



Financial Oversight and Management Board for Puerto Rico

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

INDEPENDENT FORENSIC ANALYSIS TEAM

December 19, 2017

Executive Summary

The Financial Oversight and Management Board for Puerto Rico (the “Oversight Board”) was established by the bipartisan Puerto Rico Oversight, Management, and Economic Stability Act (“PROMESA”), which was signed into law by President Obama on June 30, 2016 to address the economic crisis in Puerto Rico and to provide Puerto Rico with the tools it needs to restructure its debts and embark on a path to economic recovery.

The Oversight Board is tasked with working with the people and Government of Puerto Rico to create the necessary foundation for economic growth and to restore opportunity to the people of Puerto Rico. The Oversight Board consists of seven members appointed by the President of the United States and one an ex-officio member designated by the Governor of Puerto Rico.

The Oversight Board needs to obtain an accurate picture of the liquidity of the Puerto Rican Government and all its instrumentalities and entities. To do so, the Oversight Board must compile a comprehensive inventory of all Government bank accounts, cash equivalents, and investments along with their respective account balances (market value). The Oversight Board would also like to outline any deposits held in the Government Development Bank (“GDB”), which are subject to the provisions of Act 21 2016 and subject to the limitations on the withdrawal of funds (EO 0142016). The Oversight Board wants to know the sources and intended uses of these funds, timeline for creation of existing accounts, and any documented legal restrictions on these funds. This analysis should cover fiscal years 2015, 2016, 2017, and 2018, i.e., July 1, 2014 to date.

The Oversight Board is seeking submissions from interested parties to be retained as an independent forensic analysis team to carry out an investigation into the liquidity of the Puerto Rican Government. The scope of work should include:

- (i) A comprehensive inventory of all Cash, Cash equivalents, and Investments of the Puerto Rican Government and its instrumentalities and entities. The inventory should include the Central Government of Puerto Rico, its various funds, component units, agencies, public corporations and proprietary funds, including any deposits held in the Government Development Bank (“GDB”).
- (ii) An analysis of the sources and intended uses of these funds, timeline for creation of existing accounts, and any documented legal restrictions on these funds.

The independent forensic analysis team will report to the Oversight Board and will be expected to present findings, interim and final, at the Oversight Board's public meetings and hearings. The investigation's findings will be made public. The Oversight Board is sending this Request for Proposal ("RFP") to help with its selection process.

Selection Criteria

Independent investigation teams will be evaluated and selected based on the following factors:

- Professional qualifications
- Competitiveness of economic proposal
- Completeness and quality of response to RFP
- Relevant experience in conducting investigations
- Knowledge and experience in forensic accounting
- Knowledge of government budgeting and fiscal management
- Ability to commence work immediately

Qualifications

Respondents should provide a description of their qualifications, including any relevant previous experience, and their proposed approach for working with the Oversight Board. Responses must also include resumes of the key individuals who will be assigned to the engagement.

Please include in your submission a list and description of any connections, past and present, with Puerto Rico and its financial crisis, including its creditors and other constituencies.

Fees and Expenses

The response to the RFP should include a proposed contract complete with terms, conditions and pricing. The response should also contain a list of each person who may perform services and their title, and the proposed rate or blended hourly rate proposed. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Board reserves the right to modify the form of proposed contract.

Invoice shall be presented on a monthly basis for services rendered. Any "out of scope" service or expenditure shall be preapproved.

Response Deadline

The response to the RFP is due no later than 5:00 p.m. on Friday, December 29, 2017. Please respond in a thorough and timely fashion. Proposals submitted beyond the deadline may not be accepted. The Oversight Board reserves the right not to consider responses to the RFP or revisions after the response due date. All proposals received shall remain in effect for thirty (30) days from the date of receipt of the proposal. The Oversight Board will evaluate the responses, conduct interviews with select respondents, and make the ultimate selection.

All inquiries and correspondence during the RFP process are to be addressed to Jaime A. El Koury, General Counsel of the Oversight Board, at jaime.elkoury@promesa.gov.