



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 July 19, 2022 for **Project ID No. DBM-2022-44, “Renewal of FortiGate-VM for AZURE Subscription,”** is issued pursuant to Section 22.5 of the 2016 Revised Implementing Rules and Regulations of Republic Act No. 9184, to clarify, modify or amend items in the Bidding Documents. Accordingly, this shall form an integral part of the Bidding Documents.

PARTICULARS	CLARIFICATIONS
<p>Queries:</p> <p>1. In the bid submission, in case of expired Tax Clearance, can we submit a copy of the Official Receipt instead?</p>	<p>Clarifications:</p> <p>1. No. In accordance with the Government Procurement Policy Board Resolution No. 15-2021, dated October 14, 2021, particularly in Section 23.3 of Annex “A” thereof, “[i]n lieu of the Class ‘A’ eligibility documents mentioned under Section 8.5.2 of [the] IRR, the Bidder shall only submit a valid and updated PhilGEPS Certificate of Registration and Membership in accordance with Section 8.5.2 of [the] IRR for purposes of determining eligibility.”</p> <p>Furthermore, Section 8.5.2 of Annex “A” thereof states that “for the purpose of updating the Certificate of Registration and Membership, all Class “A” eligibility documents mentioned in this section supporting the veracity, authenticity and validity of the Certificate shall remain current and updated. The failure by the prospective bidder to update its Certificate with the current and updated Class “A” eligibility documents shall result in the automatic suspension of the validity of its Certificate until such time that all of the expired Class “A” eligibility documents has been updated.”</p> <p>In accordance with the aforementioned Resolution, the PhilGEPS has released Advisory No. 2021-025 last December 22, 2021 informing the concerned Platinum Member merchants and procuring entities of the new Platinum Certificate requirements.</p> <p>Foregoing considered, submission of an Official Receipt in lieu of an expired Tax Clearance Certificate shall not be accepted.</p>

<p>2. In reference to the post-qualification requirement for a copy of certificate for each of the following Certified Professionals namely: (i) Fortinet Certified Network Security Expert (NSE) 4; (ii) Fortinet Certified Network Security Expert (NSE) 7; and (iii) CISCO Certified Network Professional Enterprise, can we submit all the certifications belonging to one professional only?</p>	<p>2. No. In accordance with ITB Clause 20 of Section III. Bid Data Sheet, in relation to item 4.3 of Annex A (Detailed Technical Specifications) of Section VII. Technical Specifications, of the Bidding Documents, the bidder with the Lowest Calculated Bid shall submit a copy of Certificate for each of the following Certified Professionals, wherein each Certification must belong to a separate professional:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Fortinet Certified Network Security Expert (NSE) 4 ii. Fortinet Certified Network Security Expert (NSE) 7 iii. CISCO Certified Network Professional Enterprise <p>This requirement is to ensure that the expected services will be delivered by each assigned personnel responsible for the different roles and functions and will not be dependent on the availability of one (1) person.</p>
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Other matters:

- The “No Contact Rule” shall be strictly observed. Bidders are not allowed to communicate with any member of the Bids and Awards Committee, Technical Working Group or Secretariat effective July 26, 2022 right after the opening of bids.
- For guidance and information of all concerned.

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