# ANNEX "A"

## Bidders' Kit for PCO Online Bidding

#### BIDDER'S KIT FOR PCOO PROCUREMENT GUIDELINES IN ADOPTING <u>ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION OF BIDS ver.2</u> (GPPB Resolution No. 09-2020)

#### I. <u>Pre-Bid Conference</u>

**Step 1:** Register by completing the information required in the Google forms which can be accessed here:

https://forms.gle/xvNx6HDVJDXBs3RPA

Once completed, submit the form to the Secretariat and wait for an acknowledgement by e-mail.



**Step 2:** Join the scheduled Pre-Bid Conference by clicking the link provided by the Secretariat through e-mail to enter the Google Meet by clicking **"Join Now"**. Please make sure that you allow access to the microphone and the camera.

**Step 3:** Kindly wait for the Secretariat to confirm your entry in the prescribed video teleconference ("VTC") platform to participate in the pre-bid conference.

**Step 4:** See file attached as "Attachment A" for the House Rules to be observed during the conduct of procurement activities.

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#### II. Submission of Bids

**Step 1:** Scan the original copy of the **Legal and Technical Requirements** and save as a PDF assigned with the file name "**PCOO Bidding No.\_\_\_\_; (Name of Bidder); Legal and Technical Documents**". Place/set a password on the PDF file. Save the password-protected PDF file to a ZIP file. Place/set another password on the ZIP file.

**Step 2:** Scan the original copy of the **Financial Requirements** and save as a PDF assigned with the file name "**PCOO Bidding No.\_\_\_\_; (Name of Bidder); Financial Documents**". Place/set a password on the PDF file. Save the password-protected PDF file to a ZIP file. Place/set another password on the ZIP file.

**Important:** Passwords shall bear a unique combination for each file and folder. Same passwords for all files are not allowed. Thus, there shall be **four (4) sets of passwords with unique combination.** For details on how to save files in PDF format and to place passwords please see file attached as "Attachment B."

**Note**: In case that the files of the bidder exceed the size limit for email attachments, the bidder may submit the required bidding documents over separate email/s messages. The bidder shall comply with the foregoing measures for securing and compressing their submissions. The subject line for each of the email messages should indicate to which part of the several it corresponds to (e.g., part 1 of x). All attachments submitted in separate emails for the Eligibility and Financial Requirements shall still contain unique passwords for the ZIP folder and the PDF files respectively and shall be submitted on or before the deadline of submission of bids.

**Step 3:** Submit your bids via e-mail to (<u>bac1@pco.gov.ph</u>) on or before the deadline for bid submission.

**Step 4:** After submission, wait for the acknowledgement by the BAC Secretariat of the a) receipt of the compressed file (ZIP file) containing the bids b) proof of the date and time of receipt of the bid to ensure submission prior to the deadline and c) the invitation with the access link to the video conference of the bid opening with date and time thereof.

**Important**: In case of any modification of bids, the original bid submitted shall not be retrieved but a modified bid shall be submitted to the Secretariat provided that it is equally secured by passwords, properly identified and submitted on or before the deadline. The bidder shall use the following file names for the folders and files:

#### A. "PCOO Bidding No.\_\_\_; (Name of Bidder); Legal and Technical Documents – Modification"

#### B. "PCOO Bidding No.\_\_\_; (Name of Bidder); Financial Documents- Modification"

**Important: LATE Bids** or those bids submitted after the deadline will **NOT** be considered in the bid opening.

#### III. Opening and Evaluation of Bids

**Step 1:** Open e-mail and access the link provided by the Secretariat to enter the Google Meet by clicking **"Join Now".** Make sure that you allow access to the microphone and the camera. Wait for confirmation from the Secretariat to enter the meeting room.

**Step 2:** When prompted, disclose in the chat box the password to the first password protected ZIP folder. Wait for the Secretariat to upload the extracted file to Google drive. Afterwards, the Secretariat will prompt you to disclose the password for the PDF document containing the Legal and Technical requirements. If you are present, the Secretariat will ask in the chat box of the Google Meet video conferencing room for the corresponding passwords during the bid opening itself.

If you are not present in the online meeting in Google Meet, the Secretariat will send you an inquiry for such passwords via text message to your registered mobile number. You are given a minimum of five (5) minutes to respond. Should you not respond with the password when prompted, the BAC shall move on to the next bid, if any. If there are no other bids to be considered, the Secretariat shall ask again via text message for the password and you are given another five (5) minutes to respond. Should you fail to respond within the allotted time, your submitted bid will longer be considered.

## Under no circumstances should you disclose such passwords BEFORE the scheduled bid opening.

**Step 3:** Should the Legal and Technical requirements be declared as "**PASSED**", you will be prompted to disclose the password for the second password protected ZIP folder, and subsequently the password for the PDF document containing the financial requirements in the same manner as the passwords of the eligibility documents as described above. You must respond promptly.

Under no circumstances should you disclose such passwords prior to being declared eligible based on the evaluation of his eligibility documents.

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**Important:** Only **three attempts** are given to disclose your password per ZIP folder and PDF file to open the documents. Should you fail to provide the correct password after the third attempt, the submitted bids shall **NOT** be accepted during the bid opening

\*For inquiries and other concerns, you may reach the BAC Secretariat through this email address: <u>bac1@pco.gov.ph</u> or mobile number at: **09177178213.** 

Stay safe and warm regards!

#### **BAC Secretariat**

PRESIDENTIAL COMMUNICATIONS OPERATIONS OFFICE

### Attachment A Basic House Rules to be observed during BAC Meetings

- 1. Kindly place your microphone on mute when not speaking.
- 2. Please raise your hand, and wait to be recognized before you speak (remember to toggle off mute).
- 3. Turn on video for confirmation of your identity.
- 4. Meetings will start on time. You are advised to enter the VTC room 30 minutes to resolve technical issues, if any.

### Attachment B SECURING YOUR FILE

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