TERMS AND CONDITIONS

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PhilGEPS Buyer Agreement Terms and Conditions

To use the Philippine Government Electronic Procurement System (PhilGEPS) as a Buyer, you must agree to the following Terms and Conditions. By submitting your registration information manually, you indicate that you agree to the Terms and Conditions and have read and understood all the provisions included. Your submission of this form will constitute your consent to the collection and use of this information for processing and storage by the Procurement Service – Department of Budget and Management (PS-DBM). You also agree to receive required administrative and legal notices such as this electronically.

1. **Definitions**

- 1. "Attachments" refer to Bidding Documents, Bid Supplements and other documents in electronic form that contains bid information for a Supplier to prepare and submit a proposal to a government agency for an intended procurement.
- "Information" means all of the information, software and other materials provided in connection with or available through the Philippine Government Electronic Procurement System, including the procurement information, Bid Notices and Supporting Documents that government agencies distribute through the Government Electronic Procurement System.
- 3. "Philippine Government Electronic Procurement System or PhilGEPS" means the electronic commerce service owned and operated by Procurement Service Department of Budget and Management (PS-DBM), which serves as the central portal for all procurement information and activities of the Government of the Philippines. The PhilGEPS supports the distribution of this information about the procurement requirement for goods and general support services, civil works or infrastructure projects and consulting services.
- 4. "Bid Notice" means a summary in paper or electronic form of the information relating to an intended procurement.
- 5. "Government Agency" means the Government of the Philippines or any of the various units of the Government, including a department, bureau, office, instrumentality, or government- owned or controlled corporations, or a local government or a distinct unit therein, which has licensed PS-DBM to advertise and distribute its procurement information.
- 6. "Merchant" means an individual or entity that can download the bidding documents or other supporting documents attached to Bid Notice published by the Agencies and is registered with the Government Electronic Procurement System.

2. Ownership and Use of Information

1. We acknowledge that any Information that is posted through the Philippine Government Electronic Procurement System is owned either by the government agency that issued the Information or by PS-DBM. We also agree that PhilGEPS may use, store, copy, or reproduce the Information, or distribute or disclose it to any third party as it may deem necessary. We also agree that PhilGEPS may sell to any third party or make available for purpose of resale to any third party, any Information contained therein without the prior written consent of the Buyer or Agency.

3. Confidentiality and Security

- We acknowledge that PS-DBM cannot ensure the privacy and authenticity of any information that we send or receive through the Internet, and we agree that PS-DBM will not be responsible for any damage/s that we incur if we communicate confidential information to PS-DBM over the Internet, or if PS-DBM communicates such information to us at our request.
- 2. We agree not to disclose our Philippine Government Electronic Procurement System password to any third party. We agree that we are solely responsible for all use of our password and we agree to put reasonable security procedures in place regarding its use and to notify PS-DBM immediately of any unauthorized use.
- 3. We acknowledge that links to other websites through the Philippine Government Electronic Procurement System do not imply any endorsement or approval by PS-DBM.

4. Use of Internet

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5. Consent - Use of Name

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6. Change of Address

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7. Changes to Service and Agreement

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8. Termination

1. We acknowledge that PS-DBM may terminate this Agreement with us and suspend our use of the Philippine Government Electronic Procurement System at any time and for reasons such as but not limited to the following:

- 1. Organization Access
 - i. Data Clean-up
- 2. User Access
 - i. Termination of Employment;
 - ii. No longer connected/Transfer to another organization;
 - iii. Data Clean-up

A written request for the cancellation of account/access to include reason, account details and other relevant information;

- 2 We may terminate this Agreement as of the last day of any month by giving PS-DBM at least thirty (30) days prior written notice.
- 3. On termination, we will return any Information provided to us on reasonable request by PS- DBM.

9. Liability

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- 2 We acknowledge that PS-DBM and its officers, directors, employees, agents and subcontractors will not, under any circumstances, be liable to us for damages, including direct, indirect, special or consequential damages, even if PS-DBM has been advised of or could have foreseen such damages, arising out of our use of or reliance on the Philippine Government Electronic Procurement System. For greater certainty, such damages shall include, without limitation, damages in respect of loss of profit, loss of business revenue, failure to realize any expected savings, and any claim made against us by a third party.
- 3. We agree that we will indemnify and hold harmless PS-DBM and its officers, directors, employees, agents and subcontractors for any loss, damage, cost, expense, liability or claim suffered or incurred by, or made against PS-DBM arising out of our breach of this Agreement, or our fraud, misrepresentation, negligence or willful misconduct in our performance or non-performance under this Agreement, but our liability in any one year under this Agreement will be limited to the value of the charges incurred by us for the Philippine Government Electronic Procurement System in the twelve (12) months preceding PS-DBM's claim or demand against us.

10. Laws of Application

1. We agree that this Agreement will be governed by the laws of the Government of the Philippines.

11. Assignment

1. We agree that PS-DBM may assign this Agreement, in whole or in part, without our consent, and we may not assign this Agreement in whole or in part.

12. Prior Agreements

1. We agree that this Buyer Agreement supersedes any prior versions of the Buyer Agreement governing the Philippine Government Electronic Procurement System.

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- 7. "Event Management" refers to a collection of Bid Opportunities for Invitation to Bid, My Opportunities, My Awards, and Bid Match.

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3. Confidentiality and Security

- 1. We acknowledge that PS-DBM collects and process, among others, the following information for lawful purposes only, connected with the conduct of government procurement activities as provided under Republic Act No. 9184 and its related Implementing Rules and Regulations, and in accordance with relevant existing laws and regulations such as Republic Act No. 10173, or the Data Privacy Act of 2012:
 - Company profile, including name, address, business license, permits and other relevant documents;
 - Contact details and other personal information that may be necessary;
 - Financial information contained in the Tax Clearance and Audited Financial Statements such as, but not limited to, tax identification number, assets, liabilities, income, expenses, balances, investments, tax, etc.; and
 - Specimen signature

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