

BIDS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE (BAC)
Resolution No. 21-11-204

**RECOMMENDING AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR THE
SUBSCRIPTION TO A MANAGED ELECTRONIC MAIL
(EMAIL) SERVICES FOR DSWD**

(ITB NO. GOP/21-DSWD-017)
(PR NO. 2021080268)

WHEREAS, the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD), through the Information and Communications Technology Management Service (ICTMS), believes that the DSWD User's Productivity is highly dependent on the collaboration suite they are using, especially during this pandemic where DSWD users' work schedule is divided into several working schemes which requires them to be always working online. This project addresses the need to procure dedicated and reliable office productivity software for all DSWD users as part of their core productivity tools. The office productivity, online collaboration, and communication tools ensures that the users are given the regiment of reliable mechanisms for them to be able to perform their routine tasks and activities effectively whenever and wherever they are. Hence, the main objective of this project is to provide 9,000 various functionality email accounts to DSWD users nationwide, equipped with office productivity and collaboration tools. Copies of the Purchase Request (PR), Project Proposal and Terms of Reference (TOR) are hereto attached, marked as **Annexes "A-1", "A-2" and "A-3"**, respectively, and are made integral parts hereof;

WHEREAS, the DSWD, through the Bids and Awards Committee (BAC), posted an Invitation to Bid (ITB) for the Subscription to a Managed Electronic Mail (Email) Services for DSWD under ITB No. GOP/21-DSWD-017 at the Philippine Government Electronic Procurement System (PhilGEPS) and DSWD websites, and at conspicuous places within the Department premises starting 31 August 2021. The Approved Budget for the Contract (ABC) is Twenty-Five Million Pesos (PHP 25,000,000.00). Copies of the said ITB and proof of postings are hereto attached, marked as **Annexes "B-1", "B-2", "B-3" and "B-4"**, respectively, and are made integral parts hereof;

WHEREAS, the Competitive Bidding Procedure for Goods and Services was adopted in this undertaking pursuant to Republic Act No. 9184 (RA 9184) otherwise known as the Government Procurement Reform Act (GPRA) and its 2016 Revised Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR);

WHEREAS, a Pre-Bid Conference was conducted on 08 September 2021 at 10:00 AM and was attended via video conference by the following prospective bidders:

1. Maroonstudios, Inc.;
2. Kollab; \
3. Multisys Technologies Corporation;
4. Onprezcloud IT Solutions Co.; \
5. La Quest, Inc.; \



6. ePLDT, Inc.; and,
7. Movement Soft, Inc.

A copy of the Minutes of the Pre-Bid Conference is hereto attached, marked as **Annex "C"**, and made an integral part hereof;

WHEREAS, the BAC issued three (3) Supplemental/ Bid Bulletins which formed part of the Bidding Documents and were posted at the PhilGEPS and DSWD websites, and at conspicuous places within the DSWD premises, to wit:

Reference No.	Date	Announcement
Supplemental/ Bid Bulletin No. 1	15 September 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Changes in the Bidding Documents<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Section VI. Schedule of Requirements- Section VII. Technical Specifications• Clarifications in the Bidding Documents<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Section VII. Technical Specifications- Roles and Responsibilities of the Service Provider• Deadline for the submission and receipt of bids<ul style="list-style-type: none">- 22 September 2021 at 9:00 AM
Supplemental/ Bid Bulletin No. 2	17 September 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Clarifications in the Bidding Documents<ul style="list-style-type: none">- ITB Clause 5.3.a- Section VI. Schedule of Requirements- Section VII. Technical Specifications- Section IX. Bidding Forms• Deadline for the submission and receipt of bids is moved from 22 September 2021 to 24 September 2021 at 9:00 AM
Supplemental/ Bid Bulletin No. 3	20 September 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Deadline for the submission and receipt of bids is moved from 24 September 2021 to 27 September 2021 at 9:00 AM

Copies of Supplemental/ Bid Bulletins and proof of postings are hereto attached, marked as **Annexes "D-1"**, **"D-2"**, and **"D-3"**, respectively, and are made integral parts hereof;

WHEREAS, in response to the ITB, the following prospective bidders secured a complete set of Bidding Documents upon payment of an applicable fee in the amount of Fifteen Thousand Pesos (Php15,000.00):

No.	Bidder's Name	Lot No.	Official Receipt No.	Amount
1.	Maroonstudios, Inc.	1	9335097	15,000.00
2.	iOne Resources, Inc.	1	9337073	15,000.00
3.	ePLDT, Inc.	1	9337074	15,000.00

Copies of Official Receipt as proof of payment is hereto attached, marked as **Annexes "E-1"**, **"E-2"**, and **"E-3"**, respectively, and made integral parts hereof;



WHEREAS, prior to the deadline for the submission and receipt of bids on 27 September 2021 at 9:00 a.m., the following bidders came to submit their bid proposals:

No.	Bidder's Name	Lot No.	Date and Time Received
1.	Maroonstudios, Inc. and JV Radenta Technologies, Inc. (Joint Venture)	1	27 September 2021 at 7:28 a.m.
2.	iOne Resources, Inc.	1	27 September 2021 at 8:20 a.m.
3.	ePLDT, Inc.	1	27 September 2021 at 8:50 a.m.

Copies of the Receipt of Bid Proposal are hereto attached, marked as **Annexes "F-1"**, **"F-2"**, and **"F-3"**, respectively, and made integral parts hereof;

WHEREAS, on 27 September 2021 at 10:00 AM, during the opening of bids and preliminary examination of the documents submitted by the bidders, the BAC had the following findings:

Name of Bidder	Technical Component	Financial Component
Maroonstudios, Inc. and JV Radenta Technologies, Inc. (Joint Venture)	"Passed"	"Passed"
iOne Resources, Inc.	"Passed"	"Passed"
ePLDT, Inc.	"Passed"	"Passed"

Copies of the Minutes of Bid Opening and Abstract of Bids "As Read" are hereto attached, marked as **Annexes "G-1"** and **"G-2"**, respectively, and are made integral parts hereof;

WHEREAS, the BAC, with the assistance of its Secretariat, conducted the Bid Evaluation to determine the Lowest Calculated Bid (LCB) and if there are computational errors in the bid prices submitted by the bidders, to wit:

NAME OF BIDDER	BID PRICE (in Phil Peso)	FINDINGS/REMARKS
Maroonstudios, Inc. and JV Radenta Technologies, Inc. (Joint Venture)	23,793,675.00	Lowest Calculated Bid (LCB)
iOne Resources, Inc.	12,146,625,000.00*	Non-Complying due to Above ABC
ePLDT, Inc.	24,495,000.00	Second Lowest Calculated Bid (2 nd LCB)

*Recalculated Bid Price

A copy of the Bid Evaluation Report is hereto attached, marked as **Annex "H"**, and made an integral part hereof;

WHEREAS, for purposes of conducting the Post-Qualification, the BAC requested Maroonstudios, Inc. and JV Radenta Technologies, Inc. (Joint Venture) being the LCB, to submit additional documents within five (5) calendar days from receipt of notice, pursuant to Section 34.2 of the 2016 Revised IRR of RA 9184. A copy of the



Notice of Post-Qualification is hereto attached, marked as **Annex "I"**, and made an integral part hereof;

WHEREAS, the BAC created a TWG pursuant to Section 12 of the 2016 Revised IRR of RA 9184 that will conduct the Post-Qualification of the above-mentioned LCB. A copy of the said creation of TWG is hereto attached, marked as **Annex "J"**, and made an integral part hereof;

WHEREAS, on 06 October 2021, the BAC received the TWG report which found Maroonstudios, Inc. and JV Radenta Technologies, Inc. (Joint Venture) as "non-responsive" to all the requirements stipulated in the Bidding Documents. A copy of the said TWG Report is hereto attached, marked as **Annex "K"**, and made an integral part hereof;

WHEREAS, on 11 October 2021, the DSWD Secretary issued Special Order (SO) No. 3091 Series of 2021 announcing the "Reconstitution of the DSWD Central Office Bids and Awards Committee (BAC)". A copy of the said SO is hereto attached, marked as **Annex "L"**, and made an integral part hereof;

WHEREAS, on 12 October 2021, the BAC issued the Notice of Disqualification to iOne Resources, Inc., due to its failure to comply with the requirements indicated in Section VIII. Checklist of Technical and Financial Documents particularly the price proposal form which resulted to its non-compliance due to Above ABC after recalculation of its Bid Price. A copy of the Notice of Disqualification is hereto attached, marked as **Annex "M"**, and made an integral part hereof;

WHEREAS, the BAC on its Regular Meeting on 13 October 2021, carefully reviewed and deliberated the merits of the TWG Post-Qualification Report and resolved to declare Maroonstudios, Inc. and JV Radenta Technologies, Inc. (Joint Venture) as Non-responsive and Post-Disqualified for failure to comply with the requirement as stated in Section VII. Technical Specification. Further, the BAC resolved to proceed with the post-qualification of the next LCB which is ePLDT, Inc. A copy of the Minutes of Regular Meeting is hereto attached marked as **Annex "N"**, and made an integral part hereof;

WHEREAS, on the same day, the BAC issued a Notice of Post-Disqualification to Maroonstudios, Inc. and JV Radenta Technologies, Inc. (Joint Venture). A copy of the said notice is hereto attached, marked as **Annex "O"**, and made an integral part hereof;

WHEREAS, on 15 October 2021, the BAC received a Motion for Reconsideration (MR) from iOne Resources, Inc. explaining that the reflected unit and total price amount was on a per month basis. Subsequently on the same day, the BAC received another MR this time from Maroonstudios, Inc. and JV Radenta Technologies, Inc. (Joint Venture) reiterating the veracity and compliance of their submitted documents as stipulated in the Bidding Documents. Copies of said MRs are hereto attached, marked as **Annexes "P"** and **"Q"**, respectively, and made integral parts hereof;

WHEREAS, on 19 October 2021, a Notice of Post-Qualification was issued to ePLDT, Inc. for being the second LCB to submit additional documents within five (5) calendar days from receipt of notice, pursuant to Section 34.2 of the 2016 Revised IRR



of RA 9184. A copy of the said notice is hereto attached, marked as **Annex "R"**, and made an integral part hereof;

WHEREAS, on 20 October 2021, on its Regular Meeting, the BAC resolved to deny the Motion for Reconsideration filed by iOne Resources for its failure to substantiate the reason of its disqualification. Likewise, the BAC resolute to maintain its decision to post-disqualify and deny the MR filed by Maroonstudios, Inc. and JV Radenta Technologies, Inc. (Joint Venture) on the grounds that it failed to satisfy the required documents to bolster, or to provide proof of satisfactory service from three (3) successful email service deployments from its clients. A copy of the Minutes of Regular Meeting is hereto attached marked as **Annexes "S-1"**, and **"S-2"**, respectively, and made integral parts hereof;

WHEREAS, the BAC requested the Technical Working Group (TWG), to reconvene and conduct the Post-Qualifications of the 2nd LCB, ePLDT, Inc. A copy of the Memorandum is hereto attached, marked as **Annex "T"**, and made an integral part hereof;

WHEREAS, on 02 November 2021, the BAC received the TWG report which found ePLDT, Inc. to be "responsive" to the DSWD technical requirements and technically, financially, and legally compliant to the requirements stipulated in the Bidding Documents. A copy of the said TWG Report is hereto attached, marked as **Annex "U"**, and made an integral part hereof;

WHEREAS, the BAC on its Regular Meeting on 10 November 2021, deliberated the merits of the TWG Post-Qualification Report and adopt the recommendation of the TWG to award the contract to ePLDT, Inc. having found to be Responsive to all the requirements stipulated in the bidding documents. A copy of the Minutes of Regular Meeting is hereto attached marked as **Annex "V"**, and made an integral part hereof;

NOW, THEREFORE, in view of the foregoing and on the basis of the documents presented, we, the Bids and Awards Committee, resolves as it is hereby resolved, to recommend award of contract for the **Subscription to a Managed Electronic Mail (Email) Services for DSWD** under ITB No. GOP/21-DSWD-017 to **ePLDT, Inc.**, being the Lowest Calculated and Responsive Bid (LCRB), with a Total Contract Price (TCP) of **Twenty-Four Million Four Hundred Ninety-Five Thousand Pesos (PHP24,495,000.00)**, inclusive of all applicable taxes.


RESOLVED, this 15th day of November 2021 at Quezon City, Philippines.


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Officer-in-Charge, Administrative Service
Regular Member

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DANILO G. PAMONAG
Undersecretary for Social Welfare and Development
(Per Special Order No. 3242, Series of 2019)
(Head of the Procuring Entity/Authorized Representative)

**Designated as Vice-Chairperson in the absence of the Chairperson*

SUBJECT : BAC Resolution No. 21-11-204 **RECOMMENDING AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR THE SUBSCRIPTION TO A MANAGED ELECTRONIC MAIL (EMAIL) SERVICES FOR DSWD**

DATE : 15 NOVEMBER 2021

Recommendation/s:

In view of the foregoing and on the basis of the documents presented, we, the Bids and Awards Committee, resolves as it is hereby resolved, to recommend award of contract for the **Subscription to a Managed Electronic Mail (Email) Services for DSWD** under ITB No. GOP/21-DSWD-017 to ePLDT, Inc., being the Lowest Calculated and Responsive Bid (LCRB), with a Total Contract Price (TCP) of **Twenty-Four Million Four Hundred Ninety-Five Thousand Pesos (PHP24,495,000.00)**, inclusive of all applicable taxes.

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¹ Designated as Vice-Chairperson in the absence of the Chairperson