



13 August 2024

ASTI – BIDS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE
BAC Resolution No. 24-08-159

**DECLARATION OF THE BIDDER WITH THE SINGLE CALCULATED RESPONSIVE BID AND
RECOMMENDING AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR THE SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF
BYPASS ISOLATION TRANSFER SWITCH OF DOST-ASTI GENERATOR SETS**

Purchase Request No.	:	GAA-24-06-19387
Date of Purchase Request	:	18 June 2024
Invitation to Bid No.	:	24-06-4887
Solicitation No.	:	24-06-4887
PhilGEPS Reference No.	:	10995847
Approved Budget for the Contract	:	₱3,600,000.00

WHEREAS, the **Fiscal Year 2024 Annual Procurement Plan (APP) No. 13** of the Department of Science and Technology (DOST) - Advanced Science and Technology Institute (ASTI) includes “**Supply and Delivery of Bypass Isolation Transfer Switch of DOST-ASTI Generator Sets**” to be procured through public bidding, with a total Approved Budget for the Contract amounting **Three Million Six Hundred Thousand Pesos Only (₱3,600,000.00)**, inclusive of all government taxes, other fees, and charges;

WHEREAS, Section 7 of Republic Act (RA) No. 9184 mandates that no government procurement shall be undertaken unless it is in accordance with an approved APP consistent with the yearly budget and approved by the Head of the Procuring Entity (HoPE);

WHEREAS, Section 10, Article IV of RA No. 91842 provides that all procurement shall be done through Competitive Bidding, except as provided for in Article XVI thereof;

WHEREAS, the DOST-ASTI Bids and Awards Committee (BAC) received **Purchase Request No. GAA-24-06-19387** dated **18 June 2024**, together with a market study, for the procurement of the aforesaid item;

WHEREAS, on **26 June 2024, 09:00 AM**, a Pre-procurement Conference was held online via Microsoft Teams Application with the DOST-ASTI BAC, Secretariat, and end-user representatives in attendance, to determine the readiness of the procurement project;

WHEREAS, on **28 June 2024**, the Invitation to Bid and the DOST-ASTI Philippine Bidding Documents (PBD) for subject procurement were published on the websites of the Philippine Government Electronic Procurement System and DOST-ASTI, as well as in latter’s conspicuous place reserved for the purpose, consistent with Section 21, Rule VII of the 2016 revised Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of RA No. 9184;

WHEREAS, on **05 July 2024, 9:00 AM**, a **Pre-bidding Conference** for said procurement was conducted by the DOST-ASTI BAC through videoconferencing via MS Teams, which was opened to prospective bidders, in compliance with Section 22.1, Rule VII of the 2016 revised IRR of RA No. 9184;

WHEREAS, as a result of the discussion and clarifications made during the Pre-bidding Conference, the DOST-ASTI BAC issued **Supplemental Bid Bulletin No. BAC-2024-07-015** on **10 July 2024**, amending Section VI. Schedule of Requirements and Section VII. Technical Specifications of the DOST-ASTI PBD;

WHEREAS, only four (4) prospective bidders purchased the PBDs, particularly, **(1) Tabuko Energy Network, Corp.; (2) Castle Power Philippines, Inc.; (3) Asyana Construction, Consultancy and Trading;** and **(4) APDS Automation and Power Distribution Services;**

WHEREAS, on **17 July 2024, 09:00 AM** only three (3) prospective bidders submitted PBD prior to the deadline of submission, particularly **(1) Castle Power Philippines, Inc., (2) Asyana Construction, Consultancy and Trading;** and **(3) APDS Automation and Power Distribution Services;**

WHEREAS, during the scheduled Opening of Bids for subject procurement on **17 July 2024, 09:30 AM**, the DOST-ASTI BAC opened the bids of **(1) Castle Power Philippines, Inc., (2) Asyana Construction, Consultancy and Trading**, and **(3) APDS Automation and Power Distribution Services**, in public and the presence of the bidders' representatives to determine the bidders' compliance with the eligibility, technical, and financial requirements specified in the DOST-ASTI PBD. Said Opening of Bids was conducted by the DOST-ASTI BAC through a blended meeting arrangement;

WHEREAS, during the preliminary examination of bids, the DOST-ASTI BAC examined the submitted documents of the prospective bidders versus a checklist to ascertain if the required documents were all submitted, using a non-discretionary "pass or fail" criterion;

WHEREAS, during the stage of eligibility check and preliminary examination of the bids of **Castle Power Philippines, Inc.**, the DOST-ASTI BAC and Secretariat observed that the Audited Financial Statement (AFS) in its PhilGEPS Registration Certificate (Platinum Membership) - Class "A" Documents was not current and updated. Thus, the DOST-ASTI BAC rated the technical component of **Castle Power Philippines, Inc.'s** bid as **"failed"** and declared the same as **"disqualified"** to proceed further with the procurement process;

WHEREAS, during the stage of eligibility check and preliminary examination of the bids of **Asyana Construction, Consultancy & Trading**, the DOST-ASTI BAC and Secretariat observed that the bidder did not indicate "COMPLY" in each individual parameter of the Specifications. Thus, the DOST-ASTI BAC rated the technical component of **Asyana Construction, Consultancy & Trading's** bid as **"failed"** and declared the same as **"disqualified"** to proceed further with the procurement process;

WHEREAS, DOST-ASTI BAC continued to examine the submitted bids of **APDS Automation and Power Distribution Services** and was declared **"eligible"** for having submitted complete eligibility and technical requirements. Consequently, its financial envelope was opened which revealed its bid amounting to **Three Million Two Hundred Eighty-Eight Thousand Pesos Only (₱3,288,000.00)**, inclusive of all government taxes and other applicable charges;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 55 of the 2016 revised IRR of RA No. 9184, **Asyana Construction, Consultancy & Trading** was given three (3) calendar days upon receipt of written notice or verbal notification to file a written request for reconsideration before the DOST-ASTI BAC. However, they are not allowed to submit additional documents to correct any defects in the bid submitted;

WHEREAS, **Asyana Construction, Consultancy & Trading** submitted a Motion for Reconsideration; however, the DOST-ASTI BAC reaffirms its decision to disqualify said bidder as the submitted document was **"patently insufficient"**;

WHEREAS, the bid submitted by **APDS Automation and Power Distribution Services** having passed the requirements, was subjected to detailed bid evaluation pursuant to Section 32 of the 2016 revised IRR of RA No. 9184 and was found to be complete and substantially complying, and was ranked as follows:

Name of Bidder	Bid Price as Read	Bid Price as Calculated	Ranking
APDS Automation and Power Distribution Services	₱3,288,000.00	₱3,288,000.00	Single Calculated Bid

WHEREAS, after verification, validation, and ascertainment of all statements made and documents submitted by **APDS Automation and Power Distribution Services**, the DOST-ASTI BAC determined that the submission of said bidder passed all the criteria for post-qualification.

NOW, THEREFORE, FOR AND IN CONSIDERATION OF THE FOREGOING, the members of the DOST-ASTI BAC hereby resolve the following:

- (1) To declare the bid of **APDS Automation and Power Distribution Services** for the procurement project titled, **"Supply and Delivery of Bypass Isolation Transfer Switch of DOST-ASTI Generator Sets"** as the **Single Calculated Responsive Bid**, with a total bid price amounting to **Three Million Two Hundred Eighty-Eight Thousand Pesos Only (₱3,288,000.00)**;
- (2) To recommend to the **DOST-ASTI Director**, as the HoPE, that the contract be awarded to **APDS Automation and Power Distribution Services** in the above-mentioned amount, in accordance with Section 37.1.1 of the 2016 revised IRR of RA No. 9184; and

- (3) To notify all other bidders, in writing, of the DOST-ASTI BAC's recommendation within three (3) calendar days from the issuance of the resolution recommending the award of the contract, pursuant to Section 37.1.1 of the 2016 revised IRR of RA No. 9184.

RESOLVED, at the DOST-ASTI, Quezon City, this 13th day of August 2024.

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