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SUPPLEMENTAL BULLETIN NO. 2

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TO: ALL REGISTERED BIDDERS

This Supplemental Bulletin is hereby issued to modify, clarify, and/or amend certain provisions of the Bidding Documents. This Bulletin shall form an integral part of the Bidding Documents and shall be considered in the preparation and submission of bids.

CLARIFICATION ON THE TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

SUPPLY OF LABOR AND MATERIALS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE 15/20 MVA PALAYAN CITY SUBSTATION (LOT A)

This Supplemental Bulletin is issued to clarify the Technical Specifications for the Supply, Delivery, Installation, Testing, and Commissioning of the Additional 15/20 MVA Palayan City Substation (Lot A), as discussed during the Pre-Bid Conference held on August 13, 2026, at the NEECO II – Area 2 Main Office.

The following clarifications, responses, and adopted modifications shall form part of the Bidding Requirements and shall be considered by all bidders in the preparation and submission of their Technical and Financial Proposals.

MAIN CONCERNS AND CLARIFICATIONS

• POSTPONEMENT OF OPENING OF BIDS

Please be informed that the Opening of Sealed Bids originally scheduled on September 3, 2026 is hereby POSTPONED until further notice.

The new date and time for the Opening of Sealed Bids shall be announced separately through an official notice, Bid Bulletin, or other appropriate communication issued by NEECO II – Area 2.

All registered bidders are advised to await the official announcement of the rescheduled Opening of Bids.

RESPONSE TO CONSOLIDATED QUESTIONS, CLARIFICATIONS, AND SUGGESTIONS OF BIDDERS

Project:

Supply, Delivery, Installation, Testing and Commissioning of the New 15/20 MVA, 69 kV/13.2 kV Palayan City Substation

The following are the official responses and clarifications of NEECO II – Area 2 to the questions, requests for clarification, and proposed modifications submitted by the prospective bidders during the procurement process:

A. CHI FU - Rural Electrification Trading and Construction Corporation

Item 14.2 – Equipment Steel Structures and Grounding

1. 69 kV Potential Transformer (PT) Steel Structure

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Bidder's Suggestion:

The bidder proposed that only **one (1) set of 69 kV Potential Transformer (PT) Steel Structure** be required, corresponding to one (1) set of PT.

Response:

THE SUGGESTION IS HEREBY ADOPTED.

The requirement shall be revised to **one (1) set of 69 kV Potential Transformer (PT) Steel Structure**, corresponding to the required PT installation.

2. 69 kV Current Transformer (CT) Steel Structure

Bidder's Suggestion:

The bidder proposed that only **one (1) set of 69 kV Current Transformer (CT) Steel Structure** be required, corresponding to one (1) set of CT.

Response:

THE SUGGESTION IS HEREBY ADOPTED.

The requirement shall be revised to **one (1) set of 69 kV Current Transformer (CT) Steel Structure**, corresponding to the required CT installation.

3. Item No. 11 – Technical Specifications

Bidder's Suggestion:

The bidder proposed a modification to the requirement specified under **Item No. 11 of the Technical Specifications**.

Response:

THE SUGGESTION IS NOT ADOPTED.

The requirement under **Item No. 11 of the Technical Specifications** shall remain unchanged and shall be strictly complied with by all bidders.

Bidders shall therefore base their **Technical and Financial Proposals strictly on the requirements stated in the TOR**. No deviation from the specified requirement under Item No. 11 shall be considered unless otherwise authorized through a subsequent official Bid Bulletin or written clarification issued by **NEECO II – Area 2**.

4. Bank Guarantee as Bid Security and Performance Security

Bidder's Query:

The bidder requested clarification on whether a **Bank Guarantee** is acceptable as Bid Security and, if so, the required percentage of the ABC.

Response:

BANK GUARANTEE IS AN ACCEPTABLE FORM OF BID SECURITY AND PERFORMANCE SECURITY, subject to the applicable requirements, conditions, prescribed forms, and documentary requirements under **NEA Technical Advisory No. 14, Series of 2026**, and other applicable procurement guidelines.

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For this procurement, the required amounts shall be:

- **Bid Security:** equivalent to **Two Percent (2%) of the Approved Budget for the Contract (ABC)**; and
- **Performance Security:** equivalent to **Ten Percent (10%) of the Total Contract Price/Bid Proposal**, subject to the applicable procurement rules and prescribed conditions.

The bidder shall ensure that the submitted guarantee is issued by an **authorized and eligible financial institution** and complies with all documentary, validity, and other requirements prescribed in the Bidding Documents and applicable NEA guidelines.

5. Branding Requirement under Item No. 6

Bidder's Query/Suggestion:

The bidder raised a concern regarding the brand indicated under **Item No. 6**, citing the applicable procurement guidelines concerning brand-specific requirements.

Response:

The brand indicated in the referenced item was intended only as a **preferred/reference brand** based on the technical requirements of the project and shall **not be construed as a mandatory brand requirement**.

Accordingly, the **open-brand provision in the TOR shall remain in effect**. Bidders may offer products from other manufacturers or brands, provided that the offered equipment and/or materials fully comply with the required **technical specifications, performance requirements, applicable standards, quality requirements, and other conditions stipulated in the TOR**.

The **Technical Specifications in the TOR** shall prevail in determining technical compliance.

B. EXI SYSTEM + INC and CHI FU - Rural Electrification Trading and Construction Corporation (RETCC)

Clarifications on TOR, Site Layout, and Single Line Diagram (SLD)

1. 69 kV Voltage Transformers (VTs) and Current Transformers (CTs)

Bidder's Query:

The bidder noted a discrepancy wherein the TOR and Site Layout indicate **three (3) units of 69 kV Voltage Transformers (VTs)** and **three (3) units of 69 kV Current Transformers (CTs)**, while the SLD indicates **six (6) units of each**.

Response:

THE TOR SHALL PREVAIL.

Accordingly, the bidder shall provide:

- **Three (3) units of 69 kV Voltage Transformers (VTs); and**
- **Three (3) units of 69 kV Current Transformers (CTs),**

as specified in the TOR.

Any future installation or requirement associated with **NGCP metering** or the proposed **switching station** is outside the present scope of this procurement, unless otherwise expressly stated in the Bidding Documents.

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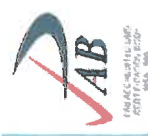
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2. 69 kV Power Circuit Breaker (PCB)

Bidder's Query:

The bidder noted that the TOR specifies a **Dead-Tank type PCB**, while the SLD and Site Layout indicate a **Live-Tank type PCB**.

Response:

THE TOR SHALL PREVAIL.

The required **69 kV Power Circuit Breaker (PCB)** shall be the **Dead-Tank type**, as specified in the Technical Specifications.

Bidders shall therefore base their **Technical and Financial Proposals on the Dead-Tank configuration**.

3. 15 kV Switchgear Configuration

Bidder's Query:

The bidder noted that the TOR specifies **one (1) Main + six (6) Feeder 15 kV AIS switchgear panels**, while the SLD and Site Layout show an additional fuse cubicle.

Response:

THE TOR SHALL PREVAIL.

The required **15 kV AIS Switchgear** configuration shall consist of:

- **One (1) Main Cubicle; and**
- **Six (6) Feeder Cubicles.**

The additional **one (1) fuse cubicle (+1)** indicated in the SLD/Site Layout is **not included in the present procurement scope** and shall **not be considered as a required bid item**.

4. 15 kV Current Transformers (CTs)

Bidder's Query:

The bidder noted that the TOR specifies **15 kV CTs with a 1,250 A rating** for the Main Cubicle metering and protection, while the SLD indicates ring-type CTs with a **1,600 A rating**.

Response:

THE TOR SHALL PREVAIL.

For the Main Cubicle, the required Current Transformer shall be a **15 kV CT with a 1,250 A rating** for metering and protection, in accordance with the Technical Specifications.

Bidders shall therefore base their **Technical and Financial Proposals on the 15 kV, 1,250 A CT requirement specified in the TOR**.

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GENERAL CLARIFICATION

For all items covered by this consolidated response, the **Technical Specifications and requirements expressly stated in the Terms of Reference (TOR)** shall prevail in the event of any discrepancy with the **Site Layout, Single Line Diagram (SLD), or other reference drawings**, unless a subsequent Bid Bulletin or official written clarification issued by **NEECO II – Area 2** expressly provides otherwise.

Bidders are advised to base their **Technical and Financial Proposals** on the requirements confirmed herein and to take into consideration all adopted modifications, clarifications, and amendments stated in this Supplemental Bulletin in the preparation of their bids.

All other provisions, requirements, specifications, conditions, and terms of the Bidding Documents **not affected by this Supplemental Bulletin shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect.**


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