

NPM No. 068-2016

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MS. GRACE CADWISING
Member, BAC Secretariat
CITY GOVERNMENT OF BAGUIO
Baguio City

Re: Single Largest Completed Contract (SLCC)

Dear Ms. Cadwising:

This refers to your electronic mail (e-mail) requesting for clarification on Non-Policy Matter (NPM) Opinion No. 120-2015 regarding the requirement of Single Largest Completed Contract (SLCC).

It is represented that a bidder under Small B category was post-disqualified for having an SLCC which is less than 50% of the Approved Budget for the Contract (ABC). The bidder protested citing Section 23.5.2.5 of the revised Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of Republic Act (RA) No. 9184.

As a general rule, a prospective bidder must have previously completed a contract that is similar to, and valued at least fifty percent (50%) of the ABC of the contract being bid out. However, for prospective bidders registered under either Small A or Small B category that do not have a previously completed similar contract, they are allowed to participate in the procurement activity provided that the cost of the contract being bid out is not more than fifty percent (50%) of its ARCC.¹

In other words, a bidder under Small A or Small B category who does not have a previous completed contract with cost of not at least 50% of the ABC being bid out, are allowed to participate up to 50% of its Allowable Range of Contract Cost (ARCC). In addition, please be informed that the above-mentioned Sec. 23.5.2.5 of the 2009 revised IRR is now Sec.23.4.2.4 of the 2016 revised IRR, which allows contractors under Small A and Small B categories (without similar experience on the contract to be bid) to participate if the cost of the contract being bid out is not more than the ARCC based on the guidelines as prescribed by the Philippine Contractors Accreditation Board.

We hope that this opinion issued by the GPPB-TSO provided sufficient guidance on the matter. Note that this is issued on the basis of particular facts and situations presented, and may not be applicable given a different set of facts and circumstances. Should there be other concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Very truly yours,


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Executive Director V

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¹ NPM 122-2014, dated 12 November 2014.