



Republic of the Philippines  
**DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**  
**NATIONAL TOBACCO ADMINISTRATION**

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**INVITATION TO BID**  
**RELOCATION, ANNUAL PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE AND**  
**REPLACEMENT OF DEFECTIVE PARTS OF ONE (1) UNIT SMOKING**  
**MACHINE (SM 450)**  
**(PB 2017-09)**

1. The *NATIONAL TOBACCO ADMINISTRATION (NTA)*, through the *2017 Corporate Operating Budget* intends to apply the sum of **PhP3,220,100.00** being the Approved Budget for the Contract (ABC) to payments under the contract for the project: **“Relocation, Annual Preventive Maintenance and Replacement of Defective Parts of One (1) Unit Smoking Machine (SM 450).** Bids received in excess of the ABC shall be automatically rejected at bid opening.
2. The NTA now invites bids for the supply, delivery, relocation/ installation and maintenance of one unit Smoking Machine (SM 450). Delivery of the Goods is required for a period of **fifteen (15) days**. Bidders should have completed, within a period of five (5) years, from the date of submission and receipt of bids, a contract similar to the Project. The description of an eligible bidder is contained in the Bidding Documents, particularly, in Section II. Instructions to Bidders.
3. Bidding will be conducted through open competitive bidding procedures using a non-discretionary “pass/fail” criterion as specified in the 2016 Revised Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of Republic Act (RA) 9184, otherwise known as the “Government Procurement Reform Act”.
  - (i) Bidding is restricted to Filipino citizens/sole proprietorships, partnerships, or organizations with at least sixty percent (60%) interest or outstanding capital stock belonging to citizens of the Philippines, and to citizens or organizations of a country the laws or regulations of which grant similar rights or privileges to Filipino citizens, pursuant to RA 5183.
  - (ii) Bidding is open to all interested bidders, whether local or foreign, subject to the conditions for eligibility provided in the IRR of RA 9184.
4. Interested bidders may obtain further information from NTA and inspect the Bidding Documents at the address given below during 8:00 am to 5:00 pm.
5. A complete set of Bidding Documents may be acquired by interested Bidders beginning on **September 29, 2017 to October 19, 2017**, from the address below; *and upon payment of the bidding fees for the Bidding Documents, pursuant to the latest Guidelines issued by the GPPB, in the amount of PhP5,000.00*

It may also be downloaded free of charge from the website of the Philippine Government Electronic Procurement System (PhilGEPS) and the website of the

Procuring Entity, provided that Bidders shall pay the applicable fee for the Bidding Documents not later than the submission of their bids.

6. The NTA will hold a Pre-Bid Conference on **06 October 2017**, at **10:00 a.m.**, at 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Training Room, NTA Building, cor. Scout Reyes Street and Panay Avenue, Quezon City., which shall be open to prospective bidders.
7. Bids must be duly received by the BAC Secretariat at the address below on or before **19 October 2017**. All Bids must be accompanied by a bid security in any of the acceptable forms and in the amount stated in **ITB Clause 18**.

Bid opening shall be on **19 October 2017, at 10:00 a.m.**, at 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Training Room, NTA Building, cor. Scout Reyes Street and Panay Avenue, Quezon City. Bids will be opened in the presence of the bidders' representatives who choose to attend at the address below. Late bids shall not be accepted.

8. The NTA reserves the right to reject any and all bids, declare a failure of bidding, or not award the contract at any time prior to contract award in accordance with Section 41 of RA 9184 and its IRR, without thereby incurring any liability to the affected bidder or bidders.
9. For further information, please refer to:

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