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

#### PRE-BID CONFERENCE

# Re-Bidding for the Design, Supply, Construction, Installation, and Commissioning of the Concepcion-NCC Sub-Transmission Line for New Clark City BCDA Lobby Hall

BCDA Corporate Center, 2/F, Bonifacio Technology Center, BGC, Taguig City

#### 4 March 2019

# **Minutes of Meeting**

Present:

# Bids & Awards Committee:

Chairperson Vice Chairperson

Members

EVP Aileen Anunciacion R. Zosa Atty. Edilberto R. Rebato, Jr.

Maria Josefina V. Pe

Eng. Richard Brian M. Cepe

Madonna M. Cinco Raul G. Buensalida

Provisional Member

# Technical Working Group (TWG):

Head Member Jovito M. Sunga Mark P. Torres

Provisional TWG

Jerry H. Mendoza Vergel Paras Miguel Marfil

## Secretariat:

Head Members Aristotle E. Guerrero Lohren D. Cabellon Melinda M. Docallos

#### Other attendees

Victor C. Luna Dion Camangon Danilo Ancheta Consultant

Resource Person from ADB Observer from Meralco

### **Observers**

Eunice O. Cabangon

COA

Marvin Obaob

Internal Audit Service Office

# **Bidders' Representatives**

Valeriano San Jose - True North

Abel Flores Cha Pamintuan

Tina San Diego

Raul Fernandez - Cepalco Energy Services Corp (CESCO)

Gino Macapayag Reynald Pabua Arnel Simacon

Ericson Pasion

Ian Duramos - RCDG Construction Corporation

Mayoleen Belen

Vince Tabayoyong

Philip Rubio - AER Construction

Benjie Diaz - SLDCC

Rico Felizardo - BMJE Marketing
Francis Cornejo - Disneth Tech. System

Emmanuel Cortez - PhilCantech

Sheena Tan

Joey Guevarra - JC Electrofields

Rommel Bandacosa

Joel Yarre

Maylene Reves - MN Electro

Ma. Regina Rivera

M.C. Pasco - Superserve Corporation

Veron Castulo - Goldentec

Tony Gaela - S.B. Construction

Jun Macasaet Jake Rodriguez

Mary Grace Rabino - Phesco Inc.

Elmer Sierte

Rey Acurantes - Sta. Clara International Corp.

Zaiel Gonzaga

Ronnie Darjo - Green Asia

The Pre-Bid Conference for the Re-Bidding for the Design, Supply, Construction, Installation, and Commissioning of the Concepcion to NCC Sub-Transmission Line for New Clark City (NCC) was presided over by BAC-I Chaiperson Aileen Anunciacion R. Zosa.

#### 1. Call to Order

There being a quorum, Chairperson Zosa called the Pre-Bid Conference to order at 10:05 AM. She introduced the BAC-I Members, TWG, Secretariat, Consultants, Task Force for the project, and observers.

Chairperson Zosa emphasized that the Pre-Bid Conference is for the Re-bidding of the aforementioned project, and she mentioned that the BAC is heartened that more prospective bidders had expressed their interest in the project. She acknowledged and mentioned the names of the prospective bidders.

# 2. Highlights of the Meeting

2.1. Upon instruction of Chairperson Zosa, Mr. Raul Buensalida presented and discussed a brief overview about BCDA, the technical specifications/requirements and other

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salient points of the aforementioned project. Mr. Buensalida specifically mentioned the following:

- a. The project is the "Design, Supply, Construction, Installation, and Commissioning" of the proposed transmission line between the NGCP Concepcion substation and the designated NCC substation.
- b. The contractual framework for the project is based on the design and build scheme, and BCDA shall award a single contract for the design and construction of the Concepcion-NCC Sub-transmission Line for NCC to the winning bidder.
- c. The Legislative Franchise Application has been approved by the House of Representatives and is currently with the corresponding Senate Committee.
- d. The power distribution system project has been awarded to Meralco-Marubeni Consortium who will build the Power Substation inside NCC and all necessary distribution assets, except the sub-transmission asset which is the project under re-bidding.
- e. The initial works done by BCDA for the project are:
  - Tracing of the sub-transmission line alignment from NCC Substation location No. 01 to NGCP Concepcion Substation;
  - Coordination meetings with NGCP and NGCP committed to do the System Impact Study (SIS); and
  - Ongoing agency to agency communication with DPWH and the provincial administrator for ROW acquisition.
- f. The Department of Energy (DOE) has issued a Clearance to undertake SIS with NGCP.

Mr. Buensalida discussed and explained the requirements for Conceptual Design. He mentioned the applicable laws, rules and regulations and other issuances that the winning bidder/contractor should comply with for the Design Considerations of the project. He also discussed the Scope of the Contract, Obligations of the Winning Bidder, Obligations of BCDA, Mode of Payment and other requirements for the project.

Further, Mr. Buensalida stressed strict compliance with the submission of eligibility documents. BCDA has included forms in the bidding documents to guide all the interested bidders for their preparation of eligibility requirements. One of these forms is a self-certification of the availability of equipment (copy attached).

Mr. Buensalida explained the bid evaluation process from Opening of Bids up to the Post Qualification. He also mentioned the possible causes for the disqualification of a bidder, specifically the reasons why the previous bidding failed.

Engr. Mark Torres discussed and explained in detail the preparation, sealing and marking of the bids.

# 2.2. Questions from the Bidders

a. Mr. Cha Pamintuan of True North Engineering inquired whether BCDA will help the contractor in the acquisition of Right of Way (ROW) and whether the contractor will not be penalized in case of project delay caused by the delay in ROW acquisition.



Engr. Richard Cepe replied that BCDA will extend assistance to the winning bidder/contractor in ROW Acquisition.

Chairperson Zosa added that BCDA will extend assistance to the contractor in the ROW acquisition, and will not impose any sanction for the delay in the project caused by the delay in ROW acquisition, provided that such delay is not due to the fault of the contractor.

b. Mr. Pamintuan inquired whether BCDA will shoulder the financial assistance to the people affected by the acquisition of ROW.

Chairperson Zosa replied that BCDA will grant Financial Assistance to the people affected by ROW acquisition thus, the ROW acquisition is not to be included in the cost estimates of the bidder.

He also inquired whether BCDA will extend assistance to the Contractor in case there are affected distribution utilities.

Chairperson Zosa replied that the bidders should include in their cost estimates the relocation of the affected distribution utilities.

Mr. Pamintuan further inquired whether concrete poles are acceptable.

Chairperson Zosa replied in the affirmative. She added that everything will depend on the design that the winning bidder/contractor will submit which will need to be approved by BCDA before the winning bidder/contractor can start with the implementation of the project.

c. Mr. Emmanuel Cortez of Philcantech inquired whether the scope of the project includes switchgear.

Chairperson Zosa replied that the scope of the project does not include switchgear.

He likewise inquired whether one (1) excavator is acceptable for the project, and whether the loader can be excluded from the required equipment since their scope of work is purely electrical.

Mr. Miguel Marfil replied that the excavators and loaders are needed to hasten the completion of the project considering the very tight timeline of the project. He stressed the importance of the excavator for the project. He added that the TWG will discuss whether the suggestion to exclude the loader from the required equipment can be considered.

d. Mr. Gino Macapayag of Cepalco inquired whether the required Single Largest Completed Contract (SLCC) for the project is only one (1) contract for transmission line project.

Chairperson Zosa replied that, for the requirement of SLCC, the bidder can submit one (1) completed contract for a design and build transmission line project with a project cost of at least 50% of the Approved Budget for the Contract (ABC), or a combination of one (1) completed contract for a similar construction project with a project cost of at least 50% of the ABC and one (1) completed contract for similar design project where the cost of the project for which the design was done should at least be 50% of ABC.

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Mr. Macapayag further inquired whether the required list of key personnel is just a minimum requirement.

Chairperson Zosa replied that the minimum listed personnel as submitted by the bidder should be available for the project when the contract is awarded to such bidder. There must be only one (1) key personnel for every one (1) key nominated position.

e. Mr. Abel Flores of True North Engineering inquired whether they need to do soil testing for the location of each pole.

Mr. Marfil replied that it is the responsibility of the winning bidder/contractor to ensure the stability of the poles, so it would be their call whether they will do soil test for the location of each pole or not.

Mr. Flores likewise inquired whether BCDA will provide an area for a temporary facility for the winning bidder/contractor.

Mr. Marfil replied in the affirmative.

Mr. Flores further inquired whether BCDA has contingency plan wherein BCDA will provide power during SEA Games.

Mr. Marfil replied in affirmative. Chairperson Zosa stressed that the winning bidder/contractor should just focus on the construction and completion of the project as there are other government agencies responsible to ensure the smooth operations during SEA Games.

f. A representative of True North inquired whether the winning contractor can erect the electrical posts along the access roads.

Mr. Marfil replied that they can erect the electrical posts along the property line of the access roads. Mr. Dion Camangon added that there is a master plan for the roads which the winning bidder/contractor can refer to in identifying the location for the posts.

Engr. Cepe stressed that the winning bidder/contractor should be the one to put/establish the alignment on the ground which should be included in their survey. He added that BCDA will only provide the data for the ROW, coordinates, and the easements which are contained in CAD file only.

g. Mr. Benjie Diaz of SLDCC inquired whether a power transmission line project for 230kv is acceptable for the SLCC.

Mr. Marfil replied in the affirmative. Chairperson Zosa clarified that 230kv transmission line is acceptable as SLCC as long as the contractor did a design-build project for such.

h. A representative of True North Engineering inquired whether 22 November 2019 is acceptable for the project completion date.

Chairperson Zosa replied that the project must be completed on 18 November 2019 including the commissioning and testing.



#### 3. Reminders from BAC

- Queries or questions concerning the project should be sent to BAC Secretariat on or before 5pm on 7 March 2019.
- b. The interested bidders can still inquire some small details from BAC Secretariat even beyond the deadline for clarifications as long as the matter being asked will not affect the Terms of Reference (TOR) of the project and bids of other bidders.
- c. The last day of issuance of Bid Bulletin, if any, is on 11 March 2019.
- d. The opening of Eligibility and Technical Proposals is 18 March 2019 at 10:00AM.
- e. The opening of Financial Proposals is on 21 March 2019 at 10:00AM.

# 4. Closing

There being no other matter to discuss relative to the Re-Bidding for the Design, Supply, Construction, Installation, and Commissioning of the Concepcion to NCC Sub-Transmission Line for New Clark City (NCC), Chairperson Aileen Anunciacion R. Zosa adjourned the Prebid Conference at 11:45 AM.

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