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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS

PRIMARY BIDS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE

Project: **CEBU BUS RAPID TRANSIT (BRT) PROJECT – TECHNICAL SUPPORT CONSULTANT**

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TO ALL SHORT LISTED BIDDERS:

Please find attached as Annex “A” answers to written queries for the above-mentioned Project.

For your guidance and information.

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ITEM NO.	BIDDERS' ISSUES/CONCERNS/QUERIES	DOTC'S RESPONSE
1	Regarding the Data Sheet:- Section 2.1 refers to the method of selection as being, Cost Based Selection.- Section 14.1.3 refers to Time Based Contracts- Section 27.1 refers to Quality Cost Based Selection. Could you please confirm which method of selection is being used. If CBS does that mean that the sections 14.1.3 and 27.1 should be ignored?	For clarification, Clause 2.1 of the Instructions to Consultants (ITC) and its Data Sheet refer to the method of selection while Clause 14.1.3 of the ITC and its Data Sheet refer to the type of Contract will be used for the Project. For purposes of this Project, the method of selection to be used is Quality-Based Selection (QBS) while the type of contract is Time-Based Contract. Please be informed that Clause 27.1 of the ITC Data Sheet has been deleted pursuant to General Bid Bulletin (GBB) No. 03-2015.
2	Further it is noted that Section 14.1.2 of the Data Sheet specifies 80 person month for 'key experts'. Assuming that key experts are those 4 positions specified in section 21.1 (iii) the man months referred to in TOR (Section 2) for those 4 posts is 96 (9x24). Could you please clarify which is correct.	Clause 14.1.2 of the ITC Data Sheet should be read as follows: "Estimated input of Key Experts' time-input: 80 <u>96</u> person-months."
3	Consistent with the usual requirements under either QCBS and CBS (when financial proposals are requested) I assume that you are requesting the consultant to provide full cost estimates for the services described taking full account of the staffing requirement and man months specified with the TOR. Your confirmation of this would be appreciated.	Yes. Full cost estimates for the services which include the staffing requirement and man-months as specified in the Terms of Reference (TOR) are required.
4	Number of person-months: in the data sheet, section 14.1.2 you indicate that the estimated time inputs is 80 person-months. In the TOR, under project team, you indicate for each team member number of time required. The total time required in the table for all team members is 200 months. Please clarify the difference	Clause 14.1.2 of the ITC Data Sheet should be read as follows: "Estimated input of Key Experts' time-input: 80 <u>96</u> person-months."

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		For clarification, the total duration of services of the key experts and non-key experts will be 210 person-months.
5	Please clarify how much time you expect for each team member to spend in the Philippines and how much in the home country. Also please clarify how much time should each team member spend in Manila (with DOTC) and how much in Cebu.	For key experts, they are expected to spend roughly half of the project's duration specified in the TOR in Cebu and the other half in Manila. For non-key experts, they are expected to spend most of project's duration as specified in the TOR in Cebu.
6	The contract proposed is time-based. Can some of the reimbursable cost be paid as lump sum? (i.e. per-diem. Local transportation, office)	No. Reimbursable costs must be itemized.
7	The data sheet section 21.1 mentions only four team members that will be ranked. The ToR mentions more team members. Please confirm that at this point only four Cvs should be provided.	No. For clarification, CVs of all Key and Non-Key Personnel must be submitted and should meet the minimum requirements provided in the TOR. However, for purposes of evaluation, only the Key Experts' qualification and competence will be evaluated for the technical rating.
8	Since selection is quality based, and since the contract is time-based, why should the consultant specifies a "total-cost" for the financial proposal? Isn't it more reasonable to specify monthly rates and unit costs for reimbursable costs?	Please refer to the response to item 3 of this Annex.
9	Please clarify whether the minimum requirements for the project team members are binding or these can be relaxed (i.e. number of years with the company, years of experience, etc.)	No. The minimum requirements for the Key and Non-Key Personnel shall remain the same.
10	a. In the ToR you mention that detailed engineering work will be completed by the end of 2015. Please clarify if the scope of the engineering design includes:	
	i. façade to façade design?	Yes. It is included.
	ii. Temporary traffic arrangements for the construction work	Yes. It is included.

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	iii. Final traffic arrangements	No. It is not included.
	iv. Detailed traffic light design with (or without) priority to the BRT vehicles?	No. It will be included in the scope of Intelligent Transport System/Area Traffic Control consultant.
	v. Detailed engineering design for the systems (ticketing, passengers' information, etc.)?	Detailed Engineering Design for the systems shall be prepared by the Public-Private Partnership (PPP) Transaction Advisers.
	vi. Depot design?	Yes. It is included.
	vii. Park & Ride design?	Yes. It is included.
	viii. Tender documents for the supply of the systems, buses, work shop equipment	Tender documents for the supply of the systems, buses, work shop equipment are included in the scope of works of the Technical Support Consultant, Procurement Specialist, Intelligent Transport System/Area Traffic Control consultant and PPP Transaction Advisers.