



Republic of the Philippines
ANTI-MONEY LAUNDERING COUNCIL

BIDS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE

BID BULLETIN NO. 1

Project Title : PR25-026: One Lot of Internet Subscription Services

Date : 26 June 2025

In its meeting held on 17 June 2025, and pursuant to the emails received from prospective bidders on 19 and 20 June 2025, the Bids and Awards Committee resolved to issue this Bid Bulletin to clarify the issues(s) raised.

ISSUE/S	CLARIFICATION/AMENDMENT
<u>Issue No. 1</u> The prospective bidders requested instructions regarding the details of the prerequisites for the site inspection activity.	<u>Clarification No. 1</u> For the request of site inspection, the prospective bidders are requested to send an email to itsupport@amlc.gov.ph at least two (2) working days before the intended visit date. The email should include the company name, the proposed date/s of visit to the AMLC Offices (Manila and Quezon City), and a list of personnel for entry permit purposes.
<u>Issue No. 2</u> <u>Section II. Instructions to Bidders</u> <u>15. Sealing and Marking of Bids</u> The prospective bidder seeks confirmation on the required number of copies of the bid kit to be submitted. The bidder would like to confirm if three (3) copies are required.	<u>Clarification No. 2</u> Section 54.1, Rule VIII of the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of Republic Act. No. 12009, otherwise known as the <i>New Government Procurement Act</i> stipulates: Section 54. Submission and Receipt of Bids 54.1 Bidders shall submit their bids through their respective duly authorized representatives using the forms specified in the Bidding Documents <u>in two (2) separate sealed</u>

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	<p><u>envelopes, x-x-x-x The first shall contain the technical component of the bid, including the eligibility requirements under Section 52 of this IRR, and the second shall contain the financial component of the bid.</u></p> <p>Meanwhile, Item 15, Section II (<i>Instructions to Bidders</i>) of the Bidding Documents (Page 13) provides:</p> <p>15. Sealing and Marking of Bids</p> <p>Each Bidder shall submit <u>one copy</u> of the first and second components of its Bid.</p> <p><u>The Procuring Entity may request additional hard copies and/or electronic copies of the Bid. However, failure of the Bidders to comply with the said request shall not be a ground for disqualification.</u></p> <p>Interpreting the first paragraph of Item 15 of the ITB, each Bidder shall submit one copy of the first and second components of the Bid, <i>in addition to the original</i>, i.e., each Bidder is required to submit two (2) identical sets of the Bidding Documents, with each set containing the first and second components. The first set shall be labeled "ORIGINAL", while the second set shall be labeled "COPY NO. 1".</p>
<p><u>Issue No. 3</u></p> <p><u>Section III. Bid Data Sheet</u> <u>ITB Clause 7, 7.2 and 7.4</u></p> <p>The prospective bidder informed that the build recommendation for 2/F EDC Building requires deployment of</p>	<p><u>Clarification No. 3</u></p> <p>Subcontracting is allowed. Refer to Section III. Bid Data Sheet ITB Clause 7, 7.2 and 7.4, Page 15 of the Bidding Documents.</p>

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Fiber Optic Cable (FOC) contractors, which requires a subcontractor.	
<u>Issue No. 4</u> <u>Section V. Special Conditions of Contract</u> The prospective bidder seeks clarification and provides information on the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. GCC Clause Item 1 (Service Level Agreement of Internet Subscription) No. 9 . Network Outage Computation, Penalties and Rebates - The rebate computation does not align with the standard rebate structure for iGATE circuits with a 99.6% SLA.b. GCC Clause Item 1.9 - The proposed solution will be implemented via Fiber Optic Cable (FOC), and the corresponding parallel deployment will require a special build, which may entail variable costs, including the provision of necessary ancillary components.c. GCC Clause Item 9.2. - Expectation for this item. While Metro E is a dedicated point-to-point system, I-Gate is a public domain.	<u>Clarification No. 4</u> The ETMG-ITSS clarifies the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. The AMLC's rebate computation for internet services is based on the GCC Clause Item 1 - Service Level Agreement (SLA), which outlines the required service standards to ensure the service provider meets expectations for reliability and performance, especially in AMLC where data integrity and security are critical.b. If the Service provider fails to meet agreed-upon availability or response times, a rebate is issued, typically as a percentage of the monthly fee. The computation is tied to the duration of downtime or delayed incident resolution, ensuring the service provider is held accountable for maintaining reliability and compliance with regulatory standards.c. This provision ensures the AMLC's continuous internet service subscription in the event of office relocation, at no additional cost to the AMLC. Furthermore, it aims to facilitate a seamless transition while maintaining uninterrupted communication and data flow during the relocation process.d. The protection of data pertains to the AMLC External network such as /27 Public IPs, and Monitoring systems that are accessible over the AMLC network.
<u>Issue No. 5</u>	<u>Clarification No. 5</u>

<p><u>Section VI. Schedule of Requirements</u></p> <p>The prospective bidder seeks clarification on the following:</p> <p>a. Item 4, 8 and 11 - The scope of the term “necessary hardware, software, materials, and other components and “other peripherals” and the demarcation of responsibilities between the ISP and the AMLC with regard to the required deliverables and infrastructure.</p> <p>b. Item 6 –</p> <p> b.1. Whether the requirement implies granting administrative access to the service provider's routers. Considering that the routers are provided by the ISP, the bidder respectfully requests that this requirement be relaxed, allowing the ISP to retain administrative rights, while read-only access is granted to ITSS-AMLC.</p> <p> b.2. Whether the AMLC is amenable to the bidder’s CPE Waiver.</p> <p>c. Item 14 - The phrase "information obtained from AMLC." Specifically, the bidder would like to know whether this refers to the physical office location or to data transmitted via Internet Service Provider (ISP) connectivity. Furthermore, the bidder inquires if this would necessitate the submission of a Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA) on the part of the ISP.</p> <p>d. Delivery and Implementation Period - Extension of the project implementation period.</p>	<p>The ETMG-ITSS clarifies the following:</p> <p>a. The Service Provider shall be responsible for providing all hardware, software, materials, and other components necessary to deliver and activate the internet subscription service. This includes, but is not limited to, the provision of service entrance, router, fiber or copper cables, conduits, and any other components required to establish a complete and functional internet connection to the AMLC’s network. This clause is not intended to be open-ended or to introduce uncertainty. Rather, it ensures that the proposed solution is complete and operational upon delivery, without the need for AMLC to procure additional components separately.</p> <p>b.1. The Service Provider shall provide access only to the administration accounts for the Multi Router Traffic Grapher (MRTG) system.</p> <p>b.2. The Service Provider shall maintain full responsibility for configuring and managing the router utilized in delivering internet services. Consequently, the AMLC shall not be obligated to comply with the CPE Waiver.</p> <p>c. The Service Provider shall provide all hardware, software, and termination requirements for the upgrade, but not limited to the provision of service entrance, router, fiber/copper cable, conduits, etc. The ETMG-ITSS shall provide in-house wiring from the service provider’s</p>
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	<p>managed router to the AMLC device.</p> <p>d. The information obtained from AMLC pertains to any data, discussion, documents, materials, project manuals, software (applications and platforms used), hardware and solutions used, and/or any other information that would compromise the confidentiality and security of AMLC information and the reputation of the AMLC. This information is treated with utmost confidentiality to protect the integrity of the financial system and prevent misuse. The Service provider must sign and conform to the Non-Disclosure Agreement of the AMLC. (Refer to attached Annex A (Non-Disclosure Agreement for Service Providers)</p> <p>e. Refer to Amendment No. 1, 2 and 4. It is crucial to complete the supply, delivery, installation, configuration, and testing of the internet service within 75 calendar days from the Notice to Proceed, but not later than 30 October 2025, as AMLC's existing internet service is set to expire on this date. Furthermore, the winning bidder shall provide an internet subscription service for one year (12 months), covering the period from 01 November 2025 to 30 October 2026.</p>
<p><u>Issue No. 6</u></p> <p><u>Section VII. Technical Specifications</u></p> <p>The prospective bidder seeks clarification on the following:</p> <p>a. Item B.1 and B.3 - Whether a website link from an international organization would</p>	<p><u>Clarification No. 6</u></p> <p>The ETMG-ITSS clarifies the following:</p> <p>a. A website link may provide supplementary information, but it will not be sufficient on its own unless it directly verifies the</p>

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<p>be considered acceptable for meeting the requirement.</p> <p>b. How will the completion of the upgrade beyond July impact on the contract terms, particularly regarding settlement?</p> <p>c. What routing protocol does the AMLC intend to use for this project? Static/default routing only? or an advanced routing protocol like BGP?</p> <p>d. For leased line subscription, what is the expected interface handover?</p> <p>e. Item B. 7 - Monitoring tools are available for the I-gate circuit through MRTG access, but not for the Metro Eline service.</p> <p>f. Item B. 9 – Timeline for the submission of the documents listed under this item.</p> <p>g. Item C.1</p> <p>g.1. Whether self-certification will be accepted as sufficient proof for compliance with this item. If not, the prospective bidder requests a sample of the required document and guidance on where or how it can be obtained.</p> <p>g.2. Whether each site has an existing SEF with the appropriate capacity to support the installation of 8-24 core Fiber Optic Cables (FOC) and capable of accommodating a secondary Fiber Optic Cable (FOC).</p> <p>h. Item C.3 - Could clarification be provided regarding the necessity of testing connectivity during the ocular inspection?</p>	<p>required Tier 1 backbone direct connections and guarantees the necessary service level. The updated Proof of Peering/Certification must be an official document or certification from the relevant Tier 1 service providers or a third-party authority, which directly confirms the Tier 1 connection and premium access.</p> <p>b. The AMLC's existing internet service will expire on 30 October 2025. Therefore, the supply, delivery, installation, configuration, and testing of the internet service must be completed within seventy-five (75) calendar days from the issuance of the Notice to Proceed, but in any case, not later than 30 October 2025. Completion beyond this date may affect contractual obligations, including service continuity and settlement terms to the existing service provider.</p> <p>c. For security purposes, the routing protocol to be used will be determined based on the site survey results.</p> <p>d. The interface handover for the leased line subscription will be defined following a thorough assessment during the site survey.</p> <p>e. The Service Provider is required to provide MRTG access for Direct Internet Access and Transport – Leased Line connections to enable continuous monitoring of network performance and ensure compliance with agreed-upon Service Level Agreements (SLAs).</p> <p>f. The documents listed under Item B.9 must be submitted at the time of bid submission. These documents are essential for the AMLC to effectively evaluate the proposed solution and to ensure that the Solution Provider's offer is</p>
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	<p>well-planned and compliant with AMLC's technical and operational requirements.</p> <p>g. 1. Self-certification shall be accepted, if it is supported by appropriate documentation, such as a past or ongoing Dedicated Internet Access and Transport - Leased Line connection contract with the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) or any government agency residing in the EDPC Bldg. located at BSP Complex Manila Office. The existing Service Entrance Facilities and/or FOC terminations in the EDPC Building must be utilized. The establishment of new Service Entrance Facilities and/or FOC terminations will not be accepted.</p> <p>g. 2. The AMLC Office in Manila and Quezon City site's existing SEF will be assessed to confirm its capacity to support the installation of 8-24 core Fiber Optic Cables (FOC) and to accommodate a secondary FOC. This will be validated through a comprehensive site survey.</p> <p>h. No testing of connectivity is required during the ocular inspection. The bidder is required to conduct an on-site inspection and will provide an internet service solution based on their assessment, which will serve as the baseline for the project. The baseline shall not fall below the technical requirements as stated in Section VII. Technical Specification.</p>
<p><u>Issue No. 7</u></p> <p><u>Section VIII. Checklist of Technical and Financial Documents</u></p> <p>The prospective bidder respectfully submits this clarification to present the structure of its Secretary's Certificate, which identifies two distinct roles: an</p>	<p><u>Clarification No. 7</u></p> <p>Relative to the clarification submitted by the prospective bidder on the structure of their Secretary Certificate, wherein there is an Authorized</p>

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<p>Authorized Representative, who is authorized to sign all bid-related documents, and an Authorized Signatory, who is designated to sign all ensuing contracts.</p> <p>Attached is a cover sheet that outlines the distinction between these roles and provides a clear explanation as to why the Authorized Signatory is required to sign the Omnibus Sworn Statement (OSS). This is submitted to aid in the proper evaluation and understanding of the bidder's documentation.</p>	<p>Representative, who has the authority to sign all bid related documents, and an Authorized Signatory, who, on the other hand, has the authority to sign all ensuing contracts, we advise that the prospective bidder should ensure that there is a clear distinction in the scope of authority between the Authorized Representative and Authorized Signatory as stated in their Secretary Certificate.</p>
<p><u>Issue No. 8</u></p> <p><u>Invitation to Bid</u></p> <p>2. The AMLC now invites bids for the above Procurement Project. The supply, delivery, installation, configuration, and testing are required within sixty (60) calendar days from receipt of the Notice to Proceed.</p>	<p><u>Amendment No. 1</u></p> <p>2. The AMLC now invites bids for the above Procurement Project. The supply, delivery, installation, configuration, and testing are required within 75 calendar days from the Notice to Proceed, but not later than 30 October 2025.</p>
<p><u>Issue No. 9</u></p> <p><u>Section V. Special Conditions of Contract</u> <u>GCC Clause No 2.2</u></p> <p>Completion Criteria</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • After a monthly billing cycle for 12 months • Issuance by the AMLC of Certificate of Completion of Services Rendered 	<p><u>Amendment No. 2</u></p> <p>Completion Criteria</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • After submission of the monthly reports. • After a monthly billing cycle for 12 months • Issuance by the AMLC of Certificate of Completion of Services Rendered
<p><u>Issue No. 10</u></p> <p><u>Section VI. Schedule of Requirements</u></p> <p>Delivered, Weeks/Months</p> <p>Supply, delivery, installation, configuration, and testing are required</p>	<p><u>Amendment No. 3</u></p> <p>Delivered, Weeks/Months</p> <p>The supply, delivery, installation, configuration, and testing are</p>

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within sixty (60) calendar days from receipt of the Notice to Proceed.	required within 75 calendar days from the Notice to Proceed.
<u>Issue No. 11</u> <u>Section VI. Schedule of Requirements</u> Item 14. Inclusion of Annex A (Non-Disclosure Agreement for Service Providers) under Section VI. Schedule of Requirements	<u>Amendment No. 4</u> Refer to the attached Annex A (Non-Disclosure Agreement for Service Providers) under Section VI. Schedule of Requirements
<u>Issue No. 12</u> <u>Section VI. Schedule of Requirements</u> Inclusion of Item C requirement	<u>Amendment No. 5</u> C. The Service Provider is required to submit a monthly technical report in accordance with the schedule agreed upon with ETMG-ITSS, which shall include, but is not limited to, the following items: <ul style="list-style-type: none">c.1. Monthly Summary Report of Downtime for DIA Manila, DIA QC and Transport – Leased Line ; andc.2. Acknowledgement and submission of the monthly Computation of Penalty
<u>Issue No. 13</u> <u>Section VII. Technical Specifications</u> A. The Service Provider shall be responsible for the supply, delivery, installation, configuration, and testing of the Internet Subscription within sixty (60) calendar days from the receipt of the Notice to Proceed. Additionally, the Service Provider shall provide an Internet subscription service for one year (12 months), covering the period from 01 November 2025 to 30 October 2026.	<u>Amendment No. 6</u> A. The Service Provider shall be responsible for the supply, delivery, installation, configuration, and testing within 75 calendar days from the Notice to Proceed, but not later than 30 October 2025. Additionally, the Service Provider shall provide an Internet subscription service for one year (12 months), covering the period from 01 November 2025 to 30 October 2026.

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<p><u>Issue No. 14</u></p> <p><u>Section VII. Technical Specifications</u></p> <p>B.5 Last Mile Connection must be Fiber Optic dedicated leased line with Ethernet termination (RJ-45).</p>	<p><u>Amendment No. 7</u></p> <p>B.5 Last Mile Connection must be Fiber Optic dedicated leased line with Ethernet termination (RJ-45). Must have two independent Ethernet ports (often from separate routers or redundant interfaces) to support High Availability—this ensures failover in case one link or device fails.</p>

This Bid Bulletin and its annex shall form an integral part of the Bid Documents.


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CONFIDENTIALITY UNDERTAKING

The [Service Provider], duly represented by its [Position], [Name], with office address at [address] (Service Provider), agree to enter into this Confidentiality Undertaking with the Anti-Money Laundering Council (AMLC).

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, Rule 5, Section 1.3.1, of the 2018 Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR), in relation to Section 8-A of Republic Act No. 9160, otherwise known as the Anti-Money Laundering Act of 2001, as amended (AMLA), states that the Council and the officers and staff of the Anti-Money Laundering Council (AMLC) shall securely protect all information it receives or processes.

WHEREAS, the AMLC, incidental to the performance of its functions, needs to transact with non-AMLC personnel, including provision for access in the AMLC premises, for authorized representatives of domestic and foreign competent authorities and covered persons, janitorial and maintenance personnel, suppliers and service providers, and contractual and job order personnel, among others.

WHEREAS, Rule 5, Section 1.3.2, of the 2018 IRR, in relation to Section 8-A of the AMLA, authorizes the AMLC to formulate and adopt measures to ensure security and confidentiality of AMLC information, including procedures for the protection of and access to such information, office premises, records and information technology systems.

WHEREAS, Section 1.3 of the AMLC Document Security Protocol defines "Confidential Information" as information and matter the unauthorized disclosure of which, while not endangering the national security, would be prejudicial to the interest or prestige of the nation or any government activity, or would cause administrative embarrassment or unwarranted injury to an individual or would be of advantage to a foreign nation, such as (a) confidential operations of the AMLC in the exercise of its duties, (b) official data gathered from covered persons, law enforcement agencies, (c) routine intelligence reports, (d) covered and suspicious transaction reports, (e) requests from the Egmont Secure Web (ESW); (f) technical matters which has a distinct military value, and (g) certain personnel records; and (h) investigations and documents of a personal and disciplinary nature.

WHEREAS, Section 14(f) of the AMLA authorizes the AMLC to impose administrative sanctions in amounts not exceeding Five Hundred Thousand Philippine Pesos (P500,000.00) per violation of the AMLA, its implementing rules and regulations, and other AMLC issuances.

NOW THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the foregoing premises, the undersigned undertakes the following:

1. Not to disclose any data, discussion, documents, materials, project manuals, software (applications and platforms used), hardware and

solutions used, and/or any other information that would compromise the confidentiality and security of AMLC information and the reputation of the AMLC;

2. Not to use, reproduce, or transfer any of the confidential information of the AMLC, unless otherwise authorized;
3. Not to copy or reverse engineer any of the confidential information;
4. Solely and exclusively use the confidential information in accordance with the terms of the project or purpose of the transaction in order to carry out its functions and/ or business activities for the completion of the said project or transaction;
5. Maintain in strict confidentiality any information received or processed from the AMLC even after the completion of the project or transaction; and,
6. Surrender to the AMLC, upon termination of the project or transaction, all confidential information obtained in the course of the performance of undersigned's functions and/or business activities.

FURTHER, the Service Provider agrees that violation of the foregoing undertaking shall be grounds for the AMLC to seek the appropriate and legal remedies.

FINALLY, the Service Provider fully understands that any violation of this Confidentiality Undertaking shall subject them to sanctions in accordance with existing laws and regulations.

In witness hereof, the Service Provider hereunto executes this Confidentiality Undertaking on _____ at _____.

[Name]
[Position]

For:

[Service Provider]

Republic of the Philippines)
City of _____) S.S.

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this _____ at _____.
Affiant presented his/her _____ as competent proof of identity, issued on
_____ at _____.

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BIDS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE

BID BULLETIN NO. 2

Project Title : PR25-026: One Lot of Internet Subscription Services

Date : 27 June 2025

In light of recent developments, the Bids and Awards Committee resolved to issue this Bid Bulletin to inform prospective bidders of the following amendments to the Bid Documents, particularly:

ISSUE/S	AMENDMENT
<u>Issue No. 1</u> <u>Invitation to Bid</u> 7. Bids must be duly received by the BAC Secretariat through manual submission at the office address indicated below on or before 01 July 2025, 9:00AM . Late bids shall not be accepted. [...] 9. Bid opening shall be on 01 July 2025, 10:00AM at AMLC Conference Room, Room 507, 5/F, EDPC Building, BSP Complex, A. Mabini Street, Malate, Manila and/or through video conferencing or webcasting via Zoom. Bids will be opened in the presence of the bidders' representatives who choose to attend the activity.	<u>Amendment No. 1</u> 7. Bids must be duly received by the BAC Secretariat through manual submission at the office address indicated below on or before 08 July 2025, 9:00AM . Late bids shall not be accepted. [...] 9. Bid opening shall be on 08 July 2025, 10:00AM at AMLC Conference Room, Room 507, 5/F, EDPC Building, BSP Complex, A. Mabini Street, Malate, Manila and/or through video conferencing or webcasting via Zoom. Bids will be opened in the presence of the bidders' representatives who choose to attend the activity.

This Bid Bulletin shall form an integral part of the Bid Documents.


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