

PROJECT: ADDITIONAL STORAGE FOR DB GROWTH AND
APPLICATIONS SERVER (5-YEAR CAPACITY)

A. QUERIES/CLARIFICATIONS RAISED DURING THE PRE-BID CONFERENCE

	Query/Clarifications	TWG/BAC Reply
1	For the Pre-screening of documents, it is required to submit a hard copy?	Yes.

B. WRITTEN QUERIES

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1	<p>Bid Data Sheet ITB Clause</p> <p>5.3 For this purpose, contracts similar to the Project shall be:</p> <p>a. Supply, delivery, and installation into operational state of any ICT solution with enterprise grade flash storage.</p> <p>May we request to the Honorable Bids and Awards Committee that the foregoing item be relax to afford wider participation of qualified bidders, viz.:</p> <p>a. Supply, delivery, and installation into operational state of any ICT solution with Storage or Backup solution.</p> <p><i>Due to the limitation of the number of user that has the implementation of enterprise grade flash storage. But we can implement a total enterprise grade flash storage to SSS.</i></p> <p>May we request to the Honorable Bids and Awards Committee if the bidder may propose a new storage solution covering all the services on data migration, buying back the existing. With the New Storage Solution we eliminate future incompatibilities.</p>	<p>No, we maintain our requirements.</p> <p>No, we maintain our requirements.</p>

2	<p>Question 1: Bid Data Sheet ITB Clause 5.3</p> <p>For this purpose, contracts similar to the Project shall be:</p> <p>a. Supply, delivery, and installation into operational state of any ICT solution with enterprise grade flash storage.</p> <p>b. Completed within five (5) years prior to the deadline for the submission and receipt of bids.</p> <p>The project name is "Additional Storage for DB Growth and Application Server (5-Year Capacity)".</p> <p>1. Will the Honorable Bids & Awards Committee accept the Supply, delivery, and installation into operational state of any ICT solution with Storage (any type) as SLCC?</p> <p>2. On any ICT solution, the 50% contract amount for the SLCC must be Storage or enterprise grade flash storage?</p>	<p>No, our requirement should be any ICT solution with enterprise grade flash storage.</p> <p>SLCC should be enterprise grade flash storage.</p>
3	<p>Question 2:</p> <p>For the whole project scope of "Additional Storage for DB Growth and Application Server (5-Year Capacity)".</p> <p>Will the Honorable Bids & Awards Committee allows a prospective bidder to offer a Brand-New Storage Solution with all the Technical Specifications and Scope of Work as indicated in the bidding documents?</p> <p>If yes, may we have the configuration of the existing Storage.</p> <p>The Social Security System (SSS) has a project last May 2022 (Two (2) Year Contract for the Rental of</p>	<p>Please refer to Section VI and Section VII of the Bidding Document for all the requirements of this project.</p>

	<p>Photocopying Machines) which bidders can offer for the following:</p> <p>a. For Slightly-used Machines: ➤ Manufactured not earlier than CY 2019</p> <p>b. For Brand New Machines: ➤ Manufactured not earlier than CY 2021</p>	
4	<p>May we request po for the “Terms of Payment”, that instead payment to the winning bidder of the CAPEX portion be in whole only after the “Final Acceptance” of the project, it may be paid progressively based on key milestones? Perhaps you may consider:</p> <p>1st payment –Physical Delivery of all the Storage equipment to the SSS Head Office.</p> <p>2nd payment 30% upon installation into operational state of the Storage System at the SSS Head Office.</p> <p>3rd payment 30% upon successful conduct of Training/Knowledge Transfer & Submission of the Complete Documentation.</p> <p>4th & last payment 10% upon Final Acceptance.</p>	<p>This amends Section V - Special Conditions of Contract, GCC Clause 2.2:</p> <p>Refer to Annex B below.</p>

ANNEX “B”

Payment shall be as follows:

Payment Milestone	%	Requirements for Payment
A. Physical delivery and installation of all Hardware and Software Requirements for both Main Production Center and Disaster Recovery sites.	35%	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Completed delivery of all hardware and software componentsIssuance of Inspection and Acceptance (IAR) document by SSS Inspection team.Issuance of Certificate of Acceptance by HSD for Milestone A.
B. Configuration into operation state of all Hardware and Software Requirements for both Main Production Center and Disaster Recovery sites.	35%	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Completed configuration into operational state of all hardware and software components.Submission of “Notice of Complete Delivery and Installation in Operational State” by the Supplier.Issuance of Certificate of Acceptance by HSD for Milestone B.
C. Passing the Performance Evaluation Testing.	30%	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Passing all functionalities and performance requirements based on the agreed acceptance criteria.Issuance of Certificate of Final Acceptance by HSD.

Payment shall be credited to the 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 a Letter of Credit is not allowed.

Retention Money equivalent to one percent (1%) of the total contract price shall be retained and shall only be released after the lapse of the five (5) years Warranty period.