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Timetable



Round 1 Process

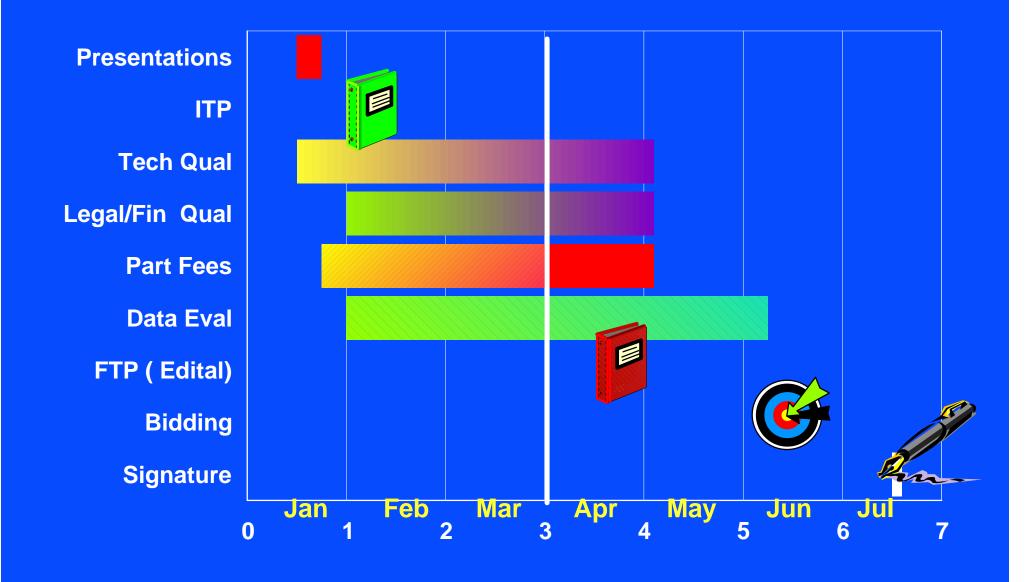


- Two Stages
 - Qualification
 - Bidding
- Qualification Stage
 - Technical
 - Legal / Financial
- Bidding Stage
 - Sequential, competitive process



General Process Steps







Round 1 Timetable



Model Concession Agreement

Deadline for comments
 April 9

Tender Protocol

Final (Edital)
 Before end of April

Expressions of Interest

Last date for submission
 10 days after Edital

Participation Fees

Last date payable
 10 days after Edital

Awards

Bidding
 Min. 45 days after Edital

Contract signature From mid July



Technical Qualification



- Operators will be classified
 - Class A may operate on all 27 Blocks
 - Class B may operate 11 Blocks
 - Onshore or shallower water areas
 - Class C may only operate 1 Block
 - Onshore Potiguar BT-POT-2
- Notifications (will be) sent to all companies who have submitted documentation



Legal / Financial Qualification



- Required to establish ability to sign Concession Agreement, if successful
- Qualified Company will provide performance guarantee if Concession Agreement signed by affiliate
- Generally will be group parent company
 - Very large companies may qualify with significant operating subsidiary
- Minimum US\$ 10 million equivalent equity
 - ANP will determine what is acceptable as equity

Contract Signature



Concession Agreement Signatory Company



- All Concessionaires <u>must</u> be Brazilian companies (Petroleum Law)
- For those companies that do not at present have a Brazilian subsidiary or affiliate with which to sign the Agreement:
 - Brazilian company must be brought onto license within 90 days
- Affiliated company may sign with performance guarantee from Qualified Company



Concession Agreement Signatory Company



- Consortia may form jointly-held Brazilian company to sign / hold Concession Agreement if they choose
 - Performance Guarantee must still come from each of the Qualified Companies in the consortium



Financial / Legal Documents Required from Qualified Company



- Financials (in Portuguese or English)
 - Last 3 years audited accounts
 - Plus interim if more than 12 months old
 - Credit rating, debt details
 - Other supporting materials
 - No formalization required except for auditor's opinion letter
- Legal
 - Constituent documents
 - By-Laws, Articles of Incorporation, etc.
 - Formalization required

Consortia



Consortia



- Companies free to form consortia up to point of bidding
- Only considerations that apply are:
 - Must have qualified Operator
 - Operator must hold at least 30%
 - No member less than 5%
 - Companies may only bid in one consortium on any one Block
 - But could be in different consortia on all 27 Blocks
 - Affiliated companies have similar restrictions



Final Tender Protocol (FTP)



- Definitive process document for Round 1
 - "Edital"
- Due before end of April 1999
- Substantially the same as ITP
- Additional detail
 - Legal basis for Brazil Round 1
 - Bidding process
 - Bidding timetable
 - Form of Guarantees
 - Other information
- Will be issued a minimum of 45 days before bidding

Bidding Process



Bidding Process



- Transparent, public process
- Blocks to be offered sequentially
- Results from one bid will be known before next bid due
 - Allows optimization of bidding
- Minimum bids
 - "A" US\$ 150,000
 - "B" US\$ 100,000
 - "C" US\$ 50,000
- Will include cash bonus and local content components
- Bid Bond required, by consortium
 - US\$ 500,000 (or equivalent) letter of credit for each Block
 - May be reused if bid unsuccessful



Bidding Structure



- 8 bidding modules over 2 days
 - 9:00am, 11:00am, 2:00pm, 4:00pm
- Each module will contain 3 or 4 Blocks
- Bids for each Block will be taken sequentially
 - 5-10 minutes between Blocks being offered in each module
 - Bidders for all Blocks in module need to be on hand at start of each session
- Block sequence will be provided in Edital
- Bids must use Envelope / Form provided



Bidding Sequence (example only)



	Day 1	Day 2
	Basin 1	Basin 1
9:00am	Basin 2	Basin 3
9.00aiii	Basin 3	Basin 2
	Basin 4	Basin 7
	Basin 5	Basin 4
11:00am	Basin 1	Basin 6
	Basin 6	Basin 8
	Basin 2	Basin 1
2:00pm	Basin 5	Basin 5
	Basin 7	Basin 7
	Basin 3	Basin 4
4.00mm	Basin 6	Basin 8
4:00pm	Basin 8	Basin 6
	Basin 5	



Bidding Envelope (Example)



Primeira Rodada de Licitações Area: Foz do Amazonas						
		Company	Company Name	Performance Bond	Participation	Signature
	*					
	1) 2)					
	3)					
	4)					
	5)					
	6)					
	7) 8)					
		esignated Operate	or			
Note: This envelope should contain ONLY one Cash Amount Bid						

- One envelope for each Block for which Participation Fees have been paid will be provided to every qualified operator
- All bids must be submitted inside this envelope on a form, also to be provided
- Every member of the Consortium must sign
- Signing and submitting the envelope will constitute undertaking to form Consortium



Bidding Structure



- Bid will consist of two numbers
 - Cash bonus, payable on contract signature
 - 80-90% weighting
 - U.S. \$
 - Percentage local supply content (up to pre-set maximum)
 - 20-10% weighting
- Total points calculated as weighted average of cash bonus points and local supply points
 - Cash bonus bid / Largest cash bonus bid
 - Percentage local content / maximum allowed percentage
- Points computed to 4 decimal places
 - 4th decimal rounded



Bid Example Bids Received



	Cash Bonus	Local Supply
Bid A	10,824,651	50%
Bid B	9,654,321	50%
Bid C	10,924,532	45%



Bid Example Points Scored - Before Weighting

	Cash Bonus	Points	Local Supply	Points
Bid A	10,824,651	99.08572	50%	100.00000
Bid B	9,654,321	88.37286	50%	100.00000
Bid C	10,924,532	100.00000	45%	90.00000



Bid Example Points Scored - After Weighting



Example: 90% Bonus, 10% Local Supply

	Cash Bonus	Local Supply	Points
Bid A	89.1771	10.0000	99.1771
Bid B	79.5356	10.0000	89.5356
Bid C	90.0000	9.0000	99.0000



Bid Example Bids and Final Points



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- Three guarantees
 - Bid Bond
 - Minimum Work Obligation
 - General Performance under the Concession Agreement
- Bid Bond
 - Standby letter of credit for US\$ 500,000 (or equivalent)
 - One per consortium per bid
 - Reusable by unsuccessful bidders
 - Can be drawn on any member of consortium
 - Must be issued by Banks approved by ANP
 - Released when Concession Agreement signed and MWO guarantee is put in place





- Minimum Work Obligation
 - Stand-by Letter of Credit required for each exploration period at start of period
 - First period US\$ 3 15 million, depending on Block
 - Can be reduced every 6 months in line with completed program
 - Reduction based on amount allocated by component (seismic pro rata, wells after drilling)
 - Second, Third periods
 - Amount of L/C will be set at time in line with prevailing market costs
 - "Deep Well" cost allocation will be carried forward until satisfied





- General Performance Guarantee
 - Required if Signatory is other than Qualified Company
 - Unconditional guarantee of performance of all obligations under the Concession Agreement
 - Form to be provided with Edital



Post-Bidding



- Specific requirements will be set out in the Edital
- Outline of procedures to be followed and documents produced by winning bidders prior to signature
- Signing approximately 30 days after bidding (to be defined at conclusion of Bidding process)
- Details regarding signing ceremony