



30 August 2024

ASTI – BIDS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE
BAC Resolution No. 24-08-170

RECOMMENDING AWARD OF CONTRACT VIA NEGOTIATED PROCUREMENT –
TWO FAILED BIDDINGS FOR THE SUPPLY, DELIVERY, AND INSTALLATION OF
ONE (1) LOT THERMAL SHOCK CHAMBER

Purchase Request No.	:	GAA-24-03-18873
Date of Purchase Request	:	18 March 2024
Invitation to Bid No.	:	24-05-4801
Solicitation No.	:	24-05-4801
PhilGEPS Reference No.	:	11095952
Approved Budget for the Contract	:	₱5,000,000.00

WHEREAS, the Republic Act (RA) No. 9184, otherwise known as the “Government Procurement Reform Act”, provides that all procurement of the national government, its departments, bureaus, offices, and agencies, including state universities and colleges, government-owned and/or controlled corporations, government financial institutions and local government units, shall, in all cases be conducted in accordance therewith and its 2016 revised Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR);

WHEREAS, the **Fiscal Year 2024 Annual Procurement Plan No. 9** of the Department of Science and Technology (DOST) - Advanced Science and Technology Institute (ASTI) includes “**Supply, Delivery, and Installation of One (1) Lot Thermal Shock Chamber**”, to be procured through public bidding, with a total Approved Budget for the Contract amounting **Five Million Pesos Only (₱5,000,000.00)**, inclusive of all government taxes, other fees and charges;

WHEREAS, the DOST-ASTI Bids and Awards Committee (BAC) received **Purchase Request No. GAA-24-03-18873** dated **18 March 2024**, together with a market study, for the procurement of the aforesaid item;

WHEREAS, the DOST-ASTI BAC declared two (2) failed public biddings for the procurement project. The first failure of bidding was declared through **BAC Resolution No. 24-05-090** dated **29 May 2024**, and the post-disqualification of the bidder for the second bidding was declared through **BAC Resolution No. 24-07-129** dated **12 July 2024**;

WHEREAS, due to two (2) failed biddings, the DOST-ASTI BAC resorted to Negotiated Procurement after Two Failed Biddings as provided for in Section 53.1 of RA No. 9184 and its 2016 revised IRR;

WHEREAS, on **30 July 2024**, the Invitation for Negotiation was published on the websites of the PhilGEPS and DOST-ASTI, as well as in the latter’s conspicuous place reserved for the purpose, consistent with Section 21, Rule VII of the 2016 revised IRR of RA No. 9184;

WHEREAS, deadline for submission of Best and Final Bid Offer/s for the procurement project is on **20 August 2024, 9:00 AM**;

WHEREAS, Letters of Invitation were sent to three (3) witnesses and/or observers, namely:

- (1) **Atty. Jarem J. Remigio**
 State Auditor II
 Commission on Audit

(2) **Ms. Imelda S. Carillo**
President
Philippine Institute for Supply Management

(3) **Mr. Danny Royeca**
Secretary General
Philippine Chamber of Commerce and Industry

WHEREAS, on **05 August 2024, 09:00 AM**, a **Negotiation Conference** for said procurement was conducted by the DOST-ASTI BAC through videoconferencing, specifically via MS Teams, which was opened to prospective bidders;

WHEREAS, as a result of the discussion and clarifications made during the Negotiation Conference, the DOST-ASTI BAC issued **Supplemental Bid Bulletin No. BAC-2024-08-019** on **12 August 2024**, amending Compliance with the Technical Specifications and answering queries of the prospective bidders;

WHEREAS, four (4) prospective bidders submitted the eligibility, technical, and financial requirements prior to the deadline of submission on **20 August 2024, 09:00 AM**, particularly **(1) Hi-Tech Instruments, Inc.; (2) Quantel Global Philippines Corporation; (3) MQA Trading; and (4) Vernice Analytical Technologies, Co.;**

WHEREAS, the DOST-ASTI BAC opened the offers/quotations of the prospective bidders in public and in the presence of the bidders' representatives, via blended meeting arrangement, to determine the bidders' compliance with the eligibility, technical, and financial requirements specified in the Invitation;

WHEREAS, 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, **Vernice Analytical Technologies, Co.** was disqualified by the DOST-ASTI BAC, as it did not submit a PhilGEPS Registration Certificate (Platinum Membership);

WHEREAS, **Hi-Tech Instruments, Inc.** was disqualified by the DOST-ASTI BAC, as it did not indicate "COMPLY" in 2.1.3.5.2. Lengthen Stainless Steel Axes of the Technical Specifications;

WHEREAS, **MQA Trading** was disqualified by the DOST-ASTI BAC, as it did not submit the Conformity with the Technical Specifications form/requirement;

WHEREAS, **Quantel Global Philippines Corporation** was the only prospective bidder that submitted the required legal, technical, and financial documents/requirements. Thus, the DOST-ASTI BAC rated the legal, technical, and financial documents/requirements of **Quantel Global Philippines Corporation's** offer/quotation as "**passed**";

WHEREAS, the DOST-ASTI BAC proceeded to open the financial component/documents submitted by **Quantel Global Philippines Corporation**, and its price quotation amounted to **Four Million Nine Hundred Ninety-Nine Thousand Pesos Only (₱4,999,000.00)**, inclusive of all government taxes, other fees, and charges;

WHEREAS, after verification of all statements made and documents submitted by **Quantel Global Philippines Corporation**, the end-user unit and the DOST-ASTI BAC determined that the submission of said prospective bidder passed all the criteria and requirements of the Procuring Entity for the procurement project at hand;

NOW, THEREFORE, FOR AND IN CONSIDERATION OF THE FOREGOING, we, the members of the DOST-ASTI BAC hereby resolves to:

1. To declare the quotation of **Quantel Global Philippines Corporation** for the procurement project titled, "**Supply, Delivery, and Installation of One (1) Lot Thermal Shock Chamber**", with a total price quotation of **Four Million Nine Hundred Ninety-Nine Thousand Pesos Only (₱4,999,000.00)**, as the Single Calculated Responsive Quotation; and
2. To award the contract to **Quantel Global Philippines Corporation** in the aforesaid amount through Negotiated Procurement after Two Failed Biddings.

RESOLVED, at the DOST-ASTI, Quezon City, this 30th day of August 2024.

ALVIN E. RETAMAR
End-user

NARCISA JUVILYN C. CASTAÑEDA
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