

## **BIDS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE FOR INFRASTRUCTURE (BAC-I)**

### **Bidding for the Construction of Special and Technical Staff (STS) Building for Special Service Center (SSC) and Division Administration Command Center (DACC)**

#### **BID BULLETIN NO. 7**

Section 7 of GPPB Resolution No. 09-2020 dated 7 May 2020 (copy attached) allows the Bids and Awards Committee (BAC) to suspend the conduct of procurement activities adversely affected or interrupted by the declaration of a State of Calamity, or implementation of community quarantine or similar restrictions at any time during the existence of such calamity, or quarantine. Section 7 thereof also provides that the Procuring Entities (PEs) may retroactively suspend the conduct of procurement activities beginning 9 March 2020 following the declaration by the President of a State of Public Health Emergency throughout the Philippines.

The BAC-I has assessed and determined that the resumption of post-qualification as well as the subsequent bidding activities for the Construction of Special and Technical Staff Building for Special Service Center and Division Administration Command Center (the "Project") cannot be undertaken without endangering the health and welfare of its personnel despite the work from home or other alternative work arrangements due to COVID-19 crisis.

In view of the foregoing, the BAC-I hereby suspends the bidding activities for the Project retroactive 9 March 2020. Consequent to this suspension, the following, among others, are emphasized:

- a. The Bid Prices shall remain the same;
- b. The validity of the Bids and Bid Securities shall be extended accordingly corresponding to the period covered by the suspension or beginning 9 March 2020 until the resumption of the bidding activities as will be declared by the BAC-I;
- c. The Winning Bidder shall submit valid Business or Mayor's Permit and other Class A/Eligibility Documents prior to the award of contract should the ones submitted during bid submission expires while the conduct of the bidding activities is suspended; and
- d. The period of completion of works shall remain Four Hundred Twenty (420) calendar days reckoned from the issuance of Notice to Proceed (NTP).

The estimated resumption of the subsequent bidding activities is shown in the attached revised Timetable which is subject to change in accordance with future pronouncements or issuances by the national government on the restrictions or implementation of Community Quarantine caused by the public health emergency. The BAC-I shall issue a Notice of Resumption of the Bidding for the Project confirming the timelines reflected in the revised Timetable. Otherwise, the conduct of the procurement activities shall remain suspended until further notice.

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In accordance with Section 8 of the aforementioned GPPB Resolution, the suspension of the conduct of the bidding activities shall toll the period for the procurement of the Project covered by the suspension, including the running of the 3-month period to award the contract and the procurement process under Section 38 of RA No. 9184, during the suspension of the conduct of procurement activities, as determined by the BAC.

Pursuant also to Section 8, the suspension of the conduct of procurement activities shall be lifted upon determination of the BAC-I that the basis for the suspension no longer exists or upon the lifting of the State of Calamity, or implementation of community quarantine or similar restrictions, as the case may be. The BAC-I shall notify all affected bidders of the lifting of the suspension and shall post a notice on the BCDA website. Moreover, the period for the conduct of procurement activities shall run again upon posting of the notice of resumption of procurement activities on the website of the BCDA or any conspicuous place in the premises of the BCDA. The BCDA shall inform the affected bidders of the resumption of procurement activities for the participation and/or compliance, as the case may be.

Finally, as stated in Section 8, the period of action on procurement activities shall not commence anew but rather, grants the BCDA the balance of the remaining period available for the conduct of procurement activities which has been tolled or suspended.

This Bid Bulletin supersedes, modifies or amends the provisions of existing or previous Bid Bulletins on the Project that are inconsistent herewith.

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