



Republic of the Philippines
National Irrigation Administration
Quezon City

MINUTES OF PRE-BIDDING CONFERENCE

for the
Excavation of Re-Regulating Pond, Construction of Slope Protection and Drainage Inlet
(Sta. 0+000 – Sta. 0+260 and Sta. 0+740 – Sta. 1+270)
under the Lower Agno River Irrigation System Improvement Project

Invitation to Bid No. R1-LARISIPD-C-2R

July 22, 2020; 2:00 PM
Classroom "A", 3rd Floor, IEC Building,
NIA Complex, EDSA, Quezon City

I. ATTENDANCE

I.1. Present:

BGEN ABRAHAM B BAGASIN (Ret)	-	Chairperson, BAC-A
AILYNE C. AGTUCA-SELDA	-	Vice-Chairperson, BAC-A
LYDIA S. ESGUERRA	-	Member, BAC-A
MARTY P. CACHAPERO	-	Member, BAC-A
ANGELITO S. MIGUEL	-	Provisional Member
MILAGROS C. NOPRE	-	Member, TWG
ARNOLD L. SALAZAR	-	Member, TWG
JOSELITO C. MERCADO	-	Member, TWG
ABEL ALDWIN P. AROMIN	-	Member, TWG
ELAINE P. VILLANUEVA	-	Head, Secretariat
FAE-ANGELIE G. DATU	-	Alternate Head, Secretariat
ZOSIMO R. BAIRA	-	Member, Secretariat
PAULO L. ROXAS	-	Member, Secretariat
JAASIEL ANNE T. TANIEGRA	-	Member, Secretariat
GERARD E. GUZMAN	-	Support Staff, Secretariat
JENIFER JANE G. ALALAY	-	Support Staff, Secretariat
MICHAEL B. BORAS	-	Support Staff, Secretariat
MARTIN IAN P. MARIANO	-	Support Staff, Secretariat
FRIDALYN REMEGIO	-	Representative, LARISIP

I.2. Absent:

ROGELIA G. DELA TORRE	-	Head, TWG
LLOYD ALLAIN A. CUDAL	-	Member, TWG

I.3. Observers:

PEPITO L. PADILLA	-	Representative, NIA-IAS
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I.4. Official Bidder

BIDDER	REPRESENTATIVE	DESIGNATION
1. RAYMAN CONST./ JLL PULSAR CONST. CORP. (JV)	Swetzerian T. Luñez	Office Staff

I.5 Unofficial Bidders

BIDDER	REPRESENTATIVE	DESIGNATION
1. R-II BUILDERS, INC.	Diomedes C. Cacho Dea Yvette A. Bustonera Mylene M. Situbal	Project Manager Technical Assistant Bus. Dev't Manager
2. ABU CONSTRUCTION	Edwin Ramos	-
3. GEMMA CONSTRUCTION	Rosalie Padrigio Roy Ang	Liaison Project Manager
4. RIVCON BUILDERS	Rey I. Vargas	Project Manager
5. ARM BUILDERS	Eduardo Enrico	Liaison
6. ARN BUILDERS	Ma. Theresa M. Benitez	Proj.- In-Charge
7. J.H. PAJARA CONST. CORP.	Ceferino A. Londina	AMO
8. 3K ROCK ENGINEERING	Francis B. Cuyop	AMO
9. MRVARGAS CONST. CORP.	Carolina R. Abesamis	Office Staff

II. CALL TO ORDER

Having a quorum, the pre-bidding conference for the above-mentioned proposed contract was called to order at 2:08 P.M. with the BAC-A Chairperson, BGen Abraham B Bagasin (Ret), presiding.

III. BUSINESS MATTERS

- At the start of the conference, the Chairperson welcomed and acknowledged the presence of the BAC-A Members, the TWG, BAC-A Secretariat, Observers, and the Bidder's Representatives and informed that the meeting was called for the bidding of the Excavation of Re-Regulating Pond, Construction of Slope Protection and Drainage Inlet (Sta. 0+000 – Sta. 0+260 and Sta. 0+740 – Sta. 1+270) under the Lower Agno River Irrigation System Improvement Project, Invitation to Bid No. R1-LARISIPD-C-2R.
- The Chairperson then instructed the BAC-A Secretariat for the presentation of the background of the project and all the requirements to be submitted by the bidders.
- Mr. Zosimo R. Baira, Member of Secretariat, discussed the General Information, and background of the project stating that the Approved Budget for the Contract

(ABC) is PhP325,000,000.00 and the contract duration is 454 Calendar Days including 170 unworkable days. He also clarified all the documentary requirements to be submitted by the bidders i.e., Eligibility/Technical Documents (Envelope 1) and the Financial Documents (Envelope 2).

- Mr. Angelito S. Miguel, BAC-A Provisional Member, then presented a video showcasing the Phase I, which is the on-going project undertaken by ITP Construction, Inc., and the Phase II of the project. He enumerated the works needed for the project such as the demolition of an existing structure, construction of drainage inlet and slope protection. He also mentioned that there is a 10-meter Access Road at the site and assured that there will only be minimal traffic since the Phase I is almost completed.
- After Mr. Miguel's presentation, Atty. Ailyne C. Agtuca-Selda, BAC-A Vice-Chairperson, asked the prospective bidders one by one for questions and/or clarifications regarding the proposed contract.

1. RII BUILDERS

Q1. The representative asked if there are any requirements in the conduct of site inspection.

A1. Mr. Angelito S. Miguel replied that there are none and according to him whoever wishes to visit the site for inspection will be issued travel pass. He continued, that the interested party must coordinate first with his group three (3) days before the scheduled inspection so that they will be guided and assisted accordingly in complying with the provincial/municipal protocols in connection with the pandemic.

The Chairperson agreed with the suggestion of Mr. Miguel and advise the latter to provide mobile numbers for that purpose.

The Chairperson reminded everyone that this site inspection as a requirement must be faithfully complied because there were previous instances that the contracting party bailed out on the project because they haven't seen personally the area.

On the suggestion of Mr. Miguel on the possibility of a group inspection on a specific date, the Chairperson said that in compliance with the directives of the IATF against "mass gathering" the office will not allow the same.

Atty. Agtuca-Selda reminded that the submission for written clarifications will be on July 24, 2020 and the posting of the bid bulletins will be on July 28, 2020.

2. ABU CONSTRUCTION

No question.

3. GEMMA CONSTRUCTION

No question.

4. RIVCON BUILDERS

Q1. The representative expressed his concern on whether or not the NIA has an existing policy or measures that protects the workers against the pandemic.

A1. Atty. Agtuca-Selda gave her assurance that the agency has existing guidelines which can be found on the NIA official website. But according to her the implementation of the guideline rests upon the contractors.

5. ARM BUILDERS

No question.

6. JH PAJARA CONSTRUCTION CORP.

Q1. Mr. Londina asked the committee as to whether or not a non-employee of the prospective bidder may be allowed to attend the site inspection in his behalf. He was afraid that they may not be able to send an employee because of the existing travel restrictions.

A1. Atty. Agtuca-Selda informed that written authorization will suffice, stating that the person whose name appear therein as the authorized representative for a specific activity.

7. ARN BUILDERS

Q1. Ms. Benitez asked that if in cases of Joint Venture (JV) either of the partners will submit SLCC.

A1. Atty. Agtuca-Selda affirmed and added that in case of legal documents both parties must submit.

Q2: Ms. Benitez queried whether they will qualify if their company was classified as Large B but falls under "flood control" as reflected on their PCAB certificate.

A2. Atty. Agtuca-Selda reads Item No. 2 Paragraph 3 of the Invitation to Bid to reiterate the requirements of NIA and added that it really depends on the SLCC the prospective bidder will submit.

8. 3K ROCK ENGINEERING

Q1. Mr. Cuyop asked for the possibility whether proof of pendency of application for the Special PCAB License will be acceptable to the committee.

A1. Atty. Agtuca-Selda added that for bidders under JV during the bid opening the Instructions to Bidders will govern and therefore the Special PCAB License is mandatory.

Q3. The representative clarified whether or not a typographical error was committed under the minimum requirement for major equipment. According to him it seems that the capacity of the wheel loader is greater than that of the backhoe.

A1. The TWG answered him that it was not a typographical error because the wheel loader will be used as additional implement in the disposal of the pile to finish the task ahead of the schedule.

Q3. The representative queried the TWG on the particular use of the crane with clam shell.

A1. The TWG responded that the crane with clam shell shall be utilized during excavation and will come in handy when the water level is high.

9. MR VARGAS CONST. CORP.

No question.

10. JLL PULSAR CONST. CORP

No question.

The Vice Chairperson expressed that in case of questions and/or clarifications, the bidder may submit a written letter to the BAC-A Secretariat until the 24th of July 2020. If there will be changes as a result of the inquiry, Supplemental Bid Notice/s will be posted by the 28th of July 2020.

Atty. Agtuca- Selda then reminded the prospective bidders of the bid documents and the relevant provisions of RA 9184:

1. Bid Forms are provided at the back of the Bid Documents, use the prescribed form otherwise it will be ground for disqualification.
2. Attachments are no longer needed for the statement of on-going projects
3. As for the statement of the Single Largest Completed Contract (SLCC) for similar project, supporting documents listed in the form are required as attachments.
4. NFCC computation in accordance with ITB Clause 5.5.

5. The information regarding the Community Tax Certificate Number and Government ID in the Omnibus Sworn Statement form should be filled-out completely. The absence of either the ID or CTC will be ground for disqualification.

The Chairperson then asked the BAC-A Members, TWG, Secretariat, and Bidders if there are any more questions or matters to be discussed, there being none, the Chairperson declared the end of the pre-bidding conference.


V. ADJOURNMENT

There being no other matters to be discussed, the pre-bidding conference ended at 3:05 PM.

Prepared by:


GERARD E. GUZMAN
Member, BAC-A Secretariat

Noted:


BGEN ABRAHAM B BAGASIN (Ret)
Chairman, BAC-A