HARBOUR DEPARTMENT.

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No. S. 413.—Sealed tenders in quadruplicate which should be clearly marked. "Tender for the supply of Coal to the Hong Kong Government", will be received at the Colonial Secretary's Office until Noon of Friday, the 20th day of November, 1931, for the supply of Coal to the Government for a period of one year as from 1st January, 1932.

The quantity of Coal will vary according to requirements, and prices should be quoted for each of the following grades:—

- (a) Hongay Lump 80 % Coal (Screened).
- with all brothocole (b) Household Coal 80 % Lump Double Screened.
- (c) Launch Coal 50 % Lump Unscreened.
- (d) Launch Dust Coal.
- (e) 80% Lump Coal for Pumping Stations and Quarries etc.
 - (1). With regard to items (c) and (d) before final acceptance of tenders tenderers must be prepared to forward to Government Slipway Yaumati reasonable quantities of the Coal tendered for test purposes. (1987)
 - (2). With regard to item (e) the Coal offered must have a calorific value of between 12000 and 13000 B.T.U's and the ash residue must be between 14 % and 17 %.

The origin and name of Coal should be stated in each case.

The prices quoted should include delivery charges to destination.

Analyses of each class of coal tendered must accompany the tender.

Free storage will not be provided.

Information as to places of delivery etc., may be obtained at the Harbour Office.

No tender will be received unless the person tendering produces a receipt to the effect that he has deposited in the Colonial Treasury the sum of \$500 as a pledge of the bona fides of his offer, which sum shall be forfeited to the Crown, if such person refuses to carry out his tender, if accepted.

The successful tenderer will be required to sign a formal contract and to give security in the sum of \$12,500 in cash, or proportional part thereof if a tender is accepted in part, to be deposited with the Colonial Treasury for the due and faithful performance of the terms of such contract.

Form of tender and further particulars may be obtained on application to the Harbour Master.

The Government does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender, and shall be at liberty to accept a tender in whole or in part.

> G. F. HOLE, Harbour Master, &c. Government Coaling Officer.

30th October, 1931.