



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES  
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT  
**NATIONAL COMMISSION ON INDIGENOUS PEOPLES**

Bids and Awards Committee  
**SUPPLEMENTAL/BID BULLETIN NO. 1**

DATE : **May 17, 2024**

SUBJECT: **Supply and Delivery of NCIP Network and Multimedia Equipment, and Licenses**

This Supplemental/Bid Bulletin No. 1 is issued to clarify, modify, or amend items in the Bid Documents. This shall form an integral part of the Bid Documents.

**Lot 1**

No	ISSUE/S AND CONCERN/S	CLARIFICATION / MODIFICATION / ADDENDUM
1.	Does the project require Conduit Cabling for Access Points?	Yes. If necessary for the equipment to function properly.
2.	What is the distance of 2 Access Points from each other?	Around 5 to 10 meters apart.
3.	Will you require cabling from the network equipment to the Workstations?	No. We only require cabling for the procured network devices.
4.	Is there any other requirement for this project other than supply and delivery of the equipment?	Yes. Installation, setup, and configuration of the equipment are required to establish connections with the Central Office and their respective Regional Offices.
5.	Will the floor plans of the offices be provided?	Yes. Floor plans will be provided to the winning bidder.
6.	Will the NCIP provide assistance or supervision during the installation of equipment in the different field offices?	Yes. Central Office and Regional Offices will send their representatives to supervise during the installation process.
7.	Terms of Reference, Service Provider's Qualifications: Service Provider must provide a Manufacturer Certificate on each product being offered (Network Equipment) stating that the Service Provider is authorized to re-sell their products and can provide technical support and consultation; Service Provider should have at least One (1) employed certified engineer on each product being offered (Network Equipment and Security Software) Copy of the certification should	Please refer to the Terms of Reference (TOR). Page 1 of the TOR under the Service Provider's Qualification section: <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Service Provider must provide a Manufacturer Certificate on each product being offered (Network Equipment and Security Software) stating that the Service Provider is authorized to re-sell their products</li></ol>

<p>be provided and Scope of Work and Deliverables are NOT indicated on the Technical Specifications of the Bidding Documents. Please confirm if all these shall be included and are subject for compliance?</p>	<p>and can provide technical support and consultation.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. Service Provider should have at least One (1) employed certified engineer on each product being offered (Network Equipment and Security Software). Copy of the certification should be provided.</li> </ol> <p>These shall be included in the submission of Bidding Documents.</p> <p>Page 2-3 of the TOR under the Scope of Work and Deliverables section:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Prior to the delivery, the NCIP reserves the right to inspect the equipment at the Supplier warehouse to ensure compliance with specifications and quality standards. The Supplier must provide logistics means for the inspection of NCIP. The NCIP shall not incur any additional cost during the process.</li> <li>2. The items/equipment for the delivery are still considered as Supplier's property until the items/equipment have been received by the NCIP Office.</li> <li>3. Shall be responsible for the safe and timely delivery of the equipment to the different provincial offices of the NCIP. The NCIP shall not incur any additional cost during the process.</li> <li>4. Delivery, installation, configuration, testing and commissioning of Network Equipment for the twenty-four (24) NCIP Provincial Offices. NCIP shall not incur any additional cost during the process.</li> <li>5. Configure and establish connections between the Provincial Offices Access Gateway to its respective Regional Office and to the Central Office.</li> <li>6. Provide plans for the mounting, installation and configuration of the provided equipment.</li> <li>7. If the provided equipment needs to be fixed or replaced during the warranty term, the supplier must shoulder the cost for any required technical services and must supply a service unit while the</li> </ol>
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		<p>equipment is being fixed or replaced. NCIP shall not incur any additional cost during the process.</p> <p>8. Shall provide 8x5 Technical Support within the warranty period via email, phone and remote access for all NCIP Provincial Offices.</p> <p>9. Must conduct hybrid (online and onsite) Basic End-user Training to NCIP IT personnel/representatives from Central Office and Field Offices.</p> <p>10. Shall provide Project Documentation to include but not limited to the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- As-built document</li> <li>- Product brochures</li> <li>- Users/Operation manuals</li> </ul> <p>11. Shall complete the delivery and installation works within One Hundred Eighty (180) calendar days from the date of receipt of Notice to Proceed.</p>
8.	<p>It is observed that there are differences on the equipment Technical Specifications between the Terms of Reference and Bidding Documents. The following are included in the Terms of Reference but NOT specified in the Technical Specifications of the Bidding Documents:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Under Wireless Access Points equipment - "Must be the same brand of the existing Core/Managed Switch at Central Office and Regional Office for ease of integration and connectivity through VPN to all Provincial Offices.</li> <li>• Under Managed Switch - "Must be the same brand of the existing Core/Managed Switch at Central Office and Regional Office for ease of integration and connectivity through VPN to all Provincial Offices.</li> </ul>	<p>Please refer to Annex "A", Technical Specifications indicated in the TOR.</p> <p>Service Provider compliance shall include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Wireless Access Point, must be the same brand of the existing Core/Managed Switch at Central Office and Regional Office for ease of integration and connectivity through VPN to all Provincial Offices.</li> <li>- Under Managed Switch - "Must be the same brand of the existing Core/Managed Switch at Central Office and Regional Office for ease of integration and connectivity through VPN to all Provincial Offices.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Under Smart Access Gateway equipment - "Must be the same brand of the existing Core/Managed Switch at Central Office and Regional Office for ease of integration and connectivity through VPN to all Provincial Offices" and "Lifetime free L7 DPI signature update, free IPSec VPN"</li> <li>• Under the Workstation/Server Anti-virus - "Must be of the same brand as the Central Office/Regional Office's Firewall for centralized policy deployment".</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Smart Access Gateway, must be the same brand of the existing Core/Managed Switch at Central Office and Regional Office for ease of integration and connectivity through VPN to all Provincial Offices" and "Lifetime free L7 DPI signature update, free IPSec VPN.</li> <li>- Network Security Software Anti-virus - "Must be of the same brand as the Central Office/Regional Office's Firewall (SOPHOS) for centralized policy deployment".</li> <li>-</li> </ul>
9.	On the Smart Access Gateway equipment, we noticed that the equipment specifications are almost the same with the Managed Switch specifications. Please confirm the number of ports required for the Smart Access Gateway? In general, available Gateway equipment on the market have less than 10 ports only as this equipment are primarily used for ISP connections level.	<p>With reference to the Technical Specification, page 27 of the Bidding Document, the Physical Interface requirement for Smart Access Gateway, is modified to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 8 1000Base-T ports (7 PoE/PoE+)</li> <li>- Up to 2 WAN ports</li> </ul>
10.	On the statement "The offered antivirus must include a lifetime Free Cloud Based Management platform for centralized management and monitoring of equipment" under the Other Requirements portion of the Anti-virus Technical Specifications of the Bidding Documents, in comparison, we noticed that the word "lifetime" is NOT indicated on the Terms of Reference document. Cloud based management for network security software such as anti-virus are available and free but are not lifetime since this software in general are subscription based. For your confirmation which statement is correct?	<p>Please refer to Annex "A" Technical Specifications of TOR.</p> <p>"The offered antivirus must include a Free Cloud Based Management platform for centralized management and monitoring of equipment."</p>
11.	Are we required to submit Manufacturer Certificate and Certified Engineers for all items?	<p>Page 1 of the TOR under the Service Provider's Qualification section:</p> <p>Manufacturer Certificate and Certified Engineers are required for all items except Wall Mounted Rack.</p>

**Lot 2**

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1.	Do you require Manufacturer's Certificate and employed certified engineer for the Firewall License Subscription requirements? This is to ensure that the Supplier is capable to support the (15) units of Firewall equipment.	Service Provider compliance shall include Manufacturer's Certificate stating that the Service Provider is authorized to re-sell their products and can provide technical support and consultation and must have at least One (1) employed certified engineer for the Firewall License Subscription requirements.

**Lot 3**

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1.	Do you require Engineers during the delivery?	No.

**Reminders:**

- Submission of bids will be on or before May 27, 2024, Monday, at 8:30AM.
- Bidders shall sign all documents that need the signature of the authorized representative.
- Required documents must be submitted and properly marked/tabbed.
- Late bids shall not be accepted.

For guidance and information of all concerned.

  
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