REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

(CONSULTING SERVICES – INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANTS)

**Republic of Kazakhstan**

**Development Project Highway “East-West” (the Site of Almaty-Khorgos) International Transit Corridor “Western Europe-Western China” (CAREC-1b)**

**Loan No.:P 128050**

**Assignment Title**: **Individual specialist – Road Engineer**

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The Republic of Kazakhstan has applied for a loan from the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development toward the cost of proposed new East - West Roads Project: Western Europe-Western China International Transit Corridor (CAREC 1b & 6b).The Project is part of the Government program to upgrade of the road corridor from China to Russia through Almaty, Shymkent, Kyzylorda and Aktobe cities (the Western Europe-Western China Corridor—WE-WCC—about 2787km). The Government intends to apply part of the proceeds of the loan from World Bank to finance consultancy services.

The consulting services (“the Services”) to perform administration of contracts and maintain procurement of works, goods and services within the procurement sector for the

reconstruction (construction) of 4 lanes road with cement concrete payment.

The Committee for Roads Ministry of Transport and Communications of the Republic of Kazakhstan now invites eligible individual consultants(“Consultants”) to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services.The shortlisting criteria are: description of similar assignments, experience in similar conditions, years of experience and etc.

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to paragraphs 1.9 and 1.11 of the World Bank’s *Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants [under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits & Grants] by World Bank Borrowers*dated January 2011(“Consultant Guidelines”), setting forth the World Bank’s policy on conflict of interest and eligibility.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the International Competitive Bidding methodset out in the Consultant Guidelines.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours 09.00 a.m. till 18.00 p.m.

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the Ms. Raushan Tayenova Head of the Board for Investment Project Preparation (address below) by **03.00 p.m.
July12, 2013.**

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**Terms of Reference for the selection of Individual Consultant**

**Title: Road Engineer**

**Project Title: East-West Roads Project (Almaty-Khorgos Section): Western Europe-Western China International Transit Corridor (CAREC1b)**

**Qualification:**

Committee for Roads will recruit two Road Engineers(local).

The Road Engineer should be a licensed Engineer in Civil Engineering and/or any other multi-disciplinary highway/structural engineering Graduate degree is preferable. The Consultant should have about 10-year experience in road and bridge construction, extensive experience in flexible pavement designing and technical investigation, establishing QA/QC procedures, setting up laboratories, and mix designs and testing procedures.

He\she has successfully worked on a similar position for at least 7 years in highway construction project and has completed on the similar position at least 2 projects of 4 lane cement concrete road with length about 350 km, in aggregate. He\she has successfully competed minimum 1 project funded by World Bank or ADB or any other IFI funded project. He\she has preferably an experience in areas of similar geographic/climate conditions (Kazakhstan and CIS countries). He\she should be very well knowledgeable of FIDIC conditions. He\she should be proficient in written and spoken English. Knowledge of locally spoken languages (Russian and\or Kazakh) is an advantage.

**Duration of assignment:**

**26 months.**

**Scope of works**

* regularly coordinate with and report to the international Team Leader (TL) all on-site activities, work progress vis-à-vis implementation schedule, quality control monitoring, issue resolution, and contractors’ compliance to contract provisions and technical specifications.
* coordinate with Team Leader the issues of local experts in regard of project and contract preparation
* Attend management meetings, at the request of TL review technical documents submitted by the Contractor/Supervision Consultants; Review of Contractors work programs, Performance, tests results; Conduct site inspections,
* oversee road construction works in the field, monitor schedule and construction progress, and supervise quality of construction work
* verify CSC’s approved shop drawings and as-built-drawings
* verify CSC’s review on pavement design, required equipment and materials, asphalt mixing methodology, safety protection, and required test work
* ensure that CSC develops quality assurance system and quality control plan for provisions of asphalt concrete pavement
* monitor compliance of pavement construction activities with technical specifications and schedules, and carry out independent inspection on pavement quality
* advise the international Team Leader on CSC’s lapses, if any, in monitoring pavement quality and contractors' compliance or non-compliance with pavement design specifications and construction method
* maintain records of pavement test works, and inspection reports

**Reporting**

The Consultants will be accountable to the Committee for Roads and to the Team Leader. The consultant will submit monthly report on his work progress.