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Procurement of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
for the Department of Health (DOH)

Issued pursuant to Sec. 22.5 of the IRR of R.A. 9184 to clarify and/or amend certain provisions in the Bidding Documents issued for this project, considering the issues raised and clarifications made by prospective bidder/s during the Pre-Bid Conference held on **October 27, 2020**.

A. AMENDMENTS/INCLUSIONS

REFERENCE		BASIS FOR AMENDMENT/ INCLUSIONS												
Section I. Invitation to Bid														
1.	<p>Item No. 1 xxx</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Item Lot No.</th> <th>Quantity</th> <th>Item/Description</th> <th>Approved Budget for the Contract</th> <th>Price of Bid Documents</th> <th>Delivery Period</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>xxx</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Item Lot No.	Quantity	Item/Description	Approved Budget for the Contract	Price of Bid Documents	Delivery Period	xxx						To correct the description for better understanding. The project is being bid out per lot, not per item.
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3	<p>Item No. 6</p> <p>The PROCUREMENT SERVICE will hold a Pre-Bid Conference on 27 October 2020; 10:00 A.M. which shall be open to all interested parties. Pursuant to the Modified-Enhanced <u>General</u> Community Quarantine and strict implementation of physical distancing due to the pandemic, the scheduled meeting may be accessed thru this link: https://meet.google.com/bac-ibxu-zxx for online access via Google Meet.</p>	To correct the statement as appropriate.												
4	<p>Item No. 7</p> <p>xxx Bid opening shall be conducted on 03 November 2020; 9:00 A.M. at the Bidding Room, Conference Room, Procurement Service, Cristobal St., Paco, Manila. Pursuant to the Modified-Enhanced <u>General</u> Community Quarantine and strict implementation of physical distancing due to the pandemic, the scheduled meeting may be accessed thru this link: https://meet.google.com/mss-sgzt-ahw for online access via Google Meet. Bids will be opened in the presence of the Bidders' representatives who choose to attend the opening. Late bids shall not be accepted. Unsealed or unmarked bid envelopes shall also be rejected.</p>	To correct the statement as appropriate.												
Section III. Bid Data Sheet														
	<p>BDS Clause 15 <u>Bidders are requested to submit ONE (1) Original copy of the first and second components of its Bid and COPY No. 1 of the same documents.</u></p>	To clarify the requirement on the required sealing and marking of bids.												

		<p>Suggested packaging of bids:</p> <p>Bidders shall enclose their original eligibility and technical documents in one sealed envelope marked "ORIGINAL - TECHNICAL COMPONENT", and the original of their financial component in another sealed envelope marked "ORIGINAL - FINANCIAL COMPONENT", sealing them all in an outer envelope marked "ORIGINAL BID".</p> <p>Each copy of the first and second envelopes shall be similarly sealed duly marking the inner envelopes as "COPY NO. ___ - TECHNICAL COMPONENT" and "COPY NO. ___ - FINANCIAL COMPONENT" and the outer envelope as "COPY NO. ___", respectively. These envelopes containing the original and the copies shall then be enclosed in one single envelope.</p> <p>The original and the number of copies of the Bid as indicated in the BDS shall be typed or written in ink and shall be signed by the Bidder or its duly authorized representative/s.</p> <p>All envelopes shall:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - contain the name of the contract to be bid in capital letters; - bear the name and address of the Bidder in capital letters; - be addressed to the Procuring Entity's BAC; - bear the specific identification of this bidding process; and - bear a warning "DO NOT OPEN BEFORE..." the date and time for the opening of bids <p>Bid envelopes that are not properly sealed and marked, as required in the bidding documents, shall not be rejected, but the Bidder or its</p>
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duly authorized representative shall acknowledge such condition of the bid as submitted. The BAC or the Procuring Entity shall assume no responsibility for the misplacement of the contents of the improperly sealed or marked bid, or for its premature opening.

Section VI Schedule of Requirements

LOT NO.	ITEM DESCRIPTION	TOTAL QUANTITY	PLACE OF DELIVERY	DELIVERY PERIOD
1	PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT for Urgent Frontliners in Cebu City	200,000 sets	Supplier's Warehouse in Cebu City	Within 5 10 calendar days upon receipt of Notice to Proceed
2	PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT for Urgent Frontliners in Davao City	200,000 sets	Supplier's Warehouse in Davao City	Within 5 10 calendar days upon receipt of Notice to Proceed
3	PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT for Urgent Frontliners in Cagayan De Oro City	145,000 sets	Supplier's Warehouse in Cagayan De Oro City	Within 5 10 calendar days upon receipt of Notice to Proceed
4	PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT for Urgent Frontliners in Zamboanga City	200,000 sets	Supplier's Warehouse in Zamboanga City	Within 5 10 calendar days upon receipt of Notice to Proceed

To adjust the delivery schedule of the four (4) lots.

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Inspection Site: ~~OCD Warehouse, Camp Aguinaldo, Quezon City~~
Supplier's Warehouse.

To revise the requirement regarding the inspection site. Inspection is now to be conducted at the supplier's warehouse prior to delivery to the designated sites.

Please note that random confirmatory tests of the items may be conducted upon request of the DOH.

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Section VII Technical Specifications		
1	<p>A. STÉRILE GLOVES (DOH SPECS), complies with the following minimum specifications:</p> <p>xxx</p> <p>9. Size: 50% - Medium 50% - Large</p> <p><u>The Small and Extra Large sizes shall not exceed 25% of the total quantity. The remaining quantity of medium and large size should not be lower than 20%.</u></p>	To amend the original requirement on the sizes.
2	<p>C. CLEAN GLOVES (DOH SPECS), complies with the following minimum specifications:</p> <p>xxx</p> <p>9. Size: 50% - Medium 50% - Large</p> <p><u>The Small and Extra Large sizes shall not exceed 25% of the total quantity. The remaining quantity of medium and large size should not be lower than 20%.</u></p>	To amend the original requirement on the sizes.
3	<p>B. COVERALL SUITS (DOH SPECS), complies with the following minimum specifications:</p> <p>9. Size: 50% - Medium 50% - Large</p> <p><u>The Small and Extra Large sizes shall not exceed 25% of the total quantity. The remaining quantity of medium and large size should not be lower than 20%.</u></p>	To amend the original requirement on the sizes.

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B. CLARIFICATIONS

DETAIL		CLARIFICATION
Letter from ¹ KOLONWEL TRADING		
1	Considering that the Metro Manila is under General Community Quarantine (GCQ) due to the outbreak of Covid-19, the manpower of private commercial companies like us, is under skeletal and/or work from home arrangement. Hence, we would like to respectfully request to move the schedule of the Opening of Bids from 03 November 2020 to 15 November 2020 to give sufficient time to all bidders to prepare the bidding documents meticulously in relation to the above-mentioned procurement.	The original requirement is retained.
2	In page 34 of the Bidding Documents (RA 11494 Bayanihan to Recover as One Act), particularly Section VI. Schedule of Requirements, the place of Delivery of PPE in the instant procurement are in Cebu City, Davao City, Cagayan de Oro City, and Zamboanga City respectively, requiring suppliers to have designated warehouse in each place stated above. May we humble appeal that instead of having a designated warehouse, the delivery be made in one assigned place only, and	The original requirement is retained.
3	In page 34 of the Bidding Documents (RA 11494 Bayanihan to Recover as One Act), particularly Section VI. Schedule of Requirements, it is mentioned that the delivery period of PPE shall be made within five (5) calendar days upon receipt of Notice to Proceed. We would like reverently request that the delivery period of PPE be changed from five (5) to thirty (30) calendar days upon receipt of NTP to give suppliers ample to prepare the subject goods herein. The delivery of 745,000 sets of PPE within five (5) days upon receipt of NTP is impossible unless there is already a pre-determined supplier who prepared the foregoing items in advance.	Please refer to the above amendment on the delivery schedule. Considering that as early as Bayanihan 1, there are already news reports that there are many local manufacturers which are willing and capable of supplying a complete set of PPE and Bayanihan 2 gives preference to the local manufacturers, urgent need of the items to be procured, and the competitive process under Bayanihan 2 will take at least two (2) weeks we found the original delivery to be reasonable. However, we are inclined to adjust the original date from five (5) to ten (10) calendar days.

Letter from ² U-NET DISTRIBUTORS CORPORATION

1	Bid Opening Extension Considering the very tight timeline of this project from posting of ITB to submission of bids plus November 2 (Monday) being a public holiday, we would like to request the committee on behalf of all other bidders that the opening be scheduled to alter date give ample time to prepare the necessary documents and logistics.	The original requirement is retained.
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2	<p>NFCC Computation The bidding documents do not contain the format for the computation of NFCC, which is integral in the bidding, Based on our previous bidding activities, we are using PITC's formula, which is as follows: NFCC = [(Current assets minus current liabilities) (15)] minus the value of all outstanding or uncompleted portions of the projects under ongoing contracts, including awarded contracts yet to be started, coinciding with the contract to be bid.</p> <p>Kindly reiterate also that the NFCC computation will be based on the total ABCs of the lot/s.</p>	<p>Under Section II. Instruction to Bidders</p> <p>19.3. The descriptions of the lots or items shall be indicated in Section VII (Technical Specifications), although the ABCs of these lots or items are indicated in the BDS for purposes of the NFCC computation pursuant to Section 23.4.2.6 of the 2016 revised IRR of RA No. 9184. The NFCC must be sufficient for the total of the ABCs for all the lots or items participated in by the prospective Bidder.</p> <p>Section 23.4.2.6 of the 2016 revised IRR of RA No. 9184: The computation of a prospective bidder's NFCC must be at least equal to the ABC to be bid, calculated as follows:</p> <p>NFCC = [(Current assets minus current liabilities) (15)] minus the value of all outstanding or uncompleted portions of the projects under ongoing contracts, including awarded contracts yet to be started, coinciding with the contract to be bid.</p>
3	<p>SLCC Please confirm what was stated earlier that bidders may use the largest ABC in the lots for the basis of SLCC's 25%, and not the total budget of all lots being participated in.</p>	<p>Under Section II. Instruction to Bidders</p> <p>5.3.</p> <p>xxx The Bidder must have completed a single contract that is similar to this Project, equivalent to at least twenty-five percent (25%) of the ABC.</p> <p>In the case of a procurement activity that is divided into several lots, where each lot may result in a separate contract, the ABC for each lot becomes the reference of such requirement. However, since the eligibility criteria only seek to filter suitable bidders from those unfit to perform the contract, it is not necessary for a bidder to present a corresponding SLCC for each lot that it participates in.</p>

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		Contract to be used as SLCC in one lot can also be used in different lots as long as it satisfies the amount requirement that is equivalent to at least 25% of the ABC of the lot/s intended to be participated in.
4	<p>Line of Credit Kindly provide format for the line of credit as our reference. And what is the exact amount/percentage per project? Please confirm also if this requires machine validation or not.</p>	<p>Under Section II. Instruction to Bidders</p> <p>19.5. xxx For bidders submitting the committed Line of Credit, it must be at least equal to ten percent (10%) of the ABCs for all the lots or items participated in by the prospective Bidder.</p> <p>There is no suggested format of the document. The issuing banks have their own formats but it is suggested that the document shall contain information referencing to at least the name of the project and the amount of the Committed Line of Credit.</p>
5	<p>Submission of bid proposals Our NFCC is sufficient for 3 lots only. We intent to enter into a joint venture with another company to be able to bid for the remaining lot.</p> <p>This JV will allow us to use a line of credit. Kindly confirm if this option is viable and acceptable to the committee? And should this JV bid proposal be submitted in a separate envelope or can be included and combined with the first 3 lots.</p>	<p>The Joint Venture and the other company can be considered as different entities. Hence, submission of documents must also be separated.</p>
6	<p>For imported PPE's we asked earlier if by submitting an undertaking in the completion of required supporting documents coming in from abroad will suffice during the bid opening. Actual documents to follow once the project has been awarded.</p>	<p>The original requirement is retained.</p>
7	<p>Delivery Period The original 5-day lead time upon receipt of NTP is too tight considering the logistics of the end-user. Does this timeframe cover the on-site inspection, which would mean the winning bidder must deliver the goods to these provincial locations even prior to receiving the NTP? If this can be adjusted to a viable longer period to accommodate various circumstance.</p>	<p>Please refer to the above amendment in the delivery schedule.</p>
8	<p>Please provide in the bid bulletin the format of the sealing, label and marking, if any. It was mentioned that we are to submit 2 copies: 1 original and 1 duplicate. Are both copies to be placed inside one mother envelope or in a separate envelope?</p>	<p>Please refer to above discussion on the Suggested Sealing and Marking of Bids.</p>

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9	<p>Sample Packaging What would be the packaging of the 2 sets of samples being required upon bid submission?</p>	<p>Two (2) sets of samples shall be submitted on or before the deadline for submission of bids and must be package on a per set basis.</p>
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Letter from ³ ELUSIVE QUALITY TRADING INC.		
1	<p>We write this letter to raise to the committee our concern regarding the required sized for the gloves and coverall as previously brought up during the pre-bid conference.</p> <p>As you know, the pandemic, fuelled by the global demand for these products has placed the buyers in a more vulnerable position in trade. We know this firsthand as our suppliers require us to purchase gloves and coveralls in all sizes from small, medium, large and extra large in one order. In line with this, may we request that the required sizes for the goods be modified and be more all inclusive in virtue of practicality and fairness to all supplying participants.</p>	<p>Please refer to the above amendment for the Technical Specifications of Gloves.</p>

Letter from ⁴ FORT BO ENTERPRISES		
1	<p>My company is applying for a Domestic preference on the cover all, disposable gown and apron of which the certification on the said medical supplies are still ongoing. As a local manufacturer, we manufacture the 3 major items out of the 7 line items. Can we be considered as a Domestic Entity? Do we need the other 4 items which are the sterile gloves, clean gloves, shoe cover and bouffant an authenticated certification by the Philippine Consulate of the country of origin or an Apostille and yet can still be treated as a Domestic Entity? May we request to forego the authentication but instead submit a distributor agreement of the manufacturer and the FDA of those 4 items in the country of origin.</p>	<p>Domestic preference can only be applied if all the items have a DoBid Certificate from DTI.</p> <p>Eligibility requirements or statements, the bids, and all other documents for submission to the BAC are in foreign language other than English, it must be accompanied by a translation in English, which shall be authenticated by the appropriate Philippine foreign service establishment, post, or the equivalent office having jurisdiction over the foreign bidder's affairs in the Philippines. Similar to the required authentication above, for Contracting Parties to the Apostille Convention, only the translated documents shall be authenticated through an apostille pursuant to GPPB Resolution No. 13-2019 dated 23 May 2019. The English translation shall govern, for purposes of interpretation of the bid.</p>

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2	Since the shoe cover and the bouffant are made of non-woven materials and these items are not sensitive supplies, can we forego the certification and testing of these items.	Shoe and Head covers do not require test certifications.
3	The lead time of the delivery period upon receipt of the Notice to Proceed is too short. Winning bidders are required to deliver goods in 1 pack containing the 7 line items. Packing for a quantity of 200,000 will entail so much human resources and time. May we request for a staggered delivery of at least 4-5 deliveries to ensure the goods are in proper order. Or may we request to deliver the goods on per item and not on a per set basis although the quantities will still remain. One of our concern also is for the sterile gloves since it is pack in sterile boxes and re packing may cause contamination.	Please refer to the above amendment on the delivery schedules. Deliveries must be packaged per set.
4	The Winning Bidder must have a warehouse in the designated destination of the End User. How long do we have to maintain such warehouse? Or can we suggest if we deliver here in Manila for inspection but will shoulder the onboard charges going to its designated destination? Does the PS-DBM or DOH has control over the warehouse?	The items will be stored at the supplier's warehouse for approximately two (2) months from the date of delivery. The list of authorized personnel will be provided by the DOH. Inspection will be done at the supplier's warehouse.
5	Upon delivery of the goods, who will sign the acceptance in their designated destination is it the representative of PS DBM or the End User of DOH in the region.	Delivery's Acceptance will be signed by PS-DBM personnel.
6	Can Covid test kits be considered as Single Largest Completed Contract?	The original requirement for similar contract which is any personal protective equipment is retained. Covid Test Kits is not acceptable.
7	Due to the urgency of this requirement, can suppliers with ready available stocks be pre qualified before allowing them to participate in the public bidding. The main reason for this question is what if the Supplier does not deliver on time and since these are emergency supplies due to the pandemic the urgency in procuring these will defeat its purpose.	Please refer to the adjusted delivery schedule.
8	If the Lowest Calculated Responsive Bidder fails to perform the contract or deliver on time, will it allows the LCRB to incur liquidated damages? The GCC did not specified the Unperformed or liquidated damages of the contract.	Under Section IV. General Conditions of the Contract 6. Liability of the Supplier The Supplier's liability under this Contract shall be as provided by the laws of the Republic of the Philippines. Relative to this, kindly refer to Section 68. of the 2016 revised IRR of RA No. 9184 which stated that: Liquidated Damages All contracts executed in accordance with the Act and this IRR shall contain a provision on liquidated damages which shall be

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		payable by the contractor in case of breach thereof. For the procurement of Goods, Infrastructure Projects and Consulting Services, the amount of the liquidated damages shall be at least equal to one-tenth of one percent (0.001) of the cost of the unperformed portion for every day of delay. Once the cumulative amount of liquidated damages reaches ten percent (10%) of the amount of the contract, the Procuring Entity may rescind or terminate the contract, without prejudice to other courses of action and remedies available under the circumstances.
9	We noticed the specifications of the apron which says at least 300 gsm but as per samples we have been seeing from PS previous suppliers none of those passed the minimum of 300 gsm. We can help you by submitting the correct apron based on that particular technical specifications with a material of not less 300 grams per square meter.	This is a new/different requirement per DOH specifications.
Letter from ⁵ S & S ENTERPRISES		
	You mentioned in the pre-bid discussion pertaining to Letter "B" under Imported PPE's of the BDS, that Authentication or red ribbon certificate from Philippine Consulate/embassy or documents authenticated through an apostille by the competent Authority base on the Apostille Convention are: a. referring to the translation of the documents only? Apologies but did I hear this correct as this was raised personally present during the pre-bid conference. b. May we humbly informed the respectable BAC that China is not doing any apostilling of documents rather authentication only through red ribbon. c. May we also asked what are the documents need to be authenticated to submit, that requires Authentication or Red Ribbon? d. Respectfully understood that we need to submit various authenticated documents but since you only published your public bidding recently, the time element of applying for authentication takes about 2 to 3 weeks. We are still at the situation of pandemic, offices are still skeletal. As the normal bidding, opening of bids take place 10 days after the pre bid but as you mentioned, situation today is different, but leaving the bidders not to comply. May we request that all authenticated documents be submitted during the post qualification process?	Eligibility requirements or statements, the bids, and all other documents for submission to the BAC are in foreign language other than English, it must be accompanied by a translation in English, which shall be authenticated by the appropriate Philippine foreign service establishment, post, or the equivalent office having jurisdiction over the foreign bidder's affairs in the Philippines. Similar to the required authentication above, for Contracting Parties to the Apostille Convention, only the translated documents shall be authenticated through an apostille pursuant to GPPB Resolution No. 13-2019 dated 23 May 2019. The English translation shall govern, for purposes of interpretation of the bid. The original requirement is retained.
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2	<p>Also under Imported PPE's Letter "C"</p> <p>a. May we be clarified of the recognized testing laboratories again result of such needs time to release likewise the time element of authentication. As we normally participated with the DOH such requirement is first time for us to experience.</p> <p>b. Proof of Availability of stocks,(1) Photos/Video - may we be clarified if you are referring to this at final destination (Philippine Warehouse) or at origin where goods are being manufactured, as this needs to include in the Bidding Documents.</p> <p>c. An import Documents is one of the options too, the way I understood you are referring for the stocks on hand in the Philippine warehouse. There might be an import documents but no physical stocks.</p> <p>Kindly be enlightened us of this.</p>	<p>(a) Please refer to the above requirement on authentication.</p> <p>(b) Proof of availability of stocks refers to stocks readily available in the Philippines.</p> <p>(c) This is one of the options as proof of ownership.</p>
3	<p>Clarification on Section VI-Schedule of Requirements</p> <p>a. It was mentioned during the Zoom Meeting that Inspection shall be done at the recipient's place at the supplier's warehouse but in your documents states that Inspection Site: OCD Warehouse Camp Aguinaldo, Quezon City. Kindly clarify?</p> <p>b. Will the inspection take place upon delivery completion or we can we request for partial inspection at the supplier's warehouse at site.</p> <p>c. Can we apply for partial payment say for three (3) tranches of delivery per site. (Total Quantity / 3 tranches then request for payment)</p>	<p>(a) Please refer to the above amendment on the Inspection Site.</p> <p>(b) Inspection will take place upon delivery completion.</p> <p>(c) Under Section V. Special Conditions of the Contract</p> <p>2.2 Partial Payment is not allowed.</p>
4	<p>Regarding SLCC may we request of at least two contracts that is equivalent to 25%</p>	<p>The original requirement is retained.</p>
5	<p>May request for an extension of opening of bids?</p>	<p>The original requirement is retained.</p>

Letter from ⁶ HAFID N' ERASMUS CORPORATION

1	<p>Authentication of Documents</p> <p>It is required in the Checklist of Technical and Financial Documents, under the condition for other licenses and permits required for imported PPE's, the submission of</p> <p>v. Certificate showing that the PPE product is tested by recognized testing laboratories and conforms with the standards sets by the</p>	<p>Please refer to the above amendment.</p>
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	<p>DOH technical specifications. All documents, certificates, and attachments issued by such foreign entities shall be duly authenticated by the Philippine Embassy/Consulate in that foreign country.</p> <p>If the documents issued by a foreign entity are originally written in English will it still require authentication by the Philippine Embassy/Consulate? May we be clarified on this, since it is our understanding that authentication of documents are only required for documents requiring English translation from another foreign language, for the sole purpose of interpretation of bid. Thus, documents already issued in the English language need no translation and further authentication by the appropriate Philippine foreign service establishment.</p> <p>This ruling may be referenced on Section II. Instructions to Bidders Clause 10.3.</p>	
2	<p>Processing Time for Authentication of Documents</p> <p>In relation to our previous paragraphs, we would like to convey to you that the authentication of foreign translated documents at the Philippine consulate takes at least 4 weeks during pre-pandemic as per our experience in public tender participation.</p> <p>As we are still under a challenging period within this Covid19 pandemic, we should expect this timeline to stretch to 6 weeks to accomplish the said authentication process. We are concerned that this that this gives us no sufficient time to provide the authenticated documents (despite it being originally issued in English language by the foreign entity) during the bid opening, even from submitting an application on the time when the bid publication was posted.</p> <p>Moreover, this requirement may defeat the essence and goal of GPPB Resolution No. 09-2020 on the efficient procurement measures during a state of calamity that shall allow the use of alternate documents in lieu of the mandated requirements. This resolution was crafted with the spirit of urgency to be responsive to the needs of the time.</p> <p>Although, we wish for the deferment of submission of the Authenticated Documents, but if so shall still be required, relative to the foregoing, we would humbly suggest to and request your good office to consider a 45-day extension for the submission of all authenticated documents in consideration of the adverse global situation in this time of Pandemic.</p>	<p>Eligibility requirements or statements, the bids, and all other documents for submission to the BAC are in foreign language other than English, it must be accompanied by a translation in English, which shall be authenticated by the appropriate Philippine foreign service establishment, post, or the equivalent office having jurisdiction over the foreign bidder's affairs in the Philippines. Similar to the required authentication above, for Contracting Parties to the Apostille Convention, only the translated documents shall be authenticated through an apostille pursuant to GPPB Resolution No. 13-2019 dated 23 May 2019. The English translation shall govern, for purposes of interpretation of the bid.</p>
3	<p>Proof of Availability of Stocks</p> <p>On the proof of availability of stocks, as a post-qualification requirement, does this mean that the participating bidder must have a complete and readily available stocks already in the Philippines?</p> <p>If bidders shall be required proof of stock already available in the Philippines, may we respectfully suggest to opt for a two stage bidding. The first stage shall be for the screening of bidders who can provide proof that they have stocks in the Philippines. The second stage if for the checking of document eligibility requirements. This would cause to efficiently screen capable bidders who can readily and expeditiously supply the critically needed PE of the government.</p> <p>Perhaps, along this line and possibility, you may consider deferring submission of the required authenticated documents, if the use of alternate documents in lieu of the mandated requirements would not be considered.</p>	<p>Proof of availability of stocks refers to stocks readily available in the Philippines.</p> <p>Please refer to the above amendment on the delivery schedule.</p>

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4	<p>Submission of Sample</p> <p>Based on the tender terms, Two (2) sets of samples shall be submitted on or before the deadline of submission of bids.</p> <p>To clarify is it 2 sets per lot or 2 sets only for all lots a supplier is bidding for?</p>	Two (2) sets of samples will be applicable to all lots the bidders participated in.
5	<p>Submission of Bids (SOBE)</p> <p>The submission of Bids Opening is set on November 3, 2020 at 09:00 AM. With urgency and time-constraints, truly competitive supply-capable, with proof of stocks, and eligible bidders may just get eliminated due to the requirement for Authentication /Apostil of the documents issued by foreign entities.</p> <p>Therefore, we are hereby formally and humbly requesting that the submission of Authenticated Documents be deferred and or the bid opening be moved from November 03 to December 03, 2020 so that capable suppliers may proceed to participate in this bidding.</p>	The original requirement is retained.

Letter from ⁷ BOWMAN TECHNOLOGIES INC.		
1	<p>We just had meetings with our partners in China and they have informed us that due to the high demand for PPE's worldwide, particularly from Europe, that getting production schedules for coveralls and gloves for limited sizes (medium and large) maybe an issue. We can however guarantee faster deliveries for the full range of sizes (small, medium, large and SL) since the industry is approaching the supply chain in providing for the full range of sizes for specific products.</p> <p>We are hoping that the PS-DBM can consider in allowing us to bid for the supply of the coveralls and gloves with the full range of sizes.</p>	Please refer to the above amendment on the sizes requirements.
2	<p>There are basically no international standards or in depth testings for such products. These are basically made from level 1 PP/PE materials, since they are used and worn underneath the coveralls. We would therefore kindly request for the waving of apostilled testing documents for both the head and shoe covers.</p>	The original requirement is retained.

By Rule, all other related provisions in the Bidding Documents correspondingly affected by these amendments are likewise deemed amended to conform to this Bid Bulletin.

Amendments made herein shall be considered an integral part of the Bidding Documents.

MR. DICKSON T. PANTI
Chairperson, DBM-PS, Bids and Awards Committee I

⁷ Emailed letter dated October 28, 2020

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