



Republic of the Philippines
OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSMAN
Ombudsman Building, Agham Road, Diliman, Quezon City

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BIDS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE - MAIN RESOLUTION NO. PB-23-07, s. 2023

RE: AWARD FOR THE PUBLIC BIDDING OF VARIOUS INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT AND PERIPHERALS FOR THE OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSMAN (LOTS 1, 2, 3, 4 AND 6) AND DECLARATION OF FAILURE OF BIDDING FOR LOT 5 (PB 2023-05) ✓

WHEREAS, the Office of the Ombudsman has programmed and approved Purchase Request (PR) Nos. PU-23-04-087, PU-23-04-089, PU-23-04-091, PU-23-04-092, PU-23-04-093, PU-23-04-094, PU-23-04-095, PU-23-07-125, PU-23-07-126, PU-23-08-132, and PU-23-08-133 for the procurement of Various Information Technology Equipment and Peripherals (APP Codes: 2023APP-041b, 2023APP-042a, 2023APP-042b, 2023APP-042c, 2023APP-042d, 2023APP-043a, 2023APP-043b, 2023APP-044a, 2023APP-044b, 2023APP-044c, and 2023APP-045a)¹ with a total Approved Budget for the Contract (ABC) in the amount of **Thirty Seven Million Two Hundred Sixteen Thousand Seventy Four Pesos (P 37,216,074.00)**; ✓

WHEREAS, the Bids and Awards Committee-Main (BAC-Main), in an approved Memorandum dated 18 May 2023, was authorized to conduct its procurement through Public Bidding in accordance with the 2016 Revised Implementing Rules and Regulations (RIRR) of Republic Act (RA) No. 9184;

WHEREAS, Pre-Procurement Conferences through video-conferencing² were conducted on July 10, 31 and September 07, 2023 and were attended by the Chairperson and Members of the BAC-Main, the Chairperson and Members of the Technical Working Group (TWG) and the members of the BAC Secretariat-Main;

WHEREAS, the Head of the Procuring Entity (HoPE), upon the recommendation of the BAC-Main and the TWG,³ approved the technical specifications and total ABC of this procurement project at **Thirty-Five Million Seven Hundred Thirty One Thousand Two Hundred Sixty-Nine Pesos (P35,731,269.00)**; ✓

WHEREAS, on 03 October 2023, the Invitation to Bid (ITB) for PB 2023-05: **Public Bidding for the Supply and Delivery of Various Information Technology Equipment and Peripherals for the Office of the Ombudsman**⁴ was posted on the PhilGEPS website, Ombudsman website and OMB Bulletin Board;

¹ Public Bidding for the Supply and Delivery of Various Information Technology Equipment and Peripherals for the Office of the Ombudsman

² Through MS Teams Application/Google Meet which started at 1:30 pm.

³ Per Memorandum dated 01 August 2023, received on 29 August 2023 and Supplemental Memorandum dated 15 September 2023, received on 29 September 2023.

⁴ Categorized into six (6) lots: **Lot 1**: 21 pcs. Laptop / Notebook Computer for Special Use; **Lot 2**-180 pcs. Laptop Computer; **Lot 3**: 1 lot Desktop Computers (Special and Basic Use), Keyboard and UPS for Desktop a) 21 pcs. Desktop Computer for Special Use b) 180 sets Desktop Computer for Basic Use c) 8 pcs. Keyboard d) 82 pcs. UPS for Desktop; **Lot 4**: 201 pcs. Basic Printer; **Lot 5**: 2 pcs. Printer (Dot Matrix); and, **Lot 6**: 1 lot Various Scanners a) 10 pcs. Document Scanner b) 12 pcs. Scanner, Automatic Document Feeder c) 13 pcs. Scanner, Heavy Duty

WHEREAS, Letters of Invitation for the Pre-Bid Conference, Opening of Bids, Bid Evaluation and Post-Qualification were sent to and received by:

- a. Deputy Ombudsman Dante F. Vargas (OIC, ODO for Finance and Administrative Matters, OODO, Office of the Ombudsman)
- b. Assistant Ombudsman Pilarita T. Lapitan (OMB-Proper)
- c. Mr. Ruben J. Pascual (Secretary General, Phil. Chamber of Commerce and Industry)
- d. Mr. Paterno Menzon (Co-Chairman, Coalition Against Corruption – Bishops Business Conference – Laiko (Government Procurement Monitoring Committee)
- e. Auditor Teresita S. Miguel (Supervising Auditor, COA)
- f. Ms. Joanna Mae E. Alberto (President, OMB Employees' Association);

WHEREAS, on 10 October 2023 at 1:30 p.m., a Pre-Bid Conference⁵ was conducted via Google Meet with the BAC-Main, TWG, witnesses/observers and five (5) prospective bidders⁶ in attendance;

WHEREAS, Supplemental/Bid Bulletin No. 1 was issued on 16 October 2023 providing for the Amendments/Clarifications to the Bidding Documents;⁷

WHEREAS, from 03 October 2023 to 23 October 2023, only one (1) bidder⁸ purchased and submitted the bidding documents for Lots 1, 2, 3, and 6; two (2) bidders purchased and submitted the bidding documents for Lot 4; but no bidder purchased the bidding documents for Lot 5 before the 2:00 p.m. deadline on 23 October 2023;⁹

WHEREAS, the Opening of Bids¹⁰ was conducted on 24 October 2023 at 9:30 a.m. with the BAC-Main, the two (2) bidders and three (3) witnesses/observers attending via Google Meet, and with the BAC Secretariat and TWG in physical attendance;

WHEREAS, no bids were received for Lot 5, hence, the BAC declared a failure of bidding pursuant to Section 35.1.a of the Updated 2016 RIRR and directed the TWG to conduct a mandatory review and evaluation of the terms, conditions, and specifications in the Bidding Documents, including its cost estimates, in order to determine the reason for the failed bidding, pursuant to Section 35.2 of the said RIRR;

WHEREAS, the BAC opened the bid envelopes for Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, and 6;

WHEREAS, after the conduct of eligibility check and evaluation of the submitted bids,¹¹ the BAC-Main, upon the recommendation of the TWG, rated QUARTZ BUSINESS PRODUCTS CORPORATION (QUARTZ) as "PASSED" in all its eligibility requirements and declared it "ELIGIBLE" to participate further in the Opening of Bids for Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, and 6.

⁵ Minutes of the Pre-Bid Conference.

⁶ (1) INTEGRATED COMPUTER SYSTEMS, INC.; (2) JONECOTECH MARKETING CORP.; (3) XITRIX CORPORATION; (4) APEX OFFICE SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT TRADING; (5) QUARTZ BUSINESS PRODUCTS CORPORATION

⁷ Posted/published on 16 October 2023

⁸ (1) QUARTZ BUSINESS PRODUCTS CORPORATION (bidding for Lots 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6) submitted on 23 October 2023 at 1:41 p.m.

⁹ (1) APEX OFFICE SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT TRADING (bidding for Lot 4 only) submitted on 23 October 2023 at 10:46 a.m.

(2) QUARTZ BUSINESS PRODUCTS CORPORATION (bidding for Lots 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6) submitted on 23 October 2023 at 1:41 p.m.

¹⁰ Annex "B" Minutes of the Opening of Bids.

¹¹ Annex "C" Summary of the Opening of Bids

WHEREAS, APEX OFFICE SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT TRADING (APEX) was rated as “INELIGIBLE” due to its failure to submit the required Amended Ombudsman Bid Form No. 1D (Lot 4), specifically, the Amended Affidavit of Undertaking;

WHEREAS, immediately after the Opening of Bids,¹² a Bid Evaluation¹³ was conducted to further evaluate the completeness of the bid and arithmetical calculation of the submitted Financial Components (Envelope No. 2) of QUARTZ. Thereafter, the BAC-Main declared QUARTZ as the Single Calculated Bid (SCB), viz:

Lot 1 – Supply and Delivery of 21 pcs. Laptop / Notebook Computer for Special Use

	NAME OF BIDDER	Financial Bid	Ranking	Remarks
1	QUARTZ BUSINESS PRODUCTS CORPORATION	<u>₱1,918,035.00</u> ✓	<u>1</u>	<i>“Single Calculated Bid”</i>

Lot 2 – Supply and Delivery of 180 pcs. Laptop Computer

	NAME OF BIDDER	Financial Bid	Ranking	Remarks
1	QUARTZ BUSINESS PRODUCTS CORPORATION	<u>₱7,498,800.00</u> ✓	<u>1</u>	<i>“Single Calculated Bid”</i>

Lot 3 – Supply and Delivery of 1 lot Desktop Computers (Special and Basic Use), Keyboard and UPS for Desktop

	NAME OF BIDDER	Financial Bid	Ranking	Remarks
1	QUARTZ BUSINESS PRODUCTS CORPORATION	<u>₱11,898,865.00</u> ✓	<u>1</u>	<i>“Single Calculated Bid”</i>

Lot 4 – Supply and Delivery of 201 pcs. Basic Printer

	NAME OF BIDDER	Financial Bid	Ranking	Remarks
1	QUARTZ BUSINESS PRODUCTS CORPORATION	<u>₱2,705,862.00</u> ✓	<u>1</u>	<i>“Single Calculated Bid”</i>

Lot 6 – Supply and Delivery of 1 lot Various Scanners

	NAME OF BIDDER	Financial Bid	Ranking	Remarks
1	QUARTZ BUSINESS PRODUCTS CORPORATION	<u>₱5,368,965.00</u> ✓	<u>1</u>	<i>“Single Calculated Bid”</i>

¹² Annex “D” Abstract of the Opening of Bids ✓

¹³ Annex “E” Summary of the Bid Evaluation ✓

WHEREAS, APEX did not file any Request for Reconsideration within three (3) calendar days from the Opening of Bids after its duly authorized representative had been notified of its ineligibility;

WHEREAS, on 24 October 2023, a Notice of Post Qualification was issued and QUARTZ was directed to submit/present, the original copies and certified true copies of the required documents to the TWG/BAC during the post-qualification proceedings which was held on 03 November 2023. Corollary thereto, witnesses and observers were likewise invited to attend the said activity;

WHEREAS, the TWG, in its Memorandum dated 08 November 2023, recommended to award the contract to QUARTZ for Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, and 6 after having passed all the criteria for post-qualification;¹⁴

NOW, THEREFORE, the undersigned members of the Bids and Awards Committee-Main hereby **RESOLVE** and **RECOMMEND** the following:

- 1) To award the contract to **QUARTZ BUSINESS PRODUCTS CORPORATION** for tendering the Single Calculated and Responsive Bid for the following lots:
 - a) **Lot 1 – Supply and Delivery of 21 pcs. Laptop / Notebook Computer for Special Use** in the amount of **One Million Nine Hundred Eighteen Thousand Thirty-Five Pesos (₱1,918,035.00);**✓
 - b) **Lot 2 - 180 pcs. Laptop Computer** in the amount of **Seven Million Four Hundred Ninety-Eight Thousand Eight Hundred Pesos (₱7,498,800.00);**✓
 - c) **Lot 3 – 1 lot Desktop Computers (Special and Basic Use), Keyboard and UPS for Desktop** in the amount of **Eleven Million Eight Hundred Ninety-Eight Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty-Five Pesos (₱11,898,865.00);**✓
 - d) **Lot 4 – 201 pcs. Basic Printer** in the amount of **Two Million Seven Hundred Five Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty-Two Pesos (₱2,705,862.00);**and,
 - e) **Lot 6 – 1 lot Various Scanners** in the amount of **Five Million Three Hundred Sixty-Eight Thousand Nine Hundred Sixty-Five Pesos (₱5,368,965.00);**✓ subject to the posting of a bond to guarantee performance; and,
- 2) To declare a failure of bidding for **Lot 5 - 2 pcs. Printer (Dot Matrix)** pursuant to Section 35.1.a of the 2016 RIRR of RA 9184.

SO RESOLVED.

10 November 2023, Quezon City, Philippines.

¹⁴ TWG Post-Qualification Report on PB 2023-05 dated 08 November 2023, received on 09 November 2023.

The dispositive portion reads thus:

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SO RESOLVED.

10 November 2023, Quezon City, Philippines.

BIDS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE-MAIN


MARIA CRISTINA T. CAUSAPIN
Member


CORINNE JOE M. GARILLO-ARELLANO
Member


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Member 11-14-2023


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10 November 2023, Quezon City, Philippines.

Certified Funds Available:

 11/21/23
ADORIE T. CORNITO

OIC, FMIO

(Office Order No. 258 series of 2023)

RECOMMENDING APPROVAL:



CAESAR D. ASUNCION

Assistant Ombudsman, GAO, NOV 21 2023
(Office Order No. 123 series of 2023)

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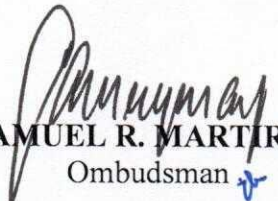
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RECOMMENDING APPROVAL:


DANTE F. VARGAS

OIC, Overall Deputy Ombudsman for Finance and Administrative Matters,
Office of the Overall Deputy Ombudsman
(Office Order No. 83 series of 2023)

APPROVED/~~DISAPPROVED~~:


SAMUEL R. MARTIRES
Ombudsman