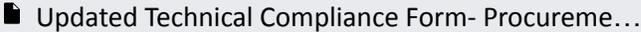


## Procurement of Various IT Equipment and Software 2023

### BID BULLETIN NO. 2

This Bid Bulletin contains amendments to the Bidding Documents and clarifications to the queries that were raised during the Pre-bid Conference on 02 October 2023 (Monday) at 2:30 PM, as well as other matters relative to the **Procurement of Various IT Equipment and Software 2023**.

#### I. QUERIES/QUESTIONS BY THE PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS

QUERIES	CLARIFICATION/S
1. Clarification on the Backup project if BCDA has a VMware Consolidated Backup or is this a 1st time subscription?	None. BCDA does not have VMWare Consolidated backup.
2. Clarification on Integrated Cloud Backup Project (1-year Subscription)  Do the 250 User Backup Licenses refer to the user heads of Microsoft Office 365?	No, the 250 User Backup Licenses pertain to the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Additional 2TB storage for 250 endpoints/servers;</li> <li>2. Google workspace backup for 250 users.</li> </ol>
3. Can we know the existing layout/setup of hypervisor or Virtual Machines (VMs)?	None. Currently, BCDA does not have any virtual machines.
4. Clarification on Section VII. Technical Specifications for Lot 1, per review of the bidding documents there are numbers that were missed and duplicated:  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Board room under no. 19 is missing</li> <li>● Conference a &amp; b under no. 4 Two different items under number 4</li> <li>● Small meeting rooms 17, 18, 19, 20, &amp; 22</li> </ul>	Updated Technical Compliance Form. Please refer to <b>Annex A</b> .   File: <a href="https://drive.google.com/file/d/1VSvSAplMXsnjKellu8u0SZvk-jMyE5yc/view?usp=drive_link">https://drive.google.com/file/d/1VSvSAplMXsnjKellu8u0SZvk-jMyE5yc/view?usp=drive_link</a>
5. Clarification on Lot 1 item no. 8 HDMI Extender, are you looking for a receiver or transmitter?	HDMI extender pertains to receiver and transmitter. BCDA requires 2 units each of receiver and transmitter
6. Clarification on Lot 1 item no. 14 HDMI Cables, can we know the actual length of the wire/cables?	HDMI cables range from 1 - 5 meters to connect the necessary components. Please note that the site survey was conducted on Oct 3-6, 2023.
7. Would it be possible to offer other brands?	The bidders can propose any brand. All specifications are minimum requirements. Proponents may propose equivalent or higher specifications.
8. Clarification on Other Conditions; The Bidder shall provide the following requirements;	Yes, BCDA allows the Bidders that have Service Partners with Professional Electronics and Communication Engineer (PECE) or Professional Electronics Engineer

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Bidder must have at least one (1) employed Professional Electronics and Communication Engineer (PECE) with at least three (3) years of experience in the organization with supporting company ID, COE and PECE license.</li> </ul> <p>If the company is purely audio-video business, is it allowed that our service partner will take care of the requirements cited on other requirements such as the PECE and in-house engineer?</p>	<p>which is cited in the Other Requirements of Lot 1, provided that Professional license must be valid within the implementation period of the project.</p> <p>It is allowed that the service partner will take care of the requirements cited on other requirements such as PECE and in-house engineer.</p>
<p>9. Clarification on the Similar Contracts; We will be non compliant if purely audio-video, can we suggest separating IT related products.</p>	<p>Similar contracts shall refer to contracts involving the supply, delivery of the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Lot 1 - Audio and Video System</b></li> <li><b>Lot 2 - Cloud Backup</b></li> <li><b>Lot 3 - Next Generation Firewall with Configuration</b></li> </ol>
<p>10. Can we have a copy of the presentation?</p>	<p>Yes.</p> <p>Please see the link below for a copy of the presentation used during the Pre-Bid Conference on 02 October 2023, as follows:</p> <p>File: <a href="https://drive.google.com/file/d/1g3pmrY3xtxnF6gDbFfjBfRgqKl1alyIq/view?usp=drive_link">https://drive.google.com/file/d/1g3pmrY3xtxnF6gDbFfjBfRgqKl1alyIq/view?usp=drive_link</a></p>
<p>11. Clarification: in the years of business operation, we can cover the project amount from the previous projects but our business started in 2019, can we suggest 3 years for SLCC and for ongoing projects?</p>	<p>The bidder should be in the audio/video (Lot 1) and IT in (Lot 2 and 3) industries in the Philippines for the past four (4) years as evidenced by its SEC registration. Moreover, bidder must have completed, within the last four (4) years prior from the date of submission and receipt of bids, a single completed contract similar to the Project, equivalent to at least fifty percent (50%) of the ABC adjusted to current prices using the PSA's CPI; or at least two (2) similar completed contracts with the aggregate amount equivalent to at least fifty percent (50%) of the ABC adjusted to current prices using the PSA's CPI, and the largest of these similar contracts must be equivalent to at least twenty-five (25%) of the ABC.</p>
<p>12. Clarification on General Requirements of Lot 2</p>	<p>Yes, e-signature is acceptable from the service partners.</p>

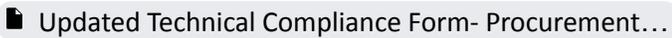
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The supplier must be an authorized service partner and reseller of products, units and solutions being offered. Please present proof of certification: Distributorship Certificate and/or Manufacturer's Authorization Form (MAF), etc.</li> </ul> <p>Can we submit an e-signature together with the proof of email from the service partner.</p>	
<p>13. Can you provide the reference no. or code specific for the Lot 1 and Lot 2</p>	<p>The Invitation to Bid No.(reference no.) and the Project ID No.:</p> <p>For Lot 1 – BG2023-166-167 For Lot 2 - BG2023-165 For Lot 3 - BG2023-163</p>
<p>14. Can we clarify the deviations of the items specified for Lot 1 and Lot 2, can we not provide the same specifications in the bidding documents?</p>	<p>The specifications indicated in the Bidding documents are the minimum requirements. Bidders can submit higher or equivalent specifications but not below the minimum requirements.</p>
<p>15. If we bid for different lots can we submit just one copy of eligibility documents and financial components?</p>	<p>Please refer to <b>Annex "B"</b> - Checklist of Requirements for Submission <a href="#">Annex B - Requirements</a></p> <p>File: <a href="https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ooR0_GoOP_ARPT96aTB2-wkLrTg20W_wY3R22AsUErY/edit">https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ooR0_GoOP_ARPT96aTB2-wkLrTg20W_wY3R22AsUErY/edit</a></p>
<p>16. Clarification on the specifications of Lot 3 - Next Generation Firewall High Availability (HA) project</p> <p>1. Are all items in parentheses already existing or a new requirement?</p> <p>2. Can we clarify the item SONICWALL NSa 2700 (HA for OW). Shall we secure an upgrade and additional for the HA, is that a total for two (2) units instead of one (1)?</p>	<p>1. a. Sonicwall NSa 5700 is existing and currently being used in BTC office</p> <p>b. Sonicwall TZ570 is existing and currently being used in PMO, the HA should include a Stateful High Availability License for 1 year.</p> <p>c. Sonicwall TZ470 is existing and currently being used for PDS, the HA should include a Stateful High Availability License for 1 year.</p> <p>2. For One West (OW), the existing unit is NSa 2650. A secure upgrade to NSa2700 with Essential Protection Serve Suite for two (2) years with Network Security Manager for one year is included in the procurement together with the HA unit, so there will be 2 units of NSa2700.</p>

<p>17. Clarification on the specifications of Lot 3 - Next Generation Firewall High Availability (HA) project Will the services be included in the mentioned five (5) SONICWALL firewalls?</p>	<p>Yes, services such as installation and configuration, firmware updates, technical and foundational support, unlimited phone/ email and support within Metro Manila are included in all Sonicwall firewalls.</p>
<p>18. Clarification on the specifications of Lot 3 - Next Generation Firewall High Availability (HA) project</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Training/Knowledge Transfer - The winning bidder must provide Technology Transfer/Training for the IT personnel and/or BCDA end-users after commissioning.</li> </ul> <p>Can we clarify how many users would we enable for the Knowledge Transfer and does the Training have to be face to face or online?</p>	<p>Face-to-face training/knowledge transfer is included for a minimum of 12 pax IT personnel across the BCDA sites.</p>
<p>19. Clarification on Page 12. Section III. Bid Data Sheet, ITB Clause 21.2</p> <p>B. The bidder must have completed, within the period specified in the Invitation to Bid, a Single Contract that is similar to this Project, equivalent to at least fifty percent (50%) of the ABC. (For this purpose "similar contracts" shall refer to contracts involving the supply, and delivery of <b>Audio and Video Equipment (Lot 1 )</b>, <b>Cloud Backup (Lot 2)</b>, and <b>Next Generation Firewall Configuration (Lot 3)</b>).</p> <p>For the required SLCC, can we submit any related backup projects for Lot 2?</p>	<p>For Lot 2, bidders shall submit backup projects with Cloud backup feature including offsite/private cloud implementation.</p>
<p>20. Additional Storage for Lot 2 <b>Integrated Cloud Backup Project</b> at Item I. Component for the Head Office Server Config, item 3, 24TB Performance Tier.</p>	<p>From 24 TB to be changed to 50 TB:</p> <p><i>I.Components</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Head Office Server Config:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>HDD: 50 TB (Performance Tier)</b></li> </ul> </li> </ul>

## II. AMENDMENTS TO THE BIDDING DOCUMENTS

The following amendments or modifications are being issued to address the issues/concerns in the Bidding Documents, to wit:



FROM (as advertised)	TO (as revised)
<p>1. Section III. Bid Data Sheet, ITB Clause 21.2</p> <p>B. The bidder must have completed, <u>within the period specified in the Invitation to Bid</u>, a Single Contract that is similar to this Project, equivalent to at least fifty percent (50%) of the ABC. (For this purpose "similar contracts" shall refer to contracts involving the supply, and delivery of <b>Audio and Video Equipment (Lot 1 )</b>, <b>Cloud Backup (Lot 2)</b>, and <b>Next Generation Firewall Configuration (Lot 3)</b>.</p>	<p>The bidder must have completed, within the last four (4) years prior from the date of submission and receipt of bids, a contract similar to the Project, equivalent to at least fifty percent (50%) of the ABC adjusted to current prices using the PSA's CPI; or at least two (2) similar completed contracts with the aggregate amount equivalent to at least fifty percent (50%) of the ABC adjusted to current prices using the PSA's CPI, and the largest of these similar contracts must be equivalent to at least twenty-five (25%) of the ABC. (For this purpose "similar contracts" shall refer to contracts involving the <b>supply, and delivery of Audio and Video System (Lot 1)</b>, <b>Cloud Backup (Lot 2)</b>, and <b>Next Generation Firewall with Configuration (Lot 3)</b>.</p>
<p>2. Section VII. Technical Specifications Compliance Form</p>	<p>Attached herewith as <b>ANNEX A</b> is the revised Technical Specifications.</p> <p></p> <p>File: <a href="https://drive.google.com/file/d/1VSvSaplMXsnjKelu8uoS Zvk-iMyE5yc /view?usp=drive link">https://drive.google.com/file/d/1VSvSaplMXsnjKelu8uoS Zvk-iMyE5yc /view?usp=drive link</a></p>

### III. Additional Clarifications

1. Checklist of Requirements - Technical and Financial Envelopes, kindly refer to Annex "B").  
[Annex "B" - Checklist of Requirements](#)
2. Checklist of Requirements: Class "A" Documents - Legal Documents  
Submission of Valid PhilGEPS Certificate of Registration under Platinum Membership (all pages).

In pursuant to Section 8.5.2 of RIRR of R.A No. 9184 (Government Procurement Reform Act), all bidders shall upload and maintain in PhilGEPS a current and updated Class "A" eligibility documents, as follows:

- A. Registration Certificate;
- B. Valid Mayor's/Business Permit or its Equivalent Document;
- C. Valid Tax Clearance; and,
- D. Audited Financial Statements (Year Ended 2022)

### 3. Checklist of Requirements - Marking and Sealing

The bidders are requested to USE TABS in compiling their bid documents for quick and easy identification and verification.

The above schedule accordingly amends the schedule in the PhilGEPS and BCDA website.

**Please be reminded that all queries after the issuance of this Bid Bulletin will no longer be entertained.**

Moreover, please take note of the following schedule:

Activities	Date/Schedule
Deadline for Request for Clarification, if any	06 October 2023 (Friday)
Issuance of Bid Bulletin, if any	09 October 2023 (Monday)
<b>Deadline for Submission of bids</b>	<b>9:00 AM, 16 October 2023 (Monday)</b>
<b>Opening of Bids</b>	<b>10:00 AM, 16 October 2023 (Monday)</b>

The above changes further amend the bidding documents, accordingly. The **Opening of Bids will be conducted face-to-face** at the **BCDA Corporate Center, 2nd Floor, Bonifacio Technology Center, 31st St. corner 2nd Ave, Bonifacio Global City, Taguig City**. However, the bidders may opt to attend online via zoom.

For those attending in person, please consider the following guidelines:

1. Attendees to the Pre-bid Conference and Opening of Bids are expected to follow the BCDA Health Protocols; and
2. Observers/representatives who show signs of COVID-19 related symptoms are not allowed to enter the BCDA premises.

This Bid Bulletin is being issued pursuant to Sections 22.5.2 and 22.5.3 of the 2016 Revised Implementing Rules and Regulations of Republic Act No. 9184.

Issued on **09 October 2023 (Monday)**.

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