



**BIDS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE**

(CENTRAL OFFICE)

RESOLUTION NO. AS-2016

**RECOMMENDING THE APPROVAL OF THE AWARD OF CONTRACTS TO WELCOME EXPORT, INCORPORATED AND ACMI OFFICE SYSTEMS PHILIPPINES, INC. FOR THE PROCUREMENT OF STARTER TOOLKITS FOR THE SPECIAL TRAINING FOR EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM (STEP) FY 2016 ON A PER LOT BASIS AND DECLARING A FAILURE OF BIDDING ON LOT 39 (PERFORM HAND SPA [LEADING TO BEAUTY CARE NC II])**

**WHEREAS**, the Bids and Awards Committee (BAC), as mandated by Republic Act No. 9184, otherwise known as the Government Procurement Reform Act, is the body tasked to post invitations to bid, to conduct pre-bid conferences, to determine the eligibility of prospective bidders, to receive and open bids, to conduct the evaluation of bids, to conduct post-qualification and to recommend award of contracts to the Head of the Procuring Entity;

**WHEREAS**, in view of the procurement of starter toolkits for the Special Training for Employment Program (STEP) FY 2016, the Director General created a Technical Working Group (TWG) that will identify the requirements for the implementation of STEP which shall necessarily include the identification of the qualifications and corresponding tools and equipment that will be covered by STEP. The TWG came out with the list of qualifications with corresponding tools and equipment in close coordination with the TESDA Regional Offices. A copy of TESDA Order No. 16, Series of 2016, issued on 21 January 2016 is hereto attached as Annex "A";

**WHEREAS**, the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) intends to apply the sum of One Hundred Fifty One Million Three Hundred Sixty Five Thousand Two Hundred Eleven Pesos and Forty Four Centavos Only (Php151,365,211.44) being the total Approved Budget for the Contract (ABC) for the procurement of starter toolkits for the STEP for FY 2016. Copies of the Terms of Reference (TOR) and Obligation Request (OBR) duly approved by the Director General are hereto attached as Annexes "B" and "C", respectively;

**WHEREAS**, the BAC upon receipt of the TOR for the procurement of starter toolkits for the STEP FY 2016 convened on 01 February 2016 at 2:00 PM at the CSA Conference Room located at 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor of TESDA Administration Building in Taguig City to conduct a pre-procurement conference with the end-user's representative in accordance with Section 20 of the Revised Implementing Rules and Regulations of

Republic Act No. 9184. A copy of the Minutes of the Meeting is hereto attached as Annex "D";

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Section 21 of the Revised Implementing Rules and Regulations of Republic Act No. 9184, TESDA advertised on 04 February 2016 the Invitation to Bid for the procurement of starter toolkits for the STEP for FY 2016 in a newspaper of general circulation and posted the same in the PhilGEPS. Copies of which are hereto attached as Annexes "E" and "F", respectively;

**WHEREAS**, responding to the abovementioned Invitation to Bid, three (3) prospective bidders signified their interest to participate in said bidding process by purchasing bidding documents, namely: 1) Welcome Export, Incorporated 2) ACMI Office System Philippines, Incorporated and 3) East Pacific Industrial Trading. East Pacific Industrial Trading bought bidding documents on separate occasions. Copies of the official receipts for the purchase of bidding documents are hereto attached as Annexes "G", "H", "I", and "J", respectively;

**WHEREAS**, the BAC in compliance also with the directive of the Director General invited several observers registered with PhilGEPS to witness the bidding activities particularly on the procurement of starter toolkits for the STEP for FY 2016 for purposes of transparency and good governance. Pursuant to Section 13 of Revised Implementing Rules and Regulations of Republic Act No. 9184, the BAC invited several observers to attend the pre-bid conference on 15 February 2016 and the bid opening on 29 February 2016. Copies of the letters to observers are hereto attached as Annexes "K", "L", "M", "N", "O" and "P", respectively;

**WHEREAS**, the pre-bid conference was held on 15 February 2016 at 2:00 PM at the CSA Conference Room located at 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor of TESDA Administration Building in Taguig City. A copy of the Minutes of the Meeting is hereto attached as Annex "Q";

**WHEREAS**, on 19 February 2016, East Pacific Industrial Trading filed its request for reconsideration relative to the requirements prescribed in the bidding documents that the bidder must be in the business for ten (10) years. A copy of the request for reconsideration of East Pacific Industrial Trading dated 19 February 2016 is hereto attached as Annex "R";

**WHEREAS**, the issues and concerns of East Pacific Industrial Trading in its letter dated 19 February 2016 had been addressed to by the BAC through the issuance of Bid Bulletin No. 01 dated 19 February 2016. Copy of the bid bulletin is hereto attached as Annex "S";

**WHEREAS**, the bid opening was held on 29 February 2016 at 2:00 P.M. at the CSA Conference Room located at 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor of TESDA Administration Building in Taguig City. A copy of the Minutes of the Meeting is hereto attached as Annex "T";

**WHEREAS**, the bids of East Pacific Industrial Trading for Lots 2 (Produce Organic Vegetable [Leading to Organic Agriculture Production NC II]), 5 (Raise Swine [Leading to Animal Production NC II]), 17 (Construction Painting NC II), 18 (Install Pre-Cast Balusters and Handrail [Leading to Masonry NC II]), 20 (Masonry

