

## ANNEX "A"

**PROJECT NAME: FIVE (5) YEAR SOFTWARE LICENSE RENEWAL AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES SUBSCRIPTION FOR ENTERPRISE FIREWALL IN SSS MAIN OFFICE AND DISASTER RECOVERY (DR) SITE**

### A. ISSUES RAISED DURING THE PRE-BID CONFERENCE

	Query/Clarifications	TWG/BAC Reply
1	<p>On Single Largest Completed Contract (SLCC)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Is the basis of the completed contract the completion itself?</li> <li>• Can the bidder submit the OR as a proof of completion of the contract?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Yes.</li> <li>• Yes, subject to validation of the TWG.</li> </ul>
2	The bidder requested for the extension of delivery period, from 5 calendar days to 20 calendar days due to pandemic.	Refer to B.6
3	The bidder requested to rephrase the Special Conditions of the Contract 17.3 Item 1 &2, since this will not be applicable for the project.	Refer to B.7
4	On Bid Breakdown, can the bidder write their proposal as combined on items 1 & 2?	Yes.

### B. REPLY TO WRITTEN QUERIES

ITEM NO.	QUERIES/CLARIFICATIONS	TWG RESPONSE
1.	<p><b>Page 26. Section III: Bid Data Sheet, Item 5.4</b></p> <p>The Bidder must have completed, within five (5) years prior to the submission and opening of bids, a single contract that is similar to this Project, and the value of which, adjusted, if necessary, by the Bidder to current prices using the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) consumer index, must be equivalent to at least fifty percent (50%) of the ABC.</p> <p>For this purpose, similar contracts shall refer to software license and provisioning of maintenance services for Enterprise Firewall or other equivalent Firewall Implementation.</p>	

	<p><i><b>Question:</b> What is the basis of the date of the contract to be used on the Single Largest Completed Contract?</i></p> <p><i>Is it end of warranty/ maintenance period or start date of the contract?</i></p>	End of the contract date including maintenance service if any.
2.	<p><b>Page 28. Section III: Bid Data Sheet, (vii) Technical Proposal/Specifications</b></p> <p>(b) Resumes of the Project Management professional and all the support personnel to be deployed in the project upon submission of the bid.</p> <p><i><b>Question:</b> For the Project Management professional, would you accept project manager with certificate for Certified Associate in Project Management (CAPM)?</i></p>	Yes.
3.	<p><b>Page 31. Section III: Bid Data Sheet, Other Technical Requirements, Item 3.1</b></p> <p><b>3.1.</b> Certificate of product/solution's availability within the warranty period</p> <p><i><b>Question :</b> What do you mean by product/solution's availability within the warranty period?</i></p>	Availability of product/solution to ensure support until the end of the maintenance period.
4.	<p><b>Page 31. Section III: Bid Data Sheet, Other Technical Requirements, Item 3.2</b></p> <p><b>3.2.</b> Certificate of Authorized Resellership/Dealership of the proposed product/s, if the bidder is not the manufacturer of the proposed product/s (Coming from the manufacturer)</p> <p><i><b>Question:</b> Since there are 2 product/solutions needed on this Maintenance Agreement, Checkpoint and Cisco, does it mean that we need to submit certificate for both Cisco and Checkpoint?</i></p>	Yes

5.	<p><b>Page 31. Section III: Bid Data Sheet, Other Technical Requirements, Item 3.4</b></p> <p><b>3.4</b> Submit photocopy of valid certification, resume and company ID of at least five (5) manufacturer-certified engineers of the proposed brand.</p> <p>Certified engineers should be employed by the bidder for a period of one (1) year before the bid opening. SSS shall validate the veracity of the submitted documents and may conduct, at its option, a visit to bidder's HRD office.</p> <p><b>Question</b> What is the breakdown of the 5 certified engineer?</p> <p>Can this be 2 certified engineer for checkpoint firewall and 3 certified engineer for the cisco equipment?</p> <p>What are the levels of certification needed?</p>	<p>Any combination of certified engineers for checkpoint firewall and cisco equipment, at least 2 engineers for one of the classifications. This amends Section III. Bid Data Sheet.</p> <p>Security certification for Checkpoint and network certification for Cisco</p>			
6.	<p><b>Page 56. Section VI: Schedule of Requirements, item 1 and 3 delivery schedule licenses</b></p> <table border="1" data-bbox="354 1220 911 1875"> <tr> <td data-bbox="358 1220 699 1875"> <p><b>-Software Licenses renewal and enrollment for the following:</b></p> <p>1. a) <b>23500</b> Next Generation Threat Prevention and Sandblast (NGTX) Appliance</p> <p>b) Smart-1 5050 Next Generation Security Management Appliance</p> </td> <td data-bbox="704 1220 769 1875"> <p>3 units</p> <p>1 unit</p> </td> <td data-bbox="774 1220 906 1875"> <p>Five (5) calendar days upon receipt of notice to proceed and signed contract</p> </td> </tr> </table>	<p><b>-Software Licenses renewal and enrollment for the following:</b></p> <p>1. a) <b>23500</b> Next Generation Threat Prevention and Sandblast (NGTX) Appliance</p> <p>b) Smart-1 5050 Next Generation Security Management Appliance</p>	<p>3 units</p> <p>1 unit</p>	<p>Five (5) calendar days upon receipt of notice to proceed and signed contract</p>	<p>Yes</p> <p>This shall amend provisions under:</p> <p>Page 4. Section I: Invitation to Bid, Delivery Completion Period; and</p> <p>Page 56. Section VI: Schedule of Requirements, item 1 and 3</p> <p>From : Five (5) calendar days from receipt of Notice to Proceed with signed contract</p> <p>To : Twenty (20) calendar days from receipt of Notice to Proceed with signed contract</p>
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<p data-bbox="219 972 245 999">7.</p>	<p data-bbox="354 972 954 1035"><b>Page 49 Section V Special Conditions of Contract, Item 17.3 5 Years warranty.</b></p> <p data-bbox="354 1077 954 1440"><b>i.</b> The winning bidder should warrant that should there be announced improvements on the proposed product and/or any of its components, after date of submission of proposals and before date of implementation, such improved product or its components should be delivered to and installed at the SSS by the winning bidder without affecting the submitted bid price proposal.</p> <p data-bbox="354 1482 954 1734"><b>ii.</b> If announced improvement is made within six (6) months after installed product has already been accepted for SSS use, the winning bidder must replace already installed product or its components with the improved product or its components at no additional cost to the Procuring Entity.</p> <p data-bbox="354 1776 954 1879"><b>Question:</b> We believe requirement above pertains to an initial installation of hardware, Is this still applicable since</p>	<p data-bbox="977 1776 1481 1839">These provisions are no longer required. This amends Section V</p>								

	<p>this is Maintenance Agreement project?</p>	<p>Special Conditions of Contract, Item 17.3 5 Years warranty.</p>
8.	<p><b>Page 62. Section VII: Technical Specifications, Other requirements item b.2</b></p> <p><b>b.2</b> Technical support/engineers, at least Two (2) must be Certified Engineers. All technical support personnel must be directly employed with the bidder for at least one (1) on the date of submission of the bid proposal.</p> <p><i>Question:</i> Are we going to follow the 5 engineer certification requirement on page 31, item 3.4. If, yes? Can this be 2 certified engineer for checkpoint firewall and 3 certified engineer for the cisco equipment?</p>	<p>Please refer to item 5.</p>
9.	<p><b>Page 66. Bid Breakdown.</b></p> <p><i>Question # 9.1 As discussed during Prebid, bidders will provide price cost on the first item only and this will cover items 2 and 3 as well. Please confirm this instruction.</i></p>	<p>There is no need to indicate the breakdown per item 1, 2, 3 but the bidder has to indicate the total cost of all items per annum.</p>