

APPROVAL OF THE FIFTH (5TH) EDITION OF THE PHILIPPINE BIDDING DOCUMENTS FOR GOODS, INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS, AND CONSULTING SERVICES

WHEREAS, Republic Act (RA) No. 9184 entitled "An Act Providing for the Modernization, Standardization and Regulation of the Procurement Activities of the Government Procurement and for Other Purposes," took effect on 26 January 2003;

WHEREAS, Section 6 of RA 9184 mandates the Government Procurement Policy Board (GPPB) to develop and issue standard bidding forms, the use of which once issued shall be mandatory upon Procuring Entities;

WHEREAS, on 20 August 2004, the GPPB issued Resolution No. 10-2004 approving and adopting the First (1st) Edition of the Philippine Bidding Documents (PBDs) for the Procurement of Goods, Civil Works, and Consulting Services as standard forms in the preparation of the bidding documents for all procurement activities;

WHEREAS, the Second (2nd) and Third (3rd) Editions of the PBDs were respectively issued on 9 August 2005 through GPPB Resolution No. 10-2005, and 30 September 2009 through GPPB Resolution No. 05-2009;

WHEREAS, the Fourth (4th) Edition of the PBDs for Goods, Infrastructure Projects, and Consulting Services was issued by the GPPB on 17 December 2010 through Resolution No. 06-2010;

WHEREAS, various amendments to the revised Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of RA 9184 were made through Resolutions issued by the GPPB to make the rules simpler, more transparent, competitive, and efficient to adopt to the changes and demands of the procurement environment;

WHEREAS, the amendments to the revised IRR of RA 9184 should be reflected in the corresponding PBDs for Good, Infrastructure Projects, and Consulting Services to ensure the standardized application of the rules, in parallel with the then on-going revision of the IRR of RA 9184;

WHEREAS, the World Bank, through Australia's Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT), provided technical assistance to the GPPB-Technical Support Office (TSO) to engage consultants to assist in updating the 4th Edition of the PBDs for Goods, Infrastructure Projects, and Consulting Services;

WHEREAS, the consultants consolidated all the amendments to the revised IRR of RA 9184 and the comments and suggestions from the members of the GPPB, the GPPB-TSO and the Development Partners (i.e. Asian Development Bank, Japan International Cooperation Agency, and World Bank) in updating the 4th Edition of the PBDs;

WHEREAS, during the Inter Agency Technical Working Group (IATWG) Special Meeting on 27 and 28 April 2016 for the Technical Workshop on the review of the PBDs, the consultants presented the initial draft of the PBDs, while the members of the IATWG provided their comments and suggestions for the improvement of the PBDs;

WHEREAS, on 9 August 2016, the GPPB issued Resolution No. 13-2016 approving and adopting the 2016 Revised IRR of RA 9184 and its Annexes, which introduced amendments allowing the rules to be more transparent, competitive and efficient;

WHEREAS, on 23 September 2016, during the 10th GPPB Regular Meeting, the proposed 5th Edition of the PBDs, incorporating the recommendations of the IATWG and the changes introduced by the 2016 Revised IRR of RA 9184, were presented to the GPPB;

WHEREAS, the GPPB deferred the approval of the proposed 5th Edition of the PBDs subject to further review and comments of its members until 7 October 2016, and agreed that the same be taken up in the next GPPB meeting;

WHEREAS, on 27 October 2016, during its 11th Regular Meeting, the GPPB, after careful review and due deliberation of the final comments and suggestions of the members, agreed to approve the Fifth (5th) Edition of the PBDs for Goods, Infrastructure Projects, and Consulting Services;

NOW, **THEREFORE**, for and in consideration of the foregoing, **WE**, the Members of the **GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT POLICY BOARD**, by virtue of the powers vested on **US** by law, hereby **RESOLVE** to confirm, adopt, and approve, as **WE** hereby confirm, adopt, and approve the Fifth (5th) Edition of the Philippine Bidding Documents for Goods, Infrastructure Projects, and Consulting Services.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED this 27th day of October 2016 at the City of Manila, Philippines.

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