

22 October 2021

SUBJECT : Invitation to Submit Proposal for the Subscription of Video Conferencing Software (Project Reference No: 2021-SVP-VCS-053-03)

Dear _____:

The Power Sector Assets and Liabilities Management (PSALM) Corporation is procuring services for the **Subscription of Video Conferencing Software** with an Approved Budget for the Contract (ABC) in the amount of **ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-ONE THOUSAND PESOS (PhP121,000.00)**, inclusive of VAT.

In this regard, may we invite your company to submit a proposal for this project based on the requirements set forth in the *Schedule of Requirements* (Annex A), *Technical Specifications* (Annex B) and the *Detailed Bid Price Schedule* (Annex C).

Your proposal should include copies of the following documents:

1	Certification of PhilGEPS Registration or PhilGEPS Registration Number ¹
2	Current and valid business permit issued by the city or municipality where the principal place of business of the prospective bidder is located, or equivalent document in case of an economic zone.
3	<p>Latest income tax returns filed and paid through the BIR Electronic Filing and Payment System (eFPS).</p> <p>Latest annual Income Tax Return (ITR) shall refer to the ITR for the year 2020 filed in 2021. For new establishments which have no annual ITR yet, it shall refer to the most recent quarter's ITR. Further, for areas where e-filing is yet to be implemented, a Certification to that effect from BIR main office is acceptable.</p>

¹ Note: Only PhilGEPS registration number (Red Membership) is required for this project and not necessarily Platinum membership. Nevertheless, in view of the State of Emergency and implementation of community quarantine, expired PhilGEPS Certificate of Registration and Membership (Platinum Membership) with application for renewal and official receipt shall be accepted, subject to submission of PhilGEPS Certificate after award of contract but before payment.

4	<p>Latest Business Tax Returns, which refers to the Value Added Tax (VAT) and/or Percentage Tax Returns covering the previous six (6) months:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="304 338 1382 719"> <tr> <td data-bbox="304 338 799 719"> <p>a) Value Added Tax (VAT) - BIR Form No. 2550 covering the following:</p> <p>i. latest quarters (2550Q) (i.e. 1st and 2nd Quarter of 2021)</p> <p>ii. latest months (2550M) (i.e July and August 2021)</p> </td> <td data-bbox="799 338 906 719" style="text-align: center; vertical-align: middle;">and/or</td> <td data-bbox="906 338 1382 719"> <p>b. Percentage Tax Returns BIR Form No. 2551 covering the following:</p> <p>i. latest quarters (2551Q) (i.e. 1st and 2nd Quarter of 2021)</p> <p>ii. latest months (2551M) (i.e. July and August 2021)</p> </td> </tr> </table> <p>Note: Bidders filing both VAT and Percentage Tax Returns must submit both returns, or the equivalent documents in case of foreign bidders.</p>	<p>a) Value Added Tax (VAT) - BIR Form No. 2550 covering the following:</p> <p>i. latest quarters (2550Q) (i.e. 1st and 2nd Quarter of 2021)</p> <p>ii. latest months (2550M) (i.e July and August 2021)</p>	and/or	<p>b. Percentage Tax Returns BIR Form No. 2551 covering the following:</p> <p>i. latest quarters (2551Q) (i.e. 1st and 2nd Quarter of 2021)</p> <p>ii. latest months (2551M) (i.e. July and August 2021)</p>
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5	<p>Notarized Omnibus Sworn Statement (Annex E).</p> <p>The Omnibus Sworn Statement must be accompanied by a duly notarized Secretary's Certificate, Board/Partnership Resolution, or Special Power of Attorney, whichever is applicable, stating that the signatory is the duly authorized representative of the prospective bidder, and granted full power and authority to do, execute and perform any and all acts necessary to participate, submit the bid, and to sign and execute the ensuing contract.</p>			
6	<p>Notarized Annex D (Conformity with Annex A (Schedule of Requirements) and Annex B (Technical Specifications)).</p>			
7	<p>Detailed Bid Price Schedule (Annex C) / Total Bid Price in Figures (PHP)</p>			

In addition, the winning bidder shall submit the following documents during post-qualification:

1. Registration certificate from the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) for sole proprietorship, or Cooperative Development Authority (CDA) for cooperatives, charter for government entity, or any proof of such registration.
2. Latest Tax Clearance per E.O. No. 398, s. 2005, as finally reviewed and approved by the Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR). Provisionary Tax clearance is not acceptable under GPPB Resolution No. 1-2014.
3. Original Copy of the notarized Omnibus Sworn Statement.
4. Original Copy of the notarized Annex D.
5. Original Copy of the Detailed Bid Price Schedule (Annex C).

The Invitation to Submit Proposal may be downloaded from the websites of the Philippine Government Electronic Procurement System (PhilGEPS) (<https://www.philgeps.gov.ph>) and PSALM (<https://www.psalm.gov.ph>), provided that Bidder shall pay the applicable fee of **Five Hundred Pesos (PHP500.00)**, not later than the deadline for submission of proposals.

Payments can be deposited thru PSALM LBP account with details below:

Name of Bank:	Land Bank of the Philippines
Branch:	Paseo de Roxas Branch
Account Name:	Power Sector Assets and Liabilities Mgt. Corp. (PSALM)
Account Number:	1802-1019-68
LBP Swift Code:	TLBPPHMM

Thereafter, the Bidder must send the proof of payment and register its email address to the BAC Secretariat at BACSEC2021@psalm.gov.ph.

Kindly submit your sealed proposal in electronic form (PDF with complete attachments) or password-protected proposal in a compressed archive folder to the email address: bid.submission@psalm.gov.ph on or before **10:00 AM, 28 October 2021**. Thereafter, proposals will be opened at **10:15 AM, 28 October 2021** through videoconferencing/webcasting via Zoom Cloud Meetings application. The TWG/End-user will provide and send the meeting ID to the bidder/s prior to the opening of proposals.

The passwords for accessing the file will be disclosed by the Bidders only during the actual bid opening. If the password fails to open the file, the Bidder shall be given only three tries until the BAC shall declare it to be disqualified. Bids not in compressed archive folders and are not password protected, shall be rejected. However, bid envelopes that are not properly sealed and marked or not properly compressed and password-protected, as required in the Request for Proposal, shall be accepted, provided that the bidder or its duly authorized representative shall acknowledge such condition of the bid as submitted. The detailed procedure for electronic/online bid opening is contained in the General Policies and Procedures for Electronic/Online Submission and Receipt of Bids (Annex F).

For further information, please refer to:

THE MANAGER

Information Systems and Technology Department (ISTD)
Power Sector Assets and Liabilities Management Corporation
24th Floor Vertis North Corporate Center 1, Astra cor. Lux Drives,
North Avenue, 1105 Quezon City
Telephone No.: (02) 7902-9000
e-mail: hbbalisbis@psalm.gov.ph

Very truly yours,



HACER B. BALISBIS
Manager, ISTD

Annex "A"

SCHEDULE OF REQUIREMENTS

- 1) Subscription Period
 - The subscription period for the ten (10) licenses shall be for one (1) year.
 - The subscription period shall commence upon the issuance of Certificate of Effectivity by the Procuring Entity; and
 - The issuance of the Certificate of Effectivity is upon completion of the Required Document and/or deliverables.
- 2) Required Document
 - The winning bidder must submit/deliver the Proof of Enrollment/Paper License from the Principal (if applicable).
- 3) Liquidated Damages
 - Liquidated Damages will be imposed if the delivery of the Required Document and/or any deliverables will not be accomplished by the winning bidder after fifteen (15) calendar days upon acknowledgment of the Notice to Proceed.
 - The applicable rate for the liquidated damages is one-tenth (1/10) of one (1) percent of the cost of the unperformed portion for every day of delay.
 - Once the cumulative amount of liquidated damages reaches ten percent (10%) of the contract amount, the Procuring Entity may rescind or terminate the contract without prejudice to other courses of action and remedies available under the circumstances.
- 4) Payment Terms
 - A one-time payment shall be made within thirty (30) calendar days from PSALM's receipt of the software licenses subscription and upon the issuance of Certificate of Effectivity/Acceptance by the end-user to the effect that the software and licenses have been rendered or delivered in accordance with the terms of this contract.
- 5) Retention
 - The 5% retention money shall be deducted from the one-time payment.
- 6) Delivery Schedule and Address
 - The winning bidder must submit/deliver the Required Documents not more than fifteen (15) calendar days upon receipt of the Notice to Proceed and must be delivered at 24th Floor Vertis North Corporate Center 1, Astra corner Lux Drives, North Avenue, Quezon City 1105.

ANNEX “B”

PSALM TECHNICAL STANDARD SPECIFICATION			
Subscription of Video Conferencing Software			
ITEM	DESCRIPTION	QTY	U/M
I	Video Conferencing Software	10	LIC
	A. Each license can host up to 300 participants		
	B. Participants can join the meeting for free from their phone, desktop, mobile, and tablet devices.		
	C. A participant/s does not need an account to join a meeting.		
	D. Capable of the following: i. Unlimited Group Meetings ii. Unlimited 1-1 Meetings		
	E. The maximum duration per group meeting (3 or more participants) is 30 hours.		
	F. The technical support channel must be thru ticket, live chat, and phone.		
	G. Must be able to record to local computer and cloud. Cloud capacity must have a minimum of 1 Gb per license.		
	H. The local recording must save meeting recordings in MP4 (video), M4A (audio), and txt (chat) formats.		
	I. Cloud Recording stores meetings in the cloud, where the file can then be downloaded and/or streamed from a browser.		
	J. Must be able to share the desktop and application.		
	K. Capable of multi-share. The user/host can allow multiple participants to share their screens simultaneously during a hosting meeting.		
	L. Capable of Video Breakout Rooms or split the meeting into as many as 50 separate sessions for discussion, projects, and more.		
	M. Capable of Virtual Background feature using image and movie clip.		
	N. Capable of creating own permanent online meeting room.		
	O. Capable of a chat feature. Allows sending group text, files, screen captures, code snippets, voice messages, and images. Text can be formatted, and users can share GIFs and emojis as well.		
	P. Displays whether chat participants are active on desktop or mobile devices, or busy in meetings.		
	Q. A participant/s does not need an account to be able to use the chat feature.		
	R. Capable of Host Controls. As the host in a meeting, the host can manage the participant’s video sharing, screen, audio, etc.		
	S. A host must be able to assign a host and co-host/s.		
	T. Hosts and co-hosts can control the following features: i. Mute participants ii. Request that a participant mutes or unmutes (with pre-approved consent) iii. Stops participant’s video iv. Request participant to start their video v. Prevent participants from screen sharing		

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> vi. Rename a participant vii. Put a participant on hold if enabled viii. Choose to play an enter or exit chime ix. Lock the meeting to prevent anyone new from joining x. Place participants in waiting room or admit/remove participants from the waiting room (waiting room can only be enabled by the host)
	<p>U. Only hosts have access to these features:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Give a participant the ability to record locally ii. Make a participant host or co-host iii. Enable waiting room
	<p>V. Meeting participants can annotate on a shared screen as a viewer or the one that started sharing your screen. The whiteboard feature will allow the sharing of a whiteboard that you and other participants (if allowed) can annotate on. Use annotation tools when sharing or viewing a whiteboard.</p>
	<p>W. Capable of remote-control feature. It allows to take control of another participant's screen in a meeting by requesting remote control of another participant's screen or the other participant can give control to the requestor.</p>
	<p>X. Must be using a TLS Encryption and AES-256 Encryption for real-time content.</p>
	<p>Y. Capable of Waiting Room feature. Must allow the host to control when a participant joins the meeting. The host can admit attendees one by one or all at once.</p>
	<p>Z. Hosts can message the Waiting Room.</p>
	<p>AA. The host can grant up to 9 people, the ability to pin videos to create their own custom view. So, no matter who is speaking, the pinned videos stay visible.</p>
	<p>BB. The host can spotlight up to 9 attendee's videos, so that no matter who is speaking the entire meeting sees the spotlighted videos.</p>
	<p>CC. Capable of live streaming of meeting or webinar.</p>
	<p>DD. Provides account owners and admins with various account, meeting, and webinar statistics to review how the organization is utilizing the application. It also allows members of the account the ability to review meeting statistics and registration/attendee reports for their meetings and webinars.</p>
	<p>EE. Allows account owners and admins to manage their users, such as add, delete, and assign roles and add-on features.</p>
	<p>FF. Capable of managing users on one account for simplified billing, advanced user management settings, and comprehensive usage insight.</p>
	<p>GG. Capable of adding the company's branding to customized page where user can join a meeting.</p>
	<p>HH. Create branded email template to send invites to attendees.</p>

ANNEX "C"

DETAILED BID PRICE SCHEDULE

Date: _____

Project: Subscription of Video Conferencing Software

Code: Project Reference No. 2021-SVP-VCS-053-03

(Supplier's Name/Address/Tel. No.)

Date of Submission: _____

Time of Submission: _____

ITEM	PARTICULAR	QTY	U/M	Unit Price (without RVAT)	Total Price (without RVAT)
I	Subscription of Video Conferencing Software	10	License		

TOTAL PRICE (PHP) =

PLUS: 12% VAT =

TOTAL BID PRICE (PHP) =

Total Amount of Bid Price in Words:

Note: Total Bid Price shall not exceed the Approved Budget for the Contract.

Signature Over Printed Name of Supplier/
Authorized Representative

Position: _____

Date: _____

ANNEX “D”

**CONFORMITY WITH ANNEX A (SCHEDULE OF REQUIREMENTS)
AND ANNEX B (TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS)**

(Name of Bidder) hereby undertakes that it shall COMPLY with the general requirements stated in the Schedule of Requirements (Annex A) and Technical Specifications (Annex B).

Name and Signature of Authorized Official

Position

Date

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES)
_____) S.S.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

BEFORE ME, a Notary Public for and in _____, Philippines, this ___ day of _____, 2021, personally appeared:

Name	Government-Issued ID & No.	Issued on	Issued at
(SUPPLIER)			

known to me and to me known to be the same person who executed the foregoing instrument consisting of _____ (___) page/s, including the page whereon this Acknowledgment is written, all pages signed by both parties and their instrumental witnesses, and they acknowledged before me that the same is their free and voluntary act and deed and that of the Corporation they represent.

WITNESS MY HAND AND NOTARIAL SEAL, on the date and place first above written.

Notary Public

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ANNEX “E”

Omnibus Sworn Statement

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES)
CITY/MUNICIPALITY OF _____) S.S.

AFFIDAVIT

I, [Name of Affiant], of legal age, [Civil Status], [Nationality], and residing at [Address of Affiant], after having been duly sworn in accordance with law, do hereby depose and state that:

1. *[Select one, delete the other:]*

[If a sole proprietorship:] I am the sole proprietor or authorized representative of [Name of Bidder] with office address at [address of Bidder];

[If a partnership, corporation, cooperative, or joint venture:] I am the duly authorized and designated representative of [Name of Bidder] with office address at [address of Bidder];

2. *[Select one, delete the other:]*

[If a sole proprietorship:] As the owner and sole proprietor, or authorized representative of [Name of Bidder], I have full power and authority to do, execute and perform any and all acts necessary to participate, submit the bid, and to sign and execute the ensuing contract for [Name of the Project] of the [Name of the Procuring Entity], as shown in the attached duly notarized Special Power of Attorney;

[If a partnership, corporation, cooperative, or joint venture:] I am granted full power and authority to do, execute and perform any and all acts necessary to participate, submit the bid, and to sign and execute the ensuing contract for [Name of the Project] of the [Name of the Procuring Entity], as shown in the attached [state title of attached document showing proof of authorization (e.g., duly notarized Secretary’s Certificate, Board/Partnership Resolution, or Special Power of Attorney, whichever is applicable)];

3. [Name of Bidder] is not “blacklisted” or barred from bidding by the Government of the Philippines or any of its agencies, offices, corporations, or Local Government Units, foreign government/foreign or international financing institution whose blacklisting rules have been recognized by the Government Procurement Policy Board, by itself or by relation, membership, association, affiliation, or controlling interest with another blacklisted person or entity as defined and provided for in the Uniform Guidelines on Blacklisting;

4. Each of the documents submitted in satisfaction of the bidding requirements is an authentic copy of the original, complete, and all statements and information

provided therein are true and correct;

5. [Name of Bidder] is authorizing the Head of the Procuring Entity or its duly authorized representative(s) to verify all the documents submitted;

6. *[Select one, delete the rest:]*

[If a sole proprietorship:] The owner or sole proprietor is not related to the Head of the Procuring Entity, members of the Bids and Awards Committee (BAC), the Technical Working Group, and the BAC Secretariat, the head of the Project Management Office or the end-user unit, and the project consultants by consanguinity or affinity up to the third civil degree;

[If a partnership or cooperative:] None of the officers and members of [Name of Bidder] is related to the Head of the Procuring Entity, members of the Bids and Awards Committee (BAC), the Technical Working Group, and the BAC Secretariat, the head of the Project Management Office or the end-user unit, and the project consultants by consanguinity or affinity up to the third civil degree;

[If a corporation or joint venture:] None of the officers, directors, and controlling stockholders of [Name of Bidder] is related to the Head of the Procuring Entity, members of the Bids and Awards Committee (BAC), the Technical Working Group, and the BAC Secretariat, the head of the Project Management Office or the end-user unit, and the project consultants by consanguinity or affinity up to the third civil degree;

7. [Name of Bidder] complies with existing labor laws and standards; and

8. [Name of Bidder] is aware of and has undertaken the responsibilities as a Bidder in compliance with the Philippine Bidding Documents, which includes:

- a. Carefully examining all of the Bidding Documents;
- b. Acknowledging all conditions, local or otherwise, affecting the implementation of the Contract;
- c. Making an estimate of the facilities available and needed for the contract to be bid, if any; and
- d. Inquiring or securing Supplemental/Bid Bulletin(s) issued for the [Name of the Project].

9. [Name of Bidder] did not give or pay directly or indirectly, any commission, amount, fee, or any form of consideration, pecuniary or otherwise, to any person or official, personnel or representative of the government in relation to any procurement project or activity.

10. In case advance payment was made or given, failure to perform or deliver any of the obligations and undertakings in the contract shall be sufficient grounds to constitute criminal liability for Swindling (Estafa) or the commission of fraud with unfaithfulness or abuse of confidence through misappropriating or converting any payment received by a person or entity under an obligation involving the duty to deliver certain goods or services, to the prejudice of the public and the government of the Philippines pursuant to Article 315 of Act No. 3815 s. 1930, as amended, or the Revised Penal Code.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this ___ day of ___, 20__ at _____, Philippines.

[Insert NAME OF BIDDER OR ITS AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE]

[Insert signatory's legal capacity]
Affiant

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this ___ day of *[month]* *[year]* at *[place of execution]*, Philippines. Affiant/s is/are personally known to me and was/were identified by me through competent evidence of identity as defined in the 2004 Rules on Notarial Practice (A.M. No. 02-8-13-SC). Affiant/s exhibited to me his/her *[insert type of government identification card used]*, with his/her photograph and signature appearing thereon, with no. _____ and his/her Community Tax Certificate No. _____ issued on ___ at _____.

Witness my hand and seal this ___ day of *[month]* *[year]*.

NAME OF NOTARY PUBLIC

Serial No. of Commission _____

Notary Public for _____ until _____

Roll of Attorneys No. _____

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ANNEX “F”

**GENERAL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES ON ELECTRONIC/
ONLINE SUBMISSION AND RECEIPT OF BIDS**

Legal Basis

The GPPB issued Resolution No. 09-2020 dated 07 May 2020 Approving Measures for The Efficient Conduct of Procurement Activities During A State of Calamity, or Implementation of Community Quarantine or Similar Restrictions. Among the measures introduced by the said Resolution are the following:

- a. All Procuring Entities (PE) are now encouraged to maximize the use of videoconferencing, webcasting and similar technology in the conduct of any of the BAC meetings and the determination of a quorum by the Bids and Awards Committee (BAC). The use of digital signatures in procurement related documents is also encouraged.
- b. Bids may now be submitted through on-line submission. The online or electronic submission and receipt of bids for procurement modalities where a two-envelope procedure or sealed price quotation and use a two-factor security procedure consisting of an archive format compression and password protection is required.
- c. The BAC shall decide whether to allow the online or electronic submission and receipt of bids based on the PE’s procurement needs and capabilities. It shall ensure the security, integrity and confidentiality of the bids submitted and generate an audit trail of transactions for the security, integrity and authenticity of the bid submissions.

User Registration and Payment of Bidding Document Fee

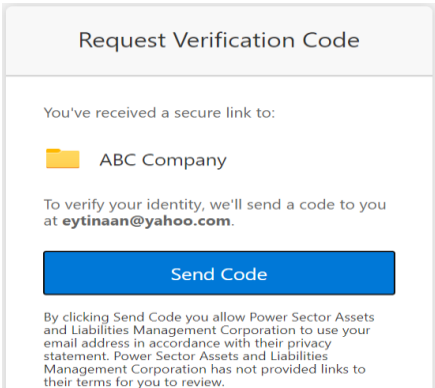
1. The Bidder must pay for the amount indicated in the Invitation to Bid before the Bidder can send their bids through the PSALM online bidding system.
2. After paying the bidding document fee, the Bidder must send an email to the BAC Secretariat at BACSec2021@psalm.gov.ph and must attach the following:
 - The picture or screenshot of the transaction or deposit slip
 - The valid email address that will be used in sending the bid
3. After receiving the above email, the BAC Secretariat will inform the PSALM ISTD to whitelist the provided email address and create and share the folder for the particular bidder.
4. The BAC Secretariat will email the Bidder to confirm the receipt of the above information together with the link of the shared folder created by the PSALM ISTD.
5. Only bidders who pay the Bid Document Fee shall be allowed to participate in the e-bidding activities and submit a bid.

Payments can be deposited thru PSALM LBP account with details below:

Name of Bank: Land Bank of the Philippines
 Branch: Paseo de Roxas Branch
 Account Name: Power Sector Assets and Liabilities Management Corporation (PSALM)
 Account Number: 1802-1019-68
 LBP Swift Code: TLBPPHMM

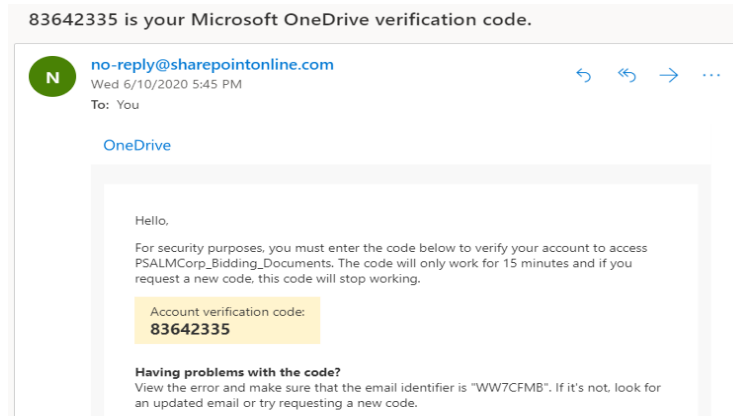
Submission of Bids

1. The Invitation to Bid, including the Bidding Documents shall clearly state whether the submission and receipt of bids through electronic means is available for the procurement opportunity.
2. The Bidder shall submit their Bids by uploading it to the provided shared folder at any time before the closing date and time specified in the Bidding Documents.
3. Below are the procedures on how to upload the bidding documents, its format, and the documents it must contain.

Procedures / Steps on How to Submit a Bidding Documents and Other Required Documents	
1.	The Bidder must follow the “User Registration and Payment of Bidding Document Fee” procedure before submitting the bidding documents.
2.	The BAC Secretariat will email the link of the shared folder to the registered email address of the bidder.
3.	The Bidder needs to check the email (including the SPAM/Junk folder) from the PSALM BAC Secretariat that contains the link of the shared folder that the Bidder may use in submitting the required Bidding Documents and other requirements.
4.	After receiving the email, the Bidder will need to click the link sent by the PSALM BAC Secretariat or copy and paste it to the address bar of any browser.
5.	The verification page will appear. The Bidder will need to click the “Send Code” button. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Verification Page
	
6.	After clicking the “Send Code” button, the verification code will be sent to the Bidder’s registered email address.

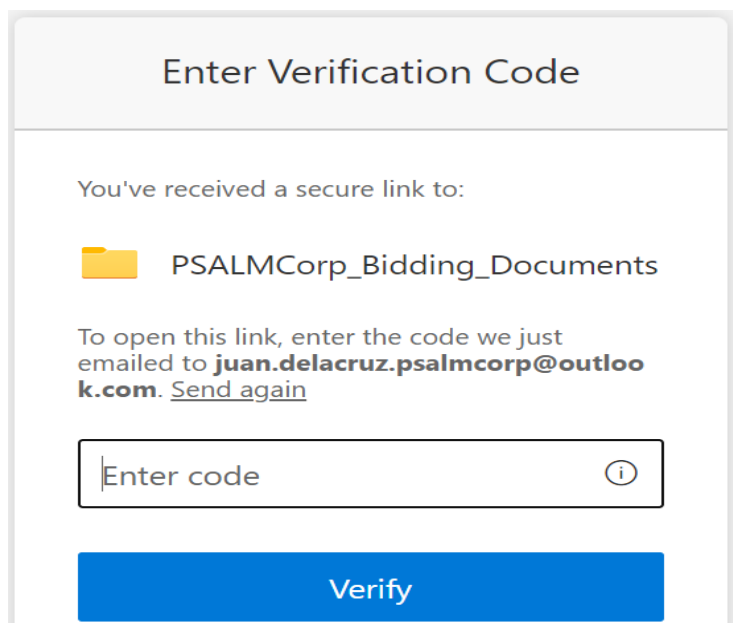
Procedures / Steps on How to Submit a Bidding Documents and Other Required Documents

- Verification Code email message



7. Input the verification code to the Verification Page and click verify.

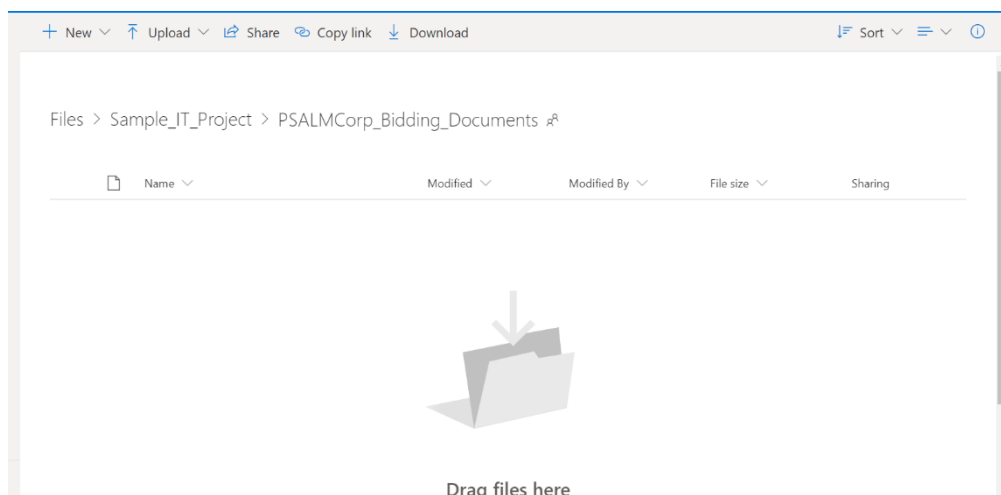
- Verification Page
- The Bidder should enter the code immediately since it has an expiration time. An error will occur once the code has expired.



“The existing code expired, we’ve sent an email with a new code to

juan.delacruz.psalmcorp@outlook.com. Please use the latest email that has the email identifier **ZYWS02C**.”

8. After verifying the code, the Bidder will be redirected to the shared folder page.



Procedures / Steps on How to Submit a Bidding Documents and Other Required Documents
<p>9. The Bidder can now start uploading the Bidding Documents and other requirements until the deadline of submission.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bidder is advised to upload the bidding documents before or at least 30 minutes ahead of the deadline. This approach will prevent the Bidder from rushing the Bidding Documents uploads and will have time in reporting if any problem is encountered.
<p>10. An On-line Bidder may modify its bid at any time before the closing date and time for the submission and receipt of bids. The Bidder can delete and upload another Bid equally secured and properly identified. The time indicated in the latest uploaded Bid shall be the official time of submission. Bids submitted after the deadline shall not be accepted.</p>
<p>11. The Bidder must use a two-factor security procedure consisting of an archive format compression and password protection to ensure the security, integrity and confidentiality of the bids submitted. The bids shall be composed of the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">a. A password protected zipped file containing the two PDF files.b. The two PDF files must be named with the following format:<ol style="list-style-type: none">i. First Envelopeii. Second Envelopec. The first PDF file should be password protected and corresponds to each section of the documentary and legal requirements, i.e. PhilGEPs Registration, Business Permit, Tax Returns, Conformity with Annexes "A" and "B", Omnibus Sworn Statement, Forms and Annexes, etc.d. The second PDF file must be also password protected and should contain the financial bid. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Note: The two PDF files should have different passwords. This is to avoid opening the two files at the same time, and when the documentary bid fails during its opening, the financial bid would remain intact and unopened.
<p>12. The Bidder must also upload a text file or notepad file with the following details:</p> <p>File Name: <i>Bidder's Company Name_ProjectName.txt</i> Contents of the File:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Procurement Project Title:Project Reference No.:Company Name:Address:Name of the bidder's authorized representative:Contact Nos.:Email address:
<p>13. After uploading all the requirements, the Bidder must send an email to the BAC Secretariat at BACSec2021@psalm.gov.ph and bid.submission@psalm.gov.ph to confirm the uploaded documents and requirements. The Bidder must attach the picture or screenshot of the uploaded documents and requirements.</p>

Procedures / Steps on How to Submit a Bidding Documents and Other Required Documents

Files > Sample_IT_Project > PSALMCorp_Bidding_Documents

Name	Modified	Modified By	File size	Sharing
RFP_Palo_Alto_Firewall.zip	A few seconds ago	juan.delacruz.psalmcorp@	151 KB	Shared
Company Name_Project Name.txt	32 minutes ago	juan.delacruz.psalmcorp@	159 bytes	Shared

14. The BAC Secretariat shall send an email to the bidder acknowledging and confirming the bidder's submission.

15. The BAC shall bar all incoming bids 30 minutes after the closing date and time. Upon reaching the deadline of the certain project, the BAC Secretariat will inform the PSALM ISTD to remove the sharing of the folder.

16. After removal of the sharing of the particular folder, the Bidder will not be able to submit any revised documents and requirements.

17. An On-line Bidder may withdraw its bid before the deadline for the submission and receipt of bids.

Procedures / Steps on How to ZIP a File with Password

1. User can download a free file archiver software though this link <https://www.7-zip.org/>

2. Install the downloaded software

- Right click the document that needs to be archived
- Select 7-zip > Add to archive...

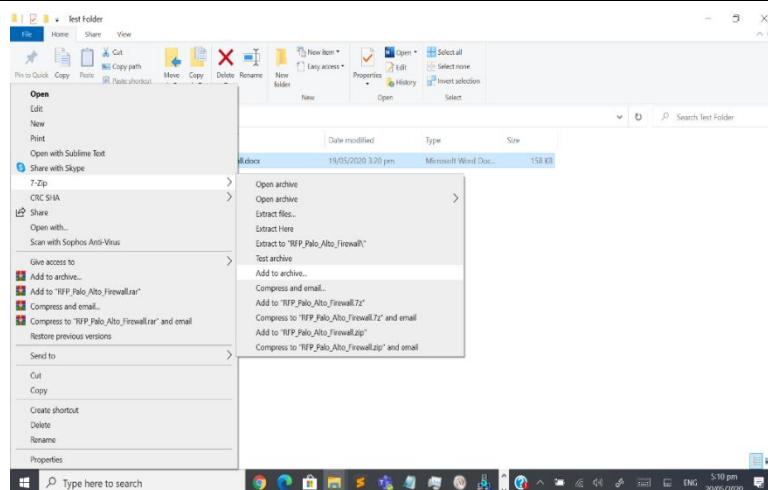
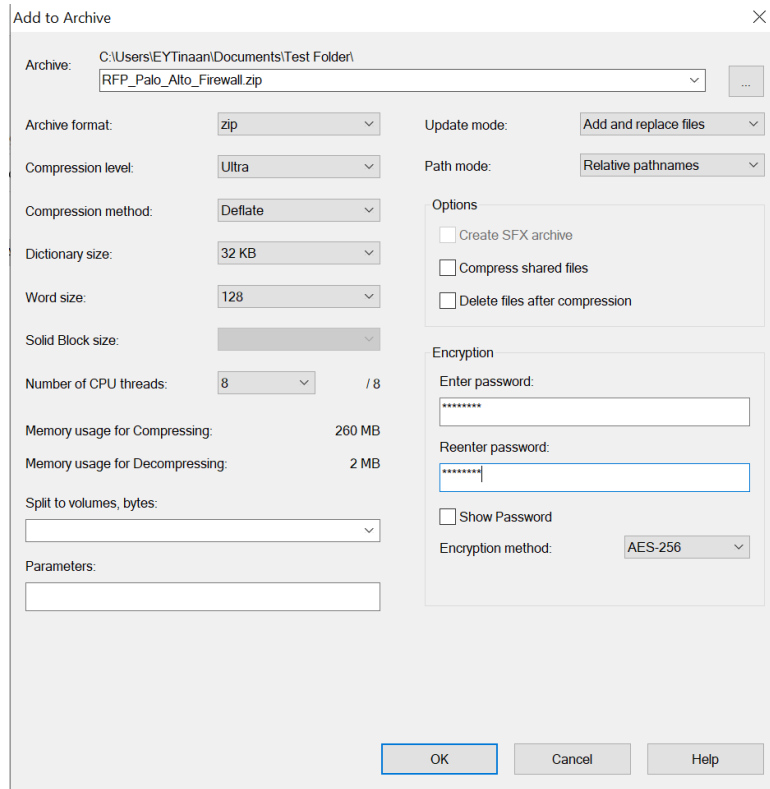


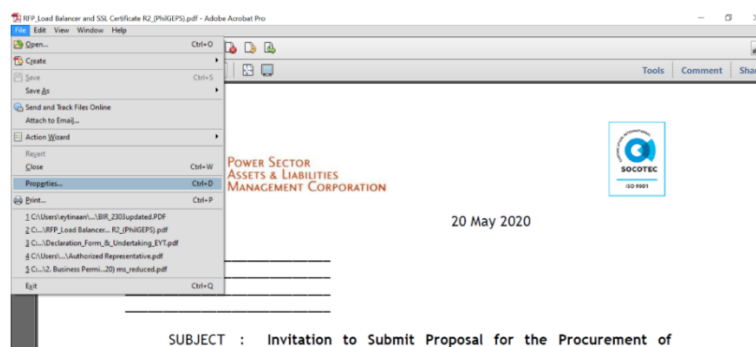
Figure 1: Screenshot of Windows File Explorer showing the 7-Zip context menu options for archiving a file.

5. Select the destination of the file
6. Make sure to choose the following:
 - a. Archive format - ZIP
 - b. Encryption method - AES-256
 - c. Compression level - ULTRA
 - d. Leave other options to their default value
7. Input the password to the two password fields
8. Make sure that the Show Password is unchecked
9. Click OK to continue

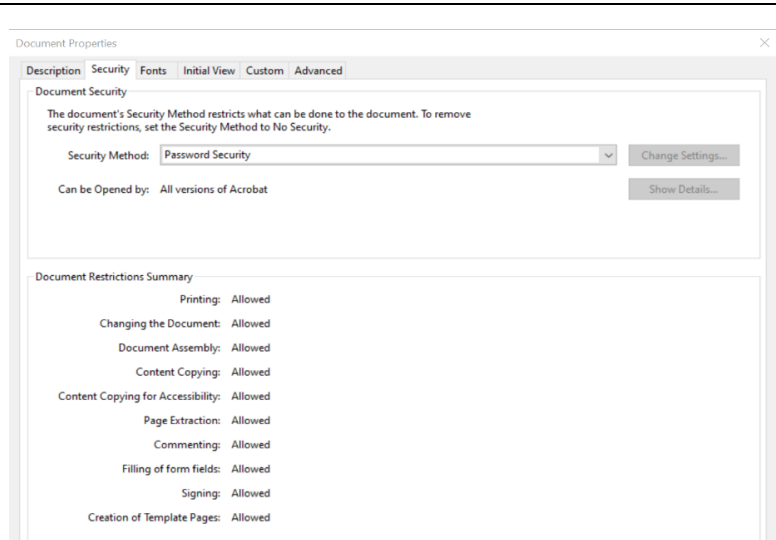


Procedures / Steps on How to Protect a PDF File

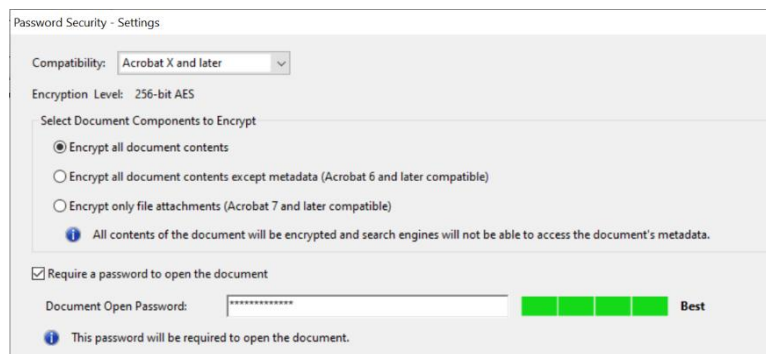
1. Before protecting or putting a password into a PDF file, the user must have an Adobe Acrobat paid version installed or any software that can protect a PDF file.
2. Open the PDF file that needs to be protected. Make sure to open the file to a software that can protect a PDF document. In this example, we used the Adobe Acrobat Pro (Paid Version).
3. Click File > Properties.



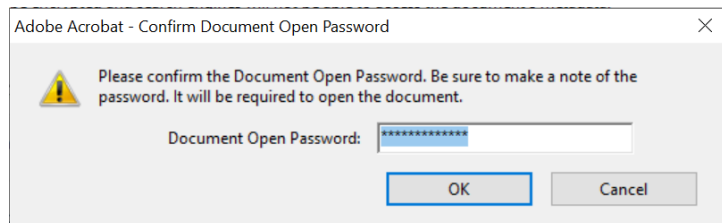
4. Select the Security Tab.
5. In Security Method field, select Password Security.



6. In Password Security settings, select the Acrobat X and Later for the Compatibility field.
7. Tick the checkbox of Require a password to open the document and input the desired password in the password field.
8. Leave all other options to their default values.

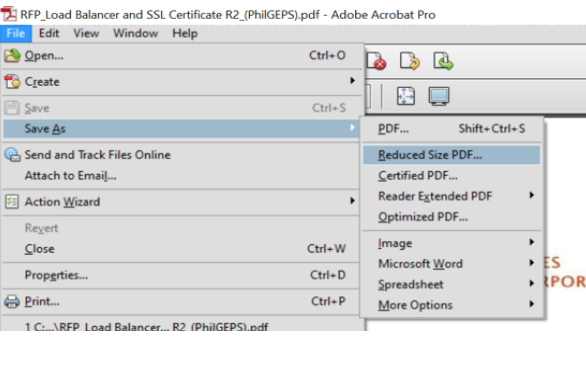
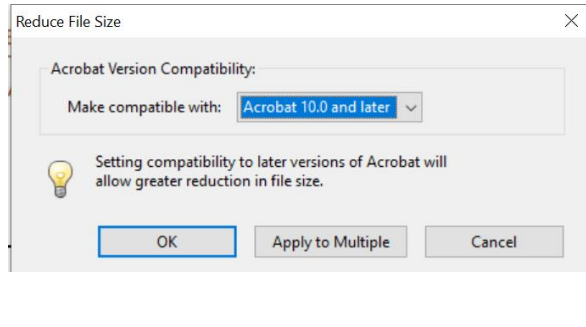
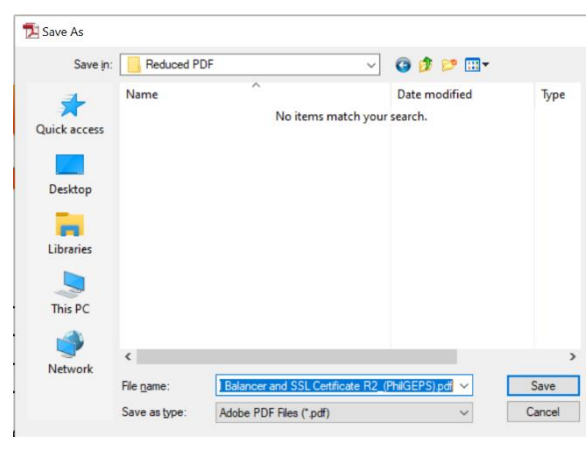


9. Confirm the password and click OK.
10. Save the changes made to the file.



Procedures / Steps on How to Reduce the Size of the PDF File

1. Before reducing the capacity/size of the PDF file, the user must have an Adobe Acrobat paid version installed or any software that can reduce the size of the PDF file.
2. Open the PDF file that needs to reduce the capacity/size. Make sure to open the file to a software that can reduce a PDF document. In this example, we used the Adobe Acrobat Pro (Paid Version).

<p>3. Click the File > Save As > Reduced Size PDF.</p>	
<p>4. In Make compatible with option, select Acrobat 10.0 and later. 5. Click OK to continue.</p>	
<p>6. The Save As window will occur. Select the folder/directory where you want to save the reduced file and enter the name of the file. 7. Compare the original file and the modified file by checking the property size. 8. If successful, the modified file capacity size should be smaller than the original.</p>	

Opening of Bids

1. The BAC shall open the bids immediately after the deadline for submission and receipt of bids, and on the bid opening date.
2. During the bid opening, the BAC will make use of appropriate teleconferencing software wherein all bidders are invited to participate including the observers.
3. Before the decryption of electronic bids, the Bidder shall confirm that what the BAC received and what the BAC is about to open is the same file that the Bidder uploaded.
4. The passwords for accessing the files will be disclosed by the Bidder only during the actual bid opening through videoconferencing, webcasting or similar technology. If the password fails to open the file, the Bidder should be given only three tries until the BAC could declare it to be disqualified.

5. The BAC shall open the first PDF file of the Bidder who submitted bids electronically to determine each Bidder's compliance with the documents required to be submitted for eligibility, that is, legal, technical and financial eligibility documents; and for the technical requirements. For this purpose, the BAC shall check the submitted documents of each Bidder against a checklist of required documents to ascertain if they are all present, using a non-discretionary "pass/fail" criterion. If a Bidder submits the required document, it shall be rated "passed" for that particular requirement. In this regard, bids that fail to include any requirement or are incomplete or patently insufficient shall be considered as "failed". Otherwise, the BAC shall rate the Bidder "passed" in relation to the eligibility and technical documents in the first PDF file.
6. Immediately after determining compliance with the requirements in the first PDF file, the BAC shall open the electronically submitted second PDF file of each eligible Bidder whose first PDF file was rated "passed." The second PDF file of each complying Bidder shall be opened within the same day.
7. The BAC shall thereafter proceed to decrypt the electronic Second PDF file of each On-line Bidders whose electronic first PDF file was rated "passed" to determine each Bidder's compliance with the required financial documents.
8. In case one or more of the requirements in the second PDF file of a particular bid is missing, incomplete or patently insufficient, and/or if the submitted total bid price exceeds the ABC, the BAC shall rate the bid concerned as "failed".
9. Only bids that are determined to contain all the bid requirements for both components shall be rated "passed" and shall immediately be considered for evaluation and comparison.

The BAC shall then:

- a. Record all the financial bids but should not be visible to all participants.
- b. After all the financial bids were recorded, the BAC finally shows the financial bids of all bidders and declare who among the bidders is the lowest bidder.

ANNEX "G"

**CONTRACT
SUBSCRIPTION OF VIDEO CONFERENCING SOFTWARE**

(Project Reference No. 2021-SVP-VCS-053-03)

This CONTRACT is executed on the ____th day of ____ 2021 by and between:

The **POWER SECTOR ASSETS AND LIABILITIES MANAGEMENT CORPORATION (PSALM)**, with principal office address at the 24th Floor, Vertis North Corporate Center 1, Astra corner Lux Drives, North Avenue, Quezon City 1101, represented by its President and CEO, **IRENE JOY BESIDO-GARCIA**, duly authorized for this purpose by virtue of 2020-0226-07, dated 26 February 2020 as evidenced by the Secretary's Certificate dated 01 March 2021, a copy which is attached as Annex "A", hereinafter referred to as "PSALM";

-and-

The _____ (hereinafter referred to as "the SUPPLIER") with principal address at _____, Philippines, represented by its _____, _____, duly authorized for this purpose during a special meeting of the Board of Directors held on _____ as evidenced by its Secretary's Certificate dated _____, a copy of which is attached as Annex "B";

ANTECEDENTS:

PSALM invited Bids for the **Subscription of Video Conferencing Software (Project Reference No. 2021-SVP-VCS-053-03)** with an Approved Budget for the Contract amounting to **ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-ONE THOUSAND PESOS (PHP 121,000.00)**, inclusive of VAT.

Pursuant to such request, the BAC sent out Requests for Proposals (RFP) to at least three suppliers of known qualifications and at the same time, posted its RFP in the Philippine Government Electronic Procurement System (PhilGEPS) and PSALM's website and at conspicuous areas of its premises for three calendar days.

Based on the Abstract of Quotations/Ratings gathered from the quotations and proposals submitted, the BAC recommended "the SUPPLIER" as the one who submitted the Lowest Calculated and Responsive Quotation/Proposal in the sum of _____ (PHP _____) ("Contract Price"), which was approved by PSALM.

ACCORDINGLY, the PARTIES hereby agree as follows:

1. The following documents shall be deemed to form and be read and construed as part of this Contract, viz:
 - (a) Invitation to Submit Proposal;

Signed in the Presence of:

ERNESTO Y. TINAAAN, JR.
TWG Head
PSALM Corporation

SUPPLIER

PSALM Corporation

IRENE JOY BESIDO-GARCIA
President and CEO

- (b) the Supplier's Bid, including the Technical and Financial Proposals, and all other documents/statements submitted, including corrections to the bid resulting from PSALM's bid evaluation;
- (c) the Terms of Reference;
- (d) the Schedule of Requirements;
- (e) the Certificate of Effectivity;
- (f) the BAC Resolution No. SBAC-2021-0__;
- (g) the Notice of Award;
- (h) the Notice to Proceed; and
- (i) the Office of the Government Corporate Counsel (OGCC) Contract Review No. ____, series of 2021 dated _____;

2. All words and expressions shall have the same meaning as are respectively assigned to them in this CONTRACT and all documents deemed part of it, unless the context of the use of the words and expressions require otherwise.

3. In consideration of the payments to be made by PSALM to the Supplier as hereinafter mentioned, the Supplier hereby covenants with PSALM to provide the goods and services and to remedy defects therein in conformity in all respects with the provisions of the Contract.

4. PSALM hereby covenants to pay the Supplier in consideration of the provision of the goods and services and the remedying of defects therein, the Contract Price or such other sum as may become payable under the provisions of the contract at the time and in the manner prescribed by this contract.

5. This Contract shall be subject to the review and approval of the Office of the Government Corporate Counsel. Any of its ensuing comments, recommendations, or directives shall form part of this Contract.

The Parties have signed this Contract on _____ 2021 at Quezon City.

Signed, sealed, and delivered by Irene Joy Besido-Garcia, the President and CEO of PSALM.

IRENE JOY BESIDO-GARCIA

Signed, sealed, and delivered by _____, the Authorized Representative of _____.

(SUPPLIER)

Witnessed by

ERNESTO Y. TINAAAN, JR.
TWG Head
PSALM Corporation

Certification of Funds Availability:

SOFE A. SOTERAÑA
Department Manager, Controllership
PSALM Corporation

Republic of the Philippines)
_____) S.S

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

BEFORE ME, a Notary Public, for and in _____, Philippines, this ___ day of _____, personally appeared the following:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Competent Evidence of Identity</u>	<u>Date of Issue or Expiry Date</u>	<u>Place of Issue</u>
Irene Joy Besido-Garcia			

They are both known to me to be the same persons who signed the foregoing document and acknowledged to me that their signatures prove their free acts and the entity/ies they represent.

SIGNED and SEALED on _____ in _____

NOTARY PUBLIC

Doc. No. ____;
Page No. ____;
Book No. ____;
Series of 2021.

Signed in the Presence of:

ERNESTO Y. TINAAN, JR.
TWG Head
PSALM Corporation

SUPPLIER

PSALM Corporation
IRENE JOY BESIDO-GARCIA
President and CEO