BIDS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE-TESDA Central Office

PRE-BID CONFERENCE FOR THE PROCUREMENT OF STARTER TOOL KITS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF FY 2020 UNIVERSAL ACCESS TO QUALITY TERTIARY **EDUCATION ACT (UAQTEA)**

27 October 2020, Monday, 2:00 p.m. Video Conferencing via Zoom Application

Present:

Bids and Awards Committee:

Dir. David B. Bungallon Vice-Chairperson (NITESD)

Dir. Ma. Magdalena P. Butad Member (IAS) Atty. Marichelle D. De Guzman Member (ODG-TBS)

Provisional Member - Technical Expert Mr. Rizal S. Bautista

(RTC-NCR)

BAC Secretariat:

Ms. Maria Gracia P. Dela Rama Head (PD-AS) Member (PD-AS) Ms. Arcadia Creselda P. Balinas Member (PD-AS)

Ms. Jela Mae A. Arcano

Prospective Bidders:

Ms. Rosemarie Dela Cruz ACMI Office Systems Philippines, Inc. Ms. Ann Margaret Ngui ACMI Office Systems Philippines, Inc.

Ms. Elah B. Martinez Welcome Export Inc.

Ms. Belinda I. Narnola Welcome Export Inc. **Emmantech Enterprises** Mr. Alvin Saulog **Autoreach Company** Ms. Gina Bello

Ms. Merly Jabonero **Autoreach Company**

Wealthmore Construction and Supply Ms. Abegail Petargue

Corporation Wealthmore Construction and Supply Ms. Jerielyn Entera

Corporation

Humil International Corporation Mr. Dante Ganot **Humil International Corporation** Mr. Arthur Dean

Goldtech International Distributors Inc. Mr. Willie Flores Ms. Abigail Co Goldtech International Distributors Inc.

Ms. Rona Bugauisan Girlteki, Inc.

Mr. Rheymar Fulgar Reddot Imaging Philippines Inc.

Others:

Ms. Cylie G. Litao **SMD-ROMO** Mr. Daisy Salmero **SMD-ROMO**

Ms. Rosa M. Ponce Minutes Officer (PD-AS)

Ms. Melisande Centeno Administrative Officer (PD-AS) Administrative Assistant (PD-AS) Mr. Vince Lorenz B. Cuya

Absent:

Bids and Awards Committee:

DDG Lina C. Sarmiento Chairperson (ODDG for TESDO)

Dir. Melanie Grace T. Romero Provisional Member–End-user (ROMO)

BAC Secretariat:

Atty. Jan Michael P. Jaro Mr. Alric G. Subido Mr. Joseph Allen L. Simon Member (ODG) Member (GSD-AS) Member (PD-AS)

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

A. CALL TO ORDER

There being a quorum with four (4) out of six (6) members of the BAC in attendance, Dir. David Bungallon, BAC Vice-Chairperson, called the meeting in order at 2:03 pm.

The Vice-Chair greeted everyone including the nine (9) prospective bidders' authorized representatives for this Pre-bid Conference for the Procurement of Starter Tool Kits for the implementation of FY 2020 Universal Access to Quality Tertiary Education Act (UAQTEA) Single Bundled Program of the three (3) sectors namely: (1) Agriculture, Forestry and Fishery Sector; (2) Automotive and Land Transportation Sector; and (3) Electrical and Electronics Sector.

Ms. Arcadia Creselda Balinas, BAC Secretariat Member, announced the nine (9) potential bidders namely: (1) ACMI Office Systems Philippines, Inc.; (2) Welcome Export Inc.; (3) Emmantech Enterprises; (4) Autoreach Company; (5) Wealthmore Construction and Supply Corporation; (6) Humil International Corporation; (7) Goldtech International Distributors Inc.; (8) Girlteki, Inc.; and (9) Reddot Imaging Philippines Inc. who signified their intention to participate in this pre-bid activity.

The authorized representatives of the prospective bidders were given a Zoom meeting ID and password upon validating their proof of identity. Upon entry to the meeting room, the BAC Vice-Chair requested to state their names and the company they represent.

Dir. Bungallon welcomed all the potential bidders and requested the Secretariat to proceed with the presentation.

B. <u>DISCUSSION</u>

ISSUES/ CONCERNS	PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION/ AGREEMENTS		
a. Letter to	Ms. Balinas showed proof that invitation letters were emailed to the		
Observers	following Observers on October 22, 2020:		
	Transparency and Accountability Network		
	2. Real Life Foundation Inc.		
	3. Commission Audit		
	4. Philippine Institute for Supply Management		
	5. Philippine Jesuit Prison Service		
	6. Philippine Chamber of Commerce and Industry		
	However, the Secretariat said that none from the aforementioned observers have responded.		
	The Vice-Chair noted the absence of the Observers in the Pre-bid Conference.		

b. Publication of the Invitation to Bid

Ms. Balinas informed the Committee that the Invitation to Bid (ITB) was posted at the PhilGEPS website and TESDA official website on October 19, 2020.

Likewise, the BAC Secretariat posted the ITB on the bulletin board near the TESDA Gate 1, the place reserved for the posting of notices and information on procurement activities.

Furthermore, in line with the precautionary health measures adopted by the agency, potential bidders were being informed that this Prebid Conference will be held through video-conferencing using the Zoom application.

c. Presentation of Requirements of the Bidding Documents

Dir. Bungallon requested the BAC Secretariat to present the General Requirements for Government Procurement.

Ms. Balinas proceeded with the presentation of the General Requirements for Government Procurement.

She explained that the purpose of the meeting was to allow the prospective bidders to seek clarifications should they have concerns regarding the whole bidding process, including the bidding documents then, highlighted the following:

✓ PURPOSE:

Ms. Balinas emphasized that any discussion/agreement during the pre-bid conference shall not modify the terms in the Bidding Documents, unless in writing and issued through a Supplemental Bid Bulletin.

✓ BIDDER'S ELIGIBILITY (Legal, Financial and Technical):

a. Legal Documents

- Valid PhilGEPS Registration Certificate (Platinum Membership) (all pages); or
- Registration certificate from Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) for sole proprietorship, or Cooperative Development Authority (CDA) for cooperatives or its equivalent document; and
- Mayor's or Business Permit issued by the city or municipality where the principal place of business of the prospective bidder is located, or the equivalent document for Exclusive Economic Zones or Areas; and
- Tax Clearance per E.O. No. 398, s. 2005, as finally reviewed and approved by the Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR).

b. Technical Documents

Statement of all on-going government and private contracts, including contracts, awarded but not yet started, if any, whether similar or not similar in nature and complexity to the contract to be bid; and

Statement of Single Largest Completed Contracts (SLCC) similar to the contract to be bid except under conditions provided for in Sections 23.4.1.3 and 23.4.2.4 of the 2016 revised IRR of RA No. 9184, within the relevant period as provided in the Bidding Documents;

Bid Data Sheet Section 5.3 Pursuant to Section 23.4.1.3 of the 2016 revised IRR of RA No.9184, the Bidder shall have an SLCC that is at least one (1) contract similar to the Project the value of which, adjusted to current prices using the PSA's Consumer Price Index (CPI), must be at least equivalent to fifty percent (50%) of the ABC.

For this purpose, contracts similar to the Project shall be:

- a. any contract on <u>supply and delivery of basic tools/training</u> tools, and must be at least equivalent to fifty percent (50%) of the ABC of the bidded lot/s; and
- b. completed within five (5) years prior to the deadline for the submission and receipt of bids.
- Original copy of Bid Security. If in the form of a Surety Bond, submit also a certification issued by the Insurance Commission; or Original copy of Notarized Bid Securing Declaration;

Bid Data Sheet Section 14.1 The bid security shall be in the form of a Bid Securing Declaration (Please see Section VIII of the Bid Documents), or any of the following forms and amounts:

- The amount of not less than 2% of ABC (please refer to bid documents), if bid security is in cash, cashier's/manager's check, bank draft/guarantee or irrevocable letter of credit; or
- The amount of not less than 5% of ABC (please refer to bid documents), if bid security is in Surety Bond callable upon demand issued by a surety or insurance company duly certified by the Insurance Commission.

The bid security in the form of cashier's/manager's check shall be payable to TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY.

- Conformity with the Technical Specifications, which may include production/delivery schedule, manpower requirements, and/or aftersales/parts, if applicable; (Section VI and Section VII of the Bid Documents);
- Original duly signed Omnibus Sworn Statement (OSS); and if applicable, Original Notarized Secretary's Certificate in case of a corporation, partnership, or cooperative; or Original Special Power of Attorney of all members of the joint venture giving full power and authority to its officer to sign the OSS and do acts to represent the Bidder.

Ms. Balinas advised the bidders to use the respective prescribed forms attached in the Bid Document and ensure to fill-out and sign the forms by the authorized bidder's representative.

c. Financial Documents

- ➤ The Supplier's audited financial statements, showing, among others, the Supplier's total and current assets and liabilities, stamped "received" by the BIR or its duly accredited and authorized institutions, for the preceding calendar year which should not be earlier than two (2) years from the date of bid submission; and
- ➤ The prospective bidder's computation of Net Financial Contracting Capacity (NFCC); or

Computation of NFCC:

NFCC = [(Current assets minus current liabilities) (15)] minus the value of all outstanding or uncompleted portions of the projects under ongoing contracts, including awarded contracts yet to be started coinciding with the contract to be bid

The values of the domestic bidder's current assets and current liabilities shall be based on the latest Audited Financial Statements submitted to the BIR.

Net Financial Contracting Capacity (NFCC), calculated as follows: [(Current Assets–Current Liabilities) x 15] – [Value of all outstanding contracts]

➤ A committed Line of Credit from a Universal or Commercial Bank in lieu of its NFCC computation.

If the prospective bidder opts to submit a committed Line of Credit, it must be at least equal to ten percent (10%) of the ABC to be bid. If issued by a foreign universal or commercial bank, it shall be confirmed or authenticated by a local universal or commercial bank.

- ➤ "CLASS B" DOCUMENT Joint Venture Agreement if applicable
- ✓ Amended RULE II, SECTION 12(a) of 2004 Rules of Notarial Practice:

"Competent Evidence of Identity – The phrase "competent evidence of identity" refers to the identification of an individual based on:

"(a) At least one current identification document issued by an official agency bearing the photograph and signature of the individual, such as but not limited to passport, driver's license, Professional Regulations Commission ID, National Bureau of Investigation clearance, police clearance... and all other IDs issued by the Government agencies

✓ DOCUMENTS REQUIRED DURING THE BID OPENING:

- a. First envelope shall contain the following:
 - 1. Authority of Signatory
 - 2. Valid PhilGEPS Registration Certificate <u>or</u> SEC/DTI/CDA Registration Certificate, Mayor's or Business Permit and Tax Clearance;
 - 3. Statement of All On-Going contracts including Awarded but not yet Started Contracts;
 - 4. Statement of Single Largest Completed Contracts similar to the contract to be bid:
 - 5. Bid Security;
 - 6. Statement of Compliance with the Delivery Schedule;
 - 7. Statement of Compliance with the Technical Specifications;
 - 8. Bidder's Omnibus Sworn Statement;
 - 9. Audited Financial Statement stamped "received" by the BIR;
 - 10. NFCC or Committed Line of Credit; and
 - 11. JVA if applicable.

- b. Second envelope shall contain the Financial Component
 - 1. Original of duly signed and accomplished Financial Bid Form
 - 2. Original of duly signed and accomplished Price Schedule(s).

✓ DOCUMENTS TO BE SUBMITTED BY THE LOWEST CALCULATED BIDDER FOR POST QUALIFICATION PURPOSES:

- Proof of Completion of Single Largest Completed Contract, which shall be a copy of any verifiable document(s) such as but not limited to the following:
 - Contract/s or Purchase Order/s;
 - corresponding Sales Invoice/s;
 - > Official Receipt/Cash Receipt/Collection Receipt; and
 - Certificate of Satisfactory Completion;
- Brochures, if Required;
- Samples, if Required;
- Other Appropriate Licenses & Permits
- Latest Annual Income Tax Returns (BIR Form 1701 or 1702) as filed through the Electronic Filing and Payment System (eFPS)
- Either of the following:
 - Value Added Tax Returns (Forms 2550M and 2550Q) covering the previous six (6) months as filed thru eFPS; or
 - Percentage Tax Returns (Form 2551M) covering the previous six (6) months as filed thru eFPS,

Pursuant to BIR Revenue Regulations No. 03-2005 dated 16 February 2005.

 Valid and updated PhilGEPS Certificate of Registration (Platinum Membership) including the updated list of eligibility documents as stated in Annex "A" of said Certificate of Registration.

Documents submitted during post-qualification as part of post-qualification documents must be certified by the authorized representative to be true

✓ SAMPLES TO BE SUBMITTED BY THE LCB FOR POST-QUALIFICATION PURPOSES

- To determine the compliance of the items with the requirements of the agency, the actual sample of each item being offered by the bidder together with the Technical Data Sheet will be submitted for purposes of post-qualification. The bidder will have one (1) chance to present such items.
- For common items found in different lots, the bidders may present one (1) sample for all the lots. For this purpose, the term "common items" excludes items which have the same description but with different technical specification.
- Products covered by BPS Mandatory Product Certification Schemes, whether locally manufactured or imported or required to bear ICC and PS marks before being distributed in the Philippine market, as applicable
- Imported products (for electronic products) should pass international quality control product standards and have international quality control product markings such as CE, ISO, ASTM, ASQC, AFCIQ, ASQ, DGQ, EOQC, IQA, and the like.

✓ COMMON REASONS FOR DISQUALIFICATION OBSERVED DURING THE VARIOUS STAGE OF PROCUREMENT PROCESS

Ms. Balinas reminded the prospective bidders of the common reasons for disqualification such as:

DURING BID OPENING

- Late Submission;
- Incomplete Submission;
- Non-compliance with Notarial Rules (use of Cedula is not allowed); and
- Failure to sign relevant documents.

DURING SUBMISSION OF ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS BY THE LCB

- Failure to submit the required additional documents;
- Late submission of additional documents;
- Failure to present the required sample during the scheduled date of presentation;
- Different samples are presented for the same item;

DURING POST-QUALIFICATION

- Failure to pass sample testing criteria;
- · Expired license/permits; and
- False information.

At the end of the presentation, the following contact details of the BAC Secretariat were provided if ever prospective bidders have questions:

- email address: <u>bacsecretariat@tesda.gov.ph</u>
- Telephone Number: (02) 8893-8296
- d. Submission of Request for Clarification
- e. Issuance of Bid Bulletin
- f. Submission of Bids and Bid Opening

Likewise, reminded prospective bidders on important dates to remember:

Sectors	Last Day of Submission of Written Clarification	Last Day of Issuance of Supplemental Bid Bulletin	Deadline for Submission and Opening of Bids			
Agriculture, Forestry, and Fishery Sector	November 1, 2020	November 4, 2020	November 11, 2020; 8:00 a.m.			
Automotive and Land Transportation Sector	November 1, 2020	November 4, 2020	November 11, 2020; 10:00 a.m.			
Electrical and Electronics	November 1, 2020	November 4, 2020	November 11, 2020; 1:00 p.m.			

Bid Opening will be held 15 minutes after the abovementioned schedule of bid submission.

g. Venue of the Submission and Opening of Bids

The venue of the submission and opening of bids will be at the Tandang Sora Hall, TESDA Women's Center, Gate 1, TESDA Complex, Building 2, East Service Road, South Luzon Expressway (SLEX), Fort Bonifacio, Taguig City.

Due to community quarantine measures, only one (1) representative is allowed to attend personally in the bid opening and will be required to follow the TESDA protocol for visitors specifically on compliance with social distancing, wearing of face masks and face shields, body

		temperature screening, filling up of self-screening form which must			
h.	Question and	be filled-up prior to the arrival at TESDA. Dir. Bungallon open the table for the bidders' questions and			
	Answer	clarifications.			
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		to the clarifications to	be raised by the bidders.		
		Prospective Bidder		BAC Response	
		Goldtech International Distributors, Inc.	which indicates Basic Tools and Training Tools only. She asked if they will be allowed to join other qualifications for	Dir. Bungallon replied that it is covered in the rule of Similar Contracts as long as it is Basic Tools / Training Tools. Thus,	
			instance, the contents of their basic tools are IT Products.	the definition of Similar Contract allows them to join to other sectors.	
		Humil International Corporation	Queried on Section 20.1 of the Bid Data Sheet, Proof of completion of the single largest contract as identified in the Statement of Single Largest Completed Contract, letter (d) Certificate of Satisfactory Completion. He asked if there is a prescribed format for this.	Ms. Balinas clarified that there is no prescribed format. As long as the bidder can provide Satisfactory rating for the completed contract submitted.	
			Queried on the prescribed format to be used in the Certificate of Satisfactory Completion as one of the Post-Qualification documents to be submitted for statement of single largest competed contracts.	that it will be taken as part of the Supplemental Bid Bulletin to be issued on November 4, 2020.	
			Furthermore, the bidder's representative asked if the aforesaid Certificate of Performance Evaluation will be part of the Post-Qualification Requirement as attachment to the Single Largest Contract.	Dir. Bungallon reiterated that the subject clarification shall be discussed first among the BAC whether to provide a prescribed template or otherwise.	
		Dir. Bungallon upon hearing no more questions, thanked all the prospective bidders for participating this pre-bid conference. At the same time, he gave some reminders on the important dates for the projects that was stated earlier in the presentation of requirements and declared them excused to leave the meeting.			

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other matters to be discussed, the meeting adjourned at 3:19 p.m.

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Member, BAC Secretariat

Approved by:

DIR. DAVID B. BUNGALLON

BAC Vice-Chairperson