**INVITATION TO BID**

The Philippine Ports Authority (PPA), through the Corporate Operating Budget for CY 2017, intends to apply the sum of TWO MILLION SEVEN HUNDRED SIXTY NINE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED EIGHTY SIX AND 77/100 PESOS (P2,769,786.77) being the Approved Budget for the Contract (ABC) to payments under the Contract for the Provision of Professional, Technical and Administrative Support Manpower Services for PPA PMO Northern Luzon. Bids received in excess of the ABC shall be automatically rejected at bid opening.

PPA PMO Northern Luzon now invites bids for the Contract for the Provision of Professional, Technical and Administrative Support Manpower Services covering the period May 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017 for PPA PMO Northern Luzon. Delivery of services is required upon *the issuance of the Notice to Proceed*. Bidders should have completed, *within five (5) years* from the date of submission and receipt of bids, a single contract similar to the Project equivalent to at least fifty percent (50%) of the ABC. *The single similar contract shall have a term of at least one (1) year and shall include various professional, technical and administrative positions*. The description of an eligible bidder is contained in the Bidding Documents, particularly, in Section II, item 5 of the Instructions to Bidders and item 5.4 of the Bid Data Sheet (BDS).

Bidding will be conducted through open competitive bidding procedures using a non-discretionary “pass/fail” criterion as specified in the Revised 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 may obtain further information from Engr. Crisanto A. Alba, BAC Chairman at Telephone Number (072) 700-5616 and inspect the Bidding Documents at PPA Northern Luzon during regular office hours.

A complete set of Bidding Documents may be purchased by interested bidders starting April 4, 2017 upon payment of a non-refundable fee for the Bidding Documents in the amount of Five Thousand Six Hundred Pesos (P5,600.00), inclusive of 12% VAT.

PPA will hold a Pre-Bid Conference on April 11, 2017 at 10:00 AM at the Conference Room, PPA-PMO Northern Luzon.

Submission of Bids shall be on or before April 24, 2017 (9:00 AM) at the Conference Room, PMO Northern Luzon. All Bids must be accompanied by a bid security in any of the acceptable forms and in the amount stated in Instruction to Bidders.

Opening of Bids shall be on April 24, 2017 (10:00 AM). Bids will be opened in the presence of the Bidders’ representatives who choose to attend at the address stated below. Late bids shall not be accepted.

PPA 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.

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