## PROJECT: PRIMARY BRANCH CONNECTIVITY SUBSCRIPTION

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

	Query/Clarifications	TWG/BAC Reply
1	Regarding item# 4 of Technical Specifications, is it possible to ease up the requirement for cable landing stations or totally exclude this requirement?	No. We maintain our requirement as specified in Item No. 4 of the Technical Specifications.
2	Is it right to assume that the bidder will be the one to provide the handover of GE electrical on both ends?  Is this the same with regards to the internet leased line, it has compatible router for each line?	Yes.
3	How many IP is required at the DIA Primary Link for the Main Office and Disaster Recovery Site?	We require six (6) IP in Broadband and DIA.

## **B. WRITTEN QUERIES:**

	Query/Clarifications	TWG/BAC Reply
1	Replace Rebate Factor Table with the more customer-friendly Credit Table model. Credit Table applies credits per event starting from 130 minutes, ensuring timely and proportional compensation.	No. We maintain our Service Level Requirements as specified under SCC Clause 1 of the Bidding Documents.
2	We respectfully request that the "one- year prior employment" condition be relaxed to allow flexibility in how the required personnel are engaged. We propose the following revision: "The bidder must present the required personnel as either regular employees or committed hires with relevant qualifications and experience, who will be assigned full- time for the duration of the project."	No. The clause/provision is retained.
3	We respectfully request clarification and consideration on the following points: 1. For sites that cannot be reached by any fiber provider, may	No. We maintain our requirement.

	we be allowed to use alternative technologies such as Starlink to ensure uninterrupted connectivity?  Please provide the expected or minimum required data allocation per site (e.g., monthly GB usage or bandwidth requirements), to allow for precise bandwidth planning and price computation.	
4	Bid Data Sheet, ITB Clause 5.3 For this purpose, contracts similar to the Project shall be: a. Provisioning of broadband internet connectivity. b. Completed within five (5) years prior to the deadline for the submission and receipt of bids. We respectfully propose that the clause be broadened to include contracts related to Internet Services or Dedicated Internet Access, rather than limiting it specifically to broadband internet connectivity	This amends ITB Clause 5.3: Contracts similar to the Project shall be:  a. Provisioning of broadband internet connectivity and Dedicated Internet Access (DIA).  b. Completed within five (5) years prior to the deadline for the submission and receipt of bids.
5	Item #8 The bidder must have the following regular personnel for at least one (1) year for the project before the opening of the bid:  • Three (3) Licensed Electronics Engineer  • Three (3) CCNP Engineers  • Three (3) Personnel with Internetwork Expert Certification.  • One (1) Certified Project Management Professional (PMP) We respectfully request the removal of the following requirements:  • Three (3) CCNP Engineers  • Three (3) Personnel with Internetwork Expert Certification.  • One (1) Certified Project Management Professional (PMP)	No. The clause/provision is retained.
6	May we request for the soft copy of the Bid Form-02?	Bidders will be provided with the soft copy of Bid Form-02 together with the Bid Bulletin.
7	May we ask what last mile should be considered in the provisioning of service? Fiber or radio/wireless?	We are considering only wired options for last-mile connectivity.

8	Under VII-Technical specification, item 4, "The bidder uses its own domestic nationwide network and operates at least four (4) cable landing stations transiting outside the Philippines for diversity and redundancy. The bidder must provide a Certified True Copy of Certification issued by NTC.", can the bidder provide a public website (link and printed copy) from the submarinenetworks.com indicating the cable landing stations available in the Philippines, instead of a Certification issued by the NTC? Website:  https://www.submarinenetworks.com/en/stations/asia/philippines	
9	If query number 3 is not possible, may we request to relax the requirement From: The bidder uses its own domestic nationwide network and operates at least four (4) cable landing stations transiting outside the Philippines for diversity and redundancy. The bidder must provide a Certified True Copy of Certification issued by NTC.	No. We maintain our requirement.
	To: The bidder uses its own domestic nationwide network and operates at least four (4) cable landing stations transiting outside the Philippines for diversity and redundancy. The bidder must provide a proof of the required four cable landing stations.	
10	For the Single Largest Completed Contract (SLCC), may we request for the similar contract to be Provisioning of Broadband or any Connectivity?	Please refer to our reply in Item B.4.