



DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES
KAGAWARAN NG KAPALIGIRAN AT LIKAS NA YAMAN



BIDS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE

Supplemental/Bid Bulletin No. 1

PROCUREMENT OF AZURE CREDIT-BASED CLOUD COMPUTING SERVICE
Bid Ref. No. DENR-CO-2024-038

Approved Budget for the Contract: ₱11,400,000.00

This **Supplemental/Bid Bulletin No. 1** is being issued to respond to clarifications/requests sent via email by prospective bidders for the aforementioned project:

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| <p>To modify the requirement to add the line - or a Registered Private Company to the qualifications of the bidders</p> <p>“The bidder must have at least (3) three completed or ongoing contracts on Cloud services (credits or hosting subscriptions) projects from any recognized Government agency in the Philippines.”</p> | <p>Request denied.</p> <p>We respectfully do not concur with the request and will retain the original requirement. The justification for retaining the original requirements is as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Consistency and Reliability: Bidders with experience serving recognized Government agencies understand the complexities and standards required, ensuring reliable service delivery. 2. Minimizing Risk: Experienced providers are more likely to have established risk management practices, ensuring smooth project execution. 3. Expertise in Government Projects: Bidders familiar with government projects can effectively navigate unique challenges and ensure timely delivery. 4. Alignment with Strategic Goals: Bidders with government experience understand long-term strategic goals, ensuring continuity and success. <p>Given the above points, retaining the original qualification requirements ensures that the bidders have the necessary experience, reliability, and expertise to successfully deliver the project. This approach mitigates risks, ensures compliance with government standards, and fosters a higher probability of project success.</p> |
| <p>For technical assistance in management (Section 6, Chapter 3, Support Option letter D.), will the responsibility of the winning bidder will only be on the azure workloads level and the content-level management will be the Department's responsibilities?</p> | <p>Yes.</p> |

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| <p>For the technical assistance in management (Section 6, Chapter 3, Support Option letter D.), for the value-added services will the responsibility of the winning bidder will only be on the azure workloads level and the content-level management will be the Department's responsibilities?</p> | <p>Yes.</p> |
| <p>The Bidder is asking for specific details for the following items - databases needed, specifications of databases and no. of VMs,</p> | <p>The project aims to acquire Azure credits that will be utilized for various cloud services, including but not limited to sandbox requirements and other developmental activities. At this stage, we do not have specific upfront requirements for virtual machines (VMs) or databases to be set up. The flexibility provided by Azure credits will allow us to allocate resources dynamically based on evolving project needs.</p> |

This Supplemental/Bid Bulletin No. 1 shall form part of the Bidding Documents. Any provision in the Bidding Documents inconsistent herewith is hereby amended, modified and superseded accordingly.

For guidance and information of all concerned.

Issued this 1st of August 2024 in Quezon City.

Approved by:

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EVELYN G. NILLOSAN

Chief, Management Division &

Alternate Vice Chairperson, Bids and Awards Committee

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