



15 August 2023

**ASTI – BIDS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE
BAC Resolution No. 23-08-150**

RECOMMENDING THE AWARD OF CONTRACT TO VARIOUS SUPPLIERS FOR THE SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF ONE (1) PIECE TECHNICAL BOOK: A PRAGMATIC GUIDE TO COMPETENCY, 2011 AND OTHER ITEMS

Purchase Request No.	:	QCS-23-07-17227
Date of Purchase Request	:	26 July 2023
Request for Quotation No.	:	23-08-4478
Solicitation No.	:	23-08-4478
PhilGEPS Reference No.	:	10012730
Approved Budget for the Contract	:	₱209,328.60

WHEREAS, the Computer Software Division submitted to the DOST-ASTI Bids and Awards Committee (BAC) **Purchase Request No. QCS-23-07-17227** for the **Supply and Delivery One (1) Piece Technical Book: A Pragmatic Guide to Competency, 2011 and Other Items**, which was included in the **DOST-ASTI Annual Procurement Plan Nos. 14 & 15 for Fiscal Year 2023**. The procurement opportunity is broken down into the following items:

ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	QTY.	UNIT	UNIT PRICE (₱)	TOTAL PRICE (₱)
1	Technical Book: A Pragmatic Guide to Competency, 2011	1	Piece	4,837.00	4,837.00
2	Technical Book: Understanding Quantum Technologies, Volume 1, Fifth Edition, 2022	1	Piece	5,728.00	5,728.00
3	Technical Book: Understanding Quantum Technologies, Volume 2, Fifth Edition, 2022	1	Piece	5,728.00	5,728.00
4	Technical Book: Quantum Chemistry in the Age of Machine Learning, 2022	1	Piece	22,291.00	22,291.00
5	Technical Book: Quantum Machine Learning and Optimisation in Finance: On the Road to Quantum Advantage, 2022	1	Piece	6,344.00	6,344.00
6	Technical Book: A Practical Guide to Quantum Machine Learning and Quantum Optimization: Hands-on Approach to Modern Quantum Algorithms, 2023	1	Piece	6,534.00	6,534.00
7	Technical Book: Distributed Algorithms: An Intuitive Approach, Second Edition, 2018	1	Piece	5,422.00	5,422.00
8	Technical Book: Quantum Computing Experimentation with Amazon Braket: Explore Amazon Braket quantum computing to solve combinatorial optimization problems, 2022	1	Piece	6,327.93	6,327.93
9	Technical Book: Introduction to Classical and Quantum Computing, 2022	1	Piece	4,048.00	4,048.00
10	Technical Book: Financial Modeling Using Quantum Computing: Design and manage quantum machine learning solutions for financial analysis and decision making, 2023	1	Piece	5,423.00	5,423.00
11	Technical Book: The Science of Deep Learning New Edition, 2022	1	Piece	5,772.67	5,772.67

12	Technical Book: The AI Product Manager's Handbook: Develop a product that takes advantage of machine learning to solve AI problems, 2023	1	Piece	5,407.00	5,407.00
13	Technical Book: The Theory and Practice of Enterprise AI: Recipes and Reference Implementations for Marketing, Supply Chain, and Production Operations, Second Edition, 2023	1	Piece	6,854.00	6,854.00
14	Technical Book: The Elements of Computing Systems, second edition: Building a Modern Computer from First Principles, Second Edition, 2021	1	Piece	4,166.00	4,166.00
15	Technical Book: Parallel and High Performance Computing, 2021	1	Piece	7,874.00	7,874.00
16	Technical Book: Concise Guide to Quantum Machine Learning (Machine Learning: Foundations, Methodologies, and Applications)	1	Piece	15,756.00	15,756.00
17	Technical Book: Data Science in Chemistry, 2020	1	Piece	9,333.00	9,333.00
18	Technical Book: Applied Chemoinformatics: Achievements and Future Opportunities, 2018	1	Piece	16,402.00	16,402.00
19	Technical Book: Chemoinformatics: Basic Concepts and Methods, 2018	1	Piece	11,465.00	11,465.00
20	Technical Book: Proofs: A Long-Form Mathematics Textbook (The Long-Form Math Textbook Series), 2021	1	Piece	2,853.00	2,853.00
21	Technical Book: Quantum Inspired Meta-heuristics for Image Analysis, 2019	1	Piece	13,174.00	13,174.00
22	Technical Book: An Introduction to Quantum Computing, 2007	1	Piece	21,482.00	21,482.00
23	Technical Book: An Introduction to Quantum Computing Algorithms	1	Piece	8,518.00	8,518.00
24	Technical Book: Quantum Computation and Quantum Information	1	Piece	7,589.00	7,589.00
TOTAL ABC (P)					209,328.60

WHEREAS, with an Approved Budget for the Contract (ABC) amounting to **Two Hundred Nine Thousand Three Hundred Twenty-Eight Pesos & 60/100 Only (P209,328.60)**, the mode of procurement is pursuant to Section 53.9 (Small Value Procurement) of the 2016 revised Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of Republic Act (RA) No. 9184;

WHEREAS, on **05 August 2023**, the DOST-ASTI BAC, through its Secretariat, published the Request for Quotation (RFQ) and sent RFQs to three (3) suppliers of known qualifications, viz: (1) Ace Electronic Technology, Inc.; (2) Brightmind Book Trading; and (3) Forefront Book Co., Inc.;

WHEREAS, before the lapse of the deadline for submission of quotations on **09 August 2023, 2:00 PM**, three (3) bidders submitted quotations, particularly **(1) Forefront Book Co., Inc.; (2) Brightmind Book Trading; and (3) Ace Electronic Technology, Inc.;**

WHEREAS, upon careful review and evaluation of the DOST-ASTI BAC on the legal requirements submitted by **Forefront Book Co., Inc., Brightmind Book Trading, and Ace Electronic Technology, Inc.**, it was evidenced that said prospective bidders complied with the eligibility requirements. Likewise, the DOST-ASTI BAC determined that the financial proposal submitted by **Forefront Book Co., Inc., Brightmind Book Trading, and Ace Electronic Technology, Inc.** in the amounts of **Eighty-Five Thousand Two Hundred Sixty-Two Pesos Only (P85,262.00)**, **Thirty-Five Thousand One Hundred Forty-Seven Pesos & 50/100 Only (P35,147.50)**, and **Fifty-Six Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty Pesos Only (P56,950.00)**, inclusive of all government taxes and fees, are within the ABC and, thus, compliant with the financial requirement;

WHEREAS, the evaluation of the compliance with the technical requirements of the procurement project was done by the end-user unit, which found the offers of **Forefront Book Co., Inc., Brightmind Book Trading, and Ace Electronic Technology, Inc.** compliant with the technical requirements;

WHEREAS, Forefront Book Co., Inc., Brightmind Book Trading, and Ace Electronic Technology, Inc. were determined to be the bidders with **Lowest Calculated Responsive Quotations**; and

WHEREAS, Section 12 of RA No. 9184 provides that the BAC shall, among other matters, recommend the award of contracts to the Head of the Procuring Entity (HoPE) or his/her duly authorized representative.

WHEREFORE, the **DOST-ASTI BAC RESOLVES,** as it is hereby **RESOLVED,** to recommend to the **DOST-ASTI HoPE,** for his approval, the following:

- 1) To award the contract for the **SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF ONE (1) PIECE TECHNICAL BOOK: A PRAGMATIC GUIDE TO COMPETENCY, 2011 AND OTHER ITEMS** through **NEGOTIATED PROCUREMENT UNDER SECTION 53.9 (SMALL VALUE PROCUREMENT),** to **FOREFRONT BOOK CO., INC.** with a total bid amount of **EIGHTY-FIVE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED SIXTY-TWO PESOS ONLY (₱85,262.00),** inclusive of all government taxes and fees (*see below details*);

ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	QTY.	UNIT	UNIT PRICE (₱)	TOTAL PRICE (₱)
1	Technical Book: A Pragmatic Guide to Competency, 2011	1	Piece	4,188.00	4,188.00
4	Technical Book: Quantum Chemistry in the Age of Machine Learning, 2022	1	Piece	19,788.00	19,788.00
7	Technical Book: Distributed Algorithms: An Intuitive Approach, Second Edition, 2018	1	Piece	4,208.00	4,208.00
14	Technical Book: The Elements of Computing Systems, second edition: Building a Modern Computer from First Principles, Second Edition, 2021	1	Piece	3,208.00	3,208.00
16	Technical Book: Concise Guide to Quantum Machine Learning (Machine Learning: Foundations, Methodologies, and Applications)	1	Piece	13,198.00	13,198.00
18	Technical Book: Applied Chemoinformatics: Achievements and Future Opportunities, 2018	1	Piece	13,488.00	13,488.00
19	Technical Book: Chemoinformatics: Basic Concepts and Methods, 2018	1	Piece	8,888.00	8,888.00
21	Technical Book: Quantum Inspired Meta-heuristics for Image Analysis, 2019	1	Piece	12,298.00	12,298.00
23	Technical Book: An Introduction to Quantum Computing Algorithms	1	Piece	5,998.00	5,998.00
TOTAL BID AMOUNT (₱)					85,262.00

- 2) To award the contract for the **SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF ONE (1) PIECE TECHNICAL BOOK: A PRACTICAL GUIDE TO QUANTUM MACHINE LEARNING AND QUANTUM OPTIMIZATION: HANDS-ON APPROACH TO MODERN QUANTUM ALGORITHMS, 2023 AND OTHER ITEMS** through **NEGOTIATED PROCUREMENT UNDER SECTION 53.9 (SMALL VALUE PROCUREMENT),** to **BRIGHTMIND BOOK TRADING** with a total bid amount of **THIRTY-FIVE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED FORTY-SEVEN PESOS & 50/100 ONLY (₱35,147.50),** inclusive of all government taxes and fees (*see below details*); and


ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	QTY.	UNIT	UNIT PRICE (₱)	TOTAL PRICE (₱)
6	Technical Book: A Practical Guide to Quantum Machine Learning and Quantum Optimization: Hands-on Approach to Modern Quantum Algorithms, 2023	1	Piece	4,972.50	4,972.50
10	Technical Book: Financial Modeling Using Quantum Computing: Design and manage quantum machine	1	Piece	4,207.50	4,207.50


	learning solutions for financial analysis and decision making, 2023				
12	Technical Book: The AI Product Manager's Handbook: Develop a product that takes advantage of machine learning to solve AI problems, 2023	1	Piece	4,207.50	4,207.50
13	Technical Book: The Theory and Practice of Enterprise AI: Recipes and Reference Implementations for Marketing, Supply Chain, and Production Operations, Second Edition, 2023	1	Piece	5,610.00	5,610.00
15	Technical Book: Parallel and High Performance Computing, 2021	1	Piece	6,545.00	6,545.00
20	Technical Book: Proofs: A Long-Form Mathematics Textbook (The Long-Form Math Textbook Series), 2021	1	Piece	2,380.00	2,380.00
24	Technical Book: Quantum Computation and Quantum Information	1	Piece	7,225.00	7,225.00
TOTAL BID AMOUNT (P)					35,147.50

- 3) To award the contract for the **SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF ONE (1) PIECE TECHNICAL BOOK: UNDERSTANDING QUANTUM TECHNOLOGIES, VOLUME 1, FIFTH EDITION 2022 AND OTHER ITEMS** through **NEGOTIATED PROCUREMENT UNDER SECTION 53.9 (SMALL VALUE PROCUREMENT)**, to **ACE ELECTRONIC TECHNOLOGY, INC.** with a total bid amount of **FIFTY-SIX THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED FIFTY PESOS ONLY (P56,950.00)**, inclusive of all government taxes and fees (*see below details*).

ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	QTY.	UNIT	UNIT PRICE (P)	TOTAL PRICE (P)
2	Technical Book: Understanding Quantum Technologies, Volume 1, Fifth Edition, 2022	1	Piece	4,950.00	4,950.00
3	Technical Book: Understanding Quantum Technologies, Volume 2, Fifth Edition, 2022	1	Piece	4,950.00	4,950.00
5	Technical Book: Quantum Machine Learning and Optimisation in Finance: On the Road to Quantum Advantage, 2022	1	Piece	5,500.00	5,500.00
8	Technical Book: Quantum Computing Experimentation with Amazon Braket: Explore Amazon Braket quantum computing to solve combinatorial optimization problems, 2022	1	Piece	4,950.00	4,950.00
9	Technical Book: Introduction to Classical and Quantum Computing, 2022	1	Piece	3,500.00	3,500.00
11	Technical Book: The Science of Deep Learning New Edition, 2022	1	Piece	5,350.00	5,350.00
17	Technical Book: Data Science in Chemistry, 2020	1	Piece	8,250.00	8,250.00
22	Technical Book: An Introduction to Quantum Computing, 2007	1	Piece	19,500.00	19,500.00
TOTAL BID AMOUNT (P)					56,950.00

Done in Quezon City, Philippines, this 15th day of August 2023.

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