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Preface

These Philippine Bidding Documents (PBDs) for the procurement of Goods through Competitive Bidding have been prepared by the Government of the Philippines (GOP) for use by all branches, agencies, departments, bureaus, offices, or instrumentalities of the government, including government-owned and/or -controlled corporations (GOCCs), government financial institutions (GFIs), state universities and colleges (SUCs), and local government units (LGUs) and autonomous regional government. The procedures and practices presented in this document have been developed through broad experience, and are for mandatory¹ use in projects that are financed in whole or in part by the GOP or any foreign government/foreign or international financing institution in accordance with the provisions of the 2016 Revised Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of Republic Act (RA) 9184.

The Bidding Documents shall clearly and adequately define, among others: (a) the objectives, scope, and expected outputs and/or results of the proposed contract; (b) the eligibility requirements of bidders, such as track record to be determined by the Head of the Procuring Entity; (c) the expected contract duration, the estimated quantity in the case of procurement of goods, delivery schedule and/or time frame; and (d) the obligations, duties, and/or functions of the winning bidder.

In order to simplify the preparation of the Bidding Documents for each procurement, the PBDs groups the provisions that are intended to be used unchanged in Section II. Instructions to Bidders (ITB) and in Section IV. General Conditions of Contract (GCC). Data and provisions specific to each procurement and contract should be included in Section III. Bid Data Sheet (BDS); Section V. Special Conditions of Contract (SCC); Section VI. Schedule of Requirements; Section VII. , and Section IX. Foreign-Assisted Projects. The forms to be used are provided in Section VIII. Bidding Forms.

Care should be taken to check the relevance of the provisions of the PBDs against the requirements of the specific Goods to be procured. In addition, each section is prepared with notes intended only as information for the Procuring Entity or the person drafting the Bidding Documents. They shall not be included in the final documents, except for the notes introducing Section VIII. Bidding Forms where the information is useful for the Bidder. The following general directions should be observed when using the documents:

- (a) All the documents listed in the Table of Contents are normally required for the procurement of Goods. However, they should be adapted as necessary to the circumstances of the particular Project.
- (b) Specific details, such as the “name of the Procuring Entity” and “address for bid submission,” should be furnished in the ITB, BDS, and SCC. The final documents should contain neither blank spaces nor options.
- (c) This Preface and the footnotes or notes in italics included in the Invitation to Bid, BDS, SCC, Schedule of Requirements, and Specifications are not part of

¹ Unless the Treaty or International or Executive Agreement expressly provides use of foreign government/foreign or international financing institution procurement guidelines.

the text of the final document, although they contain instructions that the Procuring Entity should strictly follow. The Bidding Documents should contain no footnotes except Section VIII. Bidding Forms since these provide important guidance to Bidders.

- (d) The cover should be modified as required to identify the Bidding Documents as to the names of the Project, Contract, and Procuring Entity, in addition to date of issue.
- (e) If modifications must be made to bidding procedures, they can be presented in the BDS. Modifications for specific Project or Contract details should be provided in the SCC as amendments to the Conditions of Contract. For easy completion, whenever reference has to be made to specific clauses in the BDS or SCC these terms shall be printed in bold type face on Section I. Instructions to Bidders and Section III. General Conditions of Contract, respectively.

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Section I. Invitation to Bid

Notes on the Invitation to Bid

The Invitation to Bid provides information that enables potential Bidders to decide whether to participate in the procurement at hand. The Invitation to Bid shall be:

- (a) Posted continuously in the Philippine Government Electronic Procurement System (PhilGEPS) website, the website of the Procuring Entity concerned, if available, and the website prescribed by the foreign government/foreign or international financing institution, if applicable, for seven (7) calendar days starting on the date of advertisement;
- (b) Posted at any conspicuous place reserved for this purpose in the premises of the Procuring Entity concerned for seven (7) calendar days, as certified by the head of the Bids and Awards Committee (BAC) Secretariat of the Procuring Entity concerned; and
- (c) Advertised at least once in a newspaper of general nationwide circulation which has been regularly published for at least two (2) years before the date of issue of the advertisement, subject to Section 21.2.1(c) of the IRR of RA 9184².

Apart from the essential items listed in the Bidding Documents, the Invitation to Bid should also indicate the following:

- (a) The date of availability of the Bidding Documents, which shall be from the time the Invitation to Bid is first advertised/posted until the deadline for the submission and receipt of bids;
- (b) The place where the Bidding Documents may be acquired or the website where it may be downloaded;
- (c) The deadline for the submission and receipt of bids from the last day of posting of the Invitation to Bid; and
- (d) Any important bid evaluation criteria (*e.g.*, the application of a margin of preference in bid evaluation).

The Invitation to Bid should be incorporated into the Bidding Documents. The information contained in the Invitation to Bid must conform to the Bidding Documents and in particular to the relevant information in the BDS.

² Two years after the effectivity of the 2016 Revised IRR of R.A. No. 9184 on 28 October 2016, advertisement in a newspaper of general nationwide circulation shall no longer be required. However, a procuring entity that cannot post its opportunities in the PhilGEPS for justifiable reasons shall continue to publish its advertisements in a newspaper of general circulation.

For foreign-assisted projects, the Invitation to Bid to be used is provided in Section IX- Foreign-Assisted Projects.

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