



**Republic of the Philippines**  
**Professional Regulation Commission**  
**Manila**



**BIDS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE**  
**Resolution No. 2021 - 64(C)**

**RECOMMENDING TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE PROFESSIONAL REGULATION COMMISSION, FOR HIS APPROVAL, THE AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR THE PROCUREMENT OF INTERNET CONNECTION REDUNDANCY FOR PROFESSIONAL REGULATION COMMISSION TO CONVERGE INFORMATION & COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS INC. WITH A TOTAL BID AMOUNT OF FOUR MILLION FOUR HUNDRED TWENTY-THREE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED PESOS (PHP4,423,500.00)**

**WHEREAS**, the Bids and Awards Committee (BAC) caused the posting of the invitation to apply for eligibility and to bid through Public Bidding in the Professional Regulation Commission (PRC) website, the Philippine Government Electronic Procurement System (PhilGEPS), and BAC Bulletin Board for the project: Procurement of Internet Connection Redundancy for Professional Regulation Commission with an approved budget for the contract of Four Million Four Hundred Twenty-Three Thousand Six Hundred Pesos (Php4,423,600.00).

**WHEREAS**, on October 11, 2021, a pre-procurement conference was held to discuss the terms of reference prepared and submitted by the end user for the abovementioned project before the preparation of the bidding documents.

**WHEREAS**, on October 27, 2021 a pre-bid conference via video conferencing was held to explain and clarify the bidding documents and to accommodate any inquiry which the bidders may have. This was attended by two (2) prospective bidders, Philippine Telegraph and Telephone Corporation (PT&T) and Converge Information & Communications Technology Solutions Inc. (Converge). Only Converge purchased the Bidding Documents.

**WHEREAS**, Section 30, Rule IX of the 2016 Revised Implementing Rules and Regulations of Republic Act No. 9184, known as the Government Procurement Reform Act requires that the preliminary examination of the bids be conducted by merely checking for the presence or absence of documentary requirements using a non-discretionary "pass/fail" criterion. If a bidder submits the required document, it shall be rated "passed" for the particular requirement. In this regard, bids that fail to include any requirement or are incomplete or patently insufficient shall be considered as "failed".

**WHEREAS**, on November 8, 2021, during the submission and opening of bids, only Converge submitted its bidding document. The BAC, using a non-discretionary "pass/fail" criterion, Converge passed the eligibility and technical evaluation. Converge's financial bid was opened and its bid proposal is in the amount of Four Million Four Hundred Twenty-Three Thousand Five Hundred Pesos (Php4,423,500.00). Thus, Converge was declared as the Single Calculated Bidder and was subjected to Post-Qualification.

**WHEREAS**, on November 12, 2021, a post-qualification was conducted at the BAC Conference Room, PRC Central Office, located at the 4<sup>th</sup> Floor of the PRC Annex Building. Converge presented the original copies of the eligibility and technical documents

submitted during the opening of bids, including the additional requirements for post qualification.

**WHEREAS**, during the post-qualification evaluation. Converge was not able to present the proof of latest three (3) months remittances for SSS, PhilHealth, and Pag-Ibig, in compliance with all the rights and benefits of the employees under Labor Code and applicable Wage Laws. Thus, the BAC gave Converge five (5) calendar days to submit the said proof of remittances. On November 17, 2021 Converge submitted the proof of remittances and was evaluated on November 18, 2021 by the BAC.

**WHEREAS**, Converge having passed the post-qualification, was declared to be the Single Calculated and Responsive Bidder.

**WHEREFORE**, the **BIDS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE RESOLVES**, as it hereby **RESOLVED**, to recommend to the Chairman of the Professional Regulation Commission, for his approval, the award of contract for the **PROCUREMENT OF INTERNET CONNECTION REDUNDANCY FOR PROFESSIONAL REGULATION COMMISSION TO CONVERGE INFORMATION & COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS INC.** with the bid amount of **FOUR MILLION FOUR HUNDRED TWENTY-THREE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED PESOS (PHP4,423,500.00).**

Done in the City of Manila, Philippines, this 29th day of November 2021.

**BIDS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE**

  
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