



23 August 2023

**ASTI – BIDS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE  
BAC Resolution No. 23-08-154**

**RECOMMENDING THE AWARD OF CONTRACT TO NATURE SPECIALISTS, INC. FOR THE LEASE OF VENUE AND ACCOMMODATION (29 AUGUST 2023 – 01 SEPTEMBER 2023) FOR MODEL STORE BETA VERSION LAUNCH AND END-USER TRAINING & STAKEHOLDERS MEETING ESTIMATED NUMBER OF PAX: ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY (170)**

Purchase Request No.	:	<b>ALAM-23-08-17361</b>
Date of Purchase Request	:	<b>15 August 2023</b>
Request for Quotation No.	:	<b>23-08-4488</b>
Solicitation No.	:	<b>23-08-4488</b>
PhilGEPS Reference No.	:	<b>10049342</b>
Approved Budget for the Contract	:	<b>₱2,000,000.00</b>

**WHEREAS**, the Computer Software Division submitted to the DOST-ASTI Bids and Awards Committee (BAC) **Purchase Request No. ALAM-23-08-17361** for the **Lease of Venue and Accommodation (29 August 2023- 01 September 2023) for Model Store Beta Version Launch and End-user Training & Stakeholders Meeting Estimated Number of Pax: One Hundred Seventy (170)** and shall be undertaken through Section 53.10 (Lease of Venue) of the 2016 revised Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of Republic Act (RA) No. 9184;

**WHEREAS**, the **Lease of Venue** shall be conducted within **San Mateo, Rizal** from **29 August 2023 to 01 September 2023**, with an Approved Budget for the Contract (ABC) amounting to **Two Million Pesos Only (₱2,000,000.00)**

**WHEREAS**, it is preferred that government agencies lease publicly-owned real property or venue from other government agencies. However, in a Memorandum dated 17 August 2023, the end-user unit justified that leasing a privately-owned venue is more advantageous than leasing a government-owned venue. Likewise, in support of its position, the end-user unit conducted market research and submitted a cost-benefit analysis;

**WHEREAS**, the Consolidated Guidelines for the Alternative Methods of Procurement, item V-D 9(c)(ii)(a) of Annex “H” in the 2016 revised IRR of RA No. 9184 provides that “the BAC shall send the RFQ to at least three (3) venues within the vicinity of the selected location. Receipt of at least one (1) quotation is sufficient to proceed with the evaluation thereof”;

**WHEREAS**, on 17 August 2023, the DOST-ASTI BAC, through its Secretariat initiated the procurement activity by publishing a Request for Quotation (RFQ) and inviting three (3) prospective lessors, namely: (1) Timberlands Highlands Resort; (2) Serenity View Resort Property Inc.; and (3) Luxent Hotel;

**WHEREAS**, before the deadline for submission of quotation on 22 August 2023, 2:00 PM, two (2) bidders submitted their respective quotations, viz: **(1) Nature Specialists, Inc.** and **(2) Serenity View Resort Property, Inc.**;

**WHEREAS**, upon careful review and evaluation of the DOST-ASTI BAC on the legal requirements submitted by the prospective lessor, it was evidenced that **Nature Specialists, Inc.** complied with the eligibility requirements. Likewise, the DOST-ASTI BAC determined that only the financial proposal submitted by **Nature Specialists, Inc.** in the amount of **One Million Eight Hundred Fifty-Seven Thousand Pesos Only (₱1,857,000.00)**, inclusive of all government taxes and fees, is within the ABC and, thus, compliant with the financial requirement;

**WHEREAS**, the venue being offered by **Nature Specialists, Inc.** was rated by the end-user unit in accordance with the technical specifications prepared pursuant to Appendix B (Rating Factors and Determination of Reasonableness of Rental Rates) of the Consolidated Guidelines for the Alternative Methods of Procurement, as follows:

	<b>RATING FACTORS</b>	<b>WEIGHT (%)</b>	<b>NATURE SPECIALISTS, INC.</b>
I	Availability	X (.20)	20
II	Location and Site Condition	X (.20)	20
III	Neighborhood Data	X (.20)	16
IV	Venue	X (.40)	39.2
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>95.2%</b>

**WHEREAS**, upon review and evaluation of the compliance with the technical requirements of the procurement project, **Nature Specialists, Inc.** was determined to be the **Single Calculated and Responsive Quotation**; 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, to award the contract for the **LEASE OF VENUE** for the conduct of the **LEASE OF VENUE AND ACCOMMODATION (29 AUGUST 2023 – 01 SEPTEMBER 2023) FOR MODEL STORE BETA VERSION LAUNCH AND END-USER TRAINING & STAKEHOLDERS MEETING ESTIMATED NUMBER OF PAX: ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY (170)**, through **NEGOTIATED PROCUREMENT UNDER SECTION 53.10 LEASE OF REAL PROPERTY AND VENUE**, to **NATURE SPECIALISTS, INC.**, with a total bid amount of **ONE MILLION EIGHT HUNDRED FIFTY-SEVEN THOUSAND PESOS ONLY (₱1,857,000.00)**, inclusive of all government taxes and fees.

Done in Quezon City, Philippines, this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of August 2023.

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