

**REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
SOCIAL SECURITY SYSTEM**
Office Address: SSS BLDG. EAST AVE. DILIMAN PINYAHAN, QC NCR 2ND DISTRICT
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Vendor : TUV RHEINLAND PHILIPPINES INC.
Address: Ground Floor, La Fuerza Building 1
2241 Don Chino Roces Avenue Makati City
TIN NO: 239-108-366-000

PO/JO/LO No.: PO2023-11-0005
Date: December 01, 2023
Order type: PC
APP 2023-0247

Gentlemen:

Please deliver to our property custodian at the Social Security System the following items:

Item	PR No.	Material No.	Description	UoM	Qty	Unit Cost	Total
1			Hiring of ISO 9001:2015 Certification Body for Short Term Loans Granting QMS Process (for Three (3) Years)	1	Lot	694,272.00	694,272.00

QMD, Hiring of ISO 9001:2015 Certification Body for Short Term Loans Granting QMS Process

Mode of Procurement: Public Bidding
Classification: Prof Fees - Consultant
Funds Available: P 694,272.00
Delivery/Completion Period: The contract shall be completed upon the accomplishment of the 3rd Party audit cycle which covers: 1st Year - Certification Audit (State 1 and Stage 2), 2nd Year - Surveillance Audit, 3rd Year - Surveillance Audit
The time period shall be three (3) years from receipt of the signed Contract
Payment Terms: Progress billing under the Contract shall be made at the Consultant's Landbank or DBP or any choice of bank account subject to the applicable bank charges of the winning bidder.
The payment shall be subject to retention of Withholding Tax and other applicable taxes in accordance with existing Laws and BIR Rules and Regulations, to be remitted directly to the BIR by the SSS
Payment using Letter of Credit is not allowed
Note: General Conditions, Special Conditions, Terms of Reference indicated in the Bidding Documents shall apply
Contact Person: Ms. Hejen L. Navarro/Department Manager III-QMD at 8709-7198 local 5372
email: navarrohl@sss.gov.ph

Approved by VP Johnsy L. Mangundayao on 11/22/2023, per recommendation of BAC II Res. No. 2023-104-9 dated 11/21/2023

SOCIAL SECURITY SYSTEM

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DEC 07 2023

G. H. Amara

CONTRACT MANAGEMENT DEPT.

Total Amount: **P 694,272.00**

Note: Subject to specific warranties appearing at the back hereof.

Delivery: Acceptance of deliveries shall be from Monday to Friday only excluding holiday at 8:00 am to 5:00 pm.

Please submit your Original Delivery Receipt & Invoice, together with the original copy of this Purchase Order to QMD, SSS, Quezon City and Photocopy of Delivery Receipt & Sales Invoice to PPMD.

REVIEWED:

Billy V. Dirdie
BILLY V. DIRDIE
Acting Head, PPMD

FUNDS CERTIFIED AVAILABLE:

Belinda B. Ella
BELINDA B. ELLA
Department Manager III, GAD

APPROVED:

Dorenda M. Dasmariñas
DORENDA M. DASMARINAS
Vice President, PMD - B
Concurrent Acting Head, Admin Group

Conforme:

Isabel M. Tim
Name of Authorized

[Signature]
Signature

Dec 1, 2023
Date

Reminder: Please immediately sign and return the approved Purchase/Job Order to PPMD.

SUPPLIER WARRANTS THE FOLLOWING:

- 1.) All goods to be delivered are in accordance with the limit / quantity / samples / specifications / printing layouts of the System.
- 2.) Materials to be furnished shall be fresh stock / brand new / standard factory products of reputable manufacturers.
- 3.) All charges or fees for the test and analysis service on delivery samples shall be paid by the System, provided, however, that if, after the test, the delivery is rejected, the fees for the test shall be for the account of the Supplier.
- 4.) Supplier guarantees their supplies / materials / equipment / printed form against all latent / inherent defects in materials and workmanship for a period of one year from the date of purchase. Replacement of supplies / materials / forms with latent defects and of equipment with defective parts shall be made without charge within twenty-four (24) hours from receipt of request.
- 5.) Supplier warrants the availability of spare parts and service facilities during the lifetime of the equipment and shall answer the call and provide the service within twenty-four (24) hours upon call of the System.
- 6.) Delivery of goods ordered shall be made within the period indicated in the Purchase Order / Job Order / Letter Order. No other delivery date shall be allowed. For late delivery, a penalty of 1/10 of 1% of the total amount of the late delivered items shall be imposed for every day of delay.
- 7.) For contract price amounting to P100,000.00 and above (Office Order 2013-014-B), except for Direct Contracting, Repeat Order, Lease of Venue and Scientific, Scholarly or Artistic Work, Exclusive Technology and Media Services, the winning bidder is required to post a Performance Bond within ten (10) calendar days from the receipt of notice but in no case later than the signing of the contract/PO/JO by both parties, which shall be valid within the contract period, equivalent to % of contract price as follows:
 - 5% Cash (Goods & Consulting Services) and 10% Cash (Infrastructure), Cashier's / Manager's Check, Bank Guarantee or Irrevocable Letter of Credit issued by a Universal or Commercial Bank, or
 - 30% Surety Bond callable upon demand issued by a surety or insurance company and duly certified by the Insurance Commission, of the contract price.
- 8.) The winning bidder is required to post a warranty security for a minimum period of three (3) months, in case of Expendable Supplies, or a minimum period of one (1) year, in case of Non-expendable Supplies, after acceptance by the Procuring Entity of the delivered supplies. The obligation for the warranty shall be covered by either retention money in an amount equivalent to five percent (5%) of every progress payment, or a special bank guarantee equivalent to five percent (5%) of the total contract price with validity period starting from the date of acceptance/delivery.
- 9.) In case of rejected deliveries, Supplier agrees to withdraw the articles from SSSodega or premises within five (5) days from receipt of "Notice of Rejected Goods". Failure to withdraw the articles on time shall entitle the System to impose a storage fee of 5% of the value of the rejected goods per month and / or if unclaimed for a period of one year, dispose the goods in the most advantageous manner to defray storage cost.
- 10.) In case of delinquency, Supplier agrees that payment under this Purchase Order / Job Order / Letter Order shall be applied to delinquent contribution / penalty / loan, subject to adjustments later on, if necessary.
- 11.) Any violation of the above warrants will give rise to legal action by the Social Security System.
- 12.) The following documents are deemed incorporated in, and shall be read, form, and construed as integral parts of this Purchase Order:

ANNEXES TO CONTRACT

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| "A" | Administrative Order No. 2023-009-c dated 19 July 2023 - Approving Authorities to Act on Procurement Matters and Signing Authorities on Notice of Award and Notice to Proceed; |
| | Office Order No. 2023-032 - Authorized Signatories to Contracts, POs, JOs, APRs; COA Circular No. 79-122 dated 18 December 1979 - Ensuring That Contracts Are Signed Only When Supported |
| | Memorandum of BAC recommending the award of the PROJECT winning supplier. (and Approval of the Approving Authority) |
| "B" | Notice of Award and Notice to Proceed (if applicable) and Purchase Order/Job Order |
| "C" | Request for Quotation |
| "D" | Technical Specification or Scope of Work |
| "E" | Supplier's quotation/offer, including the Technical and Financial Proposals, and all other documents/statements submitted |
| "F" | Performance Security (if applicable) |
| "G" | Secretary's Certificate, Board Resolution, or Special Power of Attorney dated _____ |

CONFORME:

Isabel M. Tiu
Name of Authorized Representative

[Signature]
Signature

Dec 1, 2023
Date

GENERAL CONDITIONS OF THE CONTRACT:

1. The Supplier shall deliver the goods in accordance with the description and quantity specifications of the Purchase Order/Job Order.
2. The Supplier shall deliver the goods within the period indicated in the Purchase Order. A penalty of 1/10 of 1% of the total amount of the items shall be imposed for every day of delay in delivery.
3. The Supplier shall deliver Goods/Services which must all be fresh stock, brand-new, unused, properly sealed, and which are not set to expire within two (2) years from date of delivery to SSS, if applicable.
4. The Supplier warrants that all the Goods/Services have no defect arising from design, materials, or workmanship or from any act or omission of the Supplier or the manufacturer that may develop under normal use of consumables, if applicable.
5. For Goods, the Supplier shall replace any defective item within twenty-four (24) hours from the time that it was notified by SSS of the defect. Defects detected only after the item is installed and used is covered by the replacement warranty which will be in effect for every item until its expiry date. Replacement of defective item shall have no cost to the SSS, if applicable.
6. To assure that manufacturing defects shall be corrected by the SUPPLIER, a warranty security shall be required from the SUPPLIER for a minimum of three (3) months, in the case of expendable items or a minimum period of one (1) year, in the case of non-expendable items, after the acceptance of the delivered items. The obligation for the warranty shall be covered, at the Supplier's option, by either retention money in an amount equivalent to five percent (5%) of total purchase price, or a special bank guarantee equivalent to five percent (5%) of the total purchase price with validity period starting from the date of acceptance. The said amounts shall only be released after the lapse of the warranty period.
7. If the Supplier, having been notified, fails to remedy the defect(s) within the specified period, the SSS may proceed to take such remedial action as may be necessary, at the Supplier's risk and expense and without prejudice to any other rights which the SSS may have against the Supplier under these Terms and Conditions and under the applicable law.
8. The pricing of the Goods/Services shall be in Peso and Inclusive of Twelve Percent (12%) Value-Added Tax (VAT).

MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS:

1. **Confidentiality.** Neither party shall, without the prior written consent of the other, disclose or make available to any person, make public, or use directly or indirectly, except for the performance and implementation of the works, any confidential information acquired from an information holder in connection with the performance of this Agreement, unless: (i) the information is known to the disclosing party, as evidenced by its written records, prior to obtaining the same from the information holder and is not otherwise subject to disclosure restrictions on the disclosing party, (ii) the information is disclosed to the disclosing party by a third party who did not receive the same, directly or indirectly, from an information holder, and who has no obligation of secrecy with respect thereto, or (iii) required to be disclosed by law. The obligation of confidentiality by both parties, as provided herein, shall survive the termination of this Agreement.
2. **Merger and Consolidation.** In case of merger, consolidation or change of ownership of SUPPLIER with another company, it is the responsibility of the surviving company/consolidated company/acquiring entity to inform SSS of the change in corporate structure/ownership. Failure to do so shall translate in such company assuming all liabilities of the acquired/merged company under this Agreement.
3. **Force Majeure.** The SUPPLIER shall not be liable for forfeiture of its performance security, liquidated damages, or termination for default if and to the extent that SUPPLIER's delay in performance or other failure to perform its obligations under this Agreement is the result of a force majeure. For purposes of this Agreement the terms "force majeure" and "fortuitous event" may be used interchangeably. In this regard, a fortuitous event or force majeure shall be interpreted to mean an event which the SUPPLIER could not have foreseen, or which though foreseen, was inevitable. It shall not include ordinary unfavorable weather conditions; and any other cause the effects of which could have been avoided with the exercise of reasonable diligence by the SUPPLIER. Such events may include, but not limited to, acts of SSS in its sovereign capacity, wars or revolutions, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, and freight embargoes.
4. **Non-Assignment.** Neither party may assign the Contract in whole or in part without the consent of the other party.
5. **Waiver.** Failure by either party to insist upon the strict performance of any of the terms and conditions hereof shall not be deemed a relinquishment or waiver of any subsequent breach or default of the terms and conditions hereof, which can only be deemed made if expressed in writing and signed by its duly authorized representative. No such waiver shall be construed as modification of any of the provisions of this Agreement or as a waiver of any past or future default or breach hereof, except as expressly stated in such waiver.
6. **Cumulative Remedies.** Any and all remedies granted to the parties under the applicable laws and this Agreement shall be deemed cumulative and may, therefore, at the sole option and discretion, be availed of by the aggrieved party simultaneously, successively, or independently.
7. **No Employer-Employee Relationship.** It is expressly and manifestly understood and agreed upon that the employees of the SUPPLIER assigned to perform the PROJECT are not employees of SSS. Neither is there an employer-employee relationship between SSS and the SUPPLIER. This Agreement does not create an employer-employee relationship between SSS and the SUPPLIER including its personnel; that the PROJECT rendered by the personnel assigned by the SUPPLIER to SSS in the performance of its obligation under this Agreement do not represent government service and will not be credited as such; that its personnel assigned to SSS are not entitled to benefits enjoyed by SSS' officials and employees such as Personal Economic Relief Allowance (PERA), Representation and Transportation Allowance (RATA), ACA, etc.; that those personnel are not related within the third degree of consanguinity or affinity to the contracting officer and appointing authority of SSS; that they have not been previously dismissed from the government service by reason of an administrative case; that they have not reached the compulsory retirement age of sixty-five (65); and that they possess the education, experience and skills required to perform the job. The SUPPLIER hereby acknowledges that no authority has been given by SSS to hire any person as an employee of the latter. Any instruction given by SSS or any of its personnel to the SUPPLIER's employees are to be construed merely as a measure taken by the former to ensure and enhance the quality of PROJECT performed hereunder. The SUPPLIER shall, at all times, exercise supervision and control over its employees in the performance of its obligations under this Agreement.
8. **Partnership.** Nothing in this Agreement shall constitute a partnership between the parties. No party or its agents or employees shall be deemed to be the agent, employee or representative of any other party.
9. **Compliance with SS Law.** The SUPPLIER shall report all its employees to SSS for coverage and their contributions, as well as all amortizations for salary/education/calamity and other SSS loans shall be updated. Should the SUPPLIER fail to comply with its obligation under the provisions of the SS Law and Employees' Compensation Act, SSS shall have the authority to deduct any unpaid SS and EC contributions, salary, educational, emergency and/or calamity loan amortizations, employer's liability for damages, including interests and penalties from the SUPPLIER's receivables under this Agreement. Further, prescription does not run against SSS for its failure to demand SS contributions or payments from SUPPLIER. Moreover, SUPPLIER shall
10. **Compliance with Labor Laws.** The SUPPLIER, as employer of the personnel assigned to undertake the PROJECT, shall comply with all its obligations under existing laws and their implementing rules and regulations on the payment of minimum wage, overtime pay, and other labor-related benefits as well as remittances or payment of the appropriate amount or contributions/payment (SSS, EC, Pag-IBIG, PhilHealth and taxes) with concerned government agencies/offices. It is agreed further, that prior to the release of any payment by SSS to the SUPPLIER, its President or its duly authorized representative shall submit a sworn statement that all moneys due to all the employees assigned to the PROJECT as well as benefits by law and other related labor legislation have been paid by SUPPLIER and that he/she assumed full responsibility thereof.
11. **Compliance with Tax Laws.** The SUPPLIER shall, in compliance with tax laws, pay the applicable taxes in full and on time and shall regularly present to the SSS within the duration of this Agreement, tax clearance from the Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR) as well as copy of its income and business tax returns duly stamped by the BIR and duly validated with the tax payments made thereon, if applicable. Failure by the SUPPLIER to comply with the foregoing shall entitle the SSS to suspend payment of the Contract Price.
12. **Liquidated Damages.** If the SUPPLIER fails to satisfactorily deliver any or all of the Goods and/or to perform the Services within the period(s) specified in the PBD inclusive of duly granted time extensions if any, SSS shall, without prejudice to its other remedies under this Agreement and under the applicable law, deduct from the Contract Price, as liquidated damages, the applicable rate of one tenth (1/10) of one (1) percent of the cost of the unperformed portion for every day of delay until actual delivery or performance. Once the amount of liquidated damages reaches ten percent (10%), SSS may rescind or terminate this Agreement, without prejudice to other courses of action and remedies open to it.
13. **Hold-Free and Harmless.** The SUPPLIER agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold SSS free and harmless from any and all claims, damages, expenses, fines, penalties and/or liabilities of whatever nature and kind, whether in law or equity, that may arise by reason of the implementation of the Agreement. In addition, the SUPPLIER agrees to indemnify SSS for any damage as a result of said implementation.
14. **Settlement of Disputes.** All actions and controversies that may arise from the Contract involving but not limited to demands for specific performance of the obligations as specified herein and/or in the interpretation of any provisions or clauses contained herein, shall, in the first instance, be settled within thirty (30) calendar days through amicable means, such as, but not limited to mutual discussion. Should the dispute remain unresolved by the end of the aforementioned period, the dispute shall be settled in accordance with applicable provisions of Republic Act No. 9285, otherwise known as the Alternative Dispute Resolution Act of 2004.
15. **Venue of Actions.** Any suit or proceeding arising out of relating to the contract shall be instituted in the appropriate court in Quezon City. Parties hereto waiving any other venue.
16. **Governing Law.** This Agreement shall be governed by and interpreted according to the laws of the Republic of the Philippines.
17. **Amendments.** This Agreement may be amended only in writing and executed by the parties or their duly authorized representatives.
18. **Separability.** If any one or more of the provisions contained in this Agreement or any document executed in connection herewith shall be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect under any applicable law, then: (i) the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions contained herein or therein shall not in any way be affected or impaired and shall remain in full force and effect; and (ii) the invalid, illegal or unenforceable provision shall be replaced by the parties immediately with a term or provision that is valid, legal and enforceable and that comes closest to expressing the intention of such invalid, illegal or unenforceable term or provision.
19. **Binding Effect.** This Agreement shall be binding upon the Parties hereto, their assignee/s and successor/s-in-interest.
20. **Non-Publicity.** No press release in oral, written, or electronic form shall be issued covering this transaction without prior written approval of SSS. Inclusion in any reference list shall also be undertaken only upon prior written approval of SSS.