

MINUTES OF THE PRE-BID CONFERENCE

PROJECTS: "CIVIL WORKS FOR PIPELAYING AND OTHER RELATED WORKS".

Venue: SMWD Operation Department's Office, Farmacia Emilia, J.P. Rizal St., Poblacion, Santa Maria, Bulacan

Date & Time: OCTOBER 30, 2020 at 10:00 A.M.

ATTENDEES:

1. BAC MEMBERS:

ENGR.EMMANUEL ENRICO A. DE VERA- CHAIRMAN ENGR.GERSON L. FRANCISCO-TECHNICAL Ms. MARY DIANA S. DELA CRUZ-CPA-LEGAL Ms. MARIA LEONORA S. ROMARATE-ADMIN Mr. ENGR.EDGARDO E. DELA TORRE, JR.-END USER

2. BAC SECRETARIAT:

Ms. MARICHU Y. FERRER Ms. CHARITO S. FERNANDO

3. PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS:

Ms. ROCHELLE MAE CRUZ-TGV BUILDERS, INC.

Mr. JEROME SARVIDA- ARDC CONSTRUCTION AND SUPPLIES

Mr. RUDY BALICANA-JK BUILDERS, INC.

Mr. EDGAR ISAO-JEMN BUILDERS

Mr. BONG FONTE-OPTIMUS ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION

The Pre-Bid conference started at 10:15AM. Before the meeting starts, The BAC Chairman presided over the meeting. Some of the prospective bidders attended the meeting personally though it was done via zoom. The Chairman announced the title of the project first which is "Civil Works for Pipelaying and Related Works" then introduced himself and the rest of the BAC Members. The Chairman also asked the prospective bidders to introduce themselves. The one who attended the meeting via Zoom was Mr. Bong Fonte of Optimus Engineering and Construction. Those who appeared personally were Jerome Sarvida of ARDC Construction and Supplies, Rudy Balicana of JK Builders, Edgar Isao of JEMN Builders and Rochelle Mae Cruz of TGV Builders, Inc.

The BAC Chairman stated that this Pre-bid conference is more on clarifying matters about the project and bidding documents. The Chairman added that Bidding documents are downloadable from the PhilGEPS and SMWD website and he presumed that all the Bidding documents, Invitation to Bid and Specifications have already been read. The Chairman then opened the floor for some clarifications.







QUERIES AND CLARIFICATIONS:

The questions of Mr. Jerome Sarvida of ARDC Construction and Supplies who asked questions first and answered by the Chairman were summarized as follows:

- SCC 12.5-The warranty period is 15 years The Chairman explained that this project is funded by ADB, the SCC and Instruction to Bidder was edited to 5 years as mandated by the R.A 9184 but when submitted to the ADB, they changed it into 15 years.
- Proposed to use of Ductile Iron for the materials- The Chairman said that they should stick to the specifications given aligned to their procurement.
- Breakdown of the unit Bid prices per linear meter- The Chairman explained that it was a labor in terms of Pipelaying, the total labor per linear meter should be added because the total linear meter is equivalent to the pipelines to be Bid for another package.

Ms. Rochelle Mae Cruz of TGV Builders, Inc. asked if the bonds and permits will be provided by the Contractor or SMWD? The chairman said that it will be provided by the contractor and also she asked if the roads are part of the category since it is a water supply, the Chairman said yes, restoration and reblocking are needed as required by the DPWH for their inspection.

BAC Chairman also said that the posting of this project was supposedly Oct.20, 2020 but it was posted in the PhilGEPS last Oct.21, 2020. Supplemental Bid Bulletin will be released for the adjustment of new schedule for the deadline of submission of the bidding documents instead of Nov.17, 2020 it will now be move to Nov.18, 2020 as stated. The Supplemental Bid Bulletin will be posted to PhilGEPS and SMWD Website.

Mr. Fonte asked for the Budget scope of the project. The Chairman enumerated the scope of work as follows:

- Pipelaying; Pipelines, Valves & fittings that will be provided by SMWD.
- Excavation, Concrete breaking, Sand bedding, Backfill compaction, Restoration, Temporary Restoration-Scope of work for winning bidder, as well as the temporary site facility for storage
- Materials for Sand Bedding, Temporary Restoration, Restoration, Concrete Pavement, Bonds and Permits will be provided by the contractor of a winning bidder.

Mr. Jerome and Mr. Fonte also asked for the site visit. The Chairman said that they are free to visit as scheduled for them to be assisted but during weekdays only.

Mr. Jerome asked if all Water Supply, Roads and Highways should be categorized as Medium A, and Engr. De Vera said that this depends on the approved budget as categorized from the contract. The Chairman added that this is Pipelaying but almost half of the project is under restoration so they need to stick on the required license.

Mr. Fonte asked if there is a separate item regarding the protocol for the Covid 19. The Chairman said that there will be no separate item but the contractor or bidder may include or incorporate the protocols. Mr. Jerome asked if they could use the license of its joint venture and the Chairman approved this.

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Ms. Cruz asked for the quantity of PVC Valves because it was not indicated on the bill of quantities. The BAC explained that the quantity of valves and the interconnection of pipes are indicated in the drawings. Unfortunately, the file is too big for it to be uploaded at the PhilGEPS and website so if they wished to have a copy of the file, they could provide a flash drive and ask the BAC Secretariat for it.

Mr. Fonte clarifies about the meaning of the Approved Budget for the Contract under Bid data sheet 13.2. BAC Chairman said that even if they exceeded the Approved Budget indicated on the contract it is not automatically considered under disqualification since this project is funded by ADB not unlike as what is stated in R.A 9184. ADB wants to have it indicated still in their options but this all depends on the Lowest Calculated Responsive Bid (LCRB) who was determined as such during postqualification.

Mr. Jerome also asked about the payment. The BAC Chairman said that the bidder shall follow the instruction in the bid data sheet and bidding documents shall be paid prior to submission at SMWD headquarters' office, and that copy of the official receipt shall be presented to the BAC secretariat upon submission of the bidding documents.

The BAC Chairman asked if there are still other queries they would like to discuss, and there are no other queries, the Pre-bid conference was put to a close at 10:53AM.

"The minutes of the pre-bid conference shall be prepared not later than five (5) calendar days after the pre-bid conference, and shall be made available to a prospective bidder not later than five (5) days upon written request of the bidder".

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