



BIDS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE
 Supplemental Bid Bulletin No. 1

SUBJECT : IB 013-23 - SUBSCRIPTION OF DEDICATED INTERNET ACCESS SERVICE FOR THE BUREAU OF AGRICULTURAL AND FISHERIES ENGINEERING SERVER, VARIOUS ICT INFRASTRUCTURE, AND VARIOUS MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM

DATE : 27 SEPTEMBER 2023

This Supplemental Bid No. 1 is being issued to clarify, amend, and supplement provisions in the Bidding Documents.

I. Clarification on the Technical Specifications:

PAGE	TECHNICAL REQUIREMENT/S (TOR)	BIDDER'S QUERY	ENDUSER'S REPLY
Annex A-1 – Technical Specifications Page 2 out of 8	<p>DETAILED TECHNICAL REQUIREMENT</p> <p><u>Qualification of the supplier</u></p> <p>a. Must be in the ISP industry for at least 5 years with supporting certificates or documents to be included in the submission;</p> <p>a. Must have at least three (3) references from former clients who have completed contracts in the last five (5) years and are fully satisfied with the services provided. An endorsement letter may be provided as proof of satisfaction.</p> <p>a. Must be a Telecommunication-grade provider that has an approved full congressional mega franchise as data and voice & VAS telco</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can we relax the Qualification that the provider should be VAS Provider certified by NTC? Since the requirement is purely internet connectivity and no VAS is required, is it possible to provide NTC Tier 1 Certificate instead? Can we still 	<p><i>To read/ clarifications:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yes. Prospective Bidder can join even they don't have full congressional mega franchise as data and voice, but VAS telco Provider must still remain since our office will e working on voice and data in our network infrastructure. Must be a Telecommunication-grade provider that has an approved full congressional mega franchise as data and voice & VAS telco Provider and Holder of Certificate of Registration issued by the National Telecommunications Commission.



	<p>Provider and Holder of Certificate of Registration issued by the National Telecommunications Commission.</p> <p>a. The (secondary) ISP must be different from the current/existing main/primary ISP of the Bureau.</p>	<p>join this bid, if we can submit different, cable route, node and gateway to make sure we can assure higher availability?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No. The secondary and dedicated Internet access line cannot be joined by prospective bidders who have an existing agreement with BAFE as a provider of internet services because this would negate the goal of having high availability and backup internet.
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