



**COCONUT INDUSTRY INVESTMENT FUND – San Pablo Manufacturing Corporation
Bids and Awards Committee I**

Bid Bulletin No.: 1

17 April 2023

Project Name : **Public Bidding for Procurement of Alternative Fuel (Cocoshell and Firewood) for Granexport Manufacturing Corporation.**

Project Number : **GMC-2023-003(PhilGEPS# 9639636)**

This Supplemental/Bid Bulletin is issued to all prospective bidders to clarify, modify and/or amend pertinent items in the Philippine Bidding Documents as discussed and agreed during Pre-bid Conference held on April 13, 2023, the above-mentioned project of Coconut Industry Investment Fund - Granexport Manufacturing Corporation (GRANEX).

The following clarifications and/or amendments are provided for the guidance and reference of all prospective bidders:

Queries	Clarification/Resolution
<p>Whether or not the prospective bidder is liable for the payment of the following taxes considering that Granexport is a PEZA-registered enterprise:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Value-added Tax (VAT) 2. 1% Expanded Withholding Tax (EWT) 	<p>Yes. The bidder is exempt from the Payment of VAT as well as percentage taxes.</p> <p>Section 109 of the National Internal Revenue Code states that:</p> <p>(1) Subject to the provisions of Subsection (2) hereof, the following transactions shall be exempt from the value-added tax.</p> <p>(A) Sale or importation of agricultural and marine food products in their original state, livestock and poultry of or kind generally used as, or yielding or producing foods for human consumption; and breeding stock and genetic materials therefor.</p> <p>Products classified under this paragraph shall be considered in their original state even if they have undergone the simple processes of preparation or preservation for the market, such as freezing, drying, salting, broiling, roasting, smoking or stripping. Polished and/or husked rice, corn grits, raw cane sugar and molasses, ordinary salt and copra shall be considered in their original state.</p> <p>Nonetheless, Granexport is required to withhold 1% EWT for each purchase.</p>



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<p>Who shall determine whether the prospective bidder possessed the required volume of cocoshell?</p>	<p>By executing the Sworn Certification/Undertaking of Availability of required volume of committed stocks, the prospective bidder warrants that he has an inventory of at least 120,000 kg. of uncrushed cocoshell.</p>
<p>What is the penalty in case of failure to deliver the required volume of committed stocks?</p>	<p>Par.2.4 of the Sworn Certification provides that <i>failure to comply with any of the undertakings mentioned xxx will result in the forfeiture of its bid security/performance bond in favor of Granexport.</i></p>
<p>Whether or not a certification will suffice in the absence of a copy of the Contract of the Single Largest Completed Contract (SLCC).</p>	<p>No.¹ A bidder may be disqualified during Eligibility Screening, and Post-Qualification under Sections 23 and 34 of RA No. 9184 and its 2016 IRR, respectively.</p> <p>During Eligibility Screening, the submission of the eligibility documents enumerated in Section 23.1 of the 2016 IRR of RA No. 9184 is a mandatory requirement that must be complied with by prospective bidders, such that failure to submit any of the documents or the submission of an otherwise incomplete or patently insufficient document, will disqualify the bidder based on the non-discretionary pass/fail criterion under Section 30.1 of the 2016 IRR.</p> <p>Disqualification during the Post-Qualification stage is covered by Section 34 of the 2016 IRR, where the Bids and Awards Committee (BAC) verifies, validates and ascertains all statements made and the documents submitted by the bidder with the Lowest Calculated Bid (LCB) or Highest rated bid (HRB), as the case may be, using non-discretionary pass/fail criteria.</p>

Amendments:

Original	Amendment
<p>Note: The supporting documents stated below shall be presented during the post-qualification. Failure to comply shall be grounds for the</p>	<p>Note: The supporting documents stated below shall be presented during the post-qualification. Failure to comply shall be grounds for the</p>

¹ 2018-07-20

NPM No. 024-2018

Requesting Entity: Department of Health (DOH)

Issues Concern: Procedural and Substantive Defects in the Procurement Process



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<p>disqualification of the bidder:</p> <p>1.) Notice of Award; 2.) Notice to Proceed; and 3.) Contract Agreement.</p> <p align="center">ANNEX “E”</p>	<p>disqualification of the bidder:</p> <p>1.) Notice of Award; 2.) Notice to Proceed; and 3.) <u>Other support documents.</u></p> <p align="center">ANNEX “E”</p>
<p>Note: The supporting documents stated below shall be presented during the post-qualification. Failure to comply shall be grounds for the disqualification of the bidder.</p> <p>1.) Contract Agreement; and 2.) Certificate of Performance</p> <p align="center">ANNEX “F”</p>	<p>Note: The supporting documents stated below shall be presented during the post-qualification. Failure to comply shall be grounds for the disqualification of the bidder.</p> <p>1.) Certificate of Performance 2.) <u>Other support documents.</u></p> <p align="center">ANNEX “F”</p>

All other portions of the Bidding Documents affected by these amendments shall be made to conform to the same.

Amendments/inclusions/clarifications made herein shall be made integral part of the Bidding Documents.

For information and guidance of all concerned.

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