

**BIDDING FOR THE  
PROCUREMENT OF DATA CENTER AND  
NETWORK SECURITY SOLUTION**

**BID BULLETIN NO. DC-2018-001**

This Bid Bulletin clarifies queries raised during the Pre-Bid Conference held on 12 December 2018 and other matters relative to the *Bidding for the Procurement of Data Center and Network Security Solution*.

**1. Query/Question by a Prospective Bidder**

<b>Issue Raised</b>	<b>Clarification</b>
Whether bidders can request for the soft editable copies of the sample forms.	Bidders may be provided with the editable soft copies of the sample forms so long as they have already purchased the bidding documents.

**2. Clarifications from the BAC**

- a. The bidders must be registered with PhilGEPS under Platinum Membership, otherwise the bidders will be rated failed which shall result in declaring them as "ineligible".
- b. The bid documents can be accessed from the PhilGEPS and BCDA websites.
- c. The necessary bid bulletin shall be posted in PhilGEPS and BCDA websites on **17 December 2018**. However, only those who purchased the bidding documents are entitled to directly receive a copy of the Bid Bulletin by email.
- d. The bidders have to purchase the bid documents before they can be allowed to submit their bids. They can still purchase the bid document until the day of submission.
- e. The computation of the bid security shall be based on the Approved Budget for the Contract (ABC).
- f. The bidders may submit a notarized Bid Securing Declaration in lieu of other forms of bid security. It is important to note, however, that although the Bid Securing Declaration does not require cash, its enforcement shall include automatic blacklisting and payment of certain fines in the event that the bidder violates any of the conditions set forth in the bidding documents.
- g. The bid should not be more than the ABC, otherwise the bidder will be disqualified.

- h. NFCC Computation shall be based on the audited Financial Statements for the year 2017, using the computation provided in paragraph 5.5 of the Instruction to Bidders, and should be at least equivalent to the ABC.
- i. The bidders are requested to use tabs in compiling their bid documents for quick and easy identification and verification.

### 3. Reminders from the BAC

- a. To enable the bidders to prepare for their bids, in relation to the ***Bidding for the Procurement of Data Center and Network Security Solution***, the schedule of bid is hereby amended as follows:
  - i. The deadline for Submission of the Eligibility Requirements and Technical Proposal is rescheduled to **26 December 2018 (Wed) at 1:00PM** at the BCDA Central Receiving and Releasing Area (CRRA) located at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Bonifacio Technology Center, 31<sup>st</sup> St. cor. 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, Bonifacio Global City, Taguig City. The computer system clock at the CRRA that is set to Philippine Standard Time (PhST) shall be used as reference in determining the time for the submission of bids. Hence, participating bidders are advised to synchronize their timepieces with the said computer system clock. **Late bids or those submitted after 1:00PM of 26 December 2018 (Wed) shall not be accepted.**
  - ii. The Opening of the Eligibility Requirements and Technical Proposal is rescheduled to **26 December 2018 (Wed) at 2:00PM** at the BCDA Corporate Center, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Bonifacio Technology Center, 31<sup>st</sup> St. cor. 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, Bonifacio Global City, Taguig City. Bids will be opened in the presence of the Bidders. Although the bidders' attendance during the Opening of Bids is not compulsory, it is advised that bidders send their representative to assist the BAC and answer clarifications, if any.
  - iii. The purchase of bidding documents is hereby extended until **1:00PM of 26 December 2018 (Wed)**. The bid documents may be purchased during office hours from **8:00AM to 5:00PM except Saturdays, Sundays and holidays**.
- b. BCDA adheres to the "No-Contact Rule". All clarifications shall be made in writing and addressed to the BAC-G Secretariat. **Deadline for Clarification is at 5:00PM on 14 December 2018.**
- c. Visiting or calling the members of the BAC, the TWG, the Secretariat or anyone working for BCDA is not allowed and will not be entertained.
- d. Dates, in the absence of any qualifications, are meant to be calendar days. Calendar days include Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays.
- e. Bidders may submit their eligibility documents days ahead of the deadline for submission in order to avoid late submission of bids.

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- f. Each and every page of the Bid Form must be appropriately signed by the bidders or the bidder's authorized representative. The authorization should also be attached. Failure to do so shall be a ground for the rejection of the Bid.
- g. All licenses, permits and other required clearances should be valid at the time of the submission of bids, Post-Qualification evaluation, and signing of the contract
- h. The BAC expects the bidders to exercise due diligence in going through the bidding documents so that they can prepare their bids intelligently.
- j. The following documents are required to be NOTARIZED, which should be duly sworn to and include complete information on the PTR No., MCLE No., Authority or Commission Number, etc.:
  - i. Omnibus Sworn Statement
  - ii. Bidder's Representative Authorization (as provided in Paragraph 2 of the Omnibus Sworn Statement )
  - iii. Bid Securing Declaration
- k. BCDA reserves the right to waive minor defects in forms and requirement as long as they do not affect the genuineness and authenticity of the documents submitted.
- l. BCDA reserves the right to accept or reject any bid, to annul the bidding process, and to reject all bids at any time prior to contract award, without thereby incurring any liability to the affected bidder or bidders.

**Please be reminded that all queries after the release of this Bid Bulletin will not be entertained.**

All provisions, conditions and statements in the bidding documents inconsistent with this Bid Bulletin are either modified or rendered ineffective, as the case may be.

**Issued on 17 December 2018.**

**BIDS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE FOR GOODS**

  
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