THE COMPETITIVE SELECTION PROCESS (CSP) FOR THE PROCUREMENT OF BASELOAD POWER SUPPLY OF RENEWABLE ENERGY FOR RPS¹ COMPLIANCE TO THE CAPTIVE MARKET OF ANGELES ELECTRIC CORPORATION AEC-CSP-2025-Lot 2

I. BACKGROUND

1. LEGAL BASES/REQUIREMENTS

ANGELES ELECTRIC CORPORATION. ("AEC") is going out on a competitive procurement for the supply of renewable energy to its Captive Market from eligible RE resources in accordance with DOE's Policy for the Mandatory Conduct Competitive Selection Process (CSP) by the Distribution Utilities in the Procurement of Power Supply for their Captive Market², and ERC's Implementing Guidelines for the Procurement, Execution and Evaluation of Power Supply Agreements entered into by Distribution Utilities for the Supply of Electricity to their Captive Market³.

2. SCOPE OF COMPETITIVE SELECTION PROCESS

AEC is conducting a *competitive selection process* to procure renewable energy from RPS-eligible RE resources to supply **26 MW Baseload** requirements, for a contract term of (ten) 10 years, to commence from **26 October 2026 to 25 October 2036**, or upon ERC approval, whichever comes later. The CSP and PSA is for a **Physical Contract**.

3. BIDDING REQUIREMENTS

The Bidding for AEC-CSP-2025-Lot2 shall be governed by all the provisions of ERC Resolution No. 16 Series of 2023.

Bidding will be conducted through open **TWO-ENVELOPE COMPETITIVE BIDDING** procedures using a non-discretionary "pass/fail" criterion.

4. PROHIBITED ACTS AND AGREEMENTS

AEC and the Bidders shall observe the highest standard of ethics during the CSP process and execution of the contract. All bidders and those acting on their behalf are strictly prohibited from committing acts and agreements stated in Article VIII of ERC Resolution No. 16 Series of 2023.

5. ELIGIBLE BIDDERS

A generation company wishing to join the bidding must comply with the following:

¹ Renewable Portfolio Standards (RPS)

² DOE Department Circular No. DC2023-06-0023

³ ERC Resolution No. 16 Series of 2023

- a. A Bidder must be a duly incorporated and validly existing domestic partnership or corporation registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") and Bureau of Internal Revenue ("BIR").
- b. Bidder must have existing and operating RPS-eligible power generating plant/s capable of supplying AEC's Baseload power requirements.
- c. Bidder's Nominated Plant must not have a supply contract with AEC from the same Nominated Plant whose validity is beyond the Delivery Start Date ("*DSD*").
- d. The Bidder must not have a previous PSA with AEC where Bidder was not able to fulfill its deliverables.
- e. Bidder and any of its Affiliates must have no record of Unsatisfactory Performance, unless this qualification is otherwise waived by AEC.
- f. Bidder and any of its Affiliates must not be included in a blacklist issued by any governmental agency of the Philippines or in the Debarred and Cross-Debarred Firms & Individuals list posted in the World Bank website (www.worldbank.org/debarr), whether as an individual contractor, partnership or corporation or as a member of a joint venture or consortium.
- g. Bidder and any of its Affiliates must not have any Outstanding Dispute or pending/outstanding financial obligation/s with AEC, unless this disqualification is waived by AEC. For this purpose, "<u>Outstanding Dispute</u>" refers to any pending judicial, administrative or alternative dispute resolution proceeding between the Bidder or any of its Affiliates, on one hand, and AEC, on the other.

6. TIMETABLE

AEC shall conduct a hybrid CSP, where most activities (e.g. pre-bid conferences) will be done virtually. Hardcopy and soft copy (in Flash Drive) of Bid Offers will be required to be submitted. Bidders/representatives shall be invited to participate/observe the (physical) opening of bids.

ACTIVITY	DATE
	Mar. 5, 2025
Publication and Dissemination of Invitation to Bid (ITB)	and
	Mar. 12, 2025
Issuance of Bid Documents to Interested Bidders, after:	Mar. 6, 2025
1. Submission of Expression of Interest (EOI) to Bid; and	to
2. Purchase of Bid Documents	Mar. 22, 2025
1 st Pre-Bid Virtual Conference (Invitation limited to Interested	Mar. 20, 2025
Bidders who submitted EOI and purchased bid documents)	1:30 pm
2 nd Pre-Bid Virtual Conference (Invitation limited to Interested	Mar. 27, 2025
Bidders who submitted EOI and purchased bid documents)	1:30 pm
D. III	Apr. 28, 2025
Deadline of Submission of Bids at AEC Main Office (Angeles City)	4:45 pm
Opening and Qualification of Bids (Physical/Face to Face) at AEC	Apr. 29, 2025
Main Office	10:00 am
	Apr. 30, 2025
Evaluation of Bids by BAC	to on or before
•	June 26, 2025
	5 days after BAC
BAC Recommendation to AEC-BOD	Evaluation

AEC-BOD Approval	Within 10 days after BAC Recommendation
Notice of Award and Post-Qualification	Within 5 days after AEC-BOD Approval
Posting of Performance Bond	Within 5 days from receipt of Notice of Award
Notice to Proceed	After 1 day from receipt of Performance Bond
Execution/Approval of RE-PSA	Within 20 days After AEC-BOD Approval
Pursuant to the timeline in ERC Resolution No. 16 Series 2023: 1. Pre-Filing of RE PSA application before ERC shall be within 15 days from signing of RE PSA 2. Joint Filing of application for Approval of RE PSA shall be within 30 days from signing of RE PSA	

The CSP schedule may be revised by AEC without prior notice. Bidders will be notified promptly of such revision in a Supplemental Bid Bulletin.

7. CONTENTS OF THE CSP DOCUMENTS PACKAGE

The Bid Package are the documents stated below:

- a. (This) CSP Document (Lot 2)
- b. Annex 1. Copy of Publication Invitation to Bid, EOI Form and NDU Form
- c. Annex 2. Pro Forma RE Power Supply Agreement (REPSA)
- d. Annex 3. Contract Specifications
- e. Annex 4. Form, Bid Proposal Price per kWh for each Contract Year
- f. Annex 5. Form, Undertaking to jointly file with AEC the REPSA application before ERC
- g. Annex 6, Form, Verified Declaration

II. TERMS OF REFERENCE

Below are the minimum contract requirements of AEC for compliance of its <u>RPS Energy</u> requirement. The terms of reference indicated below are non-negotiable and bidder must meet all requirements of AEC.

TERMS OF REFERENCE TABLE

Contract Type	Physical
Supply Type	Baseload
Source of Power	Renewable Energy, RPS-Eligible
Contract Term	1oYears
Delivery Start Date	26 October 2026,
("DSD")	or upon ERC Approval, whichever comes later.
Contract Capacity	26 MW
Firm Minimum Contract Energy	148,044.000 MWH @ 65% Load Factor (LF) Notes:
	 Minimum Dispatch per Interval at 50% of Contracted Capacity. Minimum 65% Capacity Factor per Billing Period See Annex 3, Contract Specifications, for Minimum Contract Energy per year
Renewable Energy Certificates ("RECs")	In a given Contract Year, Power Supplier must deliver at least the energy corresponding to 65% LF of Contract Capacity.
	RECs shall be equivalent to the energy delivered to AEC and declared to WESM by Power Supplier as bilateral contract quantity, reckoned annually. However, RECs shall be accounted on a monthly basis.
	If the Supplier fails to deliver the Annual Contract Energy due to circumstances not falling under Force Majeure, Supplier shall provide, at its own cost, the RECs corresponding to the energy shortfall.
Contract Price	 Straight Energy Fee (in Php/kWh), exclusive of line rental and inclusive other WESM charges. Bidders shall submit a rate in PhP/kWh for each contract year.
Discounts	Any Prompt Payment Discount ("PPD"), offered by Bidder/Supplier will be considered in the determination of the Bid Price.
Delivery Point/s	The Trading Node or NGCP/Metering Service providers' metering point/s of the Seller.
Nominated Power Plant	 Bidder must identify the proposed power plant ("Nominated Power Plant"), and its location. 1. The Nominated Power Plant must be already in operation. 2. The Nominated Power Plant must be capable of supplying the Contract Capacity and Contract Energy to AEC for the required Contract Period beginning on target Commercial Sale Date, after considering energy and capacity already committed to other off takers. 3. In relation to the Nominated Power Plant, Bidder must provide evidence that the Bidder or its direct shareholders is

	the owner of, and Controls, the Nominated Power Plant and has sufficient authority to enter into the power supply agreement with AEC. 4. The Nominated Power Plant must be registered as a direct member of the Wholesale Electricity Spot Market ("WESM"). 5. The Nominated Power Plant must have a Certificate of Compliance valid for at least six (6) months from date Bid Opening. 6. Bidder shall provide the latest available one (1) year WESM Nodal Prices where the Nominated Plant is located or connected, and which shall be used to determine the Line Rental value. 7. If Bidder previously joined the AEC-CSP-2025-Lot1, the
<u> </u>	Nominated Power for Lot2 shall not be the same.
Penalties for Delay in Start of Deliveries	If the Delivery Start Date, as approved by ERC, is not met by
Start of Deliveries	 Supplier: For every day of delay from Delivery Start Date, Supplier shall provide Replacement Power at the lower between load-weighted average WESM price and the Contract Price; and, Supplier shall provide at its own cost to AEC the corresponding number of Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs) to compensate AEC for the deficit caused by the delay On Day 1 of Delay, the Performance Bond shall be forfeited, and Supplier must replenish the Performance Bond within ten days from Day 2 of Delay. If no delivery commenced by Day 60 of delay, the replenished Performance Bond shall also be forfeited, and the PSA will be terminated.
Outage Allowance ("OA")	Outage Allowance are as follows:
	 Scheduled OA not exceeding Seven Hundred Twenty (720) hours Unscheduled OA not exceeding Three Hundred Sixty (360) hours No carry-over of OA
Replacement Power	 If deliveries have not commenced as scheduled, Power Supplier, for each day of delay, shall procure Replacement Power up to contracted capacity to be paid by AEC at the lower between load-weighted average WESM price and the Contract Price. After DSD and beyond Outage Allowance, Replacement Power will be provided by Power Supplier and paid for by AEC the lower between load-weighted average WESM price and the Contract Price. In both instances above, Supplier must provide, at no additional cost, RECs equivalent to the Replacement Power delivered.
Assignment or Transfer of Contract Capacity	The Contract Capacity and Associated Energy that is no longer required by AEC may be assigned or transferred to another
	entity.
Reduction in Contract Capacity	The Contract Capacity and associated Energy may be reduced equivalent to the reduction in the demand of captive customers by reason of the implementation of Retail Competition and

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	Open Access (RCOA) ⁴ , Green Energy Option Program (GEOP) ⁵ ,
	net-metering and Sections 17 and 18 of ERC Rules Governing
	Distributed Energy Resources (DER) ⁶ and other similar Laws,
	Rules and Regulations.
Grounds for Termination	The following are grounds for termination:
	1. Event of Default
	2. Non-Fulfilment of Conditions to Effective Date
	3. Non-Occurrence of DSD
	4. Certain events of Force Majeure
	5. Failure to post the Performance Bond or failure to replenish
	the performance bond.
Period of Validity of Bids	Bids shall remain valid for One Hundred Eighty (180) days from
	date of deadline for the submission of bids.
Bid Security	Bidder shall submit a Bid Security in accordance with the
Bid Security	following:
	1. The Bid Security shall be a Manager's/Cashier's check or a
	Standby Letter of Credit ("SBLC") from a reputable bank,
	payable to Angeles Electric Corporation.
	2. The Bid Security amount shall be the cost of a 3-month
	energy supply at 65% Capacity Factor, computed as follows:
	37,011,000kWh x Bidder's Price Proposal per kWh.
•	3. The Bid Security should be valid for One Hundred Eighty
	(180) days from date of deadline for the submission of bids.
Billing & Settlement	Supplier to follow WESM Billing Cycle.
	2. Stipulated currency shall be in Philippine Peso.
	3. AEC shall settle all power bills in Philippine Peso.
Performance Bond	Winning Bidder shall post a Performance Bond, as a condition
	precedent to the signing of the PSA, in accordance with the
	following:
	1. The Performance Bond shall be the cost of a 3-month energy
	supply at 65% Capacity Factor computed as follows:
	37,011,000kWh x Bidder's Price Proposal per kWh.
	2. The Performance Bond shall be in the form of Cash,
	Manager's/Cashier's check, or a Stand-By Letter of Credit
	(SBLC) from a reputable bank, payable to Angeles Electric
	Corporation.
	3. The Performance Bond should be valid for 1 year, and until
	deliveries have commenced, the Performance Bond must be
	renewed one month before expiry.
	4. If an SBLC will be used, it must be callable upon demand
	without need for clearance or approval from winning bidder.
	5. The Performance Bond must provide for a contact person
	and address, telephone number and email address of the
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	issuing bank for notification and demand.
	6. If the Performance Bond is forfeited, but the PSA is not
	terminated, Winning Bidder shall post another Performance
	Security.
	7. The Performance Bond will be returned to the Supplier upon
	start of actual delivery.
Lock-up Provision	The Winning Bidder shall not be allowed to sell or assign the

⁴ Sec. 31, R.A. No. 9136 (EPIRA)

⁵ Sec. 9, R.A. No. 9513 (RE Act) ⁶ ERC Res. 11, Series of 2022

	executed PSA resulting from a successful CSP to any other
	entity.
Power Supply Agreement	The pro-forma PSA template supplied with the Bid Package shall
(PSA)	be used as primary reference.
	The winning Bidder is expected to sign the PSA without or with
	minimal revisions to the provisions.
Joint Filing to ERC	Winning Bidder undertakes to make a Joint Filing with AEC to
	ERC for the approval of the PSA within the period prescribed in
	the ERC CSP Guidelines.
Debarred & Cross-	Bidder and any of its Affiliates must not be included in a blacklist
Debarred Firms	issued by any governmental agency of the Philippines or in the
	Debarred and Cross-Debarred Firms & Individuals list posted in
	the World Bank website (www.worldbank.org/debarr),
	whether as an individual contractor, partnership or corporation
	or as a member of a joint venture or consortium.
No Outstanding Dispute	Bidder and any of its Affiliates must not have any Outstanding
	Dispute or pending/outstanding financial obligation/s with
	AEC, unless this disqualification is waived by AEC. For this
	purpose, " <u>Outstanding Dispute</u> " refers to any pending judicial,
	administrative or alternative dispute resolution proceeding
	between the Bidder or any of its Affiliates, on one hand, and AEC,
	on the other.
Prohibited Acts and	AEC and the Bidders shall observe the highest standard of ethics
Agreements	during the CSP process and execution of the contract. All bidders
	and those acting on their behalf are strictly prohibited from
	committing acts and agreements stated in Article VIII of ERC
	Resolution No. 16, Series of 2023.
AEC Supply Portfolio	To diversify AEC's supply portfolio and minimize supply
Management	disruptions, AEC will not consider offers from any Power
	Supplier when the Nominated Power Plant has an existing PSA
	with AEC. However, if the PSA of the Nominated Plant will expire
	on or before the Delivery Start Date, the Power Supplier can join
	the bidding.
Other Relevant	Should the AEC BAC receive less than TWO (2) Expressions of
Information	Interest, by 4:00 pm of March 22, 2025 (Expression of Interest
	Deadline), the BAC shall declare a failure of Bidding.

III. INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

1. RESPONSIBILITIES OF BIDDER

Bidder must carefully examine the Bid Package, including the Procedures and Terms of Reference, and any Bid Bulletins that may be issued, and fully inform themselves of all conditions and matters that could affect their Bid in any way.

All bidders must acknowledge receipt of the Bid Bulletin via email.

2. AEC RIGHTS

AEC reserves the right to accept or reject any Bid and to annul the bidding process and reject all Bids at any time prior to Contract Award, without incurring any liability to the affected bidder or bidders as per Section 41 of the IRR-A (Reservation Clause) of R.A. 9184.

To amend, revise, modify or clarify the CSP through the issuance of a Bid Bulletin at any time not later than one (1) week prior to date of Deadline for Submission of Bids.

To modify the timetable or any schedule if necessary.

AEC shall not be liable nor shall assume any responsibility regarding erroneous interpretations or conclusions of prospective bidders out of the data furnished by the AEC.

3. CLARIFICATION AND AMENDMENT OF BIDDING DOCUMENTS

Prospective Bidders may request AEC for further information or clarification of the CSP Documents via email indicated in the Invitation for Bid. AEC will respond in kind to any request for information or clarification of the CSP Documents received by AEC not later than the scheduled 2ND Pre-Bid Conference. AEC's response will be sent via email to all qualified bidders who have received the bidding documents.

Communications must be addressed to the BAC Secretariat whose contact details are more particularly described as follows:

ENGR. ALLAN M. SANTILLAN

BAC Secretariat

Angeles Electric Corporation. (AEC)

Don Juan Nepomuceno Ave., cor. Teresa Ave.,

Nepo Center, Angeles City 2009

Email: csp.bac.secretariat@angeleselectric.com.ph

4. BID BULLETINS

Any amendment, revision, modification, or clarification shall be made through a Bid Bulletin, copies of which will be made available to all qualified bidders.

The Bid Bulletin shall be sent to the bidders' registered email address. All bidders must acknowledge receipt of the Bid Bulletin via email.

Issuance of a Bid Bulletin/s in response to issues submitted before and during the Pre-Bid Conference will be within seven (7) working days after the conduct of the Pre-Bid Conference.

It shall be the responsibility of all bidders to inquire and secure any such Bid Bulletin. Failure of the bidders to secure any of the bid bulletin shall constitute a waiver of its/their rights to be informed of the contents thereof.

5. PRE-BID CONFERENCE

The Pre-Bid Conferences shall be held on the date and time specified in **Section 1.6**, **Timetable**, and it will be conducted online through ZOOM or Microsoft Teams (MS Teams) application. ZOOM or MS Teams Meeting Invites shall be forwarded to the e-mail addresses registered through the Expression of Interest Form.

If not needed, the second Pre-Bid Conference may be cancelled. If not cancelled, the Second Pre-bid Conference be held on the date and time specified in **Section 1.6**, **Timetable**, and shall follow the same meeting mode mentioned above.

A summary of the Pre-Bid Conference proceedings shall also be issued to all prospective Bidders by the DU concerned.

6. ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

The following eligibility/qualification requirements shall be submitted by Bidders:

- 6.1 **Executive Summary** Brief description of the Bidder's company history and structure, including relevant capabilities in the construction, operation, and maintenance of a power plant or in the supply of electricity to the DUs, ECs, or contestable customers.
- 6.2 **Organizational Structure** Basic information of the Bidder's legal status and organizational chart.

6.3 Legal Qualification Requirements

<u>Certified True Copies</u> of the following:

- a. SEC Registration;
- b. SEC-registered Articles of Incorporation or Partnership;
- c. Board of Investments (BOI) Certificate of Registration, if applicable;
- d. Latest General Information Sheet (GIS) filed with SEC, if applicable;
- e. Latest B.I.R. Certificate of Registration (COR);
- Board/Partnership Resolution or Secretary's Certificate evidencing the grant of authority to the individual submitting the Bid and making representation on behalf of the Bidder;
- g. Certification by the Bidder to the effect that it is not prohibited or restricted in any manner under applicable law or any agreement or license from participating in the Bidding Process;
- h. Sworn Undertaking that the Bidder, if applicable, as well as their affiliates, assigns and successors- in-interest, shall abide by the decisions of the AEC-BAC, shall hold the AEC, its Board Members, Officers and Management, and BAC free and harmless from any claim or cause of action arising from the conduct and award of the bidding, and shall undertake not to institute or file any case or claim before any court of competent jurisdiction and administrative agency in relation to the conduct and award of the Project, except as provided for under Article VI (Protest Mechanism) and Article X (Enforcement) of ERC Resolution No.16 Series 2023;
- i. Sworn Attestation against Corruption; and

j. Sworn Attestation of No Conflict of Interest – The Bidder must disclose detailed information regarding any existing, potential, or future conflict of interest that a Bidder may have with the BAC.

The bidder's representative may provisionally submit the foregoing required government-issued certifications with photocopies of these certifications from the records of the bidder accompanied by a verified declaration of the bidder's representative (template of verified declaration attached as Annex 6).

The bidder may likewise submit an Omnibus Sworn Statement required in subparagraphs g, h, i and j of the above-mentioned Legal Qualification Requirements.

6.4 Technical Qualification Requirements

Certified True Copies of the following:

- a. List of projects undertaken over the last ten (10) years;
- b. List of electricity generation plants that the Bidder has operated for the last five
 (5) years;
- c. Proof of/Documentation on track record for the last five (5) years of power plants operated by it;
- d. Description of the proposed power plant ("Nominated Power Plant"), which must be existing and already in operation. The Nominated Power Plant must be capable of supplying the Contract Capacity and Energy to AEC for the required Contract Period beginning on the Target Delivery Start Date, after considering energy and capacity already committed to other off takers;
- Evidence that the Bidder or its direct shareholders is the owner of, and Controls, the Nominated Power Plant and has sufficient authority to enter into the power supply agreement with AEC;
- f. WESM Certificate of Registration of the Nominated Power Plant showing it is registered as a direct member of the Wholesale Electricity Spot Market ("WESM");
- g. The Nominated Power Plant's Certificate of Compliance ("COC") or Provisional Authority to Operate ("PAO") from the Energy Regulatory Commission ("ERC"), valid for at least six (6) months from Bid Opening;
- h. The latest available one (1) year WESM Nodal Prices from IEMOP, where Nominated Plant is located or connected.

6.5 Financial Qualification Requirements

Bidder must show satisfactory evidence that it has the financial capacity to fulfill its obligations towards AEC. This requirement may be complied by the Bidder directly or through any of its direct shareholders representing Controlling interest, Affiliates or Ultimate Parent. As evidence thereof, Bidder or any of its direct shareholders representing Controlling interest, Affiliates or Ultimate Parent must submit <u>Certified True Copies</u> of the following:

- a. Latest Audited Financial Statement available, showing, among others, the prospective Bidder's total and current assets and liabilities, stamped "received" by the Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR) for the preceding calendar year from the date of bid submission;
- b. Its Audited Financial Statements for the last **two (2) years** (the latest of which must not be earlier than for the year ending 31 December 2023), recent quarterly financial statements.

- c. Details of equity and financing plan indicating the capital structure and source of funds with supporting documents;
- d. Proof of commitment to the required equity contribution, as specified by the DU:
 - i. In the case where the Winning Bidder is a corporation e.g., treasurer's affidavit attesting to actual paid-up capital, subscription agreement(s) between a shareholder(s) of the Winning Bidder and the Winning Bidder itself covering said equity contribution, or shareholders agreement between and among two (2) or more shareholders of the Winning Bidder undertaking to contribute/subscribe the required equity contribution; or
 - ii. In the case of a consortium an undertaking of the members thereof to infuse the required equity contribution to the consortium.
- e. Letter of Credit, Bank Guaranty or Committed Line of Credit, or any proof of firm commitments from a reputable financial institution to provide sufficient credit lines to cover the total estimated cost of the projects for prospective generation facilities if applicable;
- f. In the case of a consortium, the agreement indicating that the members are jointly and severally liable for the obligations of the Project Proponent under the contract if applicable; and
- g. Any other relevant information regarding the financial track record and capabilities of the Bidder that it believes would be helpful to the BAC or Joint BAC.

6.6 Soft Copies of Documents in the Bid Offer

Documents listed in sections 6.1 through 6.5 must be copied in pdf format into a Flash Drive. To ease in identification, the file name of each document and the sequential storage to the flash drive should correspond to the sequence mentioned in sections 6.1 through 6.5 above.

7. PREPARATION OF THE BID

Bidder shall prepare two (2) Main Envelopes and a Flash Drive containing the all the documents mentioned in sections 7.1 and 7.2.

- 7.1 The **First Main Envelope** shall comprise of four brown (4) envelopes and one (1) letter envelope, containing the documents mentioned in sections 6.1, 6.2,6.3, 6.4, 6.5 and 6.6.
 - a. The Executive Summary and Organizational Structure in a sealed envelope marked:
 - i. Name of the Bidder in capital letters, and
 - ii. "Executive Summary & Organizational Structure"
 - b. The Legal Qualification Requirements in another sealed envelope marked "Legal Qualification Requirements"
 - c. The Technical Qualification Requirements in another sealed envelope marked "Technical Qualification Requirements"
 - d. The Financial Qualification Requirements in the last envelope marked "Financial Qualification Requirements", and
 - e. The Flash Drive inside a letter envelope marked "Soft Copies of Bid Offer"
 - f. After inserting the above-mentioned envelopes into the first main envelope, it shall be sealed and marked:
 - i. Name of the Bidder in capital letters
 - ii. "AEC-CSP-2025- Lot2"

- iii. "Eligibility/Qualification Requirements"
- iv. "Do Not Open Before (date and time of opening of bids)"
- 7.2 The **Second Main Envelope** (Price Proposal) shall contain the Bid Proposal using Annex 4, Bid Proposal Form containing the Generation Price/Rate in PhP/kWh for each contract year throughout the Required Contract Period beginning on the Target Delivery Start Date.
 - a. The Bid must be valid for a period of not less than one hundred eighty (180) calendar days from the Deadline for Submission (Bid Validity Period).
 - b. The Bid Proposal must be signed and notarized.
 - c. Inserting the Bid Proposal into the Second Main Envelope which shall be then be sealed and marked:
 - i. Name of the Bidder in capital letters
 - ii. "AEC-CSP-2025- Lot2"
 - iii. "Price Proposal"
 - iv. "Do Not Open Before (date and time of opening of bids)"

8. BID SECURITY

- 8.1 Bidder shall submit, as part of its Qualification Documents, a Bid Security, complying with the requirements stated in the Terms of Reference Table.
- 8.2 The **Bid Security** shall be placed inside a letter envelope then sealed and marked:
 - i. Name of the Bidder in capital letters
 - ii. "AEC-CSP-2025- Lot2"
 - iii. "BID SECURITY"
 - iv. "Do Not Open Before (date and time of opening of bids)"
- 8.3 The **Bid Security** shall be delivered to AEC on or before the deadline for the submission of bids addressed to the **BAC Secretariat** at AEC's Main Office located at **Don Juan Nepomuceno Ave., cor. Teresa Ave., Nepo Center, Angeles City 2009**.
- 8.4 Any bid not accompanied by a bid security shall be rejected by the BAC for being non-responsive.

9. DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF BIDS

Bids must be submitted on or before 4:45pm of the date of Deadline for Submission of

Bids submitted after the Bid Submission Deadline shall be rejected and returned unopened to the Bidder. The AEC-BAC shall ensure that this circumstance is recorded in the minutes of the bid opening.

10. SUBMISSION OF BIDS

10.1 Bidders shall submit their bids at the AEC Main Office located at *Don Juan Nepomuceno Ave.*, cor. Teresa Ave., Nepo Center, Angeles City 2009.

- 10.2 AEC shall provide padlocked Bid Boxes located near the BAC-Secretariat where:
 - a. The First Main Envelope shall be dropped into the compartment marked "Eligibility Requirements".
 - b. The Second Main Envelope shall be dropped into the compartment marked "Price Proposal".
- 10.3 The Bid Security / Manager's Check / SBLC shall be delivered to the BAC Secretariat. The BAC-Secretariat shall record the date and time when each Bidder delivers its 2-Envelope Bid and Bid Security.

11. OPENING OF BIDS

A Reserve Price will be imposed by AEC and it will be disclosed before the Opening of Bids. Bids submitted in excess of the Reserve Price will be disqualified.

The BAC through the Secretariat shall open the Bids with Observer Groups' representatives. The Bid Box compartments shall be opened, and the Envelopes segregated and lined up, based on first to come, first to be opened basis.

The following shall be performed for all submitted Bids:

- 11.1 Check the Bid Security.
 - a. If no Bid Security or if Bid Security does not conform to the requirement, return the unopened First and Second Envelopes to the Bidder Representative.
 - b. If Bid Security is in conformity, proceed to next step.
- 11.2 Open the First Main Envelope
 - a. Open the envelope marked Executive Summary & Organizational Structure and Legal Eligibility/Qualification Requirements.
 - b. List in Form 1, Bidder Qualification Checklist, the documents found inside the envelope.
 - c. If any deficiency is found:
 - i. Record the deficiency and mark "FAIL" in the Bidder Qualification Checklist for the Bidder.
 - ii. Return the documents to the folder and insert the folder to the First Main Folder.
 - iii. Segregate the Bidder's First and Second Main Folders and Bid Security Check/SBLC.
 - d. If all required documents are present and conform to the requirements, proceed to opening of Legal Eligibility/Qualification Requirements.
 - e. Open the envelope marked Technical Qualification Requirements.
 - f. List in Form 1, Bidder Qualification Checklist, the documents found inside the envelope.
 - g. If any deficiency is found:
 - i. Record the deficiency and mark "FAIL" in the Bidder Qualification Checklist for the Bidder.
 - ii. Return the documents to the folder and insert the folders to the First Main Folder.
 - iii. Segregate the Bidder's First and Second Main Folders and Bid Security Check.
 - h. If all required documents are present and conform to the requirements, proceed to opening of Financial Qualification Requirements.

- i. Open the envelope marked Financial Qualification Requirements.
- j. List in Form 1, Bidder Qualification Checklist, the documents found inside the envelope.
- k. If any deficiency is found:
 - i. Record the deficiency and mark "FAIL" in the Bidder Qualification Checklist for the Bidder.
 - ii. Return the documents to the folder and insert the folders to the First Main Folder.
 - iii. Segregate the Bidder's First and Second Main Folders and Bid Security Check/SBLC.
- I. If all required documents are present and conform to the requirements, mark "PASS" in the Bidder Qualification Checklist.
- m. Repeat steps 11.1 through 11.2(1) for all Bidders.
- 11.3 When the opening of all Bidders' First Main Envelope is completed:
 - Return The Bid Security Check/SBLC and Bid Envelopes of failed or noncomplying bids to their respective Bidder Representatives.
 - b. Request the representatives of non-complying bids to leave the room where the Bid Opening is being conducted.
 - c. Open the AEC-set Reserve Price.
- 11.4 For all the bids which passed the Eligibility/Qualification Requirements, Open the Second Main Envelope (Price Proposal)
 - a. Record in Form 2 Summary Price Proposal & Lowest Calculated Responsive Bid, Bidder's Price Offer
 - b. Check availability of a notarized statement attesting to the information submitted for the Bid.
 - c. If there is no notarized statement attesting to the information submitted or if Bidder's Price Offer is over the Reserve Price,
 - i. Mark "Non-Complying" in Form 2 Summary Price Proposal & Lowest Calculated Responsive Bid,
 - ii. Segregate the Bid Documents Bid Security of non-complying Bidder.
 - iii. Repeat step 11.4 for remaining Bidders who passed the Eligibility/Qualification Requirements.
 - d. Return The Bid Security Check/SBLC and Bid Envelopes of failed or non-complying bids to their respective Bidder Representatives
- 11.5 Only bids determined to contain all the bid requirements for the Eligibility/Qualification Requirements, Price Proposal and the notarized statement attesting to the information submitted for the Bid shall be rated "passed" and shall proceed to be considered for evaluation.
- 11.6 While the hardcopies are being checked, the contents of the flash drive shall also be scanned and checked.

12. CLARIFICATIONS OF BIDS

To assist in the examination, evaluation, and comparison of Bids, AEC may opt to ask a bidder for clarification of its Bid. All responses to request for clarification shall be in writing, and no change in the price or substance of the Bid shall be sought, offered or permitted.

13. EVALUATION OF BIDS

- 13.1 Qualified Bids will be ranked based on their Lowest Calculated Responsive Bid. The Lowest Calculated Responsive Bid includes:
 - a. The Average Offered Generation Price per kWh for the term of the PSA;
 - b. Line Rental, if any; and,
 - c. Discounts, if any.
- 13.2 The Contract will be awarded to the Lowest Calculated Responsive Bid. If there is no meeting of the minds, AEC will move on to the next Lowest Calculated Responsive Bid until a meeting of the minds is reached between the parties.
- 13.3 The BAC shall recommend to the AEC-BOD the award of contract to the Winning Bidder with the Lowest Calculated Responsive Bid.

14. NOTICE OF AWARD AND POST QUALIFICATION

- 14.1 Within five (5) days from approval by the AEC-BOD, AEC will issue the written Notice of Award to the winning Bidder. The Notice of Award must be made within the Bid Validity Period.
- 14.2 Winning bidder shall acknowledge receipt of the notice and sign its conformity to the Notice of Award to signify its acceptance of the notice within seven (7) days from notice.
- 14.3 Post Qualification Upon receipt of the Notice of Award, the winning Bidder shall submit the following as condition precedent the signing of the PSA:
 - a. Posting of the Performance Bond
 - b. Submission of Schedule 3, Nominated Power Plant Description & Specifications in the pro-forma Physical PSA
 - Submission of copies of pre-filing documents under Appendix D-2 of ERC Resolution No. 16 Series 2023

15. PSA SIGNING

The PSA template attached as Annex 2 of this CSP Document is a modified Annex C2 of ERC Resolution No.16 Series 2023. The Bidder is expected to sign the PSA within the prescribed period with minimal or no revisions.

- 15.1 Within twenty (20) calendar days from receipt by the Winning Bidder of the Notice of Award from the DU, the Winning Bidder and the AEC shall execute and sign the PSA, as approved by the AEC-BOD.
- 15.2 In case of refusal, inability, or failure to enter into a PSA by the Winning Bidder, the Bid Security shall be forfeited by the DU.

16. PRE-FILING OF REPSA WITH ERC

Within Fifteen (15) days from the signing of the REPSA, the Parties shall file the documentary requirements for the pre-filing of the REPSA Application with the ERC as mandated by ERC Resolution No. 16, Series of 2023.

17. JOINT FILING OF TO ERC

Within Thirty (30) days from the signing of the REPSA, the Parties shall jointly file an application with the ERC for the approval of the REPSA.

The successful bidder unconditionally binds itself to jointly file with the AEC the application for approval of the REPSA before the ERC.

18. PROCESS TO BE CONFIDENTIAL

Information relating to the examination, clarification, evaluation and comparison of Bids and recommendations for award of a contract shall not be disclosed to other bidders or any other persons not officially concerned with such process during the bidding. Any efforts by a bidder to influence the AEC's processing of Bids or award decisions may result in the rejection of the bidder's Bid.

19. PERIOD OF ACTION ON PROCUREMENT ACTIVITIES

The procurement process from the publication of the *Invitation to Bid* up to the award of contract shall not exceed *One Hundred Eighty (180) days*. All members of the BAC shall be on a "jury duty" type of assignment until the Notice of Award is issued by the head of the procuring entity in order to complete the entire procurement process at the earliest possible time.

20. PROTEST MECHANISM

- 20.1 To question a decision of the BAC, a Bidder may file a written request for reconsideration within ten (10) calendar days from receipt of written notice or verbal notification. The BAC shall decide on the request for reconsideration within ten (10) days from receipt thereof.
- 20.2 If the request for reconsideration is denied, decisions of the BAC may be protested in writing to the AEC's Board of Directors within ten (10) days upon receipt of the resolution denying its request for reconsideration, following the steps below:
 - a. Bidder shall file a <u>Verified Position Paper</u> containing the following information/documents:
 - i. Name of Bidder and Address;
 - ii. Name of Project or Bidding;
 - iii. Brief Statement of Facts;
 - iv. Issue to be resolved and other matters/information relevant to the resolution of the protest.

- b. Deposit of a non-refundable Protest Fee of One Hundred Thousand Pesos (PhP 100,000.00) to a designated bank account of AEC.
- 20.3 An unverified Position Paper shall be considered unsigned and produces no legal effect, and non-payment of the Protest Fee will result to the outright dismissal of the protest.
- 20.4 Within thirty (30) calendar days from receipt thereof, the AEC Board, constituting a quorum, shall resolve the protest. The Board's resolution resolving the protest **shall** be final and unappealable.

IV. FAILURE OF BIDDING

- 1. The BAC shall declare the bidding a failure when:
 - a. Only one (1) bidder submits a bid on the Bid Submission Deadline
 - b. All except one (1) bidder withdraws its bid prior to Bid Submission Deadline.
 - c. All the First Envelopes of the bids submitted were rated "failed"
 - d. All the Second Envelopes of the bids submitted were rated "failed"
 - e. Winning bidder refuses to accept the award or enter into an RE PSA with AEC or refuses to jointly file with AEC the RE PSA before ERC.
- 2. In case a failure of bidding is declared, AEC shall rebid the RE power supply procurement *under the same or modified terms and conditions*, as the case may be. If a failure of bidding is again declared, AEC may enter into a negotiated Power Supply Agreement with any of the qualified bidders.

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