



INVITATION TO BID

PUBLIC BIDDING OF ONE (1) YEAR SUBSCRIPTION OF VARIOUS NEWSPAPERS FOR THE OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSMAN FOR CY 2012

The Office of the Ombudsman through the General Appropriations Act intends to apply the sum of **Four Hundred Ninety-Six Thousand Three Hundred Forty-Five Pesos (P496,345.00)** being the Approved Budget for the Contract (ABC) to payments for the **Public Bidding of One (1) Year Subscription of Various Newspapers for the Office of the Ombudsman for CY 2012**. Bids received in excess of the ABC shall be automatically rejected at bid opening.

The Office of the Ombudsman now invites bids for the **Public Bidding of One (1) Year Subscription of Various Newspapers for the Office of the Ombudsman for CY 2012**. **Delivery of goods shall be as specified in the Technical Proposal and shall commence on 01 March 2012.** Bidders should have completed, within three (3) years from the date of submission and receipt of bids, a contract similar to the Project. The description of an eligible bidder is contained in the Bidding Documents and Instructions to Bidders.

Bidding will be conducted through open competitive bidding procedures using a non-discretionary "pass/fail" criterion as specified in the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of Republic Act (RA) 9184, otherwise known as the "Government Procurement Reform Act".

Bidding is restricted to Filipino citizens/sole proprietorships, partnerships, or organizations with at least sixty percent (60%) interest or outstanding capital stock belonging to citizens of the Philippines, and to citizens or organizations of a country the laws or regulations of which grant similar rights or privileges to Filipino citizens, pursuant to RA 5183 and subject to Commonwealth Act 138. Interested bidders should be enrolled to the Electronic Filing and Payment System (eFPS) program of the Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR), pursuant to Executive Order No. 398, RR 3-2005, and must be registered under the Philippine Government Electronic Procurement System (PhilGEPS).

Interested bidders may refer to the table below for the schedule of bidding activities:

COST OF BIDDING DOCUMENTS	₱ 2,000.00 per set (non-refundable)
INSPECTION/SELLING PERIOD OF BIDDING DOCUMENTS	27 January 2012 to 17 February 2012 BAC Secretariat Office 2 nd flr., Ombudsman Bldg.
PRE-BID CONFERENCE (Open to all interested parties)	06 February 2012, 1:30 P.M. Ombudsman Hearing Room, Ground flr., Ombudsman Bldg.
DEADLINE OF SUBMISSION OF BIDS (Bids shall be accompanied by a Bid Security in any of the acceptable forms and in the amount stated in ITB Clause 18. Late bids shall not be accepted)	On or before 20 February 2012, 1:00 P.M. BAC Secretariat Office 2 nd flr., Ombudsman Bldg.
OPENING OF BIDS (Bids will be opened in the presence of the Bidders' representatives who choose to attend.)	20 February 2012, 1:30 P.M. Ombudsman Hearing Room, Ground flr., Ombudsman Bldg.

The **Office of the Ombudsman** reserves the right to accept or reject any bid, to annul the bidding process, and to reject all bids at any time prior to contract award, without thereby incurring any liability to the affected bidder or bidders.

For further information, please refer to:

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