

## REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES **DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT**

GENERAL SOLANO STREET, SAN MIGUEL, MANILA

## SUPPLEMENTAL/BID BULLETIN (SBB) NO. 1

This SBB No. 1 dated March 30, 2021 for the Project, "Consultancy Services for the Engagement of a Certification Body for the Reassessment and Surveillance Audits of the DBM Quality Management System (QMS) per ISO 9001:2015 Standards," is issued to clarify, modify or amend items in the Bidding Documents. Accordingly, this shall form an integral part of said Documents.

QUERIES		CLARIFICATIONS	
1.	We submitted to the Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR) the Audited Financial Statements (AFS) thru an email, can we submit the AFS which is not stamped "received" by the BIR or its duly accredited and authorized institutions?	1.	Under BIR Revenue Memorandum Circular No. 49-2020¹ dated May 20, 2020, taxpayers may opt to submit 2019 Income Tax Return and required attachments online through the eAFS system of the BIR. Thus, the bidder may submit the AFS submitted online through the eAFS provided that the bidder also submits the Transaction Reference Number as proof of submission, in lieu of the manual "Received" stamping.
2.	Can the ISO 9001:2015 Certificate of Registration be acceptable as a proof of completion in the Statement of All Contracts Completed which are Similar in Nature?	2.	Yes, the proof of completion is a Certificate of Good Standing and Satisfactory Completion or any other equivalent document, e.g., Certificate of Final Acceptance/Completion from the bidder's client, or an Official Receipt or a Sales Invoice, or an ISO 9001:2015 Certificate of Registration.
3.	Can we present a Lead Auditor Certificate other than ISO 9001:2015 Standard?	3.	Yes, provided that the bidder also submits a proof of orientation of the proposed Lead Auditor on ISO 9001:2015 Standard.

<sup>1</sup> Providing Additional Options in the Acceptance and Processing of the Filed 2019 Income Tax Returns and Its Required Attachments and Providing Guidelines Thereon.

- 4. We have an accreditation from UKAS in UK that we are legitimate to certify any organization in the Philippines. Our application for accreditation with Department of Trade and Industry - Philippine Accreditation Bureau (DTI-PAB) is still ongoing and stopped due to COVID-19 pandemic. I would like to ask if we can still submit the bidding documents or is it automatic that we are disqualified?
- 4. Yes, the bidder can still submit its bidding documents. The DTI-PAB Accreditation Certificate may be submitted during post-qualification, in accordance with Section 34.2 of the 2016 Revised Implementing Rules and Regulations of Republic Act No. 9184. Please note, however, that failure to timely submit any of the post-qualification requirements shall disqualify the bidder for award.

## Other matters:

- ➤ The "No Contact Rule" shall be strictly observed. Bidders are not allowed to call or talk to any member of the Bids and Awards Committee, Technical Working Group or Secretariat effective April 6, 2021 right after the opening of bids.
- For guidance and information of all concerned.

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