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**ASTI - BIDS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE**

**SUPPLEMENTAL BULLETIN NO. BAC-2024-09-028**

**PROVISION OF ONE (1) LOT ISO 17025 ACCREDITATION  
FOR ELECTRONICS PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT CENTER  
(SECOND BIDDING)**

The ASTI Bids and Awards Committee (BAC) issues this Supplemental/Bid Bulletin to clarify, modify or amend items in the Bidding Documents and to reply to queries raised by the potential bidders through letters/emails for the information of all bidders for the procurement of:

Item: **Provision of One (1) Lot ISO 17025 Accreditation for Electronics Product Development Center (Second Bidding)**

Approved Budget for the Contract: **Two Million Three Hundred Thousand Pesos Only (₱2,300,000.00)**

Invitation to Bid No.: **24-07-4911 dated 22 July 2024**

Purchase Request No.: **GAA-24-07-19538 dated 29 August 2024**

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**A. AMENDMENT TO PROCUREMENT DETAILS AND FORMS**

REFERENCE	AMENDMENT/CHANGE/CLARIFICATION		
Section VII. Technical Specifications, Page 30-32	<b>FROM:</b>		
	<b>LOT NO.</b>	<b>SPECIFICATION</b>	<b>STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE</b>
	1	<b>EPDC ISO 17025 RENEWAL ACCREDITATION</b>	
		4. QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS	
		4.1. Minimum required experience of key personnel under regular employee of the bidder:	
		4.1.1. One (1) project manager or equivalent	
		4.1.1.1. Must be an eligible consultant for the following standards:	
		4.1.1.1.1. ISO 17025:2017 and ISO 9001:2015	
		4.1.2. One (1) lead implementer	
		4.1.2.1. Must be bachelor's degree or equivalent	
		4.1.2.2. Must be a registered lead auditor to any of the following standards:	
		4.1.2.2.1. ISO 9001	
		4.1.2.2.2. ISO 17025	
		4.1.2.3. Must have facilitated training sessions and conducted assessments on ISO 17025.	
		4.2. Qualifications of Third-Party Accreditation Body of the service provider	
	4.2.1. The Accreditation Body shall have Assessment Services and International		

	Standard	ISO/IEC 17025:2017	
	Requirements for the competence testing and calibration laboratories for both Quality Management System (QMS) and technical competence covering, but not limited to the following scopes:		
	4.2.1.1. Electrical (EMC)		
	4.2.1.1.1. CISPR 11; CISPR 14-1; CISPR 22; CISPR 32; EN55022; EN55032 - Emissions (Conducted & Radiated – 9 kHz to 8 GHz)		
	4.2.1.1.2. IEC 61000-3-2 - Harmonics		
	4.2.1.1.3. IEC 61000-3-3 - Flicker		
	4.2.1.1.4. IEC/EN 61000-4-2 - Immunity ESD		
	4.2.1.1.5. IEC/EN 61000-4-3 - Radiated Immunity – 80 MHz to 6 GHz, 18 V/m		
	4.2.1.1.6. IEC/EN 61000-4-4 - EFT/Burst		
	4.2.1.1.7. IEC/EN 61000-4-5 - Surge		
	4.2.1.1.8. IEC/EN 61000-4-6 - Conducted Immunity		
	4.2.1.1.9. IEC/EN 61000-4-8 - Power Frequency Magnetic Field		
	4.2.1.1.10. IEC 61000-4-9 - Impulse Magnetic Field		
	4.2.1.1.11. IEC/EN 61000-4-11 - Voltage Dips and Drops		
	4.2.1.1.12. IEC/EN 61000-6-1; CISPR 14-2; CISPR 35 - Generic, Product Family and Industry Standards		
	4.2.1.1.13. CISPR 25, ISO11452-2, ISO11452-4 - Automotive EMC - component level (RF Conducted Emissions, RF Radiated Emissions, Radiated Immunity (ALSE) – 80 MHz to 4 GHz, 100V/m and Bulk Current Injection (BCI) – 1MHz to 400 MHz)		
	4.2.1.1.14. Testing activities performed in Support of FCC Certification in accordance with 47 Code of Federal Regulations and FCC KDB 974614, Appendix A, Table A.1 (Unintentional Radiators Part 15B such as IoT equipment, Information Technology Equipment, Multimedia Equipment, Power Supplies, Uninterruptable Power Supplies, 3D Printers, Medical Equipment, Onboard Automotive devices i.e., Camera, Sensor, ECU, etc.).		
	4.2.1.1.14.1. Test Method: ANSI C63.4:2014		
	4.2.1.1.14.2. Maximum Frequency: 8000 MHz		

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	6.1. Payment on the project shall be in accordance with the following accomplishment:	
	6.1.1. Percentage (%) of Total Contract Price (TCP): Fifteen (15%)	
	6.1.1.1. Deliverables:	
	6.1.1.1.1. Facilitation of informative sessions and workshops focused on the clause requirements of ISO/IEC 17025:2017 internal auditing; and	
	6.1.1.1.2. Conduct of a comprehensive gap assessment of the EMC laboratory's documentation to identify deficiencies and areas for	

	improvement in accordance with the requirements of ISO/IEC 17025:2017.	
	6.1.2. Percentage (%) of TCP: Eighty-five percent (85%)	
	6.1.2.1. Deliverables:	
	6.1.2.1.1. Internal Audit technical guidance and workshops to review the findings of the internal audit;	
	6.1.2.1.2. Third-party Accreditation Audit;	
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	6.1.1. Percentage (%) of Total Contract Price (TCP): <del>Fifteen (15%)</del> <b>Thirty percent (30%)</b>	
	6.1.1.1. Deliverables:	
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	6.1.1.1.2. Conduct of a comprehensive gap assessment of the EMC laboratory's documentation to identify deficiencies and areas for improvement in accordance with the requirements of ISO/IEC 17025:2017.	
	6.1.2. Percentage (%) of TCP: <del>Eighty-five percent (85%)</del> <b>Seventy percent (70%)</b>	
	6.1.2.1. Deliverables:	
	6.1.2.1.1. Internal Audit technical guidance and workshops to review the findings of the internal audit;	
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**B. RESPONSE TO QUERIES**

QUERY/ISSUE	BAC/END-USER RESPONSE/CLARIFICATION
<p>Clarification: For biddings, we will only be providing a "Certificate of Trainor's Conducted Trainings" that states the lead implementer's competence to conduct ISO 17025 trainings. Will the certificate suffice as acceptable evidence?"</p>	<p>Yes, the "Certificate of Trainor's Conducted Trainings," which verifies the lead implementer's competence to conduct ISO 17025 trainings, should suffice as acceptable evidence.</p>
<p>For Subcontracts 7.1. The Bidder may subcontract portions of the Project to the extent allowed by the Procuring Entity as stated herein, but in no case more than twenty percent (20%) of the Project.</p> <p>The Procuring Entity has prescribed that: a. Subcontracting is allowed.</p> <p>Request to consider increasing to 40%</p>	<p>Subcontracting is allowed but may not exceed 20%.</p>
<p>[For foreign bidders claiming by reason of their country's extension of reciprocal rights to Filipinos]</p> <p>Certification from the relevant government office of their country stating that Filipinos are allowed to participate in government procurement activities for the same item or product.</p> <p>Is Free Trade Agreement between the EFTA States and the Philippines acceptable? Do we need to submit the whole documents containing 58 pages or the Preamble and the Chapter 9 only specific for the Government Procurement?</p>	<p>The requirement is intended for foreign bidders.</p> <p>In the procurement of goods, regardless of the procurement method used, foreign bidders may be eligible to participate under any of the following circumstances:</p> <p>4.1.1. When the goods sought to be procured are not available from local suppliers, subject to Item 5 herein; or</p> <p>4.1.2. When there is a need to prevent situations that defeat competition or restrain trade, subject to Item 6 herein; or</p> <p>4.1.3. When the foreign supplier, manufacturer and/or distributor is a citizen, corporation or association of a country the laws or regulations of which grant reciprocal rights or privileges to citizens, corporations or associations of the Philippines, irrespective of the availability of goods from local suppliers; or</p> <p>4.1.4. When provided for under any treaty or international or executive agreement.</p> <p>Submit the whole document.</p>
<p>Is Financial Bid Form equivalent to the Bid Form in Page 38 of Bidding Documents?</p>	<p>Yes.</p>
<p>In reference to subcontracting, are Accreditation Bodies considered as subcontractors? Specific to the Technical Specification requirements from 4.2.1.1. Electrical (EMC) onwards, there are specific testing codes that can only be subcontracted from a foreign accreditation body. They are the sole providers for these types of testing. If they will be considered as subcontractor, what are the references or specific documents we need to prepare for bidding.</p>	<p>This will depend on the bidder if they engage in a subcontracting arrangement.</p> <p>Subcontractors must comply with the <u>eligibility criteria</u> <b>and</b> the <u>documentary requirements specified in the Bid Data Sheet</u>. In the event that any subcontractor is found by the Procuring Entity to be ineligible, the subcontracting of such portion of the Goods shall be disallowed.</p>

<p>The sole accreditation body, Philippine Accreditation Bureau (PAB) in the Philippines is under a government agency, Department of Trade and Industry. As per accreditation policy, the consultant cannot act on behalf of its client and all communications and correspondence will be between the applicant laboratory and PAB only. Moreover, PAB cannot provide documentation linking with any consulting body as this will be a violation against ISO/IEC 17011 particularly on impartiality clause. With this, may we seek clarification on the expected proof of subcontracting activity with the accreditation body and deliverables for this project?</p>	<p>While the PAB can provide ISO/IEC 17025:2017 accreditation for electrical testing, they are currently unable to fully meet our needs for EMC testing. As stated in PAB's letter with reference no. PAB-LA-2023-1457, PAB has yet to qualify a technical expert for EMC testing, which may take several months and could impact our goals for 2024.</p> <p>Given these constraints, PAB has allowed us to seek accreditation from other recognized bodies worldwide to ensure comprehensive accreditation while maintaining the previous FCC recognition needed for our operation.</p>
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**ADDITIONAL INSTRUCTION/S:** Prospective bidder/s are required to: 1) amend the form to update existing information or 2) submit a copy of supplemental bulletin with statement of compliance or signature of authorized representative. **Non-compliance with this requirement shall be grounds for disqualification.**

Please be guided accordingly.

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