

Special Bids And Awards Committee (SBAC)

**DESIGN, BUILD, AND ESTABLISHMENT OF THE NATIONAL FIBER
BACKBONE – PHASE 1**

NOTICE TO OPEN FINANCIAL PROPOSALS

As part of the Opening of Bids and based on the results of the preliminary evaluation conducted on the submitted Technical Bids, including the results of the bidders' presentations on project implementation, the Special Bids and Awards Committee (SBAC) for National Fiber Backbone – Phase 1 hereby notifies the Opening of Financial Proposals of the Bidders, to wit:

1. R.D. Policarpio & Co., Inc. /Nera Philippines, Inc. / Livan Trade Corporation Consortium; and
2. Net Pacific, Inc. /Comclark Network and Technology Corporation /Trends and Technologies Inc. JV.

The Opening of Financial Proposals shall be held on **24 March 2021 at 10:00 AM** at the BCDA Corporate Center, 2nd Floor, Bonifacio Technology Center, 31st, Bonifacio Global City, Taguig City.

Note that the opening of financial proposals of above bidders declared “passed” shall still be subject to detailed evaluation as to completeness and compliance with the requirements set under the Terms of Reference/Bid Documents and RA 9184 and its Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR). Such detailed evaluation is scheduled from March 25 to March 30, 2021 under the revised Procurement Schedule in Bid Bulletin No. 3. Please constantly monitor your emails and the BCDA website for further announcements and notices, especially during these times of work-from-home and on-line meetings.

Attached is the SBAC Advisory which the aforementioned bidders and other attendees are enjoined to follow, especially the arrangements stated therein during the said Opening of Financial Proposals.

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A D V I S O R Y

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Due to the stricter measures implemented by BCDA in its premises, in line with the recent government issuances on guidelines to address the alarming increase in the daily number of COVID-19 cases in the country, the Special Bids and Awards Committee (SBAC) for National Fiber Backbone – Phase 1 would like to ensure that preventive efforts and measures are observed during the **Opening of Financial Proposals on 24 March 2021 at 10:00 AM** for the above-mentioned project. The bidders or their representatives, and others involved in the said activity are enjoined to comply with the following arrangements:

BIDDERS:

1. Only one (1) representative per bidder/Joint Venture/Consortium is allowed inside the BCDA premises to witness the Opening of Financial Proposals.
2. The bidders or bidder's representatives are required to accomplish the Health Declaration Form to be provided by the BCDA security personnel before they will be allowed to enter the BCDA premises.
3. BCDA security personnel shall conduct a non-contact temperature check on the prospective bidder/representative. Any person with a temperature of 37.5°C and above shall not be allowed to enter the premises.
4. The prospective bidders/representatives with travel history from outside of the Philippines for the last three (3) weeks shall not be allowed to attend in person at the venue of the Opening of Financial Proposals.
5. The prospective bidders/representatives shall wear their face masks and face shields, and maintain social distancing throughout the Opening of Financial Proposals.
6. Finally, prospective bidders/ representatives shall bring their own ball pen for purposes of signing their attendance in the meeting.

OTHER ATTENDEES:

1. The SBAC and Observers from Commission on Audit (COA), BCDA's Internal Audit Service Office (IASO), and other offices/entities shall attend the Opening of Financial Proposals through the zoom link provided below.

2. There shall be three (3) SBAC TWG members (BCDA and DICT personnel) who shall be physically present at the venue of the Opening of Financial Proposals to open and conduct preliminary checking of the Financial Proposals.
3. There shall be three (3) members of SBAC Secretariat who shall be physically present to assist during the Opening of Financial Proposals and document the said activity.
4. There shall be one (1) personnel from BCDA's Public Affairs Department who shall be physically present to document as well the said activity.
5. There shall be two (2) personnel from BCDA's ICT Department who shall be physically present to take charge in the Facebook Livestreaming and recording of the said activity via zoom.

Provision of Video Conference Platform

Pursuant to the General Community Quarantine and strict implementation of physical distancing due to the pandemic, the scheduled Opening of Financial Proposals may be accessed thru this link <https://zoom.us/j/97774156210?pwd=Ny9XalN2Vmd1VWYwVHpWM0o5ZTRkdz09> for online access via Zoom. In relation thereto, the bidders/representatives and other attendees online are requested to **ensure that the account they're using reflects their real name and the name of the company they are representing** prior to entering the Zoom meeting so that their attendance will be recorded accordingly.

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