ANNEX A TO BID BULLETIN NO. 1

Responses to Queries and Clarifications

Project: TIRES (MAIN OFFICE, NCR BRANCHES, DMW AND MOD-NCR)

Project Reference No.: ITB-NGPA-SSS-GOODS-2026-083

	Query/Clarifications	TWG/BAC Reply
1.	Regarding item no. 4, the 245x70 R19.5, 16PR, given that it is for a closed vans or truck, we would like to request that if it can be excluded from the after sales service required for all the items? Unlike the first three (3) that are light vehicles, most commercials service centers don't cater to closed vans, trucks, busses or anything bigger, so, the installation and other services are not covered.	The request to exclude Item 4 from the prescribed after-sales services is not granted. Item 4 remains covered by the applicable installation, wheel-balancing, and service requirements stated in the Bidding Documents. Please refer to the response to Written Query No. 2.
2.	For item no. 4, Is it possible to change from tube and flap to tubeless?	The request to substitute a tubeless configuration for Item 4 is not granted. The requirement remains as specified in the Bidding Documents: brand-new 245x70 R19.5, 16PR tires, complete with tube and flap. Please refer to the response to Written Query No. 1.
3.	Regarding to the technical specification, the Annex column, what are we supposed to put there?	In the Statement of Compliance column, bidders shall indicate 'Comply' or 'Not Comply' for each applicable requirement based on the actual offer, stating the corresponding offered parameter where applicable. In the Annex column, indicate the annex number or letter and relevant page of the supporting document. Compliance statements must be supported and cross-referenced as required under Section VII. Missing, unsupported, or inconsistent information shall be evaluated in accordance with the Bidding Documents and applicable procurement rules.

WRITTEN QUERIES:

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1	Item No. 4 – 245x70 R19.5 16PR (Technical Specifications): We respectfully request to amend the requirement for this item from tube type to tubeless. Tubeless configurations generally offer enhanced reliability, reduced downtime from punctures, and better overall safety for the fleet or equipment in question.	The request to amend Item 4 to a tubeless configuration is not granted. Item 4 shall remain as specified in Sections VI and VII: brand-new 245x70 R19.5, 16PR tires, complete with compatible tubes and flaps, with the prescribed manufacturer's tread-life warranty of 40,000 km.
2	Item No. 4 – 245x70 R19.5 16PR (After-Sales Service): We respectfully request that this specific tire size be excluded from any after-sales service requirements. While the high-volume items fit standard light-vehicle service centers, this specific truck item requires specialized heavy commercial servicing and facilities. Unbundling this small component will protect the supply timeline of the main fleet and allow bidders to offer more cost-effective pricing.	The request to exclude Item 4 from the prescribed after-sales services is not granted. Free installation and wheel balancing remain required for the supplied tires within one year from the date of delivery, together with the applicable service obligations under Section V, Clause 6.1. The servicing capability required under Section VII, Items 6 and 7 shall cover the identified Isuzu closed van/truck. The existing conditions on subcontracting remain applicable.
3	Country of Origin Restrictions: We would like to clarify if the Social Security System accepts brands/products manufactured in countries that are currently involved in territorial or geopolitical conflicts with the Philippines. We seek clear guidance on whether there are existing procurement restrictions or eligibility exclusions for such products under this specific contract.	Under ITB Clause 7 and the corresponding BDS provision, no additional country-of-origin restriction is specified for this procurement, except for goods prohibited by a decision of the United Nations Security Council under Chapter VII of the UN Charter, and subject to applicable legal prohibitions. Offered products must satisfy all prescribed technical, safety, documentary, and warranty requirements. Product origin does not waive the separate eligibility requirements applicable to the bidder.