

# INDIAN OIL CORPORATION LIMITED (Marketing Division Head Office)

## INVITATION FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI)

FOR

## **EMPANELMENT OF CREATIVE ADVERTISING AGENCIES**

EOI Ref: Branding/HO/Creative Agency Date: 21.07.2017

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#### Part - 1

#### **General Information**

Indian Oil Corporation Limited is the flagship Indian petroleum major and country's largest company with a turnover of Rs. 4,38,710 crore and profit of Rs 19,106 crore for the year 2016-17. IndianOil caters to nearly half of India's petroleum consumption, accounting for 31% of national refining capacity and 71% of downstream sector pipelines throughput capacity. IndianOil has a nation-wide network of over 47,000 customer touch-points backed by a robust marketing infrastructure comprising storage terminals, LPG bottling plants, Aviation Fuelling Stations etc. As India stands poised to transform into a major economic power on the global arena, IndianOil too is investing infrastructure and retail network to meet the rising demand for petroleum fuels. Besides its successful forays into petrochemicals and gas marketing, IndianOil has also entered into exploration & production and renewable, alternative fuels which are major thrust areas for future business expansion. IndianOil's Marketing Division markets a range of products and services including motor/marine/aviation/industrial fuels, branded fuels, automotive/industrial lubricants, LPG etc.

### NOTICE INVITING EOI

| 1 | EOI No.                              | NAME OF WORK                                    | EARNEST MONEY |
|---|--------------------------------------|---|---------------|
|   |                                      |   | DEPOSIT (EMD) |
|   | EOI Ref: Branding/HO/Creative Agency | Empanelment of Creative<br>Advertising agencies | NIL           |
| 2 | EOI :                                |   |               |
|   | a) STARTS ON                         | 21.07.2017 at 11:00 Hrs.                        |               |
|   | b) CLOSES ON                         | 14.08.2017 at 15:00 Hrs.                        |               |
| 3 | PRE-BID MEETING                      | 01.08.2017 at 15:00 Hrs.                        |               |
| 4 | DUE DATE AND TIME :                  |   |               |
|   | a) SUBMISSION OF EOI                 | On or before 14.08.2017 b                       | oy 15:00 Hrs. |

#### Part 2

#### **Pre-qualification for Expression of Interest**

- (A) The agencies seeking to apply for the empanelment for the category of **Creative Advertising agencies** should meet the following pre-qualification criteria:
  - i) The creative advertising agency must have the main/full-fledged office in Mumbai, complete with studio facilities, films department, strategic planning division in addition to comprehensive creative and client servicing resources.
  - ii) The applying agency should preferably not be servicing any other competing fuel, lubricant or gas/petrochemical brand. But if they handle any of other competing brands, if selected to be empanelled, they would be required to execute confidentiality and Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA) with respect to the marketing information shared with them for planning advertising campaigns.
  - iii) The average annual gross billing of the agency over the past three fiscal years (upto 2016-17) should be not less than Rs. 45 Crore, only on creative billing (excluding the media billing).
  - iv) The agency, if selected, should commit a dedicated team of client servicing/creative resources for IndianOil.

#### Part 3

Agencies who meet the pre-qualification criteria as mentioned in Part 2 (A), seeking to apply for the empanelment of creative advertising agencies should submit the application in the following format:-

## **EOI Application for Creative Advertising Agencies**

| 1        | Name of Agency  | :        |
|----------|---|----------|
| 2        | Regd. Office Address  | :        |
| 3        | Details of the agency office in Mumbai                                  |          |
|          | a Address   | :        |
|          | b Total number of employees on the<br>payroll of agency's Mumbai office | :        |
|          | c Employees strength in the following functions                         |          |
|          | i) Creative   | :        |
|          | ii) Production (Print/Film)   | :        |
|          | iii) Studio   | :        |
|          | iv) Planning  | :        |
|          | v) Client Servicing   | :        |
|          | vi) General Administration/Finance                                      | :        |
| 4        |   |          |
|          | lubricant or gas/petrochemical brand                                    |          |
|          | handled   |          |
| 5        | If you are handling competing brands,                                   | : Yes/No |
|          | are you prepared to execute   |          |
|          | confidentiality and Non-Disclosure                                      |          |
|          | Agreement (NDA) with IndianOil if                                       |          |
| <u> </u> | selected to the panel?  |          |
| 6        | Authorized agency official to be contacted                              |          |
|          | a Tel. Nos  |          |
|          | b Mobile No.  |          |
|          | c Email id.   | :        |

| 7  |  | her cities in India where agency | :      |                |
|----|--|----------------------------------|--------|----------------|
|    | offices/branches located:  |                                  |        |                |
| 8  | Annual Gross Billing (for creative work  |                                  |        |                |
|    | only) for the following financial years  |                                  |        |                |
|    | а  | 2014-15                          | •••    |                |
|    | b  | 2015-16                          | •••    |                |
|    | С  | 2016-17                          | :      |                |
|    | (Please attach copies of the audited balance sheet/P&L account/ financial statements. In case of combined gross billing of creative and media work, a certificate from a Chartered Accountant to be produced on the creative component of the gross billing) |                                  |        |                |
| 9  | <ul> <li>If selected, the agency would provide<br/>dedicated team of client<br/>servicing/creative resources for the<br/>IndianOil account</li> </ul>  |                                  | Yes/No |                |
| 10 | Brief profile of the agency including<br>major clients being handled (in not<br>more than 300 words)   |                                  |        | To be attached |

Authorized Signatory

Signature

Name & Designation

Date:

Place:

Seal of the agency

## Part 4

## Procedure for application for EOI and terms & conditions

a. Prospective applicants may download the detailed 'Invitation for Expression of Interest' free of cost from IndianOil website www.iocl.com/talktous/SupplierNotices.aspx from 21.07.2017 to 14.08.2017 (both days inclusive) and submit their EOI application (as in Part 3 of the EOI document) on their Letter Head along with the required information in original two(2) copies in a sealed envelope superscribing 'EOI For Empanelment Of Creative Advertising Agency'. The envelopes are to be dropped in a designated drop box which is kept at the Branding department on the 7<sup>th</sup> Floor at the following address:-

General Manager (Branding) Indian Oil Corporation Ltd. (Marketing Division, Head Office) IndianOil Bhavan G-9, Ali Yavar Jung Marg Bandra (East) Mumbai – 400 051 Tel: 022-26447500, 022-26447041, 022-26447175 Emails : <u>rchidambaram@indianoil.in</u> or <u>vivekgoyal@indianoil.in</u>

# The last date for the receipt of application for EOI is 14.08.2017 by 15:00 hrs. Application received after due date and time will not be accepted.

- b. Applicants shall ensure that the application is complete in all respect with supporting documents as required failing which the application may not be considered.
- c. The list of documents to be submitted along with the application are as follows:
  - i. Complete EOI document duly filled in, signed and stamped on each page.
  - ii. Letter of authorization for signing of EOI documents.
  - iii. Self attested copies of supporting documents and confirmations required to meet pre-qualification criteria, mentioned above in Part-3.
  - iv. Duly filled in, signed and stamped Details of Relationship with IndianOil Directors on agency letter head (Annexure-I)/Declaration of Holiday Listing on agency letter head (Annexure-II) /Declaration of Engagement of Child Labour on agency letter head (Annexure-III).

- d. The application should be submitted strictly as per the format given in Part 3 of this EOI document.
- e. **PRE-BID MEETING:** In order to clarify doubts, if any, IndianOil will hold a pre-bid meeting with the agencies. The pre-bid meeting is scheduled at IndianOil office in Mumbai at the address mentioned at clause (a) at 1500 hrs. on 01.08.2017. Agencies are requested to send their intent to attend the meeting along with queries by mail at least 24 hrs. before the pre-bid meeting to the mail address <u>rchidambaram@indianoil.in</u> and <u>vivekgoyal@indianoil.in</u>
- f. IOCL takes no responsibility for delay, loss or non-receipt of documents sent by post/courier at any time either way. No financial obligation shall accrue to INDIANOIL in such an event.
- g. After scrutiny of the applications, the agencies shall be short-listed on the basis of eligibility in terms of the pre-qualification criteria as detailed above. All the eligible agencies thus short-listed would be required to make a pitch presentation to a committee of senior officials of IndianOil as per a marketing case brief to be given later. Top four creative advertising agencies as ranked by the committee would be taken on the panel.
- h. Empanelment of creative advertising agencies shall be valid for a period of two years with provision for extension for one more year from the date of empanelment.
- i. The creative advertising agencies to be empanelled would be required to serve the advertising needs of the Branding group of INDIANOIL based in Mumbai.
- j. INDIANOIL reserves the right to cancel the empanelment process without assigning any reasons.
- k. The issue of this document does not, in any way commit, or otherwise obliges INDIANOIL to proceed with all or any of the proposals received.
- I. The applicants are expected to submit all necessary documents in support of fulfillment of requirements in the first instance itself. However, in case any further document is found necessary for proper assessment, the applicants shall furnish the same within seven (7) days from the date of intimation by INDIANOIL, failing which the applicant will be considered as non-responsive and their application may not be processed any further. INDIANOIL reserves the right to verify the credentials of the applicants submitted in support of their fulfilment of requirements.

- m. Any amendment issued prior to due date would be put on the aforementioned website of IndianOil viz. www.iocl.com/talktous/SupplierNotices.aspx. Prospective applicants are advised to keep visiting the web-site from time to time (till the deadline for submission of EOI applications). It would be presumed that applicants have examined all amendments on the website and have submitted their application accordingly.
- n. The EOI request is not the subject of any process contract or any contractual obligation between INDIANOIL and the applicant or potential applicants.
- o. INDIANOIL may at its absolute discretion, elect to abandon any part or whole of the process without giving prior intimation to the applicant or potential applicants. INDIANOIL reserves the right to revise/modify the specification as provided in the EOI document at any stage during the process of short-listing the parties against the EOI notice without assigning any reason whatsoever.
- p. INDIANOIL reserves the right to consider or reject any application at any point of time without assigning any reason, whatsoever.
- q. Any dispute arising or relating to this process shall be deemed to have arisen in Mumbai and shall be subject to adjudication of the courts in Mumbai city.
- r. It is mandatory for every applicant to fill all the documents as set out in the EOI document irrespective of their earlier association/empanelment with INDIANOIL.

# Creative Agencies – Branding: Evaluation Criteria & Format

| Category                        | Factors  | Notes on keywords  | Max<br>Points |  |
|---------------------------------|--|--|---------------|--|
| Agency Credentials              | Brand portfolio<br>handled   | Existing client base, brands handled and successful campaigns carried out.   | 15            |  |
|                                 | Recognitions   | Awards, accolades and honours from professional bodies.  | 15            |  |
|                                 | Understanding<br>IndianOil's brand<br>architecture /<br>positioning. | Understanding of the corporate and the<br>product brands along with its relative<br>dynamics, thorough understanding of the<br>category / industry in which the brand<br>operates / clarity in recommended<br>positioning of the brand |               |  |
| Strength in Strategy            | Positioning of individual brands.                                    | Creative communication strategy<br>factoring in competition analysis to<br>enable a distinct strategic edge for the<br>campaign.   | 20            |  |
|                                 | Market sensitivity   | Consumer insight of TG and the understanding of market behaviour in the respective market segments.  |               |  |
|                                 |  | Understanding brand personality, values and promise and use of the same.   |               |  |
|                                 |  | Ability of the creative content and<br>creative format and innovation to stand<br>out from the clutter for the proposed<br>communication strategy.   | 30            |  |
| Creative Strength               | Creative approach.   | Is the idea campaignable across different media and different regional languages?  |               |  |
|                                 |  | Overall impact and stickiness of the idea facilitating recall.   |               |  |
|                                 |  | Amenability of the creative idea to be<br>translated into effective Below the Line<br>(BTL) schemes/platform.  |               |  |
|                                 |  | Aids in high recall and also motivates the consumer to complete the desired action.  |               |  |
| Agency In-house<br>capabilities | Strength in<br>communication<br>planning                             | The proprietary planning tools available,<br>the size, and credentials of Planning<br>group.   | 15            |  |

|  |  | Ability to assess the impact of a campaign<br>through adequate dipstick surveys to<br>make course corrections, if required. |     |
|--|--|---|-----|
|  | Production<br>Capabilities./other<br>infrastructure  | Studio facilities/audio visual production facilities  |     |
| Church in Furgerian                          | Strength in activation   | Event management, exhibition and ground activation capabilities.  | 10  |
| Strength in Execution                        | th in Execution ideas and execution of promotions.   | Track record of ideas executed and client references.   | 10  |
|  | The level of hierarchy represented at the pitch.   |   |     |
| Credentials of team<br>assigned to IndianOil | Size and quality of<br>the team to be<br>committed to<br>IndianOil for client<br>servicing/creative. | Signifies the importance they will give to<br>IndianOil   | 10  |
|  | Professional profiles<br>of the team leaders<br>to be our partners.                                  | References / professional track record  |     |
|  |  | Total   | 100 |

**ANNEXURE-I** 

#### On Agency Letter Head

#### DETAILS OF RELATIONSHIP WITH INDIANOIL'S DIRECTORS ETC.

Applicants should furnish following details in the appropriate part based on their organizational structure.

| Organizational Structure | Part of the form applicable |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Sole Trader              | PART – A                    |
| Partnership              | PART – B                    |
| Company Private/Public   | PART – C                    |

#### PART-A

#### (APPLICABLE WHERE APPLICANT IS SOLE PROPRIETOR)

:

- 1. Name of Applicant
- 2. Address : Residence

Name & Signature of Applicant along with stamp

Office

- State whether applicant is related to any Director/(s) : Yes/No \* of the Indian Oil Corporation Limited.
- If `Yes' to 3, State the name of INDIANOIL's Director & Applicant's relationship with him/her.

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\* Strike - out whichever is not applicable.

PLACE:

DATE:

## **SIGNATURE OF THE APPLICANT**

#### <u> PART - B</u>

## (APPLICABLE WHERE THE APPLICANT IS A PARTNERSHIP FIRM)

- 1. Name of the Partnership : firm responding to the EOI
- 2. Address :

- 3. Name of Partners
- 4. State whether any of the :
  partners is a Director to the
  Indian Oil Corporation Limited. : Yes / No \*
  - 5. If `Yes' to 4, State the name(s) of : INDIANOIL's Director.

- 6. State whether any of the partners : Yes / No \*
  is related to any of the Director(s)
  of the Indian Oil Corporation
  Limited.
- 7. If `Yes' to 6 State the name(s) :
   of INDIANOIL's Director & the concerned partner's relationship with him/her.
  - \* Strikeout whichever is not applicable.

## PLACE:

DATE:

#### SIGNATURE OF THE APPLICANT

## PART - C

## (APPLICATION WHERE THE APPLICANT S A PUBLIC/PRIVATE LTD. CO.)

1. Name of the Agency responding

: to the EOI

- 2. Address of : (a) Registered Office:
  - (b) Principal Office:
- State whether the Agency is Pvt. :
   Ltd. Co. or Public Ltd. Co.
- 4. Name of Directors of the Agency
- 5. State whether any of the Directors of : Yes/No \*
   the Applicant Agency is a Director of
   Indian Oil Corporation Limited.

:

Name & Signature of Applicant along with stamp

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- If `Yes' to (5), State the name(s) :
   of INDIANOIL's Director.
- State whether any of the Director of the: Applicant's Agency is related to any of the Director's of the Indian Oil Corporation Limited.
- 8. If `Yes' to (7), State the name(s) of
   INDIANOIL's Director & the concerned
   Director's (of the Applicant's Agency)
   relationship with him/her.
  - \* Strikeout whichever is not applicable.

#### PLACE:

DATE:

#### SIGNATURE OF THE APPLICANT

#### ANNEXURE – II

#### On Agency Letter Head

#### **DELCLARATION OF BLACK LISTING / HOLIDAY LISTING**

#### In the case of a Proprietary Concern :

I hereby declare that neither I in my personal name or in the name of my Proprietary concern M/s.\_\_\_\_\_ which is submitting the accompanying application for EOI nor any other concern in which I am proprietor nor in any partnership firm in which I am involved as a Managing Partner nor any company in which I am a promoter or a Director or having controlling stake with minimum 26% share holding have been placed on black list or holiday list declared by Indian Oil Corporation Ltd. or its Administrative Ministry, (presently the Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas), except as indicated below :

(Here given particulars of blacklisting or holiday listing, and in absence thereof state "NIL")

#### In the case of a Partnership Firm :

We hereby declare that neither we, M/s.\_\_\_\_\_\_submitting the accompanying application for EOI nor any partner involved in the management of the said firm either in his individual capacity or as proprietor or managing partner of any firm or concern or as a promoter or Director or having controlling stake with minimum 26% share holding of any company have or has been placed on blacklist or holiday list declared by Indian Oil Corporation Ltd. or its Administrative Ministry (presently the Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas), except as indicated below :

(Here given particulars of blacklisting or holiday listing and in the absence thereof state "NIL")

## In the case of Company :

We hereby declare that we have not been placed on any holiday list or black list declared by Indian Oil Corporation Ltd or its Administrative Ministry ( presently the Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas), except as indicated below :

(Here give particulars of black listing or holiday listing and in the absence thereof state "NIL")

It is understood that if this declaration is found to be false in any particular, Indian Oil Corporation Ltd. or its Administrative Ministry, shall have the right to reject my / our bid, and if the bid has resulted in a contract, the contract is liable to be terminated

PLACE:

DATE:

**SIGNATURE OF THE APPLICANT** 

ANNEXURE – III

#### On Agency Letter Head

## PROFORMA OF DELCLARATION REGARDING CHILD LABOUR

Children below prescribed age, as per various statutes of the land, are not employed. We will comply with various laws as may be applicable from time to time regarding prevention of Child Labour. We are aware that, our empanelment will be cancelled at any stage if we violate Child Labour Prevention Act.

PLACE:

DATE:

SIGNATURE OF THE APPLICANT