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PROCUREMENT OF CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR THE DEVELOPMENT, SUPPLY, DELIVERY, INSTALLATION, AND MAINTENANCE OF THE 2022 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES INFORMATION SYSTEM (CAF-IS) (REBIDDING)

This Bid Bulletin No. 3 modifies the respective portions of the Bidding Documents issued on 22 December 2022.

The changes to the Bidding Documents, as indicated in the succeeding pages, are being issued in compliance with Section 22.5 of the Revised 2016 Implementing Rules and Regulations of RA 9184. Under this section, the procuring entity is directed to issue an amendment at least seven (7) days before the deadline for submission of the bid.

Except as expressly amended by this Bid Bulletin, all other terms and conditions of the Bidding Documents issued on 22 December 2022 shall remain unchanged and shall remain in full force and effect in accordance with their terms.

For guidance and information of all concerned.

SGD.
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BB #	Reference	Amendments/Revisions
BB3-1	BB2-4 Extension of submission of bids	**From:** The address for submission of bids is at 11th Floor Eton Centris Cyberpod One, EDSA corner Quezon Avenue, Quezon City. The deadline for submission of bids is on February 13, 2023 at 9:00 AM **To:** The address for submission of bids is at 11th Floor Eton Centris Cyberpod One, EDSA corner Quezon Avenue, Quezon City. The deadline for submission of bids is on February 16, 2023 at 10:00 AM
BB3-2	BB2-7 Extension of the opening of the Technical Proposal	**From:** The address for submission of bids is at 17th Floor, Conference Room, Eton Centris Cyberpod Three, EDSA corner Quezon Avenue, Quezon City. The opening of the Technical Proposal is on February 13, 2023 at 4:30 PM **To:** The opening of the Technical Proposal is on February 16, 2023 at 04:30 PM will be conducted online. Participating bidders will be provided with the Zoom link upon submission of the technical proposal.

| BB3-3 | In the Bid Data Sheet of the Bidding Documents, page 55, it states that: "*17.3 Each Bidder shall submit 1 original and 2 copies of the first and second components of its bid, as well as USB or scanned copies of the documents.*"

We would like to clarify the number of copies to be submitted aside from the original copy of the first and second components of the bid? It was mentioned by the BAC during the Prebid Conference Meeting that they are requiring only 1 original and 1 copy but this was not included in the recently issued Bid Bulletin. | From:

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QUESTION AND ANSWER

(As of 7 February 2023)

Q&A #	Clarification/Queries	Response of the BAC-TWG
Q&A-1	On Annex A: Under TERMS OF REFERENCE (TOR), IV. Scope of Services, 2. Development, supply, installation, support, and maintenance of: Item # D says that…"The DPS will be installed in the local server of the data processing center and connects to the central server via the internet."	Yes, the PSA has existing internet connectivity from Central Office going to each Field Office.
	Questions – Does PSA has an existing Internet Connectivity from the Central Office going to each Field Office? If none, will the winning bidder be expected to provide internet connection between the Local Server and Central Server?	
Q&A-2	Still on Annex A: under TERMS OF REFERENCE (TOR), IV. Scope of Services, 2. Development, supply, installation, support, and maintenance of: Part of item # D says that…" The DPS should feature a client-server architecture that can support offline data processing."	
	Questions – How many workstations that are designed to connect to the server?	Please refer to Annex D for the number of workstations by province.
	And will the winning bidder be expected to provide structured cabling and other network appliances/accessories for each Field Office?	The service provider will provide and deliver the network cables and other network appliances/accessories necessary for setting up the local area network of each Field Office DPC. The PSA will set up and install the network.
Q&A-3	On Section VIII. Under Appendices, III. Key Personnel and Subconsultants, Item # 1 says that - "Titles [and names, if already available], detailed job descriptions and minimum qualifications, and staff-months of service, and estimated periods of engagement for each, including a copy of a satisfactory medical certificate."	

	Questions – Are medical certificates to be submitted as part of TPF 6? Or will they be only submitted by the winning bidder after acceptance of the Notice to Proceed?	No. Medical certificates are not submitted as part of TPF 6.
Q&A-4	On TPF 2. CONSULTANT'S REFERENCES, Relevant Services Carried Out in the Last Five Years That Best Illustrate Qualifications. It says that - "Using the format below, provide information on each project for which your firm/entity, either individually, as a corporate entity, or as one of the major companies within an association, was legally contracted." Question – Unisys Public Sector Services Corporation (UPSSC) is one of the major companies that is fully owned by Unisys Corporation (a Global company) whose affiliates are present in almost all counties in the world. Will it be acceptable for PSA if UPSSC to provide statements of relevant services that were carried out by our affiliates in the regions within the last five years?	No. Only those projects related to UPSSC.
Q&A-5	On Bid Bulletin # 2, under Q&A – 8: Questions: Will PSA provide the Domain Name with TLS/SSL Certificate? If yes, can this be shared?	PSA can host for the fully qualified domain name of the system; however, TLS/SSL Certificates must be provided by the service provider.
Q&A-6	On Question & Answers (Jan. 12, 2023), under # 8: PSA to provide Workstations for the Field Offices. Questions: Are USB ports enabled? Do the workstations have endpoint protections, Workstation management, Administration, and Support?	DPC client workstations will have their USB ports disabled. Yes, but workstation endpoint protections only.
Q&A-7	On Question & Answers (Jan. 12, 2023), under # 3: PSA to provide Tablet: Questions: What is the Operating System for the tablets? Do tablets have Endpoint Protections, Tablet management, Administration, and support?	The Operating System is Android, with at least version 11 and with Mobile Device Management (MDM) System.
Q&A-8	In the Bid Bulletin No. 2, BB2-9, it states in the Amendments/Revisions that: "*PSA will provide the workstations for provincial offices. Consultant will provide High End Desktop Computers as server for all provincial offices. Servers will be turned*	

	over by the consultant to the procuring entity after the project. See Annex C for the list of addresses of the field offices."	
	We would like to confirm who will be responsible in the delivery of the said High End Desktop Computer as server to all PSA Provincial Offices?	The Service Provider will be responsible for the delivery of the High End Desktop Computers to the Field Offices.
	May we know the number of workstations that will connect to the server in each PSA Field Offices?	See Annex D for the number of workstations by province.
Q&A-9	In Section VI. Terms of Reference of the Bidding Documents, it states that: *"IV Scope of Services* 2. Development, supply, installation, support, and maintenance of: a. Decentralized Data Processing System (DPS) that integrates various modules featuring data synchronization, encoding, and updating of data collected through the PAPI and CAPI CAF Forms 1 to 6 (See Annex B). It should also have a data validation module to verify the correctness, accuracy, completeness of data being submitted, and a tabulation module to create the reports needed during data processing. The DPS should feature a client-server architecture that can support offline data processing. The DPS will be installed in the local server of the data processing center and connects to the central server via the internet. The client workstations must not have any connection to the internet. If the solution is on-premise, may we clarify if PSA will be the one to set-up or do the configuration to make the CAF-IS Application accessible using the internet connection?	PSA and Service Provider should be working closely together in setting up or doing the configuration. Moreover, Service Provider will provide training on the installation, configuration and management of the DPS and will provide technical assistance whether remotely or onsite when needed.
Q&A-10	In Terms of Reference of the bidding documents, it stated that: "IV. Scope of Services 3. Provide the following infrastructure: a. Production and disaster recovery sites, whether cloud-based facility or on-premise data centers.	

	i. Applications can reside in cloud-based facilities or on-premise data centers ii. Census and processing data must reside in on-premise data centers to ensure data sovereignty and ownership by the Philippine Government b. Server requirements for the CAF-IS with server management and support.		
	In case that the service provider will choose to provide a cloud-based facility for the Production and Disaster Recovery Sites and for the location of the CAF-IS Application, may we know what is the required cloud hosting period of PSA and when is the start of this hosting?	Cloud hosting period starts on the development of the CAF-IS and for a duration of 12 months.	
	We would like also to clarify who will provide the workstations to be used in the PSA Central Office? And may we know the number of workstations needed or the number of workstations that will connect coming from the PSA Central Office?	PSA will provide at most 30 workstations in the Central Office.	