

PROJECT: REPLACEMENT OF 2-UNITS POWER CIRCUIT BREAKER (PCB) 1 AND 2**QUERIES/CLARIFICATIONS RAISED DURING THE PRE-BID CONFERENCE:**

	Query/Clarifications	TWG/BAC Reply
1	Regarding the Technical Specifications, particularly the requirement for the FreeStanding Enclosure. Since there is only a sole manufacturer of this project, isn't it synonymous for "branding" which is unlawful based on 9184. Since this is only an enclosure, will you accept an enclosure from a prospective bidder which will be manufactured upon your approval?	No, we will not accept an enclosure to be fabricated upon approval alone. The enclosure must be based on a certified type-tested design and supported by valid documentation to be deemed compliant. The requirement for a type-tested free-standing enclosure is not considered branding, as it is based on performance and compliance with international standards.
2	Regarding the delivery period for the 2000amperes, since this is a fast-moving item, may we request for the extension period for another thirty (30) days?	The TWG maintains the original delivery period as stated in the bidding documents. The request for a 30-day extension is not granted .
3	Will there be a site inspection?	The ocular inspection is scheduled starting 08 April until before the submission and opening of bids on 29 April 2025.

WRITTEN QUERIES:

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	<p>We are writing to you regarding the project: REPLACEMENT OF 2-UNITS POWER CIRCUIT BREAKER (PCB) 1 & 2. In relation to the aforementioned project, listed below are our queries.</p> <p>1. Section VII. Technical Specification 2.a</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p>Free Standing Enclosure</p> <p>Rated 480 to 690V, 3Phase, Fabricated and Assembly must be type tested in Nema-3R elevated platform in 6 inches minimum</p> <p>The Bidder must submit a copy of licensed agreement between the fabrication plant and original manufacturer where the fabricator has been authorized by their original manufacturer to fabricate locally a type tested.</p> <p>Note: None submission of licensed agreement shall be ground for disqualification</p> </div> <p>The specification requires a type-tested free-standing enclosure. <u>Currently, there are no type-testing laboratories or certification bodies in the Philippines capable of conducting the required type testing to verify compliance of each enclosure and issue their respective type-tested certificates</u>. As such, it is not feasible for local fabricators to provide enclosures with type-test certification.</p> <p>We wish to highlight that the advantage of a type-tested enclosure lies in its grounding system. To address this, we propose the inclusion of an additional grounding system (redundancy) for each enclosure as an alternative that meets the intent of the specification while remaining practical under local conditions.</p> <p>We hope for your favorable consideration of this concern and look forward to your guidance on the matter.</p>	<p>The Technical Working Group affirms that the specification for a type-tested free-standing enclosure shall be maintained.</p> <p>Type testing evaluates not only grounding systems but also factors such as protection against electrical faults, ingress protection, temperature rise, and structural integrity.</p> <p>While it is acknowledged that full-scale type testing facilities may not be available locally, the intent of the specification is not to limit local fabricators but to ensure that enclosures are manufactured in accordance with designs that have already undergone type testing. Therefore, the procuring entity will accept a valid licensed agreement or equivalent documentation from the original equipment manufacturer (OEM), authorizing the local fabricator to produce type-tested enclosures based on certified designs.</p> <p>Bidders may submit any one of the following documents to demonstrate compliance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Valid Type-Test Certificate from an accredited international testing body; OEM-issued Certificate of Authorization or Licensed Agreement allowing local fabrication of type-tested designs; Product Conformity Declaration referencing

		<p>IEC 61439-1, NEMA, or equivalent standards.</p> <p>Failure to submit any of the following stated above shall be ground for disqualification.</p> <p>This response shall serve as an amendment to Item 2.a under Section VII – Technical Specifications of the Bidding Documents.</p>
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