

PCC BIDS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE (PBAC)

Minutes of Pre-Bid Conference

“Procurement of Comprehensive ICT Maintenance Services for the Philippine Competition Commission Data Center Infrastructure – Hyperconverged Server Infrastructure”

Date: 19 March 2025; 1:30 PM

Hybrid (Teleconference via Microsoft Teams and Onsite at PCC Office, 9/F Tower 1, Vertis North Corporate Center, North Avenue, Quezon City)

Present:

PBAC Members

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| 1. Chairperson | Atty. Joseph Melvin B. Basas |
| 2. Vice Chairperson | Atty. Christian Loren B. De Los Santos |
| 3. Regular Member | Acting Dir. Ferdinand L. Paguia |
| 4. Regular Member | Atty. Michael Kris Ben T. Herrera |
| 5. Regular Member | Acting Dir. Kirsten Dela Cruz |
| 6. Provisional Member | Allan Roy D. Moderno |

PBAC Secretariat

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| 1. Head | Rommel R. Oira |
| 2. Asst. Head | Ma. Celeste S. Dizon |
| 3. Member | Mark Jayson R. Fajutnao |
| 4. Member | Isabelo Miguel V. Abano |
| 5. Member | Ralph Riel N. Garcia |
| 6. Member | Jonalyn F. Funa |
| 7. Member | Diana Lee B. Gavino |
| 8. Member | Jessa S. Arevalo |
| 9. Member | Marlon H. Javier |
| 10. Member | Meonel B. Nunez |
| 11. Member | Alleah Jeane R. Rebanal |
| 12. Member | Zico Simeone D. Morales |

Technical Working Group (TWG)/End-user

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| 1. TWG Head | Samuelle David S. Onchengco |
| 2. End-user Representative | Alvin U. Bosque |

Bidder/s

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| 1. Infocentric Solutions, Inc. | Aileen Cuadernal
Marjorie Ona |
| 2. Prime Quality Innovations | Ghirly Cabalejo |
| 3. Commsource System and | Alondra Mae Sta. Cruz |

I. Call to Order

The PBAC Chairperson called the meeting to order at 1:30 PM for the Pre-Bidding Conference for the **Procurement of Comprehensive ICT Maintenance Services for the Philippine Competition Commission Data Center Infrastructure – Hyperconverged Server Infrastructure.**

Discussion		Recommendations / Agreements				
<p>A. Presentation (Purpose, Documentation, Timelines, Common Mistakes, etc.)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">The PBAC Secretariat presented and discussed the Technical and Financial Forms, while the Technical Specifications were presented and discussed by the Head of the Technical Working Group. <p>B. Project Requirements & Technical Specifications / Terms of Reference</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">The prospective bidders confirmed they were able to review the Technical Specifications, and their requirements as advertised. <p>C. Approved Budget for the Contract (ABC)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">The ABC for this project is PhP2,700,000.00. <p>D. Date/ Time for the Submission and Opening of Bids</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Deadline for Submission: 1 April 2025, 12:00 NNOpening of Bids: 1 April 2025, 1:30 PM <p>E. Question and Answer. The End-user representative discussed the Terms of Reference (TOR).</p> <table><tr><th>Question</th><th>Response</th></tr><tr><td>Ms. Cuadernal from Infocentric Solutions, Inc. asked clarifications on the following: (1) should they submit the Mayor’s Permit and Tax Clearance as attachments to the PhilGEPS Platinum Certificate? (2) should they</td><td>The Head of the BAC Secretariat responded that: (1) only a valid PhilGEPS Platinum Certificate, including all Annexes, is required; (2) as discussed during the presentation, only one (1) copy of the bid may be</td></tr></table>		Question	Response	Ms. Cuadernal from Infocentric Solutions, Inc. asked clarifications on the following: (1) should they submit the Mayor’s Permit and Tax Clearance as attachments to the PhilGEPS Platinum Certificate? (2) should they	The Head of the BAC Secretariat responded that: (1) only a valid PhilGEPS Platinum Certificate, including all Annexes, is required; (2) as discussed during the presentation, only one (1) copy of the bid may be	<ul style="list-style-type: none">All queries were clarified. Thus, the PBAC will not issue a Bid Bulletin. The bid submission and opening will proceed as scheduled.
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<p>submit only one (1) copy? (3) should the documents be stamped as a certified true copy and signed by the authorized representative?</p> <p>Mr. Cabalejo from Prime Quality Innovations inquired about the 8X7 (8:00 AM – 5:00 PM, Mondays – Sundays) call and onsite technical support, which includes a three-hour response time under the Service Level Agreement. He asked if this response time can be adjusted to 4 hours and whether a site visit can be arranged. Additionally, he inquired whether the Hyperconverged Server Infrastructure consists of 8 nodes for the HCI Chassis or a total of 12 nodes.</p>	<p>submitted and (3) documents bearing the signature of the authorized representative on each page is valid.</p> <p>Mr. Onchengco clarified that support should be available for 8 hours, 7 days a week (8:00 AM – 5:00 PM), and due to the critical nature of our services, the response time should be 3 hours. He also stated that a site visit can be arranged, with prior notification to the end-user. Likewise, he confirmed that there are currently 4 blocks of chassis, with 2 nodes per block, totaling 8 nodes.</p>		
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II. Adjournment

There being no other matters discussed, the pre-bidding conference was adjourned at 2:02 PM.

Prepared by:

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PBAC Secretariat Member

Approved by:

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ATTY. JOSEPH MELVIN B. BASAS
PBAC Chairperson