

**CHEDDI JAGAN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT
CORPORATION**

Expression of Interest (EoI)

For

GROUND HANDLING SERVICE

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PART 1

GENERAL TERMS

1. DEFINITIONS

In this Invitation Expression of Interest, unless a contrary intention is apparent:

- 1.1 **The Corporation** means the **Cheddi Jagan International Airport Corporation (CJIAC)** and shall include the administrators and assigns as specified in Section 3.
- 1.2 **Interested Concessionaire** or **Concessionaire** means a person or organization that submits an EOI.
- 1.3 **Site Visit** means a visit to the Airport Building (the details of which are specified in Sections 4 and 6 and will be held by and the Corporation to provide clarification on the EoI.
- 1.4 **Expression of Interest (EoI)** means a document lodged by an interested Concessionaire in response to this invitation containing a proposal to operate a Ground Handling Service at the Cheddi Jagan International Airport.
- 1.5 **Expression of Interest (EoI) Process** means the process commenced by the issuing of an Invitation for EoIs and concluding upon formal announcement by the Corporation of the selection of a successful Concessionaire.
- 1.6 **Qualification Criteria** means those criteria set out in Section 15 of the EoI.

2. GOALS OF THIS EXPRESSION

The objective of this EoI is to solicit proposals from Interested Concessionaires for the Operation of a Ground Handling Service at the Cheddi Jagan International Airport. The selected Concessionaire will enter into a 3-years contract term with the Cheddi Jagan International Airport Corporation to provide air transportation companies with a full range of Ground Handling Services.

CJIAC reserves the right to withdraw this Ground Handling License if the shortlisted Ground Handling Company fails to provide Ground Handling Services to Schedule/Chartered carrier within 6 months of award of contract.

3. EoI ISSUING AUTHORITY

This **Expression of Interest (EoI)** is issued by the Cheddi Jagan International Airport Corporation, intended to solicit proposals for the Operation of a Ground Handling Service at the Airport. The Corporation's decision with regard to selecting a Concessionaire through this EoI shall be final and the Corporation reserves the right to reject any or all proposals which do not meet the pre-qualification criteria.

Basic Information

#	ITEM	DESCRIPTION
1	Project Title	Operation of a Ground Handling Service at the Airport.
2	Project Initiator Details	
	Organisation	Cheddi Jagan International Airport Corporation
	Contact Person	Ramesh Ghir Chief Executive Officer Cheddi Jagan International Airport Corporation Tel: 261-2244 Email: rghir@cjairport-gy.com

Contact Person (Alternate)	Andre Kellman Deputy Chief Executive Officer Cheddi Jagan International Airport Corporation Tel: 261-2300 Email: akellman@cjairport-gy.com
Corporation's Contact Details	Cheddi Jagan International Airport Corporation Timehri, East Bank Demerara Tel: 261-2244 Website: www.cjairport-gy.com

4. CALENDAR OF EVENTS, MILESTONES AND TIMELINES

The following table enlists important milestones and timelines for completion of bidding activities.

#	Milestone	Date & Time
1	Release of Expression of Interest	7 th October, 2018
2	Site Visit	23 rd October, 2018 at 14:00hrs
3	Last date for submission of queries by Interested Concessionaires	30 th October, 2018
4	Last date for submission of EoI response	7 th November, 2018 at 14:00hrs

5. AVAILABILITY OF EOI DOCUMENTS

EoI can be downloaded from the CJAC website or uplifted from the office of the Commercial Manager. Upon request to the email addresses provided in Section 2, the EoI can be emailed to interested Concessionaires.

The Concessionaires are expected to examine all instructions, forms, terms, project requirements and other details in the EoI documents. Failure to furnish complete information as mentioned in the EoI documents or submission of a proposal not substantially responsive to the EoI documents in every respect will be at the Concessionaires' risk and may result in rejection of a proposal.

6. SITE VISIT

CJIAC will host a site visit at the Airport. The site visit is scheduled as per the schedule given in Section 4. The representatives of the Interested Concessionaires may attend the site visit at their own cost. The site visit will provide clarity on the Scope of Works and will include a tour of Airport. It will also provide each Concessionaire with an opportunity to seek clarifications regarding any aspect of the EoI.

Interested Concessionaires will not be given site visits after the scheduled visit as per Section 4.

7. VENUE AND DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS

Proposals, in its complete form in all respects as specified in the EoI, must be deposited to the Tender Box located on the Administrative Floor of the Cheddi Jagan International Airport, Timehri, East Bank Demerara, Republic of Guyana, no later than **14:00hrs on 7th November, 2018.**

PART 2

DETAILS AND SCOPE OF SERVICES

8. DETAILS OF OPERATING GROUND HANDLING SERVICES

The Corporation is looking for a Concessionaire to operate a Ground Handling Service at the Cheddi Jagan International Airport which may include but are not necessarily limited to the following:

- ❖ **General Representation Services**, such as may be required by air transportation companies to act on their behalf with local governmental authorities.
- ❖ **Communications**, such as compiling, dispatching and receiving all messages in connection with services provided; and providing and operating suitable means of communication between aircraft and the ground station.
- ❖ **Traffic Services**, such as handling documents, e.g. loading instructions, load sheets, balance charts, manifests, etc., in accordance with local or international regulations.
- ❖ **Passenger and Baggage Handling**, such as passenger enplanement, deplanement, arrival and departure information, baggage handling, storage of baggage, security, passenger assistance including specialized baggage and carrier seat allocation.
- ❖ **Cargo Handling Services**, for import-export, transfer and mail, including the essential equipment necessary to accept bulk, containerised, pallet type cargo, special cargo (e.g. perishables, live animals, and valuables, etc.), transportation to warehouse, and customs handling.
- ❖ **Loading and Unloading Services**, including the loading, stowing and securing of loads and all related ramp handling.

- ❖ **Aircraft Cleaning**, such as required, including toilet service and replenishment of drinking water, using water supply vehicle truck inspected and approved by the competent Health Authority and maintained and operated in accordance with local Health Regulations.
- ❖ **Aircraft Handling**, such as attending arrivals and departures, marshalling, parking, providing headsets, performing ground to cockpit communication, providing passenger steps, suitable ground power unit, starting unit and air conditioning unit, and moving of aircraft with suitable towing equipment.
- ❖ **Aircraft Servicing**, such as cabin equipment and routine maintenance or inspection.
- ❖ **Flight Operations**, flight preparation, post-flight activities and air-ground communications.
- ❖ **Collection**, acting as an agent for the collection of landing and passenger fees and other similar charges and the remittance of those fees once monthly to CJIAC.
- ❖ **Catering Services**, such as providing catering services for adhoc/non-schedule/chartered flights only whereby meals and beverages are supplied to airline transportation companies or any other company operating at the Airport for consumption.

The information below provides basic statistics of flight operations:

Number of Passenger Airlines	- 5
Number of Freight Operators	- 4
Number of current Ground Handling Operators	- 2

9. SCOPE OF SERVICE

- 9.1** The Concessionaire will be responsible for the operation of Ground Handling Service only.
- 9.2** The Concessionaire will be responsible for all expenses associated with the operation of the Ground Handling Service, including:
- ❖ Land License Fees at CJIA
 - ❖ Abidance and compliance with all applicable lawful rules, regulations and by laws of the Government of Guyana or any other public body whatsoever and with all local, police, health, or fire regulations or by laws, applicable to the premises and the operation of Ground Handling Services.
 - ❖ The construction of the Ground Handling facility
 - ❖ Provision of all furnishings, equipment and utilities necessary
- 9.3** The Concessionaire will be responsible for maintenance of its facility.
- 9.4** The Concessionaire will pay to the Corporation a percentage of the gross revenue or a minimum guarantee, whichever is higher. The minimum guarantee must be specified in the Expression of Interest.
- 9.5** The Concessionaire will furnish the Corporation with monthly statements of Gross Revenue and annual Audited Statement of Gross Revenue.
- 9.6** An annual review of the contract will be done to ensure compliance with its terms, conditions and provisions.

PART 3

BIDDING TERMS

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QUALIFICATION CRITERIA

10. CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH THE EOI IS ISSUED

- 10.1** This EoI is not an offer and is issued with no commitment. CJIAC reserves the right to withdraw the EoI and change or vary any part thereof at any stage for any reason whatsoever. All persons who submit an EoI are deemed to have done so expressly subject to this condition. CJIAC also reserves the right to disqualify any Interested Concessionaire, should it deem it necessary, at any stage and for any reason whatsoever.
- 10.2** CJIAC reserves the right to withdraw this EoI if CJIAC determines that such action is in the best interest of the Corporation.
- 10.3** This Expression of Interested is governed by the laws applying in Guyana. Interested Concessionaires must comply with all relevant laws in preparing and lodging its EoI.
- 10.4** Timing and sequence of events resulting from this EoI are provided in Section 4.
- 10.5** No oral conversations or agreements with any official, agent, or employee of CJIAC shall affect or modify any terms of this EoI and any alleged oral agreement or arrangement made by an Interested Concessionaire with any Department, Agency, Official or employee of CJIAC shall be superseded by the definitive agreement that results from this EoI process.
- 10.6** Neither the Interested Concessionaire nor any of the Interested Concessionaire's representatives shall have any claims whatsoever against CJIAC or any of their respective officials, agents, or employees arising out of, or relating to this EoI or these procedures (other than those arising under a definitive service agreement with the Interested Concessionaire in accordance with the terms thereof).

- 10.7** Applicants who are found to canvas, influence or attempt to influence in any manner the selection process, including without limitation, by offering bribes or other illegal gratification, shall be liable to immediate disqualification from the process.
- 10.8** Interested Concessionaires shall bear all costs associated with the preparation and submission of the EoI. The Corporation shall not be responsible or liable for those costs.
- 10.9** Any questions or requests for further information or clarification of the Invitation (or any other document issued in connection with the EoI) must be submitted to the contact persons provided in Section 3, in writing, preferably by email.

Any communication by an Interested Concessionaire to the Corporation will be effective upon receipt by the contact persons as specified in Section 3. The Corporation restricts the period during which it will accept questions or requests for further information or for clarification as specified in Section 4 and reserves the right not to respond to any question or request, received after the date specified.

- 10.10** Any complaint about the Invitation or the EoI process must be submitted to the contact persons specified in Section 3 in writing immediately upon the cause of the complaint arising or becoming known to the Registrant. The written complaint statement must set out:
- a)** the basis for the complaint (specifying the issues involved);
 - b)** how the subject of the complaint (and the specific issues) affect the person or organization making the complaint;
 - c)** any relevant background information; and

d) the outcome desired by the person or organization making the complaint.

10.11 If, after an EoI has been submitted, the Interested Concessionaire becomes aware of an error in the EoI (excluding clerical errors which would have no bearing on the evaluation of the EoI) the Interested Concessionaire must promptly notify the Corporation of such error.

10.12 An Interested Concessionaire who wishes to withdraw an EoI previously submitted by it must immediately notify the Corporation of that fact in writing. Upon receipt of such notification, the Agency will cease to consider that EOI.

11. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING OF TERMS

By submitting a proposal, each Interested Concessionaire shall be deemed to acknowledge that it has carefully read all sections of this EoI and has fully informed itself as to all existing conditions and limitations.

12. EVALUATION OF EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

The Interested Concessionaire's Proposal in the EoI will be evaluated as per the requirements specified in the EoI adopting the qualification criteria spelt out in this EoI. Interested Concessionaires are required to submit all required documentation in support of the qualification criteria specified.

13. LANGUAGE OF PROPOSALS

The proposal and all correspondence and documents shall be written in English.

14. QUALIFICATION CRITERIA

The invitation for EoI is open to all interested entities that fulfill the qualification criteria as specified below. The CJIAC reserves the right to subject the Interested Concessionaires to security reviews and/or to require that they seek a security clearance from the CJIAC and/or the Government of Guyana, as may be deemed necessary.

Interested Concessionaires for the Operation of a Ground Handling Service at the Cheddi Jagan International Airport **must** satisfy all of the criteria below:

- 14.1** An Interested Concessionaire may be a person, firm or company, or a combination of any of the abovementioned entities, with legal capacity to enter into legal relations.
- 14.2** Interested Concessionaires must provide full and adequate information and documentation of their legal status, place of registration and principal type of business.
- 14.3** No individual, firm or company that is an Interested Concessionaire or a member of or partner in a Concession may be: (i) less than eighteen years old; (ii) of unsound mind or have been so found by a tribunal in Guyana or elsewhere; (iii) an undischarged, bankrupt or insolvent;
- 14.4** Interested Concessionaires, and their management personnel within three years preceding the commencement of procurement proceedings should not be associated with giving false information or a misrepresentation as to their qualification information for the purposes of entering into a procurement contract;
- 14.5** Interested Concessionaires must provide information on the total annual volume of sales in each of the last two years.

- 14.6** Interested Concessionaires must provide information on the qualifications and experience of key management and technical personnel proposed for the Contract; with evidence of the capabilities of the technical personnel to manage and support the project.
- 14.7** Interested Concessionaires must provide compliance with Tax and Insurance laws relevant to the country of its registration and/or operation.
- 14.8** Interested Concessionaires must provide evidence of its ability to fund the project on its own; or in the event of a joint venture with another Interested Concessionaire, evidence of the agreement between the two parties and evidence of the ability by either or both parties to fund the project. In any case in which not all of the members of a joint venture are providing the funding, the funding members shall provide full evidence of their capacity to do so as well as a commitment in writing to do so.
- 14.9** Concessionaires must state the timelines by which it is capable of:
- ❖ Commencing construction of Ground Handling Facility
 - ❖ Completing construction of Ground Facility
 - ❖ Commencing Ground Handling Services
- 14.10** Each Interested Concessionaire shall submit only one EoI, either individually or as a partner in a partnership or syndicate. All EoI involving the Interested Concessionaire who submits more than one EoI (exclusive of subcontractors, or permitted or required alternatives) shall be rejected from participation in the selection process.

PART 4

RESPONSE FORMAT

**CHEDDI JAGAN INTERNATIONAL
AIRPORT**

**EXPRESSION OF
INTEREST
FOR
THE OPERATION OF
GROUND HANDLING
SERVICES**

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

BUSINESS INFORMATION

- 1. Name of Firm (exactly as it is to appear on the Agreement):**

- 2. Principal office Address:**

- 3. Telephone Number:**

- 4. Contact Person/Title:**

- 5. Form of Business Entity (check one and complete the appropriate business entity statement attached hereto):**

- Corporation
- Partnership
- Joint Venture
- Individual

- (a)** If proponent is a subsidiary, state name of parent company. Caution: All information provided herein must be as to proponent (subsidiary) and not as to parent company.

- (b)** If a Company is a partner of a proposing partnership or a member of a proposing joint venture, the Corporate Statement, attached hereto, must be completed in addition to the appropriate proponent's business entity statement for each corporate partner or Joint Venture.

CORPORATE STATEMENT

If a Company, answer the following:

- 1. When incorporated? _____
- 2. Where incorporated? _____
- 3. Is the Company registered to carry on business in Guyana?

Yes () No ()

If yes, as of what date: _____

- 4. If Guyana is not the country of incorporation, state name and mailing address of the registered local agent. Also include a sealed certified copy of the Power of Attorney of the Corporate Agent.

- 5. The Corporation is held:

Publicly () Privately ()

- 6. Has the Corporation previously operated Ground Handling Services?

Yes () No ()

- 7. Furnish the name, title and address of each officer, director, and those principal shareholders who own 10% or more of the Corporation's issued stock.

Directors' Names	Address	Principal Business Affiliation Other Than Directorship

Officers' Names	Address	Position

Shareholders	Address	Percentage Of Shares Owned

- 8. Attach certified copy of the Articles of Incorporation, By-Laws and Certificate of Incorporation (where Guyana is not the country of incorporation, attach the equivalent documents) filed with the Registrar of Companies (or corresponding official in the place of first incorporation).

- 9. Attach certified copy of corporate resolution, which authorizes the officer signing this proposal and Agreement to bind the Corporation, as required in this Expression of Interest.

CERTIFICATION OF AUTHORITY IF PROPONENT IS A CORPORATION

I, certify that I am the _____ of the Corporation named in the attached proposal; and that _____ who signed the said proposal on behalf of the Corporation is the _____ of the said Corporation; that the said proposal was duly signed for and on behalf of said Corporation by authority of its governing body, and is within the scope of its corporate powers.

Signature

(Corporate Seal [if any])

PARTNERSHIP STATEMENT

If a PARTNERSHIP, answer the following:

- 1. Date of commencement of partnership? _____

- 2. Indicate: General () or Limited () Partnership.

- 3. Is the Partnership Agreement recorded?
Yes () No () If yes, indicate Date: _____

- 4. Is the Partnership registered to do business in Guyana?
Yes () No () If yes, indicate Date: _____

- 5. Does the partnership use or operate under any other name?
Yes () No () If yes, indicate name: _____

Is this a registered Business Name? If so, kindly provide a sealed and certified copy of the current Certificate of Registration.

6. Bankruptcy Information (Partners)

Have you, or any entity you have had an ownership interest in, ever filed a petition for bankruptcy, been declared bankrupt or had an insolvency notice issued against you or the entity?

Yes () No ()

If yes, state date, type of bankruptcy, amount of liabilities and amount of assets, and current status.

7. Give name, location and date of any and all contracts or leases of proponent that have been terminated within the past five (5) years for any cause prior to the expiration of their term, and also list any judgments terminating such leases or contracts or any pending lawsuits relating to any concession(s) or management (operating) agreement(s) operated by proponent within the last three (3) years.

8. Has the Partnership previously operated Ground Handling Services?

Yes ()

No ()

9. List name, address, and partnership share of each general partner:

Name	Address	Ownership Shares

10. Attach a copy of the Partnership Agreement.

JOINT VENTURE STATEMENT

If a JOINT VENTURE, answer the following:

1. Date of organization? _____

2. Is the Joint Venture agreement recorded?

Yes () No () If yes, indicate Date: _____

3. Is the Joint Venture registered to do business in Guyana?

Yes () No () If yes, as of what date: _____

4. Bankruptcy Information (JV Members)

Has the Company, or any entity the Company has had an ownership interest in, ever filed a petition for bankruptcy, been declared bankrupt or had an insolvency notice issued against it or the entity?

Yes () No ()

If yes, state date, type of bankruptcy, amount of liabilities and amount of assets, and current status.

5. Give name, location and date of any and all contracts or leases of proponent that have been terminated within the past five (5) years for any cause prior to the expiration of their term, and also list any judgments terminating such leases or contracts or any pending lawsuits relating to any concession(s) or management (operating) agreement(s) operated by proponent within the last three (3) years.

6. Has the Joint Venture or any member previously operated Ground Handling Services?

Yes () No ()

7. List name, address, and percent of participation of each Joint Venture:

Name	Address	% of Participation Of Joint Ventures

8. Attach a copy of the Joint Venture Agreement.

INDIVIDUAL STATEMENT

If an INDIVIDUAL, answer the following:

Has the individual previously operated Ground Handling Services?

Yes ()

No ()

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

1. Financial Statements

Proponent shall attach a current fiscal year-to-date Balance Sheet and Income Statement, prepared in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP), together with a copy of proponent's most recent fiscal year Financial Statements, audited and certified by an independent Certified Public Accountant, including the auditor's opinion thereon.

If a proponent is a recently formed joint venture, each participating member must submit his or her own financial documents, as required above.

2. Surety Information

Have you, or any entity you have had an ownership interest in, or any entity having an ownership interest in you, ever had a bond or surety canceled or forfeited?

Yes ()

No ()

If yes, state name of bonding company, name and address of principal on bond, date, amount of bond and reason for such cancellation or forfeiture.

3. Bankruptcy Information

Have you, or any entity you have had an ownership interest in, ever filed a petition for bankruptcy, been declared bankrupt or had an insolvency notice issued against you or the entity?

Yes ()

No ()

If yes, state date, type of bankruptcy, amount of liabilities and amount of assets, and current status.

4. Give name, location and date of any and all contracts or leases of proponent that have been terminated within the past five (5) years for any cause prior to the expiration of their term, and also list any judgments terminating such leases or contracts or any pending lawsuits relating to any concession(s) or management (operating) agreement(s) operated by proponent within the last three (3) years.

EXPERIENCE STATEMENT

1. State the number of years, the proponent has operated Ground Handling Services.
2. List all airports and other relevant experience. If over five (5) years, list the five (5) most recent (use attachments as necessary).

Name	Address	Annual Gross Revenue For Each Operation

3. If no other relevant experience applies, please provide a minimum of five (5) business references.

Name	Address	Type of Business

OPERATING PLAN

Proponent must include, in narrative form, a complete description of its intended Operating Plan for the proposed Ground Handling Service. Exhibits, schematics, architectural renderings or other data may accompany the narrative description.

At a minimum the proponent shall include a detailed description of the following items, as part of the operating plan:

1. Quality control and training program.
2. Pricing policy.
3. Proposed Services, etc.
4. Staffing levels.
5. Hours of operation.

CAPITAL INVESTMENT PLAN

Proponent must include, in narrative form, a complete description of its intended capital investment plan for the proposed Ground Handling Service. Exhibits, schematics, architectural renderings or other data may accompany the narrative description.

MARKETING PLAN

Proponent should submit a description of its proposed marketing plan for the Ground Handling Service.

EXPECTED GROSS REVENUE

Set forth in the spaces below your expected annual gross receipts for each contract year.

Year 1 _____

Year 2 _____

Year 3 _____

AIRPORT CONCESSION FEE PERCENTAGE

Set forth in the spaces below the percentage of gross receipts, from the Ground Handling Service for each contract year.

Year 1 _____

Year 2 _____

Year 3 _____

MINIMUM ANNUAL GUARANTEE

Set forth in the spaces below the minimum annual guarantee, for the Ground Handling Service, for each contract year.

Year 1 _____

Year 2 _____

Year 3 _____

OTHER INFORMATION

Submit such additional information as a proponent you may consider pertinent to indicate both financial and operational capabilities of the proponent to operate Ground Handling Services as well as any other type of information that may assist the evaluation of capabilities of the proponent. The Cheddi Jagan International Airport Corporation reserves the right to request additional information to be used for evaluating proposals received from any or all proponents.

EVALUATION CRITERIA

The CJIA Corporation will select a panel to evaluate the RFP received for the proposed Ground Handling Services. The panel will make a recommendation to the Corporation's Tender Committee for award of the contract. The Tender Committee may accept or reject the panel's recommendation and order the re-issuance of a RFP. The following factors shall be accorded the following percentage weights in evaluating the RFP.

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| 1. | Experience and Qualifications of Proponent and Staff | 30% |
| 2. | Operating Plan | 15% |
| 3. | Marketing Plan | 15% |
| 4. | Financial RFP | 35% |
| 5. | Quality and Completeness of RFP | 5% |

NAME

ON BEHALF OF

SIGNATURE

DATE