



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES

## NATIONAL ECONOMIC AND DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

### BID BULLETIN No. 1

#### *Procurement of Consulting Services for the Feasibility Study (F/S) on the Nationwide Deployment of Modularized Village-Scale Ethanol Bio-refineries Using Nipa Sap*


TO : ALL BIDDERS

Hereunder are the clarifications on the above procurement:

Particulars	Clarification/Amendment
a. Review of Eligibility Documents	<p>Bidders who have previously complied with the eligibility requirements need not resubmit the legal and financial documents provided that they have paid the participation fee of PhP2,000.00 and business permits and tax clearance are still valid.</p> <p>Subject to payment of the participation fee of PhP2,000.00, the NBAC will review the eligibility documents submitted on or before the preliminary deadline for advance submission on 10 November 2015, 5 PM including those of previously eligible bidders and will notify the bidders the status of their eligibility or if there are any concerns regarding their eligibility documents before the final deadline on 23 November 2015, 12 PM.</p> <p>Supplemental information to enhance bidder's qualification or replacement of eligibility documents will be welcomed by the NBAC-CS on or before the said final deadline.</p> <p>The NBAC-CS will not review technical and financial proposals if the bidders are not determined eligible and not shortlisted.</p>
b. Payment of fee for bidding documents	<p>Only those Consultants who have paid the corresponding bidding documents fee of PhP25,000.00 on or before the final deadline set for submission of documents shall be allowed to participate in the bidding. In case the participation fee of PhP 2,000.00 has already been paid earlier by a proponent for this procurement, such shall be deducted from the said bidding documents fee. Further, the bidding fee paid less the non-refundable participation fee as well as the technical and financial proposals of those not shortlisted shall be returned.</p>
c. Joint Ventures (JV)	<p>A consulting firm that has previously participated in the procurement of consulting services under the F/S Fund may submit a proposal through a JV with another firm or several other firms, which may or may not have yet participated in the earlier procurements of consulting services conducted under the said Fund.</p>

	<p>Any association between or among potential bidders should be as a JV since the Revised Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of Republic Act (RA) No. 9184 specifically requires the submission of a valid JV Agreement or duly notarized statements from all the potential JV partners stating that they will enter into and abide by the provisions of the JV Agreement in the instance the bid is successful.</p> <p>Pursuant to the aforementioned section of the Revised IRR of RA 9184, each partner of the JV shall submit legal eligibility documents and must satisfy the legal eligibility requirements. On the other hand, the compliance by any of the JV partners or jointly by the JV partners of the technical and financial requirements is necessary.</p>
<b>d. Cross Nomination of Consultants</b>	Cross-nomination of individual consultants among firms will be allowed provided that the consultant will sign under oath his/her commitment to provide the necessary services to finish the F/S under firm if be awarded the contract.
<b>e. Coverage of the study</b>	The coverage of the study is nationwide. However, since not all areas have potential for the production of nipa, which mostly grows in areas where there is brackish water or coastal areas, it will be up to the consultants to identify the areas for the study but taking into consideration the minimum required in the TOR.
<b>f. Project Office space</b>	The project office space should be able to accommodate at least four (4) government counterpart personnel in addition to the consulting team or key personnel.
<b>g. Further requests for clarifications</b>	The procuring entity will continue to accept requests for clarification until 10 days (13 November 2015) prior to deadline of submission of proposals. The request for clarification should be in writing. Request for clarifications through e-mail may be entertained but NEDA responses shall be subject to submission of an official communication/request (for NBAC-CS' records). All amendments/modifications will be made known to all shortlisted firms through Bid Bulletins, which will be posted in the PhilGEPS and NEDA websites. Should a Bid Bulletin be issued later than the required minimum period prior to the deadline for submission of bids, the deadline will be extended accordingly. In the case where there will be an extension for the submission of proposals, the NBAC will notify the participants by 16 November 2015.

Issued on 11 November 2015, Pasig City.

  
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