



## Trade and Investment Development Corporation of the Philippines

### INVITATION TO BID PROCUREMENT FOR THE SUPPLY, INSTALLATION AND CONFIGURATION OF CORE AND DISTRIBUTION SWITCHES

1. The *Trade and Investment Development Corporation of the Philippines (TIDCORP)*, through its Corporate Operating Budget<sup>3</sup> intends to apply the sum of *Six Million Two Hundred Thousand Pesos (₱6,200,000.00)* being the Approved Budget for the Contract (ABC) to payments under the contract for *PROCUREMENT FOR THE SUPPLY, INSTALLATION AND CONFIGURATION OF CORE AND DISTRIBUTION SWITCHES*. Bids received in excess of the ABC shall be automatically rejected at bid opening.
2. The *TIDCORP* now invites bids for *PROCUREMENT FOR THE SUPPLY, INSTALLATION AND CONFIGURATION OF CORE AND DISTRIBUTION SWITCHES*.<sup>4</sup> Delivery of the Goods is required for duration of one year reckoned from the date stated in the Notice to Proceed. Bidders should have completed, within *three (3) years* from the date of submission and receipt of bids, a contract similar to the Project. The description of an eligible bidder is contained in the Bidding Documents, particularly, in Section II. Instructions to Bidders.
3. Bidding will be conducted through open competitive bidding procedures using a non-discretionary “pass/fail” criterion as specified in the 2016 Revised Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of Republic Act (RA) 9184, otherwise known as the “Government Procurement Reform Act”.
4. Bidding is restricted to Filipino citizens/sole proprietorships, partnerships, or organizations with at least sixty percent (60%) interest or outstanding capital stock belonging to citizens of the Philippines, and to citizens or organizations of a country the laws or regulations of which grant similar rights or privileges to Filipino citizens, pursuant to RA 5183.
5. Interested bidders may obtain further information from TIDCORP and inspect the Bidding Documents at the address given below during business hours or from 8:00 a.m - 5:00 pm.

<sup>3</sup> In the case of National Government Agencies, the General Appropriations Act and/or continuing appropriations; in the case of GOCCs, GFIs, and SUCs, the Corporate Budget for the contract approved by the governing Boards; in the case of (LGUs, the Budget for the contract approved by the respective *Sanggunian*. (Section 5(a), R.A. 9184)

<sup>4</sup> A brief description of the type(s) of Goods should be provided, including quantities, location of project, and other information necessary to enable potential bidders to decide whether or not to respond to the invitation.

6. A complete set of Bidding Documents will only be given to interested Bidders from November 23 thru December 17, upon:
  - a. payment of the applicable fee for the Bidding Documents, pursuant to the latest Guidelines issued by the GPPB, in the amount of Ten Thousand Pesos (₱10,000.00); and
  - b. execution by the bidder or his/its authorized representative of a notarized confidentiality agreement (provided by the procuring entity)

The bidding documents may be obtained from:

THE CHAIRPERSON  
Bids and Awards Committee  
TIDCORP  
17/F Citibank Tower, Citibank Plaza  
Valero Street, Makati City 1226

Non-confidential portions of the bidding documents and the confidentiality agreement may be downloaded free of charge from the website of the Philippine Government Electronic Procurement System (PhilGEPS) and the website of the Procuring Entity, provided that Bidders shall pay the applicable fee for the Bidding Documents not later than the submission of their bids.

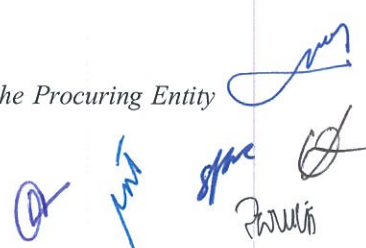
7. TIDCORP will hold a Pre-Bid Conference<sup>5</sup> on December 3, 2018, at 10:30 a.m. at TIDCORP's offices, which shall be open to prospective bidders.
8. Bids must be duly received by the BAC Secretariat at the address above on or before December 17, 2018, at 10:00 a.m. All Bids must be accompanied by a bid security in any of the acceptable forms and in the amount stated in ITB Clause 18.

Bid opening shall be on December 17, 2018, at 10:30 a.m. at the address above. Bids will be opened in the presence of the bidders' representatives who choose to attend at the address below. Late bids shall not be accepted.

9. The TIDCORP reserves the right to reject any and all bids, declare a failure of bidding, or not award the contract at any time prior to contract award in accordance with Section 41 of RA 9184 and its IRR, without thereby incurring any liability to the affected bidder or bidders.

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<sup>5</sup>May be deleted in case the ABC is less than One Million Pesos (PhP1,000,000) where the Procuring Entity may not hold a Pre-Bid Conference.



10. For further information, please refer to:

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17/F Citibank Tower, Citibank Plaza  
Valero Street, Makati City 1226



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