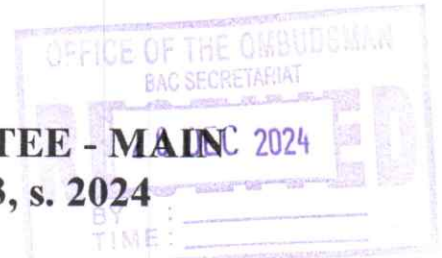




Republic of the Philippines  
**OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSMAN**  
Sen. Miriam P. Defensor-Santiago Avenue (formerly Agham Road)  
Brgy. Bagong Pag-asa, Diliman, Quezon City 1105



**BIDS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE - MAIN**  
**RESOLUTION NO. PB-24-13, s. 2024**

**RE: AWARD FOR THE ANNUAL LICENSE SUBSCRIPTION FOR OMB-WIDE ENDPOINT PROTECTION PLATFORM (ENTERPRISE-GRADE) FOR THE OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSMAN (PB 2024-16)**

**WHEREAS**, the Office of the Ombudsman has programmed and approved Purchase Request (PR) No. PU-24-09-072 dated 29 August 2024 for the procurement of the Annual License Subscription for OMB-Wide Endpoint Protection Platform (Enterprise-Grade) for the Office of the Ombudsman with a total Approved Budget for the Contract (ABC) of **Three Million Pesos (P3,000,000.00)**;

**WHEREAS**, the Bids and Awards Committee-Main (BAC-Main) resorted to public bidding for this procurement in accordance with the Updated 2016 Revised Implementing Rules and Regulations (RIRR) of Republic Act (RA) No. 9184;

**WHEREAS**, the BAC-Main constituted a Technical Working Group (TWG) to assist in the preparation/determination of the appropriate specifications and eligibility requirements for the said procurement project;<sup>1</sup>

**WHEREAS**, a Pre-Procurement Conference<sup>2</sup> was conducted on 04 October 2024 with the Chairperson and members of the BAC-Main, the Chairperson and members of the TWG and the members of the BAC Secretariat-Main in attendance;

**WHEREAS**, the Head of the Procuring Entity (HoPE), upon the recommendation of the BAC-Main and the TWG,<sup>3</sup> approved the technical specifications and total ABC of this procurement project at **Three Million Pesos (P3,000,000.00)**;

**WHEREAS**, the Invitation to Bid (ITB) for the Public Bidding for the Annual License Subscription for OMB-Wide Endpoint Protection Platform (Enterprise-Grade) for the Office of the Ombudsman (PB 2024-16) was posted on the PhilGEPS and Office of the Ombudsman (OMB) websites and BAC Bulletin Board on 07 November 2024;

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

- a. Hon. Cornelio L. Somido (Officer-in-Charge, Overall Deputy Ombudsman for Finance and Administrative Matters, OODO);
- 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)

<sup>1</sup> Memorandum dated 11 September 2024.

<sup>2</sup> Meeting is in a hybrid format, members of the BAC Secretariat and TWG are physically present while the other attendees joined the meeting through videoconference. MS Teams application.

<sup>3</sup> Per Memorandum dated 10 October 2024.

- Bishops Business Conference – Laiko (Government Procurement Monitoring Committee);
- e. Mr. Joey I. Bernardino (Supervising Auditor, COA); and
- f. Ms. Joanna Mae E. Alberto (President, OMBEA);

**WHEREAS**, a Pre-Bid Conference<sup>4</sup> was conducted on 15 November 2024 with the BAC-Main, TWG, BAC Secretariat, witnesses/observers, and three (3) prospective bidders in attendance;<sup>5</sup>

**WHEREAS**, on 20 November 2024, Supplemental/Bid Bulletin No. 1 was issued for the Amendments/Clarifications in the Bidding Documents;<sup>6</sup>

**WHEREAS**, three (3) bidders<sup>7</sup> purchased and submitted the bidding documents before the 10:00 a.m. deadline on 27 November 2024;

**WHEREAS**, the Opening of Bids<sup>8</sup> was conducted<sup>9</sup> on 27 November 2024 at 01:00 p.m., with the BAC-Main, TWG, BAC Secretariat, bidders, witnesses, and observers in attendance;

**WHEREAS**, the bid envelopes of Questech Co. Inc., Microgenesis Software, Inc., and A.G. Datacom were opened;

**WHEREAS**, after the conduct of eligibility check and evaluation of the submitted bids,<sup>10</sup> the BAC-Main, upon the recommendation of the TWG, rated the participating bidders, to wit;

NAME OF BIDDER	RATING
QUESTECH CO. INC.	FAILED <sup>11</sup>
MICROGENESIS SOFTWARE INC.	FAILED <sup>12</sup>
A.G. DATACOM	PASSED

**WHEREAS**, the BAC-Main declared A.G. Datacom “ELIGIBLE” to participate further in the Opening of Bids;

**WHEREAS**, immediately after the Opening of Bids,<sup>13</sup> a Bid Evaluation<sup>14</sup> was conducted to further evaluate the completeness of the bid and arithmetical calculation of the submitted Financial Component (Envelope No. 2) of the eligible bidder, viz:

<sup>4</sup> Annex “A” - Minutes of the Pre-Bid Conference.

<sup>5</sup> Meeting is in a hybrid format, members of the BAC Secretariat and TWG are physically present while the other attendees joined the meeting through videoconference, MS Teams application.

<sup>6</sup> Posted/published on 23 September 2024.

<sup>7</sup> (1) Questech Co. Inc. submitted on 26 November 2024 at 12:39p.m.; (2) Microgenesis Software Inc. submitted on 27 November 2024 at 9:35 a.m.; and, (3) A.G. Datacom submitted on 27 November 2024 at 9:50a.m.

<sup>8</sup> Annex “B” - Minutes of the Opening of Bids.

<sup>9</sup> Supra, note 5.

<sup>10</sup> Annex “C” Summary of the Opening of Bids.

<sup>11</sup> Questech Co. Inc. was rated “Failed” for submitting unsigned Bid Securing Declaration and Omnibus Sworn Statement;

<sup>12</sup> The OSS submitted by Microgenesis Software Inc. was rated as “Failed” considering that the Secretary’s Certificate was signed by Mr. Paul Cornelius T. Castillo, but on the notarial portion, the persons who appeared before the Notary Public were Ms. Jorjanah C. Abdullah and Maricres T. Antones.

<sup>13</sup> Annex “D” Abstract of the Opening of Bids

<sup>14</sup> Annex “E” Summary of the Bid Evaluation

	NAME OF BIDDER	FINANCIAL BID	RANKING	REMARKS
1	<u>A.G. DATACOM</u>	<u>PhP1,860,000.00</u> ✓	<u>1</u>	<u>Single</u> ✓ <u>Calculated</u> <u>Bid</u>

WHEREAS, a Notice of Post Qualification was immediately issued, thereafter requiring A.G. Datacom to submit/present on 02 December 2024, the original copies and certified true copies of the required documents to the TWG/BAC during the post-qualification proceeding. Witnesses and Observers were likewise invited to attend the said activity;

WHEREAS, during the post-qualification proceeding, the TWG determined that A.G. Datacom<sup>15</sup> was able to present documents required of them, compliant with the Office's technical specifications and responsive to all the legal requirements and conditions for eligibility, thus, it recommended the award of the contract to the said company;

NOW, THEREFORE, the undersigned members of the BAC - Main hereby RESOLVE and RECOMMEND to award the contract to A.G. DATACOM for tendering the Single Calculated and Responsive Bid for the **Public Bidding for the Annual License Subscription for OMB-Wide Endpoint Protection Platform (Enterprise-Grade) for the Office of the Ombudsman** in the amount of **One Million Eight Hundred Sixty Thousand Pesos (₱1,860,000.00)**, subject to the posting of a bond to guarantee performance.

SO RESOLVED.

06 December 2024, Quezon City, Philippines.

**BIDS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE-MAIN<sup>16</sup>**

  
**MARIA CRISTINA T. CAUSAPIN**  
 12-12-24 Member

  
**CORINNE JOIE M. GARILLO-ARELLANO**  
 Member

**JENNY CERA-BAYANGOS**  
 Member

  
**ZARNETTE E. SANCEDA**  
 Member

The dispositive portion reads thus:

<sup>15</sup> TWG Post-Qualification Report dated 04 December 2024 received on 05 December 2024. ✓

<sup>16</sup> While the term of the Bids and Awards Committee (BAC) - Main is until 14 July 2024, it is provided under Section 11.2.6 of the Revised Implementing Rules and Regulations of Republic Act No. 9184 that upon expiration of the terms of the current BAC membership, they shall continue to exercise their functions in a hold-over capacity until a new BAC membership shall have been designated.

***“NOW, THEREFORE, the undersigned members of the BAC - Main hereby RESOLVE and RECOMMEND to award the contract to A.G. DATACOM for tendering the Single Calculated and Responsive Bid for the Public Bidding for the Annual License Subscription for OMB-Wide Endpoint Protection Platform (Enterprise-Grade) for the Office of the Ombudsman in the amount of One Million Eight Hundred Sixty Thousand Pesos (₱1,860,000.00), subject to the posting of a bond to guarantee performance.***

**SO RESOLVED.”**

  
**LORENZO G. VERGARA**  
Member

  
**NELLIE P. BOGUEN-GOLEZ**  
Vice-Chairperson

  
**ADORACION A. AGRADA**  
Chairperson

**APPROVED/DISAPPROVED:**

  
**SAMUEL R. MARTIRES**  
Ombudsman