

EPM opens a public request for bids for the construction of the Hidroituango final civil works

- This request shall be available until March 25, 2022
- National and foreign companies that have financial, technical, and legal capacity can participate in the public bid
- Hidroituango's construction progress reports an 87.32% progress

As part of their commitment to the Country's energy stability and the completion of the Ituango Hydroelectric Plant, the biggest of its kind in Colombia, EPM opened a public request for bids on Thursday, March 10, for the construction of the civil works planned in the second phase of the Project that had not been contracted. This gives continuity to the Hidroituango schedule so that it can be finished with eight generating units.

The requirements for participation and particular conditions can be consulted at the website<u>www.epm.com.co</u>. On the upper menu of the page, go to the section "Suppliers and contractors", click "Contracting", and then select "Consult requests, *Te Cuento*". Here you must click on "Open requests" and enter the process code, CRW167467, which corresponds to Hidroituango. *Te Cuento* is the EPM contracting portal.

Access route:

https://cu.epm.com.co/proveedoresycontratistas/contratacion/te-cuento.



Legal entities (national and foreign) who wish to acquire the right to participate must follow the indications of section 1.4 "Stages and periods" of the request for bids, of the "Particular Conditions".

Those who wish to participate in the process must pay a fee of four million Colombian Pesos, which are non-refundable. The payment must be made via the *Te Cuento* portal, between March 10 and 25, 2022, via electronic debit from a checking or savings account or with a credit card.

Why is there a new contracting process?

Since the Project's initial planning stage, the construction was planned to be carried out in two phases. A first initial phase which is currently ongoing, and a second phase, which was not part of the initial contract.

The Project is made up of eight generating units, with an installed capacity of 300 megawatts of energy for the National Interconnected System (SIN, for the Spanish original). The total shall be 2,400 megawatts, corresponding to 17% of the energy the Country needs to continue growing and contributing to the quality of life of millions of Colombians.