: | Considering the current challenges related to raw material availability and ongoing global uncertainties, we request you to kindly revise the payment terms to 30% advance and the balance 70% within 30 days of invoice. | Tender Condition Prevails. |
| 21 | Regarding W&M Gazette on Stamping Charges (Dated 23rd Oct 2025) | We understand that if during the contract W&M stamping charges are applicable it will be charged as per Govt. notification on undelivered order qty. from the date of issue of Govt. rules notification. | Confirmed. |



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| 22 | Bid Security/ Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) | To promote MSE & Indian Manufactures, PSU like GAIL, Gail Gas offer EMD exemption. Sharing the Government of India (GOI) Notification for your perusal. We request VGL to extend the same support with EMD exemption. | Tender Condition Prevails. |
| 23 | 4. Payment terms | Considering the ongoing West Asia conflict , there are significant fluctuations in material, manpower, and gas prices. Additionally, most vendors are supplying materials only against advance payment. We request VGL to consider an advance payment of 30%–40% and release the balance payment within 30 days of material delivery and submission of documents. This support will greatly help Indian manufacturers manage procurement and project execution under the current market conditions. Kindly consider these only as a special case as the conditions are abnormal . | Tender Condition Prevails. |
| 24 | 5. Contract & Delivery Period | Bidder request to consider the contract tenure for maximum of 1 year as there are significant fluctuations in material, manpower, and gas prices which are out of control. | Tender Condition Prevails. |
| 25 | 5. Contract & Delivery Period | Bidder request to kindly keep a gap of 5 to 6 weeks between Delivery order for smooth execution of the orders. | Delivery Orders shall be issued based on VGL's actual requirement during the contract period. No fixed interval between successive Delivery Orders can be committed. |
| 26 | GATC stamping | Bidders understand that GATC stamping charges will be paid extra at actual as per the Gazette notification. | Confirmed |
| 27 | Cyclic Volume; Minimum | VGL Mentioned Cyclic Volume: Minimum. We will provide Gas Meter Cyclic Volume 1.0 ltrs./dm ³ . Kindly conform. | Accepted, provided the offered cyclic volume of 1.0 dm ³ (1.0 litre) meets the minimum cyclic volume requirement specified in the tender. |
| 28 | W&M Gazette on Stamping Charges | Regarding W&M Gazette on Stamping Charges maybe Dated Nov 2026 and ARC for a period of 02 Years If GATC/W&M rules start being implemented, Should the charges for GATC (W&M) Stamping /Verification be included with cost of Gas Meter or will separate SOR for GATC Verification Charges shall be provided? Kindly confirm and clarify. | The bidder doesn't need to quote for the stamping charges separately along with the price bid. However, the statutory compliances shall be as per the tender document. |



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| 29 | The calibration certificates of each item shall be enclosed within the package box. | We will provide hard copies and soft copies of all certificates along with each invoice for each location and send original hard copy to VGL office. Generally, this is the routine process for every CGD. Please confirm. | Confirmed |
| 30 | 2% or maximum 05 no's randomly selected meters by Client/PMC shall be sent to FCRI for verification and testing as per approved QAP during the contract period (will be in under Client's scope). If any meter failed to meet the desired result will be rejected, and an additional double sample will be tested at FCRI in presence of the Client /PMC. If the second time meter fails to meet the desired result, then a complete lot will be rejected and all payments made against that lot (if any) shall be recovered along with all expenditure for testing at FCRI. • The testing at FCRI of sample meters from the particular batch / every batch will be the sole discretion of the client. However, a manufacturer who is having the following valid certificates; inspection at FCRI only if the client wants further verification / compliance of supplied meter: a) MID - D approval for the testing and manufacturing setup & b) MID – B approval for design. The testing at FCRI of sample meters from the batch / every batch will be the sole discretion of the client. However, a manufacturer who has the following valid certificates; inspection at FCRI only if the client wants further verification / compliance of supplied meter: | We have some confusion. We have a Module-D and Module-B manufacturing setup, design approval, and a valid certificate issued by a European agency. We also undergo an annual audit by the European agency in addition; our instruments and machines are calibrated every year by an FCRI/NABL-approved laboratory. In this case, do we still need to get the 5-meter test conducted by FCRI? Kindly confirm | The bidder shall comply with the testing requirements specified in the tender document. Module-B/Module-D certification, annual audits, and calibration of instruments shall not exempt the bidder from carrying out the tests required under the tender, if applicable. |
| 31 | Deductions shall apply as per following formula: In case of delay in delivery of equipment/materials or delay in completion, total contract price shall be reduced by 1/2 % (half percent) of the total contract price per complete week of delay or part thereof subject to a maximum of 5% (five percent) of the total contract price | May please amend the clause as: Deductions shall apply as per following formula: In case of delay in delivery of equipment/materials or delay in completion, penalty of 1/2 % (half percent) of the Undelivered Portion per week of delay or part thereof subject to a maximum of 5% (five percent) of the Purchase order price will be levied | Noted & confirmed |



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| 32 | Procedure for Tamper Alarm Test | As this tender is for Mechanical Diaphragm Gas Meter, this is not applicable. | Not Applicable | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 33 | Data Sheet, Notes - The Vendor shall provide a calibration certificate and accuracy at MAOP of the meter for flow rates of Qmax, Qmin, and 0.1 Qmax. The model approval should be from FCRI or DVGW or equivalent authorities | We request to please accept BS EN 1359:2017 from TSE, Turkey & model approval from Department of Consumer Affairs. FCRI doesn't provide model approval certificate. | Accepted. BS EN 1359:2017 certification issued by TSE, Turkey, along with valid Model Approval issued by the Department of Consumer Affairs, Government of India, shall be considered acceptable. FCRI Model Approval Certificate is not mandatory, provided all other technical and tender requirements are complied with. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | | <p>in ensuring timely procurement of materials and smooth execution of projects despite the challenging market conditions.</p> <p>We request that this arrangement be treated as a special consideration applicable only under the current extraordinary circumstances. We would be grateful for your favorable consideration of this request.</p> | |
| 37 | - | <p>The bidder requests that the contract tenure be limited to a maximum of one year due to ongoing volatility in material, manpower, fuel, and logistics costs, which are beyond our control. A shorter contract period will help ensure realistic pricing and effective project execution.</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">Tender Condition Prevails.</p> |
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